

Rose is going to national spelling bee!

By Dawn Timbs
Staples World reporter

Out of 11 million hopeful spellers from classrooms across the United States, only 291 will be competing at the Scripps National Spelling Bee in Washington D.C. next week. Rose Han of Staples, 13, is one of them.

It's a dream come true for Rose, an eighth grader at Staples-Motley High School, who has been competing in spelling bees at the district and regional levels for the past four years.

Starting in fifth grade, Rose won at the district level spelling bee each year, qualifying to compete at the regional bees. She took third place at the regional bee as a fifth grader; eighth place in sixth grade; and second place in seventh grade.

However, only the first

place winner from regionals qualifies to compete at the National Spelling Bee, something Rose has aspired to since she was 10 years old.

This year, that dream became reality after Rose was named co-champion of the Lakes Bee, the Region 5 spelling bee sponsored by National Joint Powers Alliance. It's a title she shares with Meryl Tigenoah, an eighth-grader from Forestview Middle School in Baxter.

She's very excited for this opportunity, Rose said recently at a surprise party held in her honor at Faith Lutheran Church in Staples. "This will be the first time I've ever been on an airplane," she added.

Rose and her mother, Kathryn Edwards, will be flying into Washington D.C. on May 28, for the start of the 90th Annual Scripps National Spelling Bee which runs through June



The Scripps Bee stops by

Thirteen-year-old Rose Han of Staples gets a hug from the Scripps Bee (aka Cheryl Koll of Motley) at her recent surprise party held at Faith Lutheran Church in Staples. Han will compete at the Scripps National Spelling Bee in Washington, D.C., May 28 - June 2. (Staples World photo by Dawn Timbs)

2. Their trip is fully sponsored by NJPA.

The National Spelling Bee will be held at the Gaylord National Resort & Convention Center in National Harbor, Maryland.

Following a Memorial Day BBQ and an opening ceremony, the spellers will take a written "Preliminaries Test" on May 30. This will be followed by the preliminary spelling bee round on May 31; and the 2017 Scripps National Spelling Bee Finals on June 1, both of which will be broadcast live on ESPN.

Based on the combination of their preliminaries test scores and the points gained for spelling correctly onstage, approximately 50 spellers will qualify for the finals. Rose is speller #119.

One of her goals is to make it to the final round on June 1. The other goal, Rose said, is to "not cry on National TV."

Broadcast times

The broadcast times for the 2017 Scripps National Spelling Bee are as follows:

- Wednesday, May 31, 8 a.m. - 6 p.m., EDT, spelling bee preliminaries. Live on ESPN3.
- Thursday, June 1, 10 a.m., EDT, spelling bee finals. Live on ESPN2.
- Thursday, June 1, 8 p.m., spelling bee finals. Live on ESPN.

Rose's family has been watching the Scripps National Spelling Bee on television for many years. It's become an annual tradition.

Because they don't have the ability to watch TV at their own home, they have tuned in to the spelling bee wherever possible.

"When the kids were younger, we'd watch it at my mom's house," Kathryn shared. She went on to say that after her mother

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Friday Night Lights to stay on at SMHS

By Brenda Halvorson
General Manager

The Friday Night Lights will remain on at Staples-Motley High School after action taken at the school board's meeting May 22. About 80 people attended the meeting.

The board voted 4-2 to approve the 2017-18 head

football coaching contract for Travis VanOverbeke. Board chair Mary Freeman and board members Chad Longbella, Bruce Lund and Bryan Winkels voted in favor of the motion. Board members Greg Frisk and Dave Hoemberg voted no.

This was not the first time the board voted on this contract. At their April 17

meeting the motion failed 3-3 with Longbella joining Frisk and Hoemberg with the no vote.

At a special meeting April 25, the resignations of five assistant football coaches were accepted 4-2 with Frisk and Longbella the only opposing votes. The coaches' resignaton

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Flying high with the flag

Staples-Motley pole vaulter Max Giza, flies past the American flag on his way to a conference championship, May 16, at the Staples-Motley track field. For more results and photos see page 1b and 4b. (Staples World photo by Mark Anderson)

Hello, Readers,
Memorial Day is a federal holiday in the United States for remembering the people who died while serving in the country's armed forces. The holiday, which is currently observed every year on the last Monday of May, originated as Decoration Day after the American Civil War in 1868, when the Grand Army of the Republic, an organization of Union veterans founded in Decatur, Illinois, established it as a time for the nation to decorate the graves of the Union war dead with flowers. By the 20th century, competing Union and Confederate holiday traditions, celebrated on different days, had merged, and Memorial Day eventually extended to honor all Americans who died while in the military service.

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Memorial Day events in Staples and Motley

Several Memorial Day events will be held on Monday, May 29, in the Staples and Motley area.

The Staples service will be at Evergreen Hill Cemetery at 9 a.m. The guest speaker will be U.S. Marine Corp and Army veteran Larry Doucette of Staples. Pastor Roy Miles will give the invocation, Brian Striker will play the National Anthem and Toni Bringers will play Taps.

The Motley American Legion, Tri-County Post #124, will host Memorial Day programs May 29, at the following locations:

- Bridgeman Cemetery, 9 a.m., guest speaker Commander Tom Ladwig, Tri-County Post #124.
- Motley-Staples Middle School, 10 a.m., guest speaker Major Christopher Staples.
- Motley Evergreen Cemetery, 11 a.m., guest speaker Commander Tom Ladwig, Tri-County Post #124.
- Poplar Cemetery, 1 p.m., guest speaker Major Christopher Staples.

The Motley Historical Society will have an open house at Motley City Hall from noon to 4 p.m. on Memorial Day.

Interim superintendent search has rocky start

By Brenda Halvorson
General Manager

The search for an interim superintendent for Staples-Motley School District is progressing, but not without a few road blocks.

Jim Muckenhirn, currently

superintendent at South Koochiching Rainy River School District at Northome, was interviewed Tuesday night, May 23. However, of those invited to be interviewed, he turned out to be the only one.

That is, so far.

Following Muckenhirn's inter-

view, the board discussed possible next steps. Most board members had a positive impression of Muckenhirn, but Bruce Lund summed it up.

"I like what he said, but I'd like to look at more candidates," he said.

Bryan Winkels and Chad Longbella agreed, both using the term "due diligence," to make sure they are doing the best they can for the district.

Lund brought forward the name of Ron Bratlie, who is currently an

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Benson, Han reflect on high school career



By Mark Anderson
News Editor

When Katie Benson and Noah Han lead the Staples-Motley Class of 2017 into the graduation ceremony on May 26, they will appreciate the graduates behind them and the many people who contributed to the suc-

cess of the class.

"We have a talented class, we have state champions, we are smart and athletic, it's like everyone is a piece of a puzzle," said Han.

Benson said "our class is involved in a lot of diverse things, we're going places,

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Class of 2017 valedictorian, salutatorian

Katie Benson was named the 2017 Staples-Motley High School's valedictorian and Noah Han is salutatorian. Graduation will be held Friday, May 26, at 7:30 p.m. at the high school gym. (Staples World photo by Mark Anderson)

Theft at Staples Sports, Cushing

The Morrison County Sheriff's Office is asking for the public's assistance in identifying the suspect(s) responsible for a boat motor theft that occurred at Staples Sports, located off 320th St. in Scandia Valley Township. Sheriff Shawn Larsen states the suspect(s) cut through a chain-linked fence between 3:24 - 4:13 p.m. on May 20. They left the scene with a 1995 30 HP Yamaha short shaft

outboard motor, taken from a boat that was located outside of the business. It appears that they were picked up in an early 2000 model Chevy or GMC Yukon, a dark vehicle which appears to have large chrome rims. The suspect vehicle left the scene northbound on Hwy 10.

If you have any information regarding this theft, call 320-632-9233.

Second person to be interviewed May 25

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interim superintendent in the Rothsay School District. He said that Bratlie has held three or four interim superintendent positions and will be available again at the end of this school year.

Lund spoke with Bratlie who was willing to interview for the position. The board set 6 p.m., Thursday, May 25, for the interview.

The board discussed another individual but at press time, the Bratlie interview was the only one set.

The board met May 18 to discuss the eleven applications received by the May 15 deadline. The names of those applicants are not public until the board chooses who to interview and the candidate agrees to be interviewed.

The others who agreed to be interviewed were Brian Nelson, currently

superintendent with Lewis & Clark Public Schools based in Berthold, N. Dak.; and Paula Foley, currently superintendent in Warroad Public Schools.

However, before the interviews, both withdrew their names. Foley said it was for personal reasons and Nelson took a job at another school.

Another candidate also declined because of taking a different job, while a fourth called back saying he didn't think he was a good fit for the district.

After Bratlie's interview Thursday, the board will discuss whether to call him and/or Muckenhirn back for a second, more in depth interview. The second interviews had previously been set for May 30.

The board could also review other avenues to pursue in their search.

Rose earns trip to "Bee" challenge

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died, they would find other places to catch the spelling bee finals. Once, they settled in at the Dairy Queen in Staples, where the overhead screens were tuned to ESPN. However, the DQ closed while the show was still in progress, so Kathryn called her friend Bobbi Blanchard to ask if they could finish watching it at her house. She said, 'Yes,' so the family headed that way, arriving in plenty of time to watch the finale.

Watching the National Spelling Bee has certainly been an inspiration to Rose over the years.

Spelling is something she really enjoys, Rose said, adding that, "it's always been something I knew I was good at."

One of the things she likes best about spelling is studying the origins of words, Rose said.

She's logged hundreds of hours reading dictionaries and other books in preparation for the many spelling bees she has been a part of.

At one time, Kathryn and Rose would go to SNAP Fitness to work on spelling while walking the treadmills. Kathryn would recite a word and Rose would spell it out loud. "It helps to learn while moving," Kathryn said.

More recently, Rose said she's been studying words on a laptop computer program.

Attendees at Rose's surprise party had the opportunity to try their hand at spelling words previously used during spelling bees. These included Impari-syllabic, Pantagreuilism, Criticize, Nostalgically, Exorbitance, Conflagration and Aphidologist. It appeared that most of the party guests opted for another piece of pizza instead.

It's a list of words that doesn't seem to intimidate Rose, a young lady who's been practicing the art of spelling since before grade school.

When she was just in kindergarten, Rose took second place at the Sacred Heart Area School's spelling bee. "I didn't even know she had participated in it," Kathryn said, adding that one of the other parents told her about it. She got out after misspelling 'unusual.'

She's very proud of Rose and all that she's accomplished, Kathryn said. No matter what transpires at the Scripps National Spelling Bee next week, just the fact that she's made it that far, Rose is a W-I-N-N-E-R.



How do you spell 'F-A-M-I-L-Y'?

Several of Rose Han's family members showed their support for the 13-year-old Staples girl who is bound for the Scripps National Spelling Bee in Washington D.C. May 28 - June 2. Pictured at Rose's recent surprise party are, from left, her sister, Megan Han; grandpa, Don Edwards; Rose; her mom, Kathryn Edwards (who will accompany Rose to the National Bee); and brother, Noah Han. Megan Han is holding one of the bee hives she designed, used as table center-pieces at the party. (Staples World photo by Dawn Timbs)

Supporting their friend

A number of Rose Han's friends attended her recent surprise party at Faith Lutheran Church in Staples, held in celebration of Rose's upcoming competition at the Scripps National Spelling Bee in Washington D.C. Pictured, from left, are Jady Kincaid, Valeria Lozano, Baeli Blanchard, Alex McIlravy, Tabetha Allen, Libby O'Neil, Haley Cichos, Ava Schneider, Rose Han. (Staples World photo by Dawn Timbs)



Presented with award

Rose Han of Staples (left) was presented with an award from Carol Jackson, NJPA (National Joint Powers Alliance) administrative specialist and Lakes Bee coordinator, at a surprise party held in her honor May 17. Han was a co-champion of the 2017 Lakes Spelling Bee sponsored by NJPA; and will represent Region 5 (along with Meryl Tigenoah of Baxter) at the Scripps National Spelling Bee in Washington D.C., May 22 - June 2. NJPA will cover the costs for the week for both Han and Tigenoah, as well as one parent/guardian each. (Staples World photo by Dawn Timbs)

Students credit teachers, classmates for challenging them to be successful

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people are driven toward success in lots of different ways."

Katie and Noah reflected on their high school careers and how it shaped their own lives.

Benson said her favorite high school class was the CEO program. "We have to get there every day at 7 a.m. but it is still worth it," she said. She enjoyed having the Wadena students in the program and liked that it was not in a classroom setting.

With all her other activities, Benson has to budget her time "very carefully, I don't sleep a lot." She's been so busy the last two years, she stopped reading books outside of class.

Han agreed, saying he

has pulled the occasional all-nighter to keep up with his school work. "I have to get homework done in weird places, like in the car," he said.

Han said the composition class with Onni Sharp-Anderson was one of his favorite high school classes. "We had discussions on lots of subjects, like politics and other cool things," said Han.

Both students agreed that the college level classes at the school were more challenging and more rewarding. "It's one more step above," said Benson.

Han said calculus was probably the most challenging class. "It blew our minds," he said. Benson said she took an online calculus class which was hard because she had to teach herself the concepts of the class.

Both students said their high school career has shaped their future plans.

Benson plans to attend the University of Minnesota to major in ag education or ag communications and marketing. "I spent a lot of time in the ag shop," she said. She credits teachers Kerry Lindgren and Brian Schornack with inspiring her college choice, but also the local FFA community. "It's a very active community and that gives us the best opportunities," she said. One of those opportunities was a trip to Washington, D.C.

Han will attend St. Olaf College and plans to major in music and performance, with a math minor. He said the strong music program at Staples-Motley shaped his choice. He also appreciates the community support of music. He was a part of the Staples Area Men's Chorus and got to know people musically. "I've worked with a lot of good teachers and great musicians," he said.

The two students also gave credit to school administration, teachers and staff, and singled out counselor Penny Olsen as a person who holds the school together.

But in the end, the school experience was made better by their classmates.

"We have an interesting class, we have a lot of togetherness," said Han.

Benson agreed, saying "There is not much drama with our class."

Han said he sees the senior class mingling well with other classes, through arts, sports and in the classroom.

Their last day together, is May 26, starting with Cords and Awards at 9 a.m. Benson and Han will each give speeches at the graduation ceremony that evening starting at 7:30 p.m., and the finale of their day will be the Grad Blast following graduation at the Staples Community Center.

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Books are ready for Books in the Park

Students in the Preschool B class at Staples-Motley High School sorted the donated books getting them ready for the Staples Motley Early Childhood Coalition's yellow containers that are in many of the parks in Staples and Motley. The yellow containers were placed May 15 and are open for business for children and adults to enjoy reading in area of the parks, through Sept. 15. If you're interested in donating children's books,

they can be dropped off at the Staples Public Library, or contact Lisa Kajer at 218-894-2906, for more information. Above; in front Victoria Jenkins. Standing; from left, Madeline Rutherford, Skylar Bittner, Ashley Mitchell, Taylor Heldman, Jeff Sundstrom, Garrett Carlson, Lynzkie Dukowitz, Cadee Carlson, Alexis Beach and Elizabeth Kobliska. (Submitted photo)

Football coach supported

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letters were contingent upon VanOverbeke not getting the head coaching job. A hiring committee was formed to seek and interview candidates for the head coaching job. The committee included Chris Halverson, principal at the Motley-Staples Middle School; Bruce Fuhrman, head coach for cross country and track and field; Kevin Roline, assistant softball coach; and Craig Wolhowe, head coach for girls basketball. Halverson addressed the board May 22 to explain why that committee was recommending VanOverbeke for the job. He noted that they interviewed two candidates, including VanOverbeke, and the committee found that both had good experience, both valued student growth and both had "excellent philosophies centered on student athletes and program management."

After evaluation and discussion the committee decided to support VanOverbeke. Halverson's prepared remarks continued, "He approached the interview with great professionalism and came with a well organized and detailed plan for football in our district. His willingness to support community cause, his ability to have a program and coaching staff in place immediately upon acceptance and the current knowledge of district procedures, of what works well and what needs more attention were all valued assets. "He has great passion for the game of football as well as his players and dedicated staff. Although winning may be the ultimate goal, building character and integrity within his players seemed to be much more important." "We know there is work to do in the areas of communication and parent outreach," Halverson continued. "The hiring committee is pleased that there is a plan in place between the district and Mr. VanOverbeke to address

these needs." Earlier in the meeting Mike Schmidt, high school principal, presented the consequences of not having a football program this fall, including how it would affect other school districts on the schedule of games. "Cancellation/suspension of our season impacts seven other varsity/JV and middle school programs within the conference," Schmidt's presentation read. "Currently, there are no available teams for 2017-2018 in our conference and section to play as make-up games for those seven programs. These schools would earn a forfeit on the dates they were to play us. Section playoffs would be impacted." He noted that student athletes could transfer to another school district and be eligible to play under certain circumstances. "Verndale is currently a nine-man program, Pilager a 2A...if numbers increase too much, their status would change for 2018, realigning them within conferences and sections," he said. "Neither of them, would like this to happen." Schmidt reminded the board that the Friday night games also involve other school activities, such as pep band, FFA and homecoming. In closing, Schmidt said, "Loss of programming to our high school, middle school and Community Education will have an impact on overall enrollment K-12. Our student athletes and their families are also involved with the arts, other sports, activities and a variety of programs. All of those would feel an impact when enrollment declines. Our student athletes occupy many of our CIS, CTE, Articulated Courses and Bridges Academies. We rely on them to take these courses." During the board's discussion prior to the vote, Lund pointed out, "In the last year and a half we have lost a superintendent, two

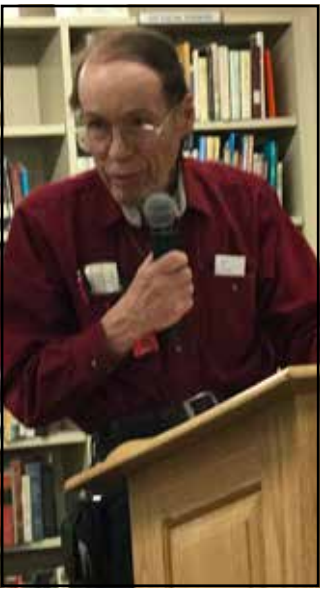
business managers and the entire football coaching staff. When will this insanity stop? We have to think about the long term ramifications for the district." "We voted on this once before and the only thing that changed is that five coaches quit and turned their backs on our football program and kids," said Frisk. "We can't share everything that went into the decision of why VanOverbeke wasn't renewed. I hope we can field a football team. I realize it's important. But we are only dealing with VanOverbeke's position." Hoemberg challenged the composition of the hiring committee, feeling there was a conflict of interest because some of them were coaches. Schmidt defended the committee saying "These are all good men, tried and true," and known in the community. Superintendent Mary Klamme said that on any hiring committee they have experts in the field. "If we're hiring a science teacher, we have science teachers on the committee." "You don't let them hire their boss," Hoemberg said. Longbella said he struggled because "we can't share what we know. It shouldn't have gotten to this." He also noted that he wished he could see a room full of people "for education instead of extra-curriculars," when the board was discussing test scores. "I'm sad that we are here tonight. We have to come together. This has to end tonight," he said. "There are bigger things the district has to be dealing with."

Freshwater Education District building sold

By Brenda Halverson
General Manager

The Freshwater Education District building and property at 1100 5th St. NE, Staples, has been sold to Roach Properties for \$70,000. The sale was approved at the May 22 meeting of the Staples-Motley School Board. Roach Properties expects to complete construction soon of 34 townhomes between 5th and 8th Streets directly north of the property they are purchasing. The two and three bedroom townhomes will be available to rent.

The Freshwater Education District building and property has been for sale since late in 2015. In October, 2015, LeRoy Peterson, buildings and grounds supervisor, briefed the facility committee on the fire marshal's report which listed a variety of items that needed to be changed to bring the building up to code. In November the school board decided instead to sell the property. The Freshwater Education District offices are moving to space at Central Lakes College, Staples, early in June.



Bruce Drone

"Please note that it has been my pleasure to not only work with the school administration, but also to have the opportunity to interact with students, see their progress and watch them graduate," his letter read. "Thank you," he added at the board meeting. "It's been a pleasure working for you." Drone received a standing ovation from the entire room.

In other business the board:

- Adjusted the dollar amount dedicated to the new high school counselor position in an effort to fill it.
- Accepted the retirement of Sue Bettis, Motley food service.
- Accepted the resignations of Sarah Steinkopf, elementary teacher; Patty Vacek, business manager; Jim Klamm, paraprofessional/bus driver; Jackie Tyrrell paraprofessional; and Cortney Kerfield, speech language pathologist.
- Approved a leave of absence for Kaycia Ellingsen.
- Approved contracts for Eden Tkalcich, Little Cardinal Academy teacher; Emily Hoeschen, high school Family and Consumer Science teacher; Mary Kempton, kindergarten teacher; and Craig Waldvogel, technology coordinator.
- Approved membership in the Minnesota State High School League.
- Approved a two-year swimming and tennis cooperative agreement with Verndale.



Poetry contest winners

Nearly 30 entries were received in the Friends of the Staples Public Library's Second Annual Poetry Contest for teens and tweens held in April, National Poetry Month. Students could enter two original poems. Ten poems were received from nine students for the 8-12 year old category. Nineteen poems were received from 14 students ages 13-18. Prizes were awarded for the top three entries in each category. First prize was \$50; second prize was \$30 and third prize was \$20, all in chamber bucks. Other participants received a \$5 gift card for Dairy Queen. Judges were members of the Friends of the Library and library staff. The topics of the winning poems ranged from oceans to dreams to imagi-

nation to school friends to a special aunt. They will be on display until June 10 at the library, located at 122 6th St. NE, Staples. Seated above, from left, are Lydia Claussen, first and Mardi Opheim, second in the 13-18 year old category; and Allison Knosalla, third in the 8-12 year old category. Standing are Brenda Halverson, Friends of the Library board member; Summer Anderson, first and Lakin Hines, second in the 8-12 year old category; and Mary Sperley, library staff. Torii Nienow, (inset photo) third for the 13-18 years olds. (Staples World and submitted photos)

Motorcycle Sunday

...Sunday, May 28...
(Memorial Day weekend)
9:30 a.m. - Coffee, hot chocolate and donuts as you arrive
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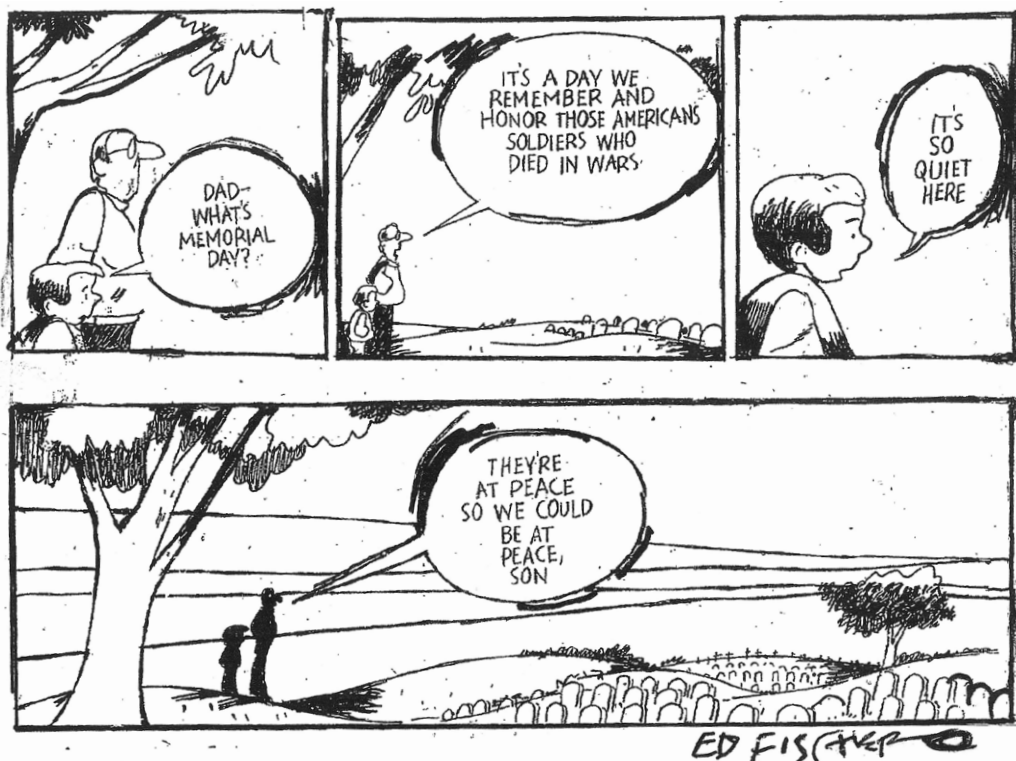
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Spring cleaning time is here once again

I'd like to remind area residents that the City of Staples will once again be hosting a city-wide cleanup day, June 9 from 3:30-7 p.m.

Once again, this event will take place at the street shop at 910 12th St. NE with assistance from Long Prairie Sanitation and S.W. Recycling. This is an opportunity for area residents to conveniently dispose of items that might otherwise continue to reside behind your garage or in your basement.

The Staples Police Dept. will be conducting city-wide nuisance inspections prior to June 9. If you have questions about the nuisance ordinance, it can be found on our city website at www.staples.govoffice.com. Let's work together to clean up our community.

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City Corner



By **Jerel Nelsen**
Staples City Administrator

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We have a lot of great things happening in Staples. We're excited about the June opening of Timerlake Hotel & Event Center and Pullman Townhomes. Tremendous progress is being made as they hit the homestretch of their construction. Lakewood Health System's expansion is progressing and is a visible sign of their growth and the demand for their services. Businesses are growing and hiring.

Seasonal camping will be available at Dower Lake, "Paint the Town" is happening again, planning is underway for Railroad Days and we are looking forward to a great summer. Let's all do our part and keep the momentum going.

Have a great summer.

Letters to the Editor

America and the flag

The message below was very well written. I did not write it, wish I had. It came to me in an email and I believe it is well worth sharing.

"My grandfather watched as his friends died in WWI. My father watched as his friends died in WWII and Korea. I watched as our friends and children fought and died in Desert Storm. I watched and waited while our friends and children fought and died in Iraq. None of them fought for or died for the Mexican flag or any other foreign flag. Everyone fought for and died for the U.S. flag.

In Texas, a student raised a Mexican flag on a school flag pole; another student took it down. Guess who was expelled . . . The kid who took it down. Kids in high school in California were sent home on Cinco de Mayo because they wore T-shirts with the American flag printed on them. Enough is enough.

"Every American needs to stand up for America.

We've bent over to appease the America-hater long enough. I'm standing up because the hundreds of thousands who died fighting in wars for this country and for the U.S. flag can't stand up. And shame on anyone who tries to make this a racist message. Let me make this perfectly clear. This is my country. And, my making this statement does not mean I'm against immigration. You are welcome here in our country. Welcome to come through legally. 1. Get a sponsor. 2. Get a place to lay your head. 3. Live by our rules. 4. Pay your taxes. and 5. Learn the language like immigrants have in the past. and 6. Please don't demand that we hand over

our lifetime savings or Social Security funds to you.

"When will Americans stop giving away their rights? We've gone so far the other way. We've bent over backwards not to offend anyone, but it seems no one cares about the American citizen being offended. Wake up, America!" Author unknown.

We are fortunate to live in a community that is patriotic and is very proud of the flag.

Kevin Jenkins
Staples, Minn.

Cribbage in the classroom

We've just completed our fourth year of teaching cribbage to the 7th and 8th grade math students. It takes many volunteers to make this happen and I want to thank those volunteers for giving of their time.

Some students have played cribbage and others have said they have family members who play. I want to encourage those who have had students in these

Investing in a 21st century workforce

By Senator Amy Klobuchar

Wyoming Machine is making a big difference in Stacy. The company recently brought home the National Association of Workforce Boards' business leadership award for their work developing the local workforce and economy.

In Duluth, thanks to partnerships with local employers, 70 students are graduating Lake Superior College every year with the skills needed to fill high-wage, high-growth jobs around the region.

My staff and I have covered that and more with business leaders, educators, and students from all across our state during discussions focused on local initiatives to prepare tomorrow's workers for the good jobs businesses are creating today.

We also heard about some of the challenges employers are confronting. In Owatonna and Cass Lake, representatives from regional workforce centers highlighted the trouble local businesses are having finding workers with the right skills for available jobs. Unfortunately, these companies aren't alone – last year's State of Manufacturing report revealed that 66 percent of Minnesota manufacturers had difficulty finding employees with the right skills for open jobs.

Registered apprenticeships help bridge that skills gap by matching

workers' skills with those needed in high-demand jobs through a learn-and-earn approach. Students receive a salary while completing on-the-job training tailored to the business' needs and certified by the Department of Labor. That makes apprenticeships one of the most-cost effective workforce development tools in the country.

They're good for the companies, too.

For employers, apprenticeships provide a workforce with training tailored to their needs, reduce turnover, and improve safety. And the focus on high-skill training will give American businesses a competitive edge in the 21st century economy.

So we need to double down on our efforts to expand these partnerships.

Two years ago, I successfully pressed for \$5 million in grant money from the Department of Labor to strengthen apprenticeships in Minnesota. Businesses and educators have put the funds to good use.

In Spring Grove, LaX Fabricating is partnering with Minnesota State College Southeast in Winona to get more students trained to be welders and structural steel detailers. Roseau County Ford is working with local high schools to introduce students to the industry and prepare them with the skills they need to fill high-paying jobs as auto mechanics.

At Bühler, Inc., in Plymouth, students at Dunwoody College of Technology receive pay and benefits while they learn and work. And in Pequot Lakes, Dane Walter changed course early in his collegiate career to do an apprenticeship with Pequot Tool & Manufacturing. Thanks to Pequot Tool's work with Central Lakes College, Dane – like

the hundreds of Minnesotans who pursue apprenticeships – is well on his way to a successful career in the town where he grew up and where he wants to raise a family of his own.

Apprenticeships are a win-win-win: They align incentives for employers, educators, and students. But we need to be doing more to support these partnerships. Despite clear evidence of the benefits, apprenticeships are underutilized.

I am working with Republican Senator Susan Collins to change that. Our bipartisan bill, the American Apprenticeship Act, would provide funding to states to create or expand tuition assistance for participants in pre-apprenticeship and Registered Apprenticeship programs. The legislation would also authorize the Department of Labor to award competitive grants to states that have developed successful strategies to promote these programs. That's good news for our state, where Minnesotans are already leading the way in bringing the benefits of apprenticeships to their communities and are poised to do even more.

Investments in apprenticeships are investments in our future. By 2018, it's estimated that 70 percent of all jobs will require postsecondary training. Just 40 percent of Minnesota's workforce currently meets that standard. And with more and more Baby Boomers getting ready for retirement, the gap between trained workers and high-skill jobs will only grow. By committing to strengthening our workforce, we're committing to keeping Minnesota's economy strong for years to come.

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Central Minnesota Boys Choir home concert set

The Central Minnesota Boys Choir will present their final concert of the season Monday, June 5, at 7:30 p.m. at Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Staples. Both the Explorer Choir and the Voyageur Choir will perform.

This season the choirs have boys representing the communities of Brainerd, Browerville, New York Mills, Pillager, Staples, Verndale and Wadena.

It's been an exciting season for the CMBC. Both choirs sang at a Pillager-New York Mills basketball game in February and they performed with the Land of Lakes Choirboys from Elk River in April. The LOLCB Concert Choir and the Voyageur Choir also were guest performers at the Big Sing sponsored by the Staples Area Men's Chorus, held April 22.

The Explorer Choir sang at Faith Lutheran Church in Staples and will be going to Bemidji in May to sing and have a fun day.

The Voyageur Choir sang at the Staples Motley Area Community Foundation's award dinner, the Community Christmas Concert in Staples and

at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Wadena. They'll be going to the Twin Cities in June to attend some performances, going to Valley Fair, the Science Museum and will be a guest choir for a worship service at the Basilica of St. Mary in Minneapolis.

In May both choirs will sing at Fair Oaks Lodge in Wadena. This serves as part of their annual service project, where the choirs and their families also do some yard clean-up at Fair Oaks to help make it a little more pleasant for the residents.

At their home concert on June 5, a variety of songs will be performed, from the beautiful, 500 year old, Ave Maria by Giulio Caccini, sailing songs, African, native Canadian and American folk songs.

The combined choirs will follow tradition, singing, "Hail Minnesota" and "Yonder Come Day" at the end of the concert. "Yonder Come Day" has been part of every concert since the choir began 17 years ago and is one that the alumni always remember.

The Central Minnesota Boys Choir, began as a vi-

sion in the summer of 1999, held its first rehearsal in the fall of 2000, under the direction of Mary Moen and accompanied by Debra Haraldson. It's earned a reputation for excellence and artistry, performing three times at the Upper Mid-West District Convention of the Associated Male Choruses of America, appeared at Orchestra Hall with the Metropolitan Boys Choir and performed at the Minnesota Music Educators Association Mid-Winter Clinic in Minneapolis. They have toured Duluth, Minneapolis, Appleton Wisconsin, North and South Dakota and Winnipeg.

The mission of the choir is to provide an opportunity for young boys to participate in a group that is challenging, enriching and rewarding; as well as providing an opportunity to socialize with others who share the same musical values. It's the goal of the choir to develop musical interest, leadership skills and talent among boys in Central Minnesota along with positive and challenging opportunities of high artistic quality.



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Above; the Voyageur Choir members include, front, from left, Conlan Jaeger, Haiden Rychner, Teshe Loer, Zachary McIlravy, William Dolezal, Kevin Miller and Xander Kjeldergaard; middle, from left, Drew Berg, Bryan Burrows, Noah Moe, Evan Allen, Josh Freelove, Connor Judd, Keller Anderson, Simon Kreklau and Tristan Sampson; back from left, Isaiah Schultz, Grant Johnson, Luke Bates, Alex McIlravy, Brandon Hove, Caleb Jasmer, Emery Lorber, Cy Johnson and Hunter Miller.

Below; the Explorer Choir is pictured, whose members include, front, from left, Andrew Breczinski, Silas Damico, Nathaniel Seamann, Mason Micheal, Cameron Ganyo, Oliver Kelm, Reid Judd, Xander Moench, Turner Beachy and Nakota Sampson; middle, from left, Dillan Robben, R.J. Veith, J.D. Lustila, Zain Wahldahl, Nick Sampson, Grant Bestland, Evan Sylvester, Trevin Torgerson, Zach Kjeldergaard and Benet Robinson; back, from left, Griffin Judd, Logan Robben, Noah Larson, Bradley Moats, Jeran Witt, Teo Lecoustre, Justin Roxberg, Aiden Winter, Sawyer Ferdon, Matthew Tenbear and Alex Schultz. (Submitted photos)

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Weekly events

ONGOING EVENTS POSTED LAST THURSDAY OF THE MONTH:

AA MTGS AT LAKEWOOD HEALTH SYSTEM HOSPITAL MAIN CAMPUS, STAPLES, CLASSROOM A: Tuesdays, 8 p.m.; Thursdays, 8 p.m.; Saturdays, 7 p.m.. For info., 218-371-0573.

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

AA MTGS AT MOTLEY FREE METHODIST CHURCH: Wednesdays, noon; Fridays, noon. For more info., 218-296-1512.

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

AA MTG AT STAPLES COMMUNITY CENTER: Tuesdays, 7:30 p.m. For info., 218-639-8048.

AA MTGS IN VERDALE: Tuesdays, 8 p.m.; Fridays, 8 p.m., 106 S. Thompson. For info., 218-640-1365 and 218-640-6644.

AL-ANON MTG Thursdays, 7:30 p.m., Staples United Methodist Church. For info., 218-296-1123.

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

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

NAMI (NATIONAL ALLIANCE ON MENTAL ILLNESS) PEER SUPPORT GROUP meets Thursdays, 7 p.m., at An Open Book, Jefferson Square Mall, 209 Jefferson St. S., Wadena. For info., call NAMI at 651-645-2948.

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

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

Monthly events

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

ALZHEIMER'S ASSOC. CARE-GIVER SUPPORT GROUP MTG first and third Thursday, 3:30 - 4:30 p.m., Reflections Intensive Outpatient (IOP)

rm., Lakewood Health System's senior campus, Staples. For info, 218-894-8288 or 218-894-8195.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

WADENA COUNTY DEMOCRATIC PARTY COMMITTEE MTG third

Monday, 6:30 p.m., The Hub 71 in Sebeka. Anyone interested in joining, welcome. For info., email DFLWadenaCoChair@yahoo.com.

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

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

June 1

IMMUNIZATIONS CLINIC sponsored by Todd County Public Health and Human Services, Thurs., June 1, Lakewood Health System Sr. Campus, Staples. For info., to make an appt., 320-533-4652.

CHILD AND TEEN CHECKUPS sponsored by Todd County Public Health and Human Services, Thurs., June 1, Staples. For info., to make an appt., 320-533-4652.

WIC - WOMAN, INFANTS AND CHILDREN CLINIC sponsored by Todd County Public Health and Human Services, Thurs., June 1, 9 a.m. - noon; and 1 - 5 p.m., Lakewood Health System senior campus, Staples. For info., 320-732-4456.

June 6, 20

IMMUNIZATIONS CLINICS sponsored by Wadena County Public Health, Thurs., June 6, 3 - 5 p.m.; and Tues., June 20, 10 a.m. - noon, at 22 Dayton Ave. SE, Wadena. For info., 218-631-7629.

June 13

AMERICAN RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE IN STAPLES Tues., June 13, noon - 6 p.m., Faith Lutheran Church, 430 12th St. NE, Staples. Sign up online at www.Redcrossblood.org; or call 1-800-733-2767. Walk-ins welcome.

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Students lose progress over the summer if they don't continue to read so

the school wants to give them books to encourage them to keep reading.

Books can be dropped at the school office at 1025 4th St. NE, Staples, before May 24.



Staples Historical Society to host open house at NP Depot

The Staples Historical Society will be holding an Open House on Sunday, June 11, from 1-3 p.m., at the Northern Pacific Depot in Staples.

The open house will highlight the reno-

vation work recently completed on the historic depot building.

A brief program is planned along with tours of the refurbished portions of the building.

Todd County Farm Bureau sets meeting for a legislative update

The Todd County Farm Bureau will be hosting a Legislative Update meeting Thursday, June 1 at the Browerville Community Center.

Social time is at 6:30 p.m. followed by the meeting at 7 p.m. Senate Majority Leader Paul Gazelka along

with Representatives John Poston and Ron Kresha talk about what happened during the current legislative session.

Ryan Perish from the MN Dept. of Agriculture will be available to answer any questions about the results and next steps for the

well water testing program. He'll also talk about the new state nitrogen management program.

The public is invited to attend. If the legislature has to hold a special session the meeting may be moved to a later date.

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Rosengarten is new president at Unity Bank

Unity Bank, a community bank serving Minnesota and Wisconsin, announces the appointment of Teresa “Terry” Rosengarten as president effective May 1, 2017.

As president, Rosengarten will head both the Wisconsin and the Minnesota charters of Unity Bank, replacing Terry Szydel and Rachel Goodell respectively. Szydel will be retiring after working at Unity Bank in Augusta, Wisc., for many years. Goodell remains the CEO for Unity Bank Group.

Rosengarten has been in the banking industry for nearly 30 years, most recently working for Baylake Bank as an Executive Vice President and Chief Risk Officer. Her undergraduate degree is from the University of Minnesota and her graduate degree is from the University of St. Thomas. She grew up on a farm in southwest Minnesota, where she still has family.

Rachel Goodell, the CEO of Unity Bank, was very pleased and optimistic about Rosengarten’s new appointment, saying “We are very fortunate to have a committed new leader for our family owned bank who is championing our strategic initiatives. I am confident that Ms. Rosengarten will work hard to meet our bank group



Terry Rosengarten

goals.”

Rosengarten also commented favorably on her new role, saying, “I moved away from my background in big banks, and came to Unity Bank, because I wanted to be in a place where the people were family, and we all worked hard to develop our local communities. In my new role as president I will make sure Unity Bank lives up to the expectations of our customers, and continue rewarding their loyalty with the highest quality service we can give. Unity’s vision is to be the bank that others emulate, and I am excited to seize every opportunity to make our organization more efficient and competitive. Now is the time for community banks to grow and strengthen themselves, and I look forward to meeting that challenge.”

Hello World

BIRTHS REPORTED AT LAKEWOOD HEALTH SYSTEM HOSPITAL INCLUDE:

Born to Zach and Alyssa Funderburk of Pierz, a baby boy, Zayden Robert weighing five pounds, nine ounces on May 13, 2017.

Born to Raysha Horstmann and Justin Murdent of Bertha, a baby girl, Jaelynn Marie weighing seven pounds, three ounces on May 15, 2017.

Born to Ashley Clark and Ryan Ware of Baxter, a baby girl, Myah Noelle weighing seven pounds, 13 ounces on May 17, 2017.

Born to Jim and Sarah Kath of Lake Shore, a baby boy, Fisher Broderick weighing eight pounds on May 17, 2017.

Born to Victoria Martin-Mulholland and Jordan Dunbar of Brainerd, a baby girl, Adelyn JeanMarie weighing nine pounds, one ounce on May 18, 2017.

Born to Matthew and Katey Mosack of Pillager, a baby girl, Lyla June weighing five pounds, three ounces on May 18, 2017.

Born to Zach and Dannette Nevala of Wadena, a baby girl, Brooke Leigh weighing nine pounds, one ounce on May 19, 2017.

Nursing scholarship

Central Lakes College graduate Macy Koring was recently awarded a \$1,000 scholarship from the Minnesota Society of Medical Assistants. Koering, a CLC Medical Assistant graduate, is one of three Minnesota Society of Medical Assistants scholarships recipients this year. Applicants have to write an essay, submit an official transcript and get two or three letters of reference.



Student Achievements

JORDAN HAGLIN, Staples, qualified for the Spring 2017 Dean’s List at Belmont University, Nashville, Tenn. Eligibility is based on a minimum course load of 12 hours and a grade point average of 3.5 or higher with no grade below a C.

MINNESOTA STATE COMMUNITY AND TECHNICAL COLLEGE, FERGUS FALLS has announced its 2017 Spring Semester President’s List. To qualify, students must complete 12 or more college-level credits for the semester and earn a grade point average of 3.5 or higher. Local students named include:

- Chadron Beebe, Motley
- Kari Majjala, Pillager
- Michael Harrington, Staples
- Celena Martin, Staples
- Sydney Martin, Staples
- Krista Mudek, Staples.

ST. CLOUD STATE UNIVERSITY has announced its 2017 Spring Semester Dean’s List. To be eligible, students must have a grade point average of 3.75 or higher on a 4.0 scale. Local

students named include:

- Kelsi Zetah, Motley
- Hannah Horn, Pillager
- Kelly Mast, Pillager
- Garrett Tetrick, Staples
- Samantha Weyer, Staples.

NORTH DAKOTA STATE UNIVERSITY has announced its Spring 2017 Semester Dean’s List. To be eligible, students must have a grade point average of 3.50 or higher and be enrolled in at least 12 class credits. Local students named include:

- Josie Erickson, Cush- ing
- Brandon Eppelsheimer, Motley
- Addison March, Motley
- Jacob Miller, Motley
- Matthew Neururer, Motley
- Dawn Swartz, Motley
- Luke Unger, Pillager
- Jaelin Beachy, Staples
- Tim Hepokoski, Staples
- Andrew Israelson, Staples
- Erik Nelson, Staples
- Lauren Nelson, Staples

Obituaries

Mabel Swart

Mabel Swart, 96, of Staples, passed away May 16, 2017 at the Lakewood Health System Care Center in Staples.

Services were held May 20 at the Staples Church of Christ, with Pastor Barry Klein officiating.

Interment was at Evergreen Cemetery in Browerville.

Arrangements were with the Brenny Funeral Chapel, Staples.

Mabel was born August 27, 1920 in Wadena County, to Fredrick and Tracy (Schwartz) Beurge. She married Virgil Swart on December 19, 1937. They lived and farmed near Turtle Lake. Mable was a member of the Staples Church of Christ and was baptized on December 26, 1960. She taught Sunday school, earned her GED from Staples High School, proudly graduated on January 27, 1970. Mabel enjoyed gardening, canning, cooking, knitting and spending time with family and friends.

Mabel is survived by two sons, Murrel Swart of Brooklyn Park, Jerome Swart of Coon Rapids; three daughters, Sheila Spangler of Milford, MI, Ramona Kastanek of Fridley and Cynthia McCabe of Esko; 10 grandchildren and 19 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband; three infant brothers, Edward, Charles and Paul; one brother, Walter; four sisters, Lucille, Lila, Hazel, Dorothy and one grandson, Thomas Swart.

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Rodney Mertens

Rodney David Mertens, 63, of Crosslake, passed away May 17, 2017 at Es-sentia Health-St. Joseph’s Hospital in Brainerd.

Private family services will be held.

Arrangements were by the Brenny Funeral Chapel, Staples.

Rodney was born May 7, 1954, in Bertha, to David and Violet (Mapes) Mertens. He attended Staples High School and Wadena Vocational Technical College for telephone technician. Rodney worked for 30 plus years for Crosslake Telephone. He enjoyed hunting, fishing, motorcycle rides and working on his ’67 Challenger.

Rodney is survived by one sister, Gloria (Dave) Perfetti of Staples; one nephew, Joshua Perfetti; three nieces, Kelli (Jason) Welter, Marnie (Matt) Galston and Brittne (Andrew) Gabrielson; and several great nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

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Frances Pribbenow

Frances Pribbenow, 95, of Watkins, formerly of Scandia Valley, passed away May 15, 2017, at Hill-top Health Care Center in Watkins.

Funeral Services will be held Friday, May 26, 2017, at 11 a.m. at St. John’s Lutheran Church in Kimball with Rev. David Milz officiating. Visitation will be held Thursday, May 25, from 5-7 p.m. at Dingmann Funeral Care Chapel, Kimball and one hour prior to services at the church.

Burial be at the Minnesota State Veterans Cemetery near Little Falls. Memorials are preferred to St. John’s Lutheran Church.

Arrangements are with the Dingmann Funeral Care Burial & Cremation Services, Kimball.

Frances Mary Pribbenow was born July 17, 1921, in Fryburg, ND, to Floyd and Laura (Bendtsen) Monty. Her father died prior to her birth and she was raised by her mother and stepfather, Roy Monty, in Fryburg. Frances graduated from Belfield High School and St. Cloud State, with a degree in elementary education. She taught school in Floodwood, Collegeville, Pillager, Motley and Mound, retiring from Mound Public Schools in 1978, after 37 years of teaching. She married William Pribbenow in South Dakota in 1947. They lived in Mound, Scandia Valley and Watkins. Frances was a member of St. John’s Lutheran Church in Kimball, REAM, former member of St. Peter Lutheran Church in Randall, Lincoln Ladies Aid, St. John’s quilters, and was named the Morrison County Senior Citizen of the Year. Frances enjoyed reading, quilting, gardening, traveling, baking and fishing.

She is survived one son William L. (Vicki) Pribbenow of Scandia Valley; one daughter Mary Dietman of Watkins; one grandson and three great-grandchildren

Frances is preceded in death by her husband; parents; step-father; son-in-law John Dietman; two brothers, Ralph and Floyd Monty and one sister, Marian Mangen.

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Joan Eschenbacher

Joan Elizabeth Eschenbacher, 66, of Motley passed away May 19, 2017 at St. Otto’s Care Center in Little Falls.

Funeral services were held May 23, 2017, at Lincoln Evangelical Free Church.

Interment was at the Bridgeman Cemetery, Pillager.

Arrangements were with the Halvorson Johnson Funeral Home.

Joan was born January 6, 1951 in Bakersfield, CA to Wendell and Wanda Carr. She married Randy Eschenbacher on July 17, 1981. She loved all animals, especially her pugs and living on the farm. Joan battled multiple chronic illnesses, was an advocate for others by serving on hospital committees for patient care. She enjoyed family gatherings, playing games, sharing new recipes and spending time with her family was important.



She is survived by her husband; two sons, David (Jessica) Carr of Maple Grove and Landon Eschenbacher of Motley; two daughters, Cassandra (Eric) Hines of Motley and Jessica Eschenbacher of Maplewood, MO and five grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents; one son, Anthony and Anthony and David’s father, Stephen Malda-ver.

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Ask A Trooper

Question: If a person with a CDL (Commercial Driver’s License) gets a DWI in a private, personal vehicle, the test level that applies is .08 or more and he will lose his regular driver’s license but not the CDL, correct?

Answer: The legal limit for driving impaired in Minnesota is 0.08 - but motorists can be arrested for DWI at lower levels. The consequences for driving impaired will vary for each DWI offender. A typical penalty for a first-time offender is the loss of a regular license for a minimum of 30 days or possibly up to one year, and possible jail time. Costs of a DWI can be as high as \$20,000 when factoring court costs, legal fees and increased insurance premiums.

For those with a CDL, a first DWI conviction in any vehicle would result in a loss (disqualification) of the CDL for one year. A second DWI conviction would result in the loss of a CDL for life. After ten years, if they can show rehabilitation, a person could possi-

bly get their CDL back.

Minnesota’s enhanced DWI enforcement and education efforts have been factors in the continued reduction of alcohol-related deaths. Still, drunk driving remains a serious threat, contributing to 95 deaths in 2015. There were more than 25,000 motorists arrested for DWI in 2015, and one in seven Minnesota drivers has a DWI on record.

The fight against impaired driving is everyone’s responsibility. If a person plans on consuming alcohol, plan ahead for a sober ride. If you see an impaired person about to get into a vehicle, speak up and find that person a safe ride home.

A portion of state statutes were used with permission from the Office of the Revisor of Statutes. If you have any questions concerning traffic related laws or issues in Minnesota, send your questions to Trp. Jesse Grabow - Minnesota State Patrol at 1000 Highway 10 West, Detroit Lakes, MN 56501-2205. (You can follow him on Twitter @MSPPIO_NW or reach him at, jesse.grabow@state.mn.us).



Broken Chain
By Ron Tanner
We little knew that morning
God was to call your name.
In life we loved you dearly,
In death we do the same.
It broke our hearts to lose you,
You did not go alone.
For part of us went with you
The day God called you home.
You left us beautiful memories,
Your love is still our guide,
And though we cannot see you,
You are always at our side.
Our family chain is broken,
And nothing seems the same,
But as God calls us one by one,
The chain will link again.

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A BIG Thank You
To all that played a part in our benefit held May 13.
Thank you to the planning committee, Cindy at Ten Hi, friends and family that attended, the many donations for the silent auction and those who could not be with us for the cards and well wishes. We are very blessed with great people and a great community that we live in.

With Much Love,
Dennis and Nancy Lucas



Graduation Announcement
Shawn Fontaine is proud to announce the graduation of his daughter, Emily Laraine Fontaine from Irondale High School, Moundsview, MN. Emily is an honor graduate and plans to attend Century College in the fall. A graduation party will be held in honor of the graduate, **June 3, 2017 from 1 to 5 p.m.** 37857 Driftwood Road, Pillager, MN. All friends and family welcome.

The Family of John Novotny
would like to thank Rev. Joe Korf for his words of comfort, American Legion Post #124 of Motley for Military Honors at the Veteran’s Cemetery, Fort Ripley and serving as pallbearers, the ladies of St. Micheal’s Church for the lunch, the staff of Brenny Funeral Home for attention to detail, friends, relatives and neighbors from far and near for their support during this difficult time.

Joseph and Judy Novotny
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STATE OF MINNESOTA DISTRICT COURT COUNTY OF TODD SEVENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT Court File No.: 77PR-17-444

In Re: Estate of Lydia Graf, Decedent,

NOTICE OF AND ORDER FOR HEARING ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION OF INTESTACY, DETERMINATION OF HEIRS, FORMAL APPOINTMENT OF PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS

It is Ordered and Notice is given that on July 11, 2017 at 1:15 p.m., a hearing will be held in this Court at Todd County Courthouse, 221 1st Avenue South, Long Prairie, Minnesota, on a petition for the adjudication of intestacy and determination of decedent's heirs, and for the appointment of Lucille L. Hanson, whose address is 1005 2nd Avenue NE, P.O. Box 208, Staples, MN 56479, as personal representative of the decedent's estate in an unsupervised administration.

Any objections to the petition must be raised at the hearing or filed with the Court prior to the hearing. If the petition is proper and no objections are filed or raised, the personal representative will be appointed with the full power to administer the decedent's estate, including the power to collect all assets; to pay all legal

debts, claims, taxes, and expenses; to sell real and personal property; and to do all necessary acts for the decedent's estate.

Notice is further given that, subject to Minn. Stat. § 524.3-801, all creditors having claims against the decedent's estate are required to present the claims to the personal representative or to the Court within four (4) months after the date of this notice or the claims will be barred.

Dated: May 9, 2017

BY THE COURT
/s/ Daniel Benson
Judge of District Court

Jody Brown
Deputy
Court Administrator

Kennedy, Carlson & Van Bruggen, LLP
Paul F. Carson, 029195X
116 Ash Avenue NW
P.O. Box 647
Wadena, Minnesota 56482
218-631-2505

21-22pnc

BID NOTICE ALDRICH TOWNSHIP

Aldrich Township is seeking bids to replace all windows (8) in the town hall plus weather stripping the door.

Send bid with the amount for all the materials and labor to Aldrich Township, Barb Johnson, Clerk, 13153 County 23, Verndale, MN 56481.

Bids must be received by Monday, July 10, 2017. Bids will be opened at the July 10 meeting.

Barb Johnson,
Clerk

20-21pnc

NOTICE CITY OF MOTLEY COUNCIL MEMBER VACANCY

We are looking to fill a vacancy on the City Council for the 2017-2018 term. Interested parties should submit a letter of interest by June 2 via email (cityofmotley@brainerd.net) or deliver/mail to City Hall (316 Hwy. 10 S, Motley MN 56466). In order to be appointed, you must be a resident of the City of Motley, eligible to vote in the State of Minnesota and be 21 years of age or more.

If you meet these requirements and are interested in helping to shape the future of Motley, submit a letter which includes why you are interested in the position and why you think you would be a good representative of the residents of Motley. Letters will be accepted until June 2. The Council hopes to fill this vacancy at their June 12, 2017, meeting.

21pnc

NOTICE BYRON TOWNSHIP CLERK POSITION OPEN

BYRON TOWNSHIP has the following position open June 13, 2017: **Township Clerk.**

This will be an appointed position to be held through January 2018. Position is also open to candidates from outside the township. Duties include writing and preparing meeting minutes, paying bills/claims and keeping township accounts balanced using CTAS (Small City and Town Accounting System) 8 on township laptop computer. Skills needed: basic clerical, computer and bookkeeping skills and accessibility to internet connection. Meetings are held once a month. Notify Township Clerk if interested at 218-397-2545.

Beverly J. Hoemberg, Clerk
Byron Township,
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CLUES ACROSS

1. Protective crust
5. Federal poverty level
8. "NCIS" network
11. This many makes a trio
13. Geological time
14. Populous Colombian city
15. Interviewer Morgan
16. More (Spanish)
17. Not close
18. Confined
20. ___ Farrow, actress
21. One point east of southeast
22. Kinetic and elastic are two
25. Taking possession of a property
30. Associate of same rank
31. Uganda
32. Heads the department

CLUES DOWN

1. Engine additive
2. Fashionable
3. Region
4. "Friday Night Lights" director Peter
5. ___ fatale, French seductresses
6. A treeless grassy plain
7. Large flat rectangular strips of pasta
8. Eating houses
9. Divulge a secret

Answers

1. Crust
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Staples Area Church Directory

Staples

Staples Alliance
1512 8th St. NE, Staples.....218-894-2891
Pastor Bob Hopokoski, Paul Johnson
Mark Shea, Pastor of Student Ministries
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
2004 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
Interim Pastor: Saul Stensvaag
Emelia Enquist, Director of Youth, Family & Christian Ed.
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
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
Saturday Worship.....10:45 am.
Sabbath School.....9:30 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)
Sunday School (for grades K-12 and adults).....9:15-10:15 a.m.

Aldrich

Congregational, United Church of Christ
One block S. of Hwy. 10, Aldrich
Pastor Dave Seaton.....218-445-5831
Sunday Worship.....9:00 a.m.
Communion.....1st Sunday of Month

Balsamlund Lutheran
19550 490th Street, Aldrich
Eric Clapp.....701-261-2394 (cell)
Sunday Worship.....8:15 a.m.
Sunday School.....8:30 a.m.

Cushing

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

Lincoln Evangelical Free
1354 320th St., Cushing.....218-575-2449
www.lincolnefree.org Facebook Lincoln E Free
Office Hours: Mon.-Thurs., 9 a.m.-2 p.m.
Friday Office Closed
Visitation Pastor: Jim Brown
Youth Coordinator: Kelly Gelle
SUNDAY
Sunday School for all ages.....9:00 a.m.
Worship Gathering.....10:00 a.m.
WEDNESDAY
Praise & Prayer.....4:30 p.m.
Kids' Club.....6:00 p.m.
Jr./Sr. Forge Youth Group.....6:00 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.
WEDNESDAY
Kids Club.....4:00-5:30 p.m.
Youth Group.....5:30-7:30 p.m.

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

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

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

Oylen

Oylen Alliance
City 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.

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.....9:30 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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Pastor Robin Collins, Trinity Lutheran Church, Staples

1] Also they teach that men cannot be justified before God by their own strength, merits, or works, but are freely justified for 2] Christ's sake, through faith, when they believe that they are received into favor, and that their sins are forgiven for Christ's sake, who, by His death, has made satisfaction for our sins. 3] This faith God imputes for righteousness in His sight. Rom. 3 and 4 (Augsburg Confession – Article 4)

On October 31, 1517 Martin Luther nails his "95 Theses" to the castle church door in Wittenberg, Germany striking the spark that becomes the "Reformation". In 1521 Luther stands before the Emperor, Charles V, in the city of Worms and boldly stands on God's Word and what he has learned from it and taught about it.

The next big event of the Reformation comes in June of 1530 at another Imperial assembly, the Diet of Augsburg. Luther who had been declared an outlaw in 1521 cannot be present to speak. Instead, a group of theologians and lay churchmen, including noblemen, magistrates and officials, present to the assembly a document, The Augsburg Confession, as a detailed statement of what was being taught in the churches of German Saxony.

Though far from the longest article of the Confession the heart of that teaching and confession is Article 4, which simply and clearly states what the Scriptures themselves declare, what Luther had helped to restore - that no one can be justified before God by their own works, no matter what those works might be, but rather that they are justified through faith in Christ, who through His suffering, death and resurrection won forgiveness, life and salvation for all who trust in Him. This is the heart of the Christian faith - the confession of God's mercy and grace in and through Jesus Christ, His Son, and the Savior of all mankind.

To God be the glory. Amen.

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"Color Run"
is a lot of fun

Students and a few brave parents started the Staples-Motley Elementary School Color Run with clean white t-shirts. As they ran laps along the course, volunteers threw powdered paint on the runners. After the run, students gathered together and really got 'colorful' throwing powdered paint into the air.... and on each other. The event, was a fundraiser for the school's Parent-Teacher Connection. (Staples World photos by Mark Anderson)



Central MN CEO class teaches the business of life



2017 Central Minnesota CEO class

The 2017 Central Minnesota CEO Class recently held their trade show recently, showcasing their businesses. Above; front, from left, Molly Lindgren, Rachell Fischer, Rachel Paskewitz, Katie Benson, Hayley Ma-

loney, Sarah Moen and Logan Taggart. Back, from left, Tyler Jahnke, Cody Moe, Dominic Nistler, Lucas Doyle, Jacob Krueger and Zach Strickland. Mikayla Sauber was unavailable for the photo. (Submitted photo)

As if juggling classes and preparing for graduation at the end of May isn't enough, Wadena-Deer Creek high school senior Logan Taggart is also running a small business. Taggart recently started,

"Taggart's Tag Art," an engraving business in which he customizes tags for luggage, pets and more. The young entrepreneur got his start thanks to the Central Minnesota Creating Entrepreneurial

Opportunities (CEO) program, available to juniors and seniors from Staples-Motley and WDC High schools. The year-long program gives students the opportunity to work side by side with successful business people from the community, and culminates with creating, launching and managing a business.

Taggart and his 13 classmates showcased their small business products and services at the class' Trade Show held May 16 at Maasconi's Char and Bar in Verndale. Over 100 people attended the event, yielding sales and generating leads for the young entrepreneurs.

While the year-end Trade Show was a great opportunity for the stu-

dents to share their businesses and give the public a better understanding of the program, the event revealed less-tangible benefits: smiling, confident youth, introducing themselves to strangers, making eye contact, shaking hands and fielding questions.

"I chose to be part of the CEO class because I've always been interested in business and it's what I plan to pursue in college," Taggart said. "But, the biggest things I've learned this year are how to network and common business etiquette."

Throughout the year, the class met from 7:30-9:00 a.m., every school day at an area business. The students got plenty of practice introducing themselves

and engaging in business conversations through 45 area business tours and hosting 32 guest speakers. Working alone, or in pairs, students were matched with a volunteer mentor to help them navigate the process of starting their own business. All were immersed in real-life learning experiences with the opportunity to take risks, manage the results and learn from the outcomes.

“This class is a very good way to learn life skills, even if you’re not interested in going into business, it’s still very helpful,” Taggart said.

Cindi Koll, class facilitator and former Family and Consumer Science teacher, says CEO's aim is two-fold. "One of the reasons - and part of the reason CEO is funded by local businesses, or as we call them, 'investors,' - 2017 CEO Class Businesses is economic development," Koll said. "We would like our young people who are ambitious, hard-working and have some entrepreneurial dreams to come back to Central Minnesota, to Staples-Motley and Wadena-Deer Creek and raise their families here. That's the economic side of it. The other part is to prepare them to be adults, maybe more so than their regular academic classes."

In addition to all the business meetings, Koll arranged for the students

to meet with area bankers, insurance agents, realtors and landlords, giving them opportunities outside the normal high school experience.

The CEO curriculum was developed by Craig Lindvahl, a retired teacher from Effingham, IL and is available nationwide. According to Koll, Staples-Motley and Wadena-Deer Creek are among 38 school districts who have a program and the Central Minnesota program is just one of three in the state. Learn more at www.centralmn-ceo.com.

The program is made possible because of support from area businesses, called “investors.” National Joint Powers Alliance® (NJPA) is one of several area investors, and has provided Central MN CEO with \$67,450 in Innovation Funding, since it began two years ago (2014-15 and 2016-17). NJPA is slated to continue as an “investor” for 2017-18 with \$47,500 in Innovation Funding.

Innovation Funding was created to help Region Five entities (education, local government and nonprofits) fund initiatives aimed at creating collaboration and improving the region. The funding is a strategic reinvestment intended to support region-wide initiatives, and designed to impact and serve a greater public purpose.

LARGE amt. of items: Lifetime of Collecting

AUCTION

As I am no longer collecting, I am selling the remainder of my collections located at the Motley Fairgrounds, Motley, MN. Shelter if rain.

Saturday, May 27, 2017

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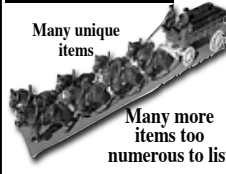
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Golfers come close to conference title

The Staples-Motley boys golf team placed second in the Mid-Minnesota Conference meet on May 22. Beck Erholtz was second place with a round of 78. Finn Erholtz and Tyler Helling were right behind, each shooting 80. Other Cardinal scores were Jack Benson 93, Alex Giza 98 and

Jack Adamietz 132.

With normal meet scoring of the top four, the Cardinals would have beaten Pequot Lakes for the title, but in this meet, the top six players were matched up against the other players from each team, and the Cardinals lost that competition by half a point.

The Cardinals also played in an invitational at Deacon's Lodge in Brainerd on May 17, where they placed sixth out of seven teams. Beck Erholtz shot 76, Finn Erholtz 90, Benson 94, Giza 108, Adamietz 106 and Max Strickland 127.

Baseball team picks up one win in three games

The Staples-Motley baseball team took a 0-0 game into the sixth inning, but ended up with a 7-0 loss to Sebek on May 18. On May 19, they jumped out early against Bertha-Hewitt/Verndale and held on for a 7-1 win. It was the opposite scenario against Pillager on May 22, as they fell behind early and lost 10-2.

Against Sebek, Ben Olander pitched six innings, striking out eight batters. Tommy Kossan, Braden Christensen and Mason Nyhus each had hits.

Against B-H/V, Trey Skeesick doubled home a run and scored on a sacrifice fly by Reid Busker. Busker pitched five innings

and gave up one run. Skeesick pitched the final two innings. Skeesick, Blake Gerard and James Ehresman each had multi-hit games, with Ehresman hitting in two RBIs and scoring one run. Cade Schmidt scored two runs, had one RBI, two stolen bases and was one for two at the plate. Nyhus had a triple, two walks one run scored and two stolen bases.

Against Pillager, the Cardinals gave up eight runs in the first two innings, although just three were earned runs.

Skeesick and Ehresman pitched, with Ehresman striking out eight in five innings. Kossan had two hits and two RBIs.



Softball playoffs

Pictured above, Jenna Trantina puts down a bunt for a single in the team's subsection softball playoff game against Perham. The Cardinals took a 0-0 game into the sixth inning, but things fell apart late in an 8-1 loss. Sam Schimpp had three hits for the Cardinals, who got baserunners throughout the game, but couldn't get them all the way around. (Staples World photo by Mark Anderson)



Cardinal baseball action

Above left, James Ehresman throws from the mound. Above right, Blake Gerard scoops up a ground ball from his shortstop position to throw out a runner. (Staples World photos by Mark Anderson)

Getting the sure out

Emma Gerard looks to first base after making a force out at second. (Staples World photo by Mark Anderson)

If at first you don't succeed ... re-nest

As a fancier and feeder of wild birds, I'm generally in favor of granting squatter's rights to nesters. Even though it might be inconvenient for the humans under my roof, I come down on the side of aiding birds' nesting efforts whenever possible. For instance, several springs ago a mourning dove took up residence in a wrought iron planter attached to our back fence. Before it was time to place flowers in the planter, a hopeful mourning dove had settled in and constructed one of the characteristically haphazard twig nests for which this species is known.

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Inside the Outdoors



Mike Rahn

Mourning doves more often build their nests in the concealment of trees or large shrubs. I've most often seen them on the interior branches of conifers, like the large spruce on our boulevard. Not this dove. Our wrought iron planter is anything but concealing, being nothing more than an open framework meant to hold pots filled with flowers. Against the stark white of our fence, the brown-grey mourning dove stuck out like a sore thumb.

Though there were as yet no nestlings when I discovered the dove's intentions, I couldn't

bring myself to dismantle the nest and evict her. Nor could I allow my spouse — who rarely sees such line-in-the-sand resistance — to take matters into her own hands. Some two weeks later, the adult mourning dove had abandoned the planter. Instead, she could be seen shepherding a pair of smaller versions of herself as they cautiously pecked their way along the garden, through the hostas and ferns looking for insects. No dove has since duplicated her questionable nest site judgment.

This year a robin has tested my live-and-let-live principles, attempting to build a nest atop an outdoor security light mounted 10 or so feet above ground where a patio path cuts between our house and garage. We've had experience before with robins that built nests near our back door, and would occasionally dive-bomb us when we came in or out; as if we were a potential threat. For this reason I'm not exactly enthusiastic about their nesting in close proximity to the house.

This year's robin's nest site raised other objections. Though I'm no electrical engineer, I'm not wild about the idea of having a nest — with its moist mud and profusion of bird droppings — so close to my wiring connections. While home from work one day for lunch, I departed from my live-and-let-live principles and climbed a step ladder to remove the wad of long, winter-bleached grass strands dangling from the light, which the female robin had

found somewhere in the neighborhood and was incorporating into her nest.

By the time I returned home that evening, a near-duplicate of the pre-lunch structure has been rebuilt in the same location. Open-minded as I am, I remained convinced that her home site was a bad idea. The process of remove-and-restart repeated itself several times, after which the robin appeared to give up. After several days with no resettlement attempts, I was sure I had channeled her nest-building energies elsewhere.

Then, this past weekend, I noticed the familiar strands of grass trailing off the light fixture. "This can't be the only suitable place in the neighborhood for a nest," I thought, but she refuses to give up. Our robin is definitely living out the real estate broker's favorite expression: "location-location-location."

It's not just songbirds that have this "try, try again" re-nesting habit. A good thing, too, for those of us who hunt ducks or geese, pheasants or grouse and other game birds of the Midwest. Their nests, too, are subject to disruption and destruction. In their case, the home-wrecking is likely to be from mammal and bird predators, including — but certainly not limited to — skunks, foxes, raccoons and crows. Flooding from heavy spring rains can destroy nests, too.

Then there are human-caused nest losses, from such things as mowing of hayfields and road

ditches, plowing and burning of stubble fields, even trampling by cattle being pastured. Ground-nesting ducks like mallards and blue-winged teal and certainly pheasants, are particularly vulnerable, which is why some states impose ditch-mowing bans until later in the summer to give these birds the best opportunity to successfully hatch and fledge their young.

How persistent are other birds in re-nesting, compared to our plucky mother robin? One of the most well-researched and relied-upon references for ducks and geese, a book entitled Ducks, Geese and Swans of North America, offers scientifically-documented evidence of how some waterfowl respond when their first nesting attempts come to grief. One very extensive study involved blue-winged teal, which are perennially among the top three species of ducks harvested by Minnesota hunters.

In this study, almost half of the blue-winged teal nest losses were caused by the depredations of small mammals. Of these, about two-thirds were the work of skunks. Raccoons, foxes, mink, weasels, coyotes and even badgers — together accounted for the rest of the mammals' share. Just under 20 percent of nest losses were to crows and their avian confederates. Twelve percent of nest losses were to farm activities, and about four percent to spring flooding.

Over half of the blue-winged teal whose nests were destroyed

tried again, some as many as three and four times. Similar studies have shown that nearly all mallard hens will make a second attempt after a nest loss. At the other end of the scale, less than 40 percent of scaup — blue-bills, as many of us know them — attempted re-nesting. These studies also found that, in general, a hen who lost her nest while still in the process of laying eggs was more likely to "try, try again" than a hen that was already incubating a full clutch when her nest was destroyed.

Closer to home, robins — my current backyard quandary — have only about a 40 percent nesting success rate. Their eggs and nestlings are preyed upon by crows and jays, red squirrels, even house cats if the nest is within reach. Of those hatched in one of the "lucky 40 percent" of successful nests, just 25 percent of these will survive until November and the time of migration. Though some fortunate robins have been known to live for a decade or more, only about half of a total robin population survives from one year to the next. It's a numbers game; the many eggs laid and their high mortality balance out to equal a stable population.

It's a good thing that birds have the persistence to re-nest after initial failure. If not for this habit, our backyards, marshes and uplands — as well as our pheasant, duck and goose hunts in autumn — would be far more empty and uneventful.

Track team has three conference champs

The Staples-Motley track and field teams hosted the Mid State Conference meet on May 16. The Cardinals had three champions, Matt Miller in the 100 meter dash, Max Giza in the pole vault, and Kira Sweeney in the girls 3,200 meter run.

The Cardinals will participate in the subsection meet at Pequot Lakes on Thursday, May 25, to advance to the section meet on Thursday, June 1.

Team results
Mid State Conference
Girls results
Pequot Lakes 143, Detroit Lakes 119, Park Rapids 62, Staples-Motley 25, Crosby-Ironton 24

100 - 5. Amber Robben 13.72, 7. Jordan DeChaine 13.75, 11. Heidi Lombard 14.36

200 - 4. Robben 28.50, 8. Larken Hirschey 30.30, 12. Sydney Wallace 32.96

400 - 9. Camryn Banaka 1:09, 10. Abby Dukowitz 1:10, 12. Jenna Dvorak 1:15

800 - 5. Kiera Dumphprope 2:40, 8. Kelsie Weite 2:46, 13.

Mikayla Sauber 3:03

1,600 - 3. Addison Lorber 5:51, 5. Dumphprope 5:55, 10. Malaya Reem 6:50

3,200 - 1. Kira Sweeney 12:22, 4. Abby Brown 14:00

100 hurdles - 8. Addison Hirschey 19.73

300 hurdles - 7. Ashley Vasquez 56.41, 11. A. Hirschey 60.47, 12. Isabelle Mikel 63.02

4x200 - 4. Staples-Motley 2:03

4x400 - 4. Staples-Motley

4:45

4x800 - 5. Staples-Motley 11:12

Long jump - 4. Robben 14'11", 14. Larken Hirschey 11'4", 15. Brooke Ferdon 11'2"

Triple jump - 8. DeChaine 27'4", 10. Libby O'Neil 25'0", 13. Sauber 23'1"

Shot put - 8. Weite 29'2", 10. Tabatha Allen 27'1", 13. Toni Brings 21'11"

Discus - 7. Brings 87'7", 12. Allen 51'6", 13. Edilia Chin-

naeua 39'7"

High jump - 19. Aleeah Halverson 4'6", 13. Weite 4'2"

Boys results
Detroit Lakes 132, Pequot Lakes 120, Staples-Motley 60, Park Rapids 38, Crosby-Ironton 23

100 - 1. Matt Miller 11.55, 9. Josh Lombard 12.17, 11. Daniel Lozano 12.64

200 - 5. Cael Sams 24.38, 8. Zac Carlson 25.53, 9. Chase Davis 25.66

400 - 5. Matthew Fisher 54.42, 9. Mason Rychner 57.54, 10. Lozano 58.86

800 - 9. Jeff Sundstrom 2:28, 10. Coleman Klimek 2:30, 11. Garrett Carlson 2:31

1,600 - 7. Bentley Christensen 5:11, 10. Hunter Klimek 5:16

3,200 - 3. Emmet Anderson 10:31, 10. Jack Tyrrell 12:16

110 hurdles - 2. Max Giza 15.24, 6. Jordon Carlson 20.47, 7. Scout Strickland 20.53

300 hurdles - 2. Giza 40.23, 8. Sam Jennissen 56.70

4x100 - 2. Staples-Motley 45.7

4x200 - 3. Staples-Motley 1:40

4x400 - 2. Staples-Motley 3:34

4x800 - 5. Staples-Motley 9:32

Long jump - 5. Noah Han 18'4", 8. Miller 17'3", 9. Rychner 16'10"

Triple jump - 2. Han 39'7", 9. Fisher 35'1", 11. Derek Kennedy 34'2"

Shot put - 5. Hunter Carlson 40'11", 7. Hunter Berggren 39'0", 13. Charles Woodwick 27'1"

Discus - 6. Strickland 112'5", 7. Berggren 108'3", 10. Carlson 93'8"

High jump - 5. Davis 5'2", 8. Kennedy 5'2"

Pole vault - 1. Giza 12'6", 8. Jennissen 8'0"



Windup for a big throw
Toni Brings spins in the discus circle.



High shot put
Hunter Carlson heaves the shot put to a fifth place finish at the conference meet.

All out sprint

Mason Rychner runs in the 400 meter dash at the conference meet.



Determined race

Kira Sweeney led from start to finish in the 3,200 meter run, finishing with her best time of the year.



Fast corner

Cael Sams and Chase Davis run the turn in the 200 meter dash.



Ahead of the competition

Matt Miller, left, gains an advantage midway through the conference 100 meter dash finals. Miller held on for the win. (Staples World photos by Mark Anderson)

GARAGE SALES 701

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