

Off he goes, into the wild blue yonder



And he's off!

After taking a running start in a field near the Staples Airport recently, Jon Crust has a successful launch on board his paramotor. Depending on wind speed, he usually travels approximately 20 mph at an altitude of 500 ft. Crust has hand-held brakes and is able to control the altitude with a throttle. When he is ready to land, he cuts the motor and glides in. (Staples World photo by Dawn Timbs)

By Dawn Timbs
Staples World reporter

For Jon Crust of Staples, flying his paramotor is a great way to unwind at the end of a work day and witness the beauty of nature from a birds-eye view.

It's a sport known as powered paragliding and one that's relatively new to Crust.

"I just started at the end of July," he shared recently at the Staples Airport, prior to taking off for an afternoon ride north of town.

According to Wikipedia, "Powered paragliding, also known as paramotoring or PPG, is a form of ultralight aviation." The pilot wears a paramotor on his or her back and that provides enough thrust to take off using a paraglider. It usually takes a minimum of 10 ft., to get a running start, Crust said, but it depends on the wind.

Although similar to paragliding, powered para-

gliding makes take-off a lot easier for people who live in areas that aren't very mountainous. Like Minnesota.

Crust, a 2012 Brainerd High School graduate and Bemidji State University alumnus, has been a band teacher at Staples-Motley High School for the past

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'It's the safest form of personal flight.'

Jon Crust

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two years. He loves his job, but said he needed to find a hobby outside of work. Having always been somewhat interested in flying, he decided to find out more about paramotoring. "It's the most affordable way for me to fly," he said.

This was definitely a hobby he was excited to invest in. Crust went on to purchase the motor unit from a manufacturer

in Sauk Rapids. The paraglider (wing) was a special order from Apco Aviation in Israel and took about six weeks for them to complete it. His wing spans about 27 ft.

Although it's not required in the United States to get a license, Crust said it's a really good idea to learn the basics of powered paragliding from a professional.

He took lessons from Adam Roering at Paramotor Central in Little Falls, riding tandem at first until he was able to fly on his own. Lessons included learning how to operate the equipment, as well as gaining a knowledge about safe weather conditions for flying a paramotor.

The best time to fly is right after sunset or sunrise, Crust said. During the day, the sun heats the ground which can cause dangerous thermal conditions. He also prefers to fly

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Veterans Park to hold dinner, dedication

The Staples All Veterans Park two events coming up, a bench dedication on Saturday, Oct. 21, and an appreciation dinner on Thursday, Oct. 26.

Twenty-seven veterans who graduated with the Staples High School Class of 1961 have joined to purchase a bench to be

placed in the park. They will hold a ceremony at 10 a.m. on Oct. 21 to dedicate the bench and honor their fellow veterans.

The appreciation dinner is for the many people who helped with the house project for the Veterans Park, in which a house was moved to make space for

the new Timberlake Hotel, was fixed up and sold as a fundraiser for the park.

That event will be held at the Timbers Event Center, next to the hotel, from 5:30-8 p.m. on Oct. 26. The event will also honor veterans who participated in the video history project for the park.

Hello, Readers,

I'm truly sorry to break this news to you, dear readers, but you've missed it. Yesterday, Oct. 18, was National Chocolate Cupcake Day. Cupcakes can be traced back to 1796 when there was a recipe notation of "a cake to be baked in small cups" written in American Cookery, by Amelia Simmons. The earliest known documentation of the term cupcake was in 1828 in Seventy-five Receipts for Pastry, Cakes, and Sweetmeats in Eliza Leslie's Receipts cookbook. Cupcakes were originally baked in heavy pottery cups. Today, some bakers still use individual ramekins, small coffee mugs, large teacups, or other small ovenproof pottery-type dishes for baking their cupcakes. So who cares if you're a day late. Go ahead and indulge in a chocolate cupcake. Your tastebuds will thank you, even if your waist doesn't.

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Obituary

Eugene Stoll

Friendly Rider is expanding with new bus route to Brainerd

By Mark Anderson
News Editor

Friendly Rider is giving more and more rides every year. After 45,000 rides in 2015 and 54,000 rides in 2016, the bus service is on pace to give more than 60,000 rides in 2017.

Jake Huebsch, Wadena County Transit Director, said the service is growing the fastest in the City of Wadena and he would like to see the Staples area reach the same growth.

One of the attempts to increase ridership is a new route from Staples to Brainerd that started in August. The route is in combination with Central Lakes College and starts at CLC in Staples at 6:15 a.m., with stops in Motley starting at 6:25 a.m. Other buses leave Staples at 8 a.m., 12 p.m. and 4:30 p.m. CLC students are able to ride for free, as the college will pick up their fare.

The bus also stops in Pillager and Baxter on the way to CLC in Brainerd. Huebsch said they originally were only going to stop at CLC and Walmart, but they found there is a demand to go to other places, such as the VA, the Brainerd hospital and Fleet Farm. He said since this is a scheduled route, they don't want to stray from that central corridor, but they are able to accommodate riders with special requests if it fits in the schedule.

Jamie Robertson of the Friendly Rider staff said the Brainerd route opens new possibilities for Staples residents. Besides being able to do more shopping or going to appointments in Brainerd, they can also attend the many cultural events at the CLC campus in Brainerd.

The Brainerd route is only one way to gain ridership.

"People are finding creative ways to use it," said Huebsch. He gave an example of a family sending their children to religion classes on Friendly Rider so they didn't have to leave work to get the kids there. Others have sent kids to their summer recreation activities and swimming lessons during the work day.

Regular riders use the bus for many reasons, such

as getting to work, going grocery shopping, getting coffee or going to medical appointments.

Special events and group trips are also using the bus more often. Huebsch said they offer to go to events like the Old Wadena Rendezvous and Staples Railroad Days, and others use it monthly to attend community meals.

Different groups are scheduling Friendly Rider

for special outings. One example is a care facility scheduling a leaf viewing tour to see the fall colors. Preschools also use the bus for field trips.

Most of all, Huebsch and Robertson are trying to find ways to help the people of the community. "We try to be responsive. If there is a need we will try to incorporate it in our routes," said Robertson.

Robertson said it is best

to schedule rides a day ahead so that the bus can be available for the right time. "Our drivers are flexible, but they have to be able to plan their route," he said.

Online reservations can be made at friendlyrider.com, or call 218-631-5730 (toll free 888-773-5500).

Friendly Rider is open for everyone, from young

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Russell Milton



Cara Jares



Brooke Bendson

Staples-Motley Elementary School at fire hall

Staples-Motley Elementary students visited the Staples Fire Hall Oct. 13 taking a tour of the Staples Fire Hall, visiting the firemen's learning stations and participating in hand's on activities. Above: Students in Pete Kautto's third grade class welcomed the chance to spray the fire hose with guidance from firefighter Drew Yungbauer. See more fire hall visits on pages 2a and 10a. (Staples World photos by Janice Winter)

Thank you for subscribing!



Sacred Heart Area School visits fire hall

Sacred Heart Area School students visited the Staples Fire Hall Oct. 11 during Fire Prevention Week. Staples Firefighters Jeremy Reeck and Scott Yungbauer led kindergarten through second grade students on the equipment and fire vehicle tour, getting up close and personal with fire trucks, rescue equipment and listening to safety tips. (Staples World photos by Janice Winter)



Classes pose for photo

Kindergarten through second grade students at SHAS pause for a group photo with fire equipment old and new. Students had the chance to try on a real firefighter's protective jacket. All the students took home Jr. Firefighter's hats, coloring books and stickers. The firefighter's annual open house was held Oct. 13 at the fire hall.



Fire truck tour

Second grade students Carson DeWald and Brooklyn Winter filed through the ladder truck to get a "feel" of riding in a real fire truck as kindergarten teacher Sammi Becker gives them a helping hand.

Operation Round Up grants announced

Operation Round Up grants from Todd-Wadena Electric Cooperative (TWEC) were recently announced.

Todd-Wadena Electric Cooperative's Community Trust Board awarded seven Operation Round Up grants to local non-profit organizations, totaling \$5,200.

The Round Up Community Trust Board also set aside \$3,500 for seven area food shelves prior to the holiday season, bringing the total awarded to local non-profit organizations to \$8,700.

The recipient organizations and their awards are as follows:

Book Ends-\$500, Meet the Author events; Fresh-

water Education District Area Learning Center-\$1,000, Robotics program; Hands of Hope Resource Center-\$1,000, Emergency Assistance for Todd County victims; Hewitt Fire Dept.-\$1,000, firefighting and extrication gloves; Knute Nelson-\$500, Enhancing Hospice with Music Therapy program; LEAP-\$600, Save the Bandshell project; Staples Area Women's Chorus-\$600, updating music library; Area food shelves-\$3,500, split between seven area food shelves.

Funds for the Operation Round Up program come from participating TWEC members who allow their monthly electric bills to be rounded up to the near-

est dollar, with the change allocated to a Community Trust Fund.

Todd-Wadena's Operation Round Up grant applications are reviewed and recipients selected three times a year by a seven-member volunteer Community Trust board. The next application deadline will be Jan. 15.

Local, nonprofit community service groups may apply for Operation Round Up grants by stopping by or calling the TWEC office at 800-321-8932 or by downloading a copy of the application form and guidelines from the Todd-Wadena website, www.toddwadena.coop and clicking the 'Our Community' tab.

Staples Police report

Recent reports taken by the Staples Police Dept. included:

Oct. 10; Staples Police received a report of a backpack stolen during the varsity football game on Oct. 6. The book bag had a high school issued laptop inside.

Oct. 10; at 11:30 p.m., Staples Police received a report of a wrong way driver on Hwy 10. Police located the vehicle and driver in a parking lot on the 1200 block of 2nd Ave. NE. After making contact with the driver, Michael Aho, 40, of Pillager, was arrested for 3rd degree DWI.

Oct. 12; Staples Police responded to the Alternative Learning Center for a report of three students smoking marijuana. Police arrived and cited three students for possession of marijuana.

Oct. 13; Staples Police were advised of a school bus stop arm violation while children were in the roadway. The suspect in the matter was found and advised police that they committed the violation. The

report was forwarded to the city attorney's office.

Oct. 13; Staples Police responded to a residence for an unresponsive person. CPR was administered by police and Staples Ambulance. The subject was transported to the Lakewood Health System emergency room.

Oct. 15; Staples Police were notified of a vehicle parked in the DQ parking lot, the complainant believed the driver was intoxicated. Police arrested Terry Thotland, 53, for 3rd degree DWI, driving after canceled IPS and open container.

Oct. 15; Staples Police responded to the 100 block of Dakota Ave. SE for a reported vehicle fire. When police arrived the fire was out, the Staples Fire Dept. assisted the owner of the vehicle.

Oct. 14; Staples Police conducted a traffic stop and cited Tamara Hoff, 59, of North Dakota with DWI, open container and expired registration.

DNR seeks input on trails in area forests

The Minnesota Department of Natural Resources will hold a public input meeting about the future of

motorized and nonmotorized trails in Huntersville and Lyons state forests and other state forest lands in Wadena County.

The meeting will be 6-8 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 25, at Menahga Public School, 216 Aspen Ave. SE, Menahga.

Potential changes to trails within the planning area include adding new trails, connecting trails to facilities and amenities, and rerouting or closing unsustainable trails.

Comments received at the meeting will be used to develop a draft recommendation that will be submitted to the DNR commissioner for approval. Changes to forest trail des-

ignations must be made by commissioner's orders.

Written comments may be submitted by fax to 651-297-1157, by email to forest-trailplanning.dnr@state.mn.us or by mail to Joe Unger, Parks and Trails Division, Minnesota DNR, 500 Lafayette Road, St. Paul, MN 55155-4039. The DNR will accept written comments through Wednesday, Nov. 8.

For more information: Contact Tim Williamson, acquisition and development specialist, Parks and Trails Division, 218-308-2369.

Visit the Minnesota State Forest Trail Revisions Project webpage at www.mndnr.gov.

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Staples friends usher Cerney to Gopher HOF

Former Staples High School swimmer Del Cerney was inducted into the University of Minnesota “M” Club Hall of Fame on Oct. 12, with many of his Staples friends in attendance.

During the ceremony, each athlete was asked questions about their experience at the U of M. Cerney thanked his high school coach Mel Nefstead, along with his club coach and college coach, for getting him to that level.

“It was a good evening to gather as a swimming family and celebrate the accomplishments of Del,” said Nefstead. “He is the most distinguished athlete in Staples history, to get to a Division 1 Hall of Fame.”

In 1992, Cerney repeated as the Big Ten’s 50-yard freestyle champion and then earned bronze at the NCAA Championships. By the end of the national meet his senior year, Cerney had picked up eight All-American finishes during his career.

He was also a five-time Big Ten champ, highlighted by those consecutive crowns in the 50 free. In addition to his Gopher career, Cerney won the 1991 U.S. senior national title in 50-meter freestyle, becoming the first Gopher to win a senior national championship in more than two decades.

Other inductees were Shannon Beeler, softball; Steve Comer, baseball; Omar Douglass, football and track and field; Russ Fystrom, gymnastics; Terri Jashinsky, swimming; Jordan Leopold, hockey; Adam Steele, track and field; and Lindsay Whalen, basketball.



With the coach

Del Cerney had a moment with his Staples High School coach Mel Nefstead, who enjoyed the ceremony. “It was a gathering of family, friends and coaches,” said Nefstead. Nefstead is a bit of a swimming historian and said Cerney is the first Minnesotan to swim under 20 seconds in the 50 freestyle. He also said Cerney’s record in the 50 freestyle is hanging permanently in Cook Hall at the U of M, as the swimming arena is retired to competition. (Submitted photos)



With Dad

Del’s dad Franklin Cerney, Staples, had a chance to pose with his son and the nameplate on the wall recognizing Del’s achievements.



State champs all in a row

Three Staples state champions met up at the U of M Hall of Fame ceremony. From left are Mark Lelwica, Del Cerney and Kurt Jenkins. Lelwica was a two time champion in the 100 freestyle in 1988 and 1989, Cerney won the 50 freestyle in 1989 and Jenkins won the 100 butterfly in 1989 in a state record time of 50.86. The team finished sixth in the state in 1988, against the biggest schools under the single class system. (Submitted photo)

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Toasted by the Outstanding Organization

The Staples Area Men’s Chorus, honored as the Outstanding Organization by the Staples Motley Area Community Foundation, invited past and present members to sing their traditional Toast song to the crowd at the awards dinner on Oct. 12 (above left). Other honorees included Tesla Anderson, Outstanding Youth, (top right); Chad Longbella and Lani Longbella Roberts (with presenter Ken Klose) for Longbella Drug’s Outstanding Business award; Steve Sveom, center, the Duane R. Lund Award for Lifetime Achievement; Gail Honek, middle right, the Outstanding Citizen award; and Duane Strack, the Chairman’s award for his volunteer activities. (Staples World photos by Mark Anderson)



Palmer amaranth found in Todd County

The Minnesota Department of Agriculture (MDA) has confirmed a new Palmer amaranth infestation in a conservation planting – this time in Todd County.

The MDA is investigating where the Palmer amaranth seed came from; however, officials believe the weed is limited to specific planting sites.

“There are several factors working in our favor that lead us to believe

we can find, control and eliminate this new Palmer amaranth,” said Geir Friisoe, MDA’s Director of Plant Protection. “The Todd County planting was seeded in late June; and with our cold overnight temperatures earlier this week, it’s unlikely there is any viable seed on the plants. Also, thanks to local officials who were on the lookout for Palmer and notified us immediately, we were able to quickly find and identify the Palmer, and make a plan for eradication.”

Palmer amaranth was first confirmed in Minnesota in 2016, in Lyon and Yellow Medicine counties. Because of swift action there to control its spread, a small number of plants were found this year at the 2016 sites.

With continued herbicide treatment next year, Friisoe stated he is optimistic the MDA can completely eradicate the weed infestations in Lyon and Yellow Medicine counties, and is confident the same can happen in Todd County.

Palmer amaranth can grow two to three inches a day, typically reaching six to eight feet or more, in height. Left uncontrolled, a single female Palmer amaranth plant typically produces 100,000 to 500,000 seeds. It is resistant to multiple herbicides, and can cause substantial yield losses and greatly increase weed management costs in soybeans and corn.

Because of the impacts it can have to Minnesota’s crops, Palmer amaranth is listed as a Prohibited Weed Seed. This means no Palmer amaranth seed is allowed in any seed offered for sale in the state. It’s also on Minnesota’s Prohibited Noxious Weed Eradicate List. All above and below ground parts of the plant must be destroyed. Also, no transportation, propagation or sale of this plant is allowed.

The invasive weed is native to the southwestern United States and northwestern Mexico. It’s been found in 28 other states, including Iowa, South Dakota and Wisconsin.

Comments sought on mowing rights of way

The Minnesota Department of Transportation (MnDOT) is seeking public comment regarding mowing and haying in ditches and other rights of way along state roadways.

The agency will conduct a series of listening sessions across the state to hear from Minnesotans about their concerns and wishes regarding mowing and haying. Listening sessions in this area will be held:

- o Nov. 9, 6:30-8:30 p.m., MnDOT Conference Center, 3725 12th St. N., St. Cloud
- o Nov. 20, 6 p.m.-8 p.m., 7694 Industrial Park Rd, Baxter.

Detailed information on the listening sessions is available at the project website. Additionally, concerned individuals who can’t attend a listening session, are invited to submit a public comment via MnDOT’s website.

“This is a challenging issue,” said MnDOT Assistant Commissioner Nancy Daubenberger, who heads the outreach and proposal development work. “The rights of way serves many purposes, all of them valid. We want to ensure that we address all the needs, including the safety of roadway users, as best we can. We need the public’s help to identify the best route to follow.”

In late 2016, MnDOT sent out a news release reminding the public that permits were required to mow and hay in state rights of way and that a new permit form was available and announced deadlines for permit applications.

Due to public concern, during the 2017 state legislative session, the Legislature imposed a moratorium on permitting for mowing and haying on state rights of way. Legislators directed MnDOT to conduct public outreach and develop a legislative proposal regarding mowing and haying in state rights of way.

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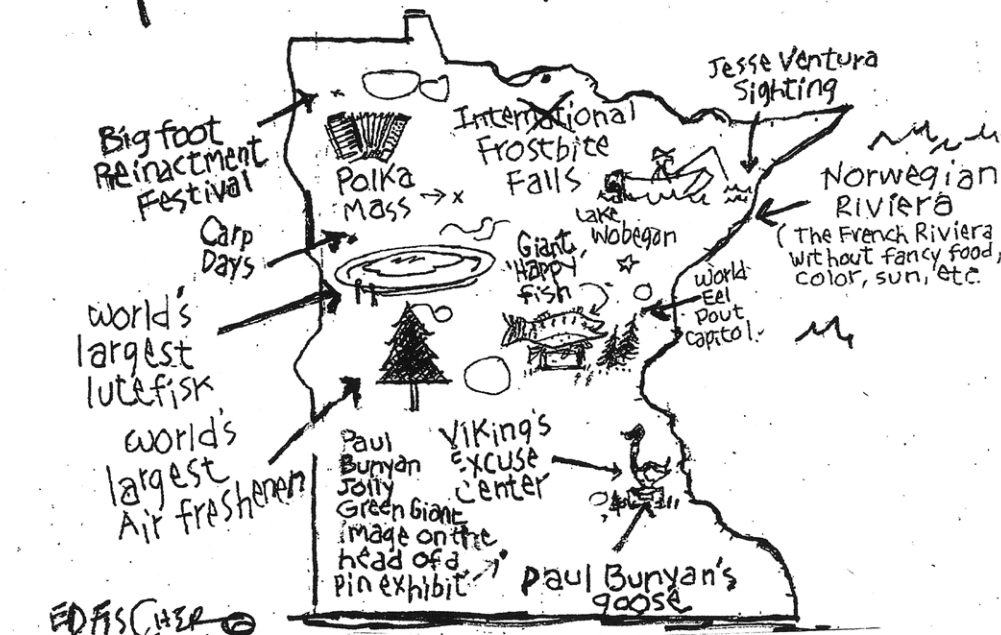
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Ag2School tax credit will aid ag and schools

By Sen. Paul Gazelka
(R) District 9

This November, as school districts across Minnesota look to keep up with growing facility needs, changing technology, and increased security concerns, many will put bond issue referendums before their voters. This includes districts in our area, such as both Pillager and Wadena-Deer Creek.

Historically, geography has dictated if local school districts were successful in getting the money they want - and often need - to build new facilities or renovate existing buildings. In metropolitan areas, school referendums have a much higher probability of passing than in rural areas, largely because of the property tax burden on farmers and landowners in Greater Minnesota.

But as these districts look toward the future, the Republican-led legislature has their backs. When Republicans took control of the state senate this year,

one of our top priorities was to provide meaningful tax relief to as many Minnesotans as possible.

We passed a \$648 million pro-growth tax plan that provides relief for taxpayers across the state - and particularly in Greater Minnesota. According to the Minnesota Farm Bureau, farmers in some rural school districts are required to pay up to ten times as much as other taxpayers in those same districts, making up a significant portion of the total tax base.

For many of Minnesota's rural communities, this was an unsustainable model. Over the past decade, farmers have found themselves facing skyrocketing land values and increased costs, while the prices of commodities, such as corn, have fallen significantly. At the same time, farmers have seen property taxes increase nearly 150 percent.

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One of the many posi-

tive outcomes from the historically-productive 2017 legislative session is the Ag2School tax credit - a reduction of the tax levy impact on agricultural property and timber land by at least 40 percent, applicable to existing, proposed, and future bond referendum debt service.

In plain terms, this means that the state will now pick up a larger share of the cost of these school projects and, in return, farmers will see a 40 percent decrease in their share of a school bond.

Beginning Jan. 1, 2018, an estimated 240,000 parcels of land will qualify for this property tax credit. A farmer that once paid \$25 per acre, for example, now will receive \$10 from the state as a credit on their property tax bill.

The Ag2School tax credit was a bipartisan measure that received overwhelming support from both sides of the aisle - and for good reason. According to the Minnesota Rural Education Association, about half of the state's schools were built before 1976, and a quarter are between 54 and 125 years old. Yet, on average, school buildings have only a 60-year life span.

With districts across Minnesota asking voters to approve bond referendums for maintenance, more classrooms, and renovated gathering space, the good work done this legislative session will help these districts better serve the needs of their communities - and I think that's something we can all agree is good for Minnesota.

You can find more information about the Senate Republican "Advancing Minnesota" agenda on our website: www.MNSenateRepublicans.com.

Sen. Gazelka can be reached at 651-296-4875 or email paul.gazelka@senate.mn.

Domestic abuse is more than physical

By Connie Nelson
Domestic Violence/Sexual Assault Program Coordinator
Hands of Hope Resource Center

October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month.

As a nation, we used to think that domestic violence was a private matter and should not be openly talked about. Unfortunately some folks still don't choose to learn about domestic violence.

We all want to think "That will never happen in my family," and then it does, or it happens to a friend or co-worker. One in three women and one in four men in the United States will be a victim of domestic violence at some point in their life according to the National Coalition Against Domestic Violence.

Our community may seem safe from violence, but behind some closed doors, family members are living in fear of what will happen next.

A victim once told me

that she thought that she had met the man of her dreams. He was kind, attentive and he loved her so much that he wanted her to spend all of her time with him. He made her feel like a princess.

What she didn't see was that her friends and family were being quickly eliminated from her life because he wanted all of her time. What she didn't realize was that she was slowly losing all of her support system, which was exactly the plan. Now who can she turn to, who is going to believe her?

Isolation is just one sign that a person may be in an abusive relationship. There are others, such as using coercion, threats, using intimidation, economic abuse, minimizing and blaming all the issues on the victim, emotional and, of course, physical abuse.

We do, however, need to be aware that domestic violence isn't just about black eyes and bruises. The psychological and emotional abuse takes a huge toll on a victim and often takes

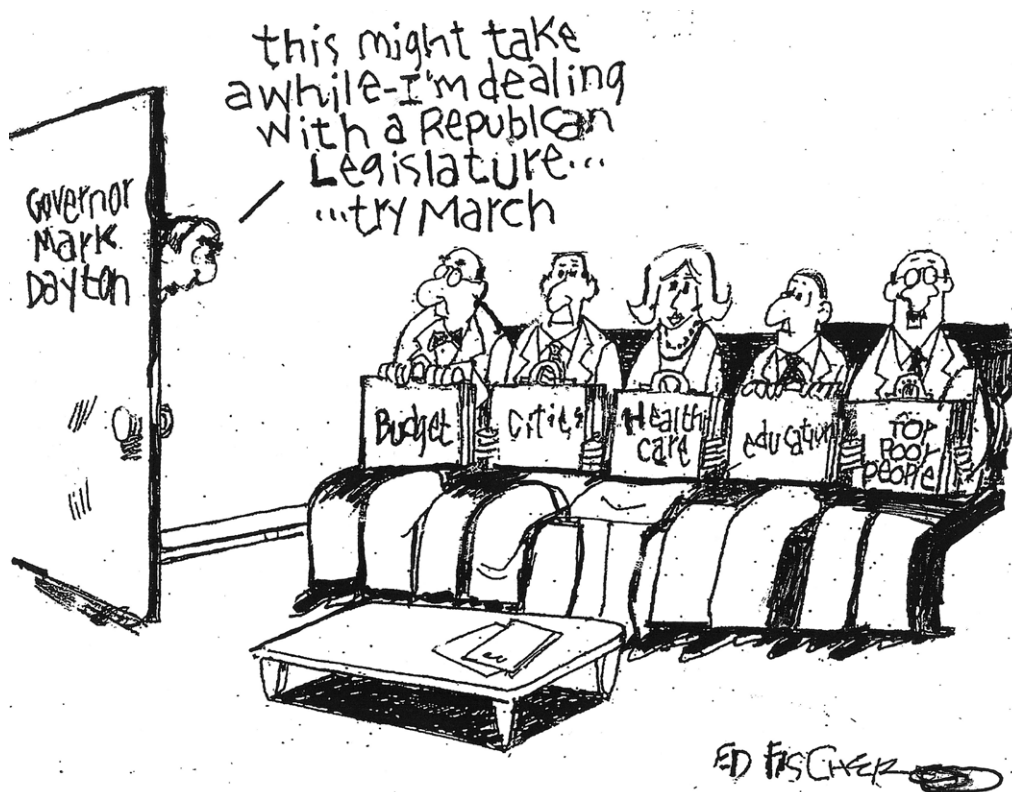
years to overcome, but is domestic violence as well.

So in October, Hands of Hope Resource Center asks that you find a moment or two to learn more about the signs of domestic violence, and how you may be able to help a friend or family member in that situation. You may be the one who makes the difference in that person's life.

If you would like to know more about domestic violence or perhaps your church ladies or another women's group would like to learn more, feel free to contact our office at 320-732-2319, or on our crisis line at 1-800-682-4547, or at www.handsofho.net. We are also on Facebook, check us out.

Our Todd County office is located at 347 Central Ave in Long Prairie, in the Main Street Government Center across the street from the Post Office. We're open Monday through Friday 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m..

We wish you safety and peace.



A Cardinal Community Homecoming Thank You!

The energy our students bring is "traditional" when it comes to homecoming, regardless of the era. This year we had many new faces at events, both families and community members alike. Your involvement was celebratory. The participation of our "Cardinal Community" was not only visible, but equal to that of the student body. It was fantastic.

As Lorna Klefsaas (Student Council Advisor and "Cardinal Events Coordinator") and I begin planning for next year, we both felt it was important to recognize those who assisted in the week's success. (The risk in generating the thank you's... is you potentially leave someone off the list). The specifics regarding each 'Thank You' could be a letter, all of its own.

Thank you to the following: Jayme Carlson, Susan Williams,

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Staples-Motley Schools



By Mike Schmidt
Staples-Motley High School Principal
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Amy Richter Svendsen, Pam Collins, Heidi Schmidt, Emily Hoeschen, Jeremy Moulton, Wanda Oberlander, Julie Benson, Camp Shamaineau, the Dairy Queens, Bobbe Anderson, Mary Rychner, Jill Schneider, Travis VanOverbeke, Cardinal coaches, Cardinal cheerleaders, Kermit Klefsaas, football boosters, youth football coaches and families, high school staff, skit crew, Student Council, Cardinal Homecoming Court, Cardinal student-athletes, Pep Band, Cardinal student section, the high school office staff and all the Staples-Motley Cardinal fans.

Without you and those you recruited to assist, we simply wouldn't have had the Cardinal Community Homecoming we did.

Thank you and Onward Cardinals.
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The Kingery Family to present gospel concert



The Kingery Family will perform at Thomastown Covenant Church on Sunday, Oct. 29, 3 p.m., as part of the church's Harvest Fest.

Hailing from Central Minnesota, the Kingery family began as a family of ten - Mike, Chris and their eight children singing and ministering together through music. It has grown to include two sons-in-law and seven grandchildren.

The Kingerys have been performing together for the past 16 years. They sing primarily gospel bluegrass music while also

incorporating fiddle, patriotic, Americana and a capella. Their combination of tight harmonies, uplifting songs and family unity are sure to encourage concert-goers.

For more online information about their music, visit www.thekingeryfamily.com.

Thomastown Covenant Church is located seven miles north of Staples at 15940 251st Ave.

A free will offering will be received. Following the concert, refreshments will be served.



New siding and paint, repaired hydraulics

The bandshell repair project is nearing completion with just a few improvements to finish. Donors and other interested people are invited to stop by the Bruce Nelsen home at 108 Park Road, Staples, on **Sunday afternoon, Oct. 22**, for a tour of the work done so far. The work crew included Bruce Nelsen, Don Dravis, Joe Hasselberg and Rick Anderson. At right, Hasselberg, Jerel Nelsen, Dravis and Bruce Nelsen are watching the front door being raised using hydraulics that hadn't been used in years. (Submitted photos)



Public library offers 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 Motley Early Childhood Coalition.

D.I.Y. fun activity: Vegetable Guessing game - October

Stop in each week and guess the vegetable. A winner will be drawn each week from the correct answers for a prize. For ages three -12 during open hours. Sponsored by the Staples Friends of the Library.

Book club - Oct. 26

Read the book and join the fun discussion on Thursday, Oct. 26 from 5-6 p.m. For teens and adults.

D.I.Y. fun activity: What are you Thankful for? - November

Write down what you are thankful for on our turkey cut-out and pick up a treat at the desk. This program is ongoing through November during library hours.

Minnesota Workforce Center - Nov. 1

A Workforce Center staff person will be available the first Wednesday of each month to assist job seekers with resumes, accessing online job sites

and any other one-on-one assistance. Next round of sessions will be Nov. 1 between 2-4 p.m. For adults.

For more information on any of the activities contact the library at 218-894-1401.

The Staples Public Library is located at 122 6th St. NE, Staples. Hours: 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.

School board agenda

The Staples-Motley School Board will meet Monday, Oct. 23, at 7 p.m. in the Staples-Motley High School media center.

Agenda items include:

- School/community: Deb Ferdon on student achievement data.

- Financial items including approval of financial report.

- Curriculum and policy items including 2017-18 curriculum council plan of action; physical education/health curriculum; second reading on policies regarding harassment and violence and on visitors to school district sites; acceptance of several policies with no changes that have been reviewed by the committee.

- Personnel items including approval of maternity leave for Elizabeth Wright approximately March and April; approval of winter extra-curricular coaches/advisors; and a discussion on the superintendent search.

Other items include reports from the principals, superintendent, SMEA and school board committees.

Staples City Council agenda

The Staples City Council will meet Tuesday, Oct. 24, at 7 p.m. at the Staples City Hall, 122 6th St NE, Staples.

Preliminary agenda items include:

- Consider proposal from LEAP to market and promote the city as a tourist destination from the proceeds of the local lodging tax.

- Consider resolution granting request from the Staples Fire Department Relief Association for permission to conduct a raffle on Feb. 17, 2018, at the Community Center and authorize the consumption of alcohol at the Community Center as part of the Annual Fireman's Dance.

- Committee reports including the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board and the Planning and Zoning Commission.

- Open forum.
- City Administrator's report.



Apples and pumpkins

Join our fun, monthly Reading Roundhouse Storytime at the Staples Public library. October was all about picking apples and counting pumpkins. Children listen to stories and participate in flannel boards with crafts and snacks at the end. The next storytime is Nov. 8 at 10:30 a.m. All preschool children are welcome. Stop in or call 218-894-1401 to sign up. Above, Alex Wiegand and storyteller Heidi Haase are counting pumpkins on the flannel board. (Submitted photo)

CLC Fall Festival for local kids

Central Lakes College will hold their Fall Festival on Tuesday, Oct. 24, from 5-7 p.m. at the Staples campus.

Area children are invited to wear their Halloween costumes for activities, crafts, games, cookie decorating photo booth and snacks.

Sacred Heart Church, Staples
Pork Loin and Chicken Dinner
SUNDAY, OCT. 29
11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.
 Serving in the church basement (310 4th St. NE):
Pork loin, chicken, potatoes, gravy, squash, corn, cole slaw, dressing, buns and pie.
 Tickets at the door:
Adults: \$10 Ages 6-12: \$5 Children under 5 FREE!
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Takeout orders, call Dan, 218-639-8032.
11 a.m. BAZAAR, noon Bingo, Produce/Plant Sale, Baked Goods at Sacred Heart Area School (1:30 p.m. drawing)

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Staples Area Women's Chorus presents
SOUP SANDWICH AND SONG
Saturday, October 28, 2017
Staples Alliance Church, 1512 8th St. NE
Doors open at noon
Tickets \$10
 Tickets available at Markus Hair Design, Motley Staples World, Staples and Chorus Members.
 For info, contact Janet Anderson, 218-839-3900 or Barb Cline, 218-894-1253 or 218-330-3830
 This activity is made possible by the voters of Minnesota through a grant from the Five Wings Arts Council, thanks to a legislative appropriation from the Arts and Cultural Heritage Fund.

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Youth Counselor Part-Time, starting wage \$12.75. Hours are 8:00 am-4:00 pm and/or 3:00-11:00 pm, every other weekend.

For more information, email or call Sherry at: sherry@heartlandgirlsranh.org 320.843.4815 Ext. 227

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Born to Christine Dell and Devin Mosher of Fertile, a baby girl, Mila Lynn weighing six pounds, 10.5 ounces on October 6, 2017.

Born to Kiri and Jared Goerges of Baxter, a baby girl, Brynn Calyn weighing seven pounds, five ounces on October 7, 2017.

Born to Candice and Zach Boutin of Motley, a baby girl, Peyton Lynn weighing eight pounds, one ounce on October 8, 2017.

Born to Crystal and Garrett Miller of Pillager, a baby girl, Tayea Hazel weighing nine pounds, nine ounces on October 10,

2017.

Born to Autumn Palas and Wesly Johnson of Brainerd, a baby boy, Oliver Joe weighing ten pounds, eight ounces on October 10, 2017.

Born to Danielle and Justin Lelm of Nevis, a baby girl, Adeline Rose weighing six pounds, 11 ounces on October 10, 2017.

Born to Jamie and Shawn Rugroden of Pine River, a baby girl, Andi Rae weighing seven pounds, 11.5 ounces on October 11, 2017.

Born to Janel and Dan Andrus of Pine River, a baby boy, Drake Tucker Thomas weighing eight pounds, eight ounces on October 11, 2017.



October birthdays

Four member of the Staples Senior Citizens celebrated their October birthdays in the Senior Citizen's room at the Staples Community Center on October 10. In front is Ruby Bautch; standing, left to right, Kathy Crews, Donna Breckenridge and Frances Mertens. Each celebrant received a small decorated cake, personalized photo card and the Happy Birthday song was sung. There was a short program with door prizes, followed by the regular meal.

The November Birthday/Anniversary party will be held at 11:30 a.m. Tuesday, Nov. 14. Call 218-894-2556 before noon the day before to register for the noon meal.

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Charlee

Beautiful daughter of Cassandra & Cade
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Beautiful son of Maggie & Darrel
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Brantley

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Born 7/19/17 in Staples.



Tanek

Beautiful son of Ashlee & Rob
Born 7/31/17 in Staples.

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Newspaper boys

Gabe Kroll, a fourth grader at Motley-Staples Middle School, was in the homecoming spirit Oct. 4, as the middle school celebrated a theme day of different decades. Kroll chose to dress up as a news boy from the 1890s. He and his mom stopped by the newspaper office for a photo with the Staples World news boy. Kroll is the son of Ryan and Renee Kroll, Staples. (Staples World photo by Janice Winter)

State government internships available

Internships are available with the Office of Governor Mark Dayton and Lt. Governor Tina Smith. The internship program affords students the opportunity to earn college credits and valuable professional experience.

The purpose of the internship program in the Office of Governor Dayton and Lt. Governor Smith is to enhance educational opportunities for currently enrolled undergraduate or graduate students or recent graduates. It's offered year-round. Interns commit to at least 12 hours a week; schedules are flexible between the hours of 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Monday-Friday.

The Governor's Office is now accepting applications for spring 2018. The application deadline is Oct. 31. Applicants will be contacted regarding the status of their application by Nov. 14.

To learn about all departments and to apply, visit <https://mn.gov/governor/contact-us/internships/>

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Obituary

Eugene Stoll

Eugene Stoll, 80, of Pine River, formerly of Staples, passed away October 13, 2017 at his home.

Services will be held Saturday, Oct. 21, at 11 a.m. at Kline Funeral Home, Pine River. Visitation will be one hour prior to the services. A luncheon will follow services at the Pine River American Legion.

Arrangements are with Kline Funeral Home, Pine River.

Eugene was born to Eugene Sr. and Inez Stoll, July 2, 1937 in Chicago. Gene married Ann Sherpherd on August 29, 1960. He served four years in the U.S. Air Force, before his 21 year career as an engineer for several different railroads. Gene was a member of the Pine River and Backus American Legions. He enjoyed planes, boats, cars, photography



and travel.

He is survived by his wife; two sons, Dale Stoll of Staples and Scott Stoll (Michele) of Missoula, Montana; six grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents; one daughter, Donna Stoll and granddaughter, Bridgett Stoll.

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Region Five receives national innovation award

Region Five Development Commission based in Staples has received a 2017 Innovation Award from the National Association of Development Organizations (NADO) for the Sprout Growers and Makers Marketplace.

Sprout Growers & Makers Marketplace is a newly constructed 20,000 sq ft local food processing facility located in Little Falls, cooking demonstration kitchen and indoor winter marketplace for growers and makers, established by a cadre of thinkers over the last six years who hosted its grand opening April 1, 2016.

Sprout Marketplace offers a unique community engagement setting that creatively engages residents to design projects and intrinsic/social programming at a one-of-a-kind regional space where art/culture/food increase

cultural appreciation and offer positive economic impacts.

NADO is a Washington, DC-based membership association of regional development organizations that promotes programs and policies that strengthen local governments, communities and economies through regional cooperation, program delivery, and comprehensive strategies.

The association's Innovation Awards program recognizes regional development organizations and their partners for improving the economic and community competitiveness of our nation's regions and local communities. This was NADO's 50-year anniversary of supporting regional economic development across the country.

Award-winning projects were honored during NADO's 2017 Annual Training Conference, held Sept. 9-12 in Anchorage, AK. The 2017 class of award recipients consisted of 80 projects spanning 21 states. These projects are presented in an interactive "Story Map" developed by NADO and Esri and include project summaries, funding information, and partners. The Story Map is available online at: <https://www.nado.org/innovation-awards/>.

"The Innovation Awards program is an opportunity to recognize the important work of regional development organizations that are promoting economic development and improving quality of life for local residents," said 2016-2017 NADO President Lynne Keller Forbes, Executive Director of the South Eastern Council of Governments, located in Sioux Falls, S.Dak. "These projects demonstrate the diversity of work that regional development organizations undertake to benefit the communities and regions that they serve."

For more information about this award-winning project, contact Dawn Espe, Regional Development Planner, despe@regionfive.org.

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NOTICE LAKE SHORE AERATION WARNING LAKE SHAMINEAU

Beware open water and thin ice. Aeration to occur on south shore along Lake-shore Drive beginning November 1, 2017 until April, 2018. For inquiries call 612-810-4200. 42-43pnc

CITY OF MOTLEY PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN: Notice is hereby given that the Motley Planning Commission will convene a special meeting on Monday, October 30, 2017 at 6:30 p.m. at City Hall to conduct the following public hearings:

Conditional Use Permit to add used auto, motorcycle and RV sales along with associated signage to an existing trailer sales business in the C-2 Commercial zoning district.

Applicant: Mark Lunde. Property Owner: Allen and Elizabeth Chase. Legal Description: Lots 1-5, Block 16, Original Plat of Motley. Property Address: 164 Morrison St. W. Parcel ID(s): 41.0095.000, 41.0096.000, 41.0097.000, and 41.0098.000.

All interested persons are invited to attend this hearing and be heard or send written comments to City Hall. Background information regarding the public hearings and staff reports are available at City Hall or online at www.hometownplanning.com typically 5 - 7 days prior to the hearing date.

Ben Oleson, Planning and Zoning Administrator, City of Motley 42pnc

NOTICE TODD COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSIONER 215 First Ave. South Suite 103 Long Prairie, Minnesota 56347 320-732-4420

Notice is hereby given that on **Thursday, November 2, 2017 at 6:00 p.m.** the Todd County Planning Commission will hold a public hearing in the Commissioners Meeting Room, 215 First Ave. South, Long Prairie to consider the following applications.

1) **Dan Raber:** E2 NW4 of Section 24 Wykeham Township PIN: 28-0020500 Site Address: 15819 360th

Request to amend the zoning district for this parcel, to change from exiting R-10 zoning to AF-1 zoning.

All persons interested are invited to attend said hearing and be heard on these matters.

Todd County Planning Commission Michael Wiener, Chairperson 42pnc

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MINUTES TODD COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS SEPTEMBER 5, 2017

Call to Order

The Todd County Board of Commissioners met in the Commissioner's Board Room in the City of Long Prairie, MN on the 5th day of September, 2017 at 9:00 a.m. The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Erickson. The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance. All Commissioners were present.

Approval of Agenda

On motion by Kneisl and seconded by Kircher, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote. To approve the agenda as presented.

Consent Agenda

On motion by Neumann and seconded by Becker, the following motions and resolutions were introduced and adopted by unanimous vote:

To approve the Commissioner's Meeting Minutes for August 15, 2017 as presented.

To approve a 1-Day Temporary On Sale Liquor License for Whole Farm Education Foundation for September 9, 2017 at the Olive Branch Retreat at 27740 County 98, Grey Eagle, MN in Birchdale Township.

Auditor-Treasurer

On motion by Becker and seconded by Neumann, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To approve the August 2017 Auditor Warrants number 230132 through 230286 in the amount of \$954,422.96.

On motion by Kircher and seconded by Neumann, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To approve the Commissioner Warrants number 46828 through 46975 in the amount of \$203,345.24.

On motion by Kneisl and seconded by Becker, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To approve the Health & Human Services Warrants number 701098 through 701270 in the amount of \$153,397.12 and Warrants number 512945 through 512982 in the amount of \$50,942.54.

On motion by Kircher and seconded by Becker, the following resolution was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote:

REPURCHASE OF TAX-FORFEITED PROPERTY

WHEREAS, David L. Van Heel has submitted an application for repurchase of the following described tax-forfeited lands: Parcel06-0027900 Sec 19 Twp 128 Rgn 32 Pt GL 3 Desc.r as; comm. at NW corner of Sec 19, E 1939.48 ft, SE'rly 1443.20 ft to PT of beginning, SE'rly 99.90ft, SE'rly 120.07 ft to waterline of Big Swan Lake, NE'rly along waterline to line bearing SE'rly.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Todd County Board of Commissioners approves the application for repurchase of tax-forfeited lands submitted by David L Van Heel for Parcel 06-00279000.

On motion by Kneisl and seconded by Neumann, the following resolution was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote:

COUNTY DITCH MAINTENANCE ASSESSMENTS FOR TAXES PAYABLE 2018

WHEREAS, the Auditor-Treasurer's office along with the County Ditch Inspector have been proactively working on improving the cash flow balances within Fund-40 County Ditches on a yearly basis to maintain positive cash flow, and;

WHEREAS, per County Board suggestion, recommendations for the July 2016 through June 2017 assessment cycle were discussed at the County Board Worksession on August 15, 2017, and;

WHEREAS, Minnesota Statute allows for

the Ditch Authority to approve maintenance fund assessments on a yearly basis without incurring the expense of a public hearing, and;

WHEREAS, it is the goal of the County Board to transition from the past practice of collecting after spending to maintaining a revolving collection comparative to expense trends and to keep assessments occurring as close to real time as possible for the potential property owners affected.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Todd County Board of Commissioners in their capacity as the Todd County Ditch Authority hereby approves the Maintenance Fund/Ditch Assessments for the 2018 Tax Payable Year per the attached list.

Commissioners

On motion by Becker and seconded by Kircher, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To authorize the County Board Chair to sign letters of request for action to Senator Gazelka, Representative Kresha and Representative Poston in regards to the EMS system funding crisis.

Public Works

On motion by Kircher and seconded by Becker, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To approve the Staples Historical Society's request to reduce the engineering and administration fees by 100% for the Staples Depot Restoration Project.

On motion by Neumann and seconded by Kneisl, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To accept Arlan Bjorstrom's retirement effective November 30, 2017.

On motion by Becker and seconded by Kneisl, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To set the 2017 Fall Road Meeting for November 1, 2017 at 9:00 a.m. at the Long Prairie Public Works Shop.

On motion by Becker and seconded by Kneisl, the following resolution was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote:

2017 TRANSFER OF EXCESS MUNICIPAL STATE AID CONSTRUCTION FUNDS TO REGULAR STATE AID CONSTRUCTION FUNDS

WHEREAS, Minnesota Statute 162.08, Subdivision 4 (3d), provides that accumulated balances in excess of two years apportionments may be spent on projects located outside of municipalities under 5,000 population when approved solely by resolution of the county board, and;

WHEREAS, Counties having a Municipal State Aid Construction Fund Balance exceeding three years apportionments are subject to a penalty on future year apportionments, and;

WHEREAS, the current State Aid Municipal Construction Fund Account Balance indicates an excess amount of \$225,839.00, which would subject Todd County to a penalty reduction on the 2018 State Aid Apportionment.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Todd County Board of Commissioners request that the Commissioner of Transportation transfer \$225,839 from the Todd County Municipal State Aid Construction Fund Account, in excess of the two years apportionment, into the Todd County Regular State Aid Construction Fund Account.

Ditch Inspector

On motion by Becker and seconded by Kircher, the following resolution was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote:

HOLD HARMLESS AGREEMENT - PRIVATE CROSSING - COUNTY DITCH 32

WHEREAS, Brian Mick is requesting to install a new crossing on his parcel 08-0033600 located on CD32. A Hold Harmless Agreement has been

signed and submitted to the Ditch Authority, and;

WHEREAS, an onsite inspection has been done; a Wetland Application has been submitted to the TEP, and;

WHEREAS, the crossing will be a 36" culvert and will be placed at original ditch bottom elevation.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Todd County Ditch Authority gives permission to Brian Mick to install a new culvert crossing into CD32, on his own property, at his own expense.

On motion by Kircher and seconded by Becker, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: The Todd County Ditch Authority approves hiring Corbin Pickar Excavating to excavate and level soil on approximately 480 feet of County Ditch 8 on parcel 26-0014600. The Estimate for the project is \$2.00 per foot for a total of \$960.

Planning & Zoning

On motion by Neumann and seconded by Kneisl, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To sign agreement with Stearns County to provide advanced septic inspector services.

On motion by Kneisl and seconded by Neumann, the following resolution was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote:

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING TRANSFER OF RIPARIAN PROTECTION AID FUNDS TO TODD SWCD

AFFIRMING, Todd County accepted Riparian Protection Aid funds on August 1, 2017 by Board Action and directed Planning and Zoning staff to take the lead in buffer enforcement activities, and

WHEREAS, the first payment of FY18 Riparian Protection Aid was received by the county \$56,791.50 with a seconded payment expected toward the end of FY 2018 making the total to be received \$113,583, and

WHEREAS, An internal budget detailing expenditure of Riparian Aid Funds has been prepared by the Director of Planning and Zoning with \$43,583 available for cost-share of projects that benefit Riparian Areas, and

WHEREAS, utilization of Riparian Protection Aid funds as cost-share to landowners is allowed, and

WHEREAS, Todd Soil and Water Conservation District Board of Supervisors is experienced and suited to administering cost-share funds to landowners to protect natural resources, and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that Todd County Board of Commissioners authorizes a transfer of \$43,583 in Riparian Protection Aid Funds from Fund 01-General Revenue\Planning and Zoning to Fund 79-Todd Soil and Water Conservation District for purposes of cost sharing riparian protection projects.

Sheriff's Office

On motion by Kircher and seconded by Kneisl, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: to allow Sheriff Asmus to purchase two (2) police vehicles off the State Bid.

Health & Human Services

On motion by Kircher and seconded by Neumann, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To approve the interim emergency environmental health services contract with Stearns County.

On motion by Kneisl and seconded by Becker, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To accept the resignation of Gloriann Bartels as Homemaker effective August 11, 2017.

Auditor-Treasurer's Report

The Auditor-Treasurer reported on activities

within the office including the Tax Forfeited Land Auction, Finance Committee meetings, Policy & Procedure slideshow for department heads, and ISD 2759 conversion updates.

Commissioner's Report

The Commissioners reported on the meetings that they had attended.

Coordinator's Report

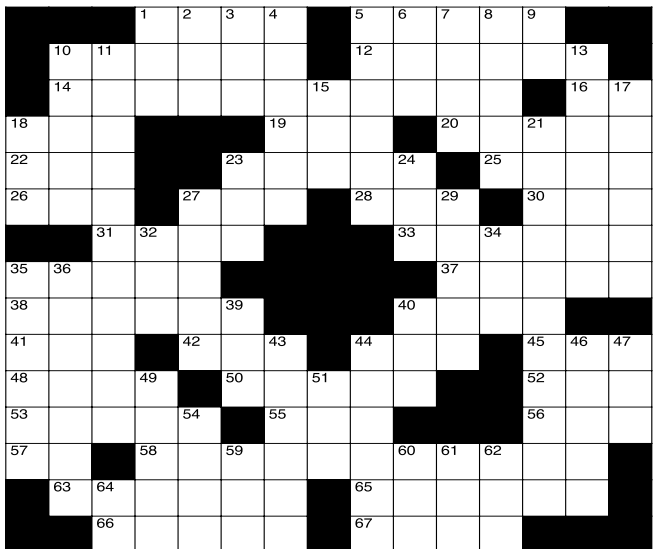
The Coordinator reported on the meetings attended and projects in-progress including current recruitment statuses, hilltop kitchen updates, and health insurance progress updates.

Recess

Chairperson Erickson recessed the meeting until September 19, 2017.

AUDITOR WARRANTS	
Vendor Name	\$ Amount
AMERICAN HERITAGE BANK.....	\$3,037.00
BIG BIRCH LAKE ASSOC.....	3,629.50
BUSKER CONCRETE	49,500.00
CARD SERVICES COBORNS.....	2,464.66
CENTRAL ELECTRIC	4,492.50
CLIFTON LARSON ALLEN, LLP.....	2,000.00
COMPUTER PROS.....	4,687.00
FLEET SERVICES/ WEX BANK.....	5,240.56
GALLAGHER BENEFIT SERVICES INC.....	2,400.00
HANSON/DELORES.....	5,602.00
LP SANITATION INC.....	3,405.61
MORRISON COUNTY.....	37,143.60
PHILIP'S REPAIRABLES & COLL. CENTER.....	10,610.93
PRAIRIE LAKES MUNI. SOLID WASTE AUTH.....	74,141.67
WATERGUARDS, LLC.....	16,634.50
30 PAYMENTS LESS THAN \$2,000.....	14,544.36
AMERICAN HERITAGE BANK.....	41,710.21
BIG BIRCH LAKE ASSOC.....	3,347.38
CEBULLA/PAUL.....	60,168.84
GENE-O'S COUNTRY. RESTAURANT LLC.....	6,125.75
GOULD/RHONDA M.....	2,834.00
GOV'T MANAGEMENT GROUP.....	4,975.00
LP OIL COMPANY.....	14,538.51
MEINERS/MARCUS.....	74,012.88
MN POWER & LIGHT.....	13,338.09
MN DEPT OF FINANCE.....	6,635.00
NOTERMANN/ ANTHONY L.....	2,522.08
RESOURCE TRAINING AND SOLUTIONS.....	246,778.50
STEP.....	4,387.25
TODD CO AUD-TREAS.....	6,655.00
32 PAYMENTS LESS THAN \$2,000.....	13,005.53
AMERICAN HERITAGE.....	8,552.93
CENTURY FENCE CO.....	4,466.60
CITY OF LP.....	13,910.95
GUSTAFSON/JEAN M.....	10,150.03
MINNESOTA POWER & LIGHT.....	2,098.82
PETERS LAW OF, PA.....	3,026.00
ROBERT R. SCHROEDER CONST. INC.....	31,828.65
ROSKOP/JUDITH.....	5,000.00
STAPLES ADVANTAGE.....	2,737.76
VOYANT COMM., LLC.....	3,382.68
WEST CENTRAL TECH SERV. AREA.....	3,450.00
26 PAYMENTS LESS THAN \$2,000.....	9,374.97
CARDMEMBER SERV.....	2,960.30
GENE-O'S COUNTRY. REST. LLC.....	5,194.85
GUSTAFSON/JEAN M.....	5,995.43
LP OIL COMPANY.....	6,536.60
LP PLUMBING & HTG INC.....	7,866.76
STRUCTURAL SPEC. INC.....	78,295.06

Crossword Puzzle



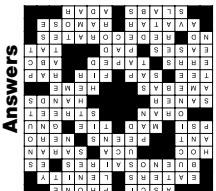
- CLUES ACROSS

 - Sexual cells of fungi
 - Communication device
 - Consumers
 - Kindness
 - Argentina's capital
 - Spanish be
 - Ad ____ done for a specific purpose
 - Fiddler crabs
 - Type of wrap
 - Picnic invader
 - Hammer ends
 - One-time Roman emperor
 - Pounds per square inch
 - Not pleased
 - Father's Day gift
 - Wildebceests
 - Algerian coastal city
 - Thoroughfare
 - More luck
 - "All ____ on deck"
 - Singel-celled animals
 - Iron-containing
- compound

 - Where golfers begin
 - One who is gullible
 - Type of tree
 - Popular form of music
 - Makes a mistake
 - Recorded
 - Basics
 - Facilitates
 - Where a bachelor lives
 - Ink
 - Bibliographical abbreviation
 - Furnishes anew
 - Popular James Cameron film
 - With many branches
 - Flat pieces of stone
 - Sixth month of the Hebrew calendar
15. A team's best pitcher

 - Noses
 - Lansdale characters and Leonard
 - Replaces lost tissue
 - Peter's last name
 - Female sibling
 - Kate and Rooney are two
 - Flammable, colorless liquid
 - Confederate soldier
 - Popular Dodge truck
 - A cotton fabric with a satiny finish
 - ____ Hess, oil company
 - Stopped standing
 - Concealed
 - Documents
 - Man's hat
 - Degrade
 - Amount in each hundred (abbr.)
 - Stage in ecological succession
 - Political action committee
 - Invertebrate structure
 - Touch lightly
 - Excellent!
 - Doctors' group
 - Hill
 - Against
 - Tie
 - Pad
 - CW179110
- CLUES DOWN

 - Had a meal
 - Monetary unit
 - Civil restraint order
 - Distributed
 - Pliable
 - Not him
 - Singles
 - First month of the Assyrian calendar
 - And (Latin)
 - Ingersoll and Moss-Bacharach are two
 - Ones who accept bids
 - Pined for





Area firefighters team up to battle barn fire

Firefighters from Browerville, Staples, Clarissa and Eagle Bend worked together on Oct. 15 to put out a barn fire at the Mike Motl farm south of Staples. The barn was used to store hay and no animals were in the barn. The fire also destroyed the milking parlor in the barn. (Staples World photo by Mark Anderson)



Sports photos available at:
staplesworld.dotphoto.com

Other event photos available.

Staples World

Staples Area Church Directory

Staples

Staples Alliance
1512 8th St. NE, Staples 218-894-2891
Pastor Bob Hepokoski, 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
Sonlight & Youth..... 6:30 p.m.

Church of Christ
27343 490th St., Staples..... 218-894-2609
Pastor Barry Klein
Website: www.stapleschurchofchrist.org
Bible School (youth and adult)..... 9:30 a.m.
Sunday Worship..... 10:30 a.m.
WEDNESDAY:
Teen Youth/Adults Bible Study..... 6:30 p.m.

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

Faith Lutheran
430 12th Street. NE, Staples..... 218-894-1546
Interim Pastor: Saul Stensvaag
Emelia Engquist, 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 Leslie
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 Leslie
www.motleyumc.org
Sunday Worship Service..... 9:00 a.m.
Monday AA meeting..... 8:00 p.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 Jake Anderson
218-746-3768
curious@fbcpillager.com
Worship Gathering..... 10:00 a.m.
Connection Point..... 9:30 a.m.
(serving coffee and donuts)

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 and 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.

Cold Weather Rule takes effect; help available

As temperatures drop and heating bills rise, the Minnesota Department of Commerce and Minnesota Public Utilities Commission want Minnesotans to know about help that is available from the state's Cold Weather Rule and Energy Assistance Program.

The Cold Weather Rule protects residential utility customers from having their heat shut off during the winter months. The Energy Assistance Program helps eligible Minnesota homeowners and renters pay for home heating costs.

"The Cold Weather Rule and our Energy Assistance Program are here to help Minnesota families who struggle with home heating costs to get through our cold winters," said Minnesota Commerce Commissioner Mike Rothman, whose agency includes the state energy office. "We want to make sure Minnesotans are safe and warm in their homes this winter." "The Cold Weather Rule is a safeguard for the most vulnerable Minnesotans during our challenging winters," said Public Utilities Commission Chair Nancy Lange. "It ensures that households in need are safe, warm and healthy. By working out a payment plan with their utility, Minnesota families with financial challenges can still keep their heat on."

Cold Weather Rule

The Cold Weather Rule takes effect on October 15 and continues through April 15. To prevent heating disconnection under the rule, customers must first contact their utility to establish and maintain a monthly payment plan. All electric and natural gas companies are required to offer this protection.

Under the rule, utility customers who have a combined household income at or below 50 percent of the state median income (\$48,077 for a family of four) are not required to pay more than 10 percent of their household income toward current and past heating bills. Others are also eligible to arrange a Cold Weather Rule payment plan.

Minnesotans who need to re-connect their service for the winter should contact their utility now to take advantage of the payment options.

The Cold Weather Rule does not apply to delivered fuels such as fuel oil, propane or wood. But Minnesotans who use these fuels are encouraged to

contact the companies serving them to discuss payment options if they're concerned about their ability to pay this winter. For example, a state law requires that propane distributors offer all customers a budget plan.

The Cold Weather Rule is administered by the Public Utilities Commission. More information is available at the Commission website or by calling 651-296-0406 or 800-657-3782.

Energy Assistance Program

Minnesota's Energy Assistance Program helps homeowners and renters earning at or below 50 percent of the state's median income (\$48,077 for a family of four) pay their heating bills. The average annual payment per household last year was about \$520. Households with seniors, people with disabilities, veterans and children are especially encouraged to apply.

Minnesotans who use delivered fuels to heat their homes are eligible for Energy Assistance Program grants even though they're not covered by the Cold Weather Rule.

Applications were recently sent to Minnesotans who qualified for energy assistance last year. Others who may qualify are encouraged to apply by contacting the local service provider in their county by calling 800-657-3710. Information is also available at the Commerce Department's Energy Assistance Program webpage.

The Minnesota Commerce Department administers the program in partnership with 30 local service providers throughout the state. It is federally funded through the Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.

Weatherization Assistance Program

The Commerce Department also administers the Weatherization Assistance Program, which provides energy efficiency improvements to reduce energy costs for needy households that meet income eligibility guidelines. Both homeowners and renters may apply for weatherization assistance.

Other forms of assistance may be available to Minnesotans through county social service programs, community-based organizations and non-profit agencies.

Thinking about October 31st again

Pastor Barry Klein, Staples Church of Christ

I am thinking about a few special people in my life around Minnesota who really look forward to October 31 every year. I've even heard, "It's my favorite holiday of the year!" Of course, we are referring to Halloween.

I'd like to encourage us to look at two aspects of the last day of October, both a warning about and an embracement of the day. But first, let's consider a brief background.

It's interesting that in Noah Webster's first edition 1828 dictionary, there isn't even an entry for Halloween. That's something to ponder.

Originally, October 31 marked the eve of "All Saints Day." It was a day for the Church to celebrate the meaning of the lives of those followers of Jesus who had gone on before them. As long as we aren't worshipping them, it is good to remember and respect the meaning of those who's Christian legacies in history continue to affect us and spur us on in our own walk with the Lord. There is a real sense of that awareness in "the great cloud of witnesses" that is referred to in Hebrews 12:1. The previous chapter gave many examples of "faith heroes" of the past. Rightfully, the writer goes on to tell us that their example can help us to "throw off that which entangles us and run with perseverance in our walk with Jesus."

With that background, we can better "see" our needed warning as to how we live out October 31. Satan is the master counterfeiter. He can only borrow from what all belongs to God and then misuse it (actually, abuse it). Acts of maliciousness and fear hardly represent the God of "love and light." But, Satan comes to "steal, kill and destroy" (John 10:10). Satan isn't interested in love and light. He's out to bring fear and darkness in any form he can. When he can commercialize it, it's all the better for him. Ironically, Halloween is second in sales decorations and lights only to Christmas season now. (By the way, what are we doing to that season also?)

So, how can we best live out October 31? Let's first recognize it, as with every other day, that "this is the day the Lord has made. Let us rejoice and be glad in it" (Psalm 118:24). Let's continue to take time to thank our Creator for this incredibly beautiful autumn that He is giving us with the brilliantly colored leaves. Let's thank Him for the bountiful sunshine and rains that He gave our area this year as we see fruitful harvests.

Best of all, whether it be October 31 or any other day, let's see it for "the day of salvation" that it is in Jesus' as He is our Forgiver and Leader of our lives.

The Staples area Church Directory is sponsored by these businesses:

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Informed Is In Style
Have you read the newspaper today?



Interested citizens take notice that the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) will be conducting a public meeting

- Wednesday, October 25, 2017
- 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
- Menahga Public School

for the purpose of receiving public input on existing trails designations as well as proposed new trails and designations in the Huntersville and Lyons State Forests. The meeting will include a presentation of what's been completed to date and what planning is occurring now. DNR staff will be present to answer questions and to gather input from the public on a more individual basis as well.

For more detailed information on the purpose of the meeting, visit the Wadena County website at www.co.wadena.mn.us

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Wadena County Board of Commissioners

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Crust loves the freedom to go where he wants

in little to no wind. “It makes the flight much more enjoyable,” he said, adding that his limit is around six mph. That’s another reason to fly close to sunrise or sunset, he added. “The wind is calmer and more predictable.”

Crust tries to get out on his paramotor at least two times a week. “After a long day of teaching, it’s great to get outside,” he said, going on to describe the thrill of being above the trees and having the freedom to go where ever he wants. “It’s very rewarding,” he added.

The highest he has been up so far has been a little over 500 ft., Crust said. He uses a throttle to regulate the altitude and leans into the direction he wishes to go. When it’s time to land, he kills the engine and glides in for a landing. His usual trip lasts approximately an hour and a half.

He loves seeing the fall colors, as well as the wildlife below and has been able to capture some amazing photos from the air. “Every time I’m up I see at least six deer,” Crust said. Once, he saw 23.

It can get cold up there, so you have to dress accordingly, he noted.

All of his paramotoring gear (motor, propeller and paraglider) fits into the back of his pickup truck. The engine, which is fueled with premium mixed gas, holds three gallons which can last about three hours.

Prior to take-off, Crust does a pre-flight check, which includes knowing the direction of the wind. With his wing behind him, he would then run into the wind until he is off the ground.

Crust’s longest flight to date has been about two hours, during which time he traveled about 25 - 30 miles. Starting at the Staples Airport, he took a lap around the town, traveled to the Dower Lake area, then Hayden and Simon lakes before returning to the airport.

A large field makes landing a lot easier, Crust said, adding that more experienced pilots can do spot landings in a hula-hoop.

The motor has a capacity to go 20 mph, but one’s speed can fluctuate depending on whether the wind is behind or before you.

“It’s the safest form of personal flight,” Crust said of the paramotor. Safer than motorcycling, too, he added. “You don’t run into too many deer up there,” he laughed.

Crust enjoys new experiences and adventure. Prior to taking up the paramotor, his last adventure had been teaching at a music school in Haiti, he said.

Meeting new people along the way is one of the aspects Crust enjoys about his adventures. He’s connected with several other paramotor enthusiasts since he took up this hobby. Some he met while training in Little Falls and others by way of a Facebook page dedicated solely to those involved with the sport. Occasionally, people will meet up at a designated spot and paramotor together. “It’s a lot of fun,” he said.

He plans to continue flying all through the winter, Crust said. Although it will be colder, he looks forward to photographing the snowy landscape. “I think seeing the early morning frost on the trees will be pretty cool,” he said.



Aerial views of Staples and area

The photo above of the west end of Staples looking to the east was taken by Jon Crust Oct. 10, while he was flying his paramotor. He captured the beautiful fall photo of Dower Lake in Staples at right while flying his paramotor about 500 ft. high. In addition to the foliage, Crust said he usually sees a number of deer and other wildlife during his aerial excursions. (Submitted photos)



Making preparations for a safe journey



Prior to taking off on his paramotor (powered paraglider) Oct. 10, Jon Crust of Staples does all of the preparatory work necessary for a safe flight. At top, he checks the wing to make sure all of the lines are attached correctly, as well as seeing the direction of the wind. In center photo, Crust begins to strap himself into the harness, attached to the motor and propeller. In lower photo, he attaches the risers of the wing to the harness. The motor unit weighs approximately 50 pounds, but after take-off, Crust gets into the seat and sits suspended beneath the inflated paraglider wing like a pendulum. (Staples World photos by Dawn Timbs)

Welcome to the family

Colin Zdenek, DPM
Podiatry
Essentia Health
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Dr. Colin Zdenek, a podiatrist, has joined the Essentia Health St. Joseph’s-Brainerd Clinic.

As part of the podiatry team, Dr. Zdenek will provide treatment for a wide range of foot and ankle conditions, from diagnosing and treating both children and adults with bunion deformities, sport related injuries, flat foot reconstruction, foot and ankle trauma to orthotics management. “I love the complexity and the variety of this specialty,” says Dr. Zdenek. “There are a lot of treatment options we can provide for patients in the clinical setting that don’t require surgery that can make a big difference for each patient, which is very gratifying.”

Dr. Zdenek earned a degree in podiatric medicine from Des Moines University Osteopathic and Podiatric Medicine in Des Moines, IA. He completed residency in podiatry at the West Penn Foot and Ankle Institute in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, and an additional year of training at the Silicon Valley Reconstructive Foot and Ankle Fellowship in Mountain View, CA. Dr. Zdenek is board certified by the American Board of Podiatric Medicine.

“I enjoy teaching and I spend a lot of time with my patients making sure they fully understand their condition and treatment options,” says Dr. Zdenek.

To schedule an appointment with Dr. Zdenek, call 218.828.2880.

“I’ll always give my patients my honest opinion and help in any way I can.”

- Dr. Colin Zdenek

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Heavy equipment

Gavin Caldwell holds onto a heavy-duty fire pick with help from firefighter Reade Hanson while classmates William Rassler, Hailee Suhl, Nevaeh Elifrits, Joseph Faulkner and Grandma Janet look on.



Kitchen fire demo

Staples firefighter Darren Holst demonstrates the use of a fire extinguisher in the Kitchen Fire Mobile Trailer, part of the safety and education unit. Watching are Jump Start Kindergarten students.



Lift tool

Dominic Capistant, Rylan Kuhns, Mykayla Merida, Weston Landwehr-Rud and Aiven Nichols watch a lift tool explained by Jeff DeGeest, former Staples Firefighter and EMT, who now lives with his family in Wisconsin. (Staples World photos by Janice Winter)



Jr. firefighters

Third grade students Serenity Hangge and Kylie Wenzel in Jody Johnson's class model Jr. firefighters hats received from the Staples Fire Department.



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Sparky, the fire dog mascot, gets a high five from SMES second graders as they enter the fire hall for their firefighter experience.

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Section competition

Kelsi Peterson, left, and Anna Willgohs, right, return shots in the Section 8A tournament. (Submitted photos)

Peterson places third at section tennis

The Staples-Motley girls tennis team lost in the first round of the Section 8A tournament, falling 4-3 to Park Rapids on Oct. 12.

But they came back in the individual tournament, as Kelsi Peterson won three matches to place third in singles, and the doubles team of Claire Wolhowe and Anna Willgohs won their first match and lost their second match after a tiebreaker.

Against Park Rapids, Wolhowe and Jenna Dvorak won at number one doubles, 6-1, 6-2. Bryn Williams and Haley Cichos also won their doubles match, 7-6, 6-0. Willgohs and Katie Johnson lost in three sets, 5-7, 6-4, 6-2.

In singles, Tasha Achermann got the only win at number four singles, 7-5, 6-0. The other singles players lost in straight sets, Peterson 6-2, 6-3, Haylee Wold 7-5, 7-5, and Rose Han 6-4, 6-2.

In the singles tournament Oct. 13, Peterson won 6-1, 6-0 and 6-2, 6-1 to advance to the semifinals the next day. She won the first set against the top seed 6-1, but dropped the next two 3-6, 0-6.

Peterson was able to rebound with a win in the third place match, and when her semifinal opponent won the final match, she was given the chance to play for true second and a chance to go to state. However, she ran out of magic at that point and lost 0-6, 0-6.

The other singles player, Haylee Wold, lost in the first round by default.

In doubles play, Wolhowe and Willgohs won in the opening round 6-0, 6-1, but fell in the next round 2-6, 6-7 (4-7).

The other doubles team of Bryn Williams and Katie Johnson lost in the first round.



Cardinal seniors

Staples-Motley/Verndale Senior tennis players gathered at the section tournament, from left, Kelsi Peterson, Katie Johnson, Claire Wolhowe, Anna Wilgohs and Bryn Williams. (Submitted photo)

Sweeney, Anderson take Conference titles

The Staples-Motley cross country had two Mid State Conference champions as Kira Sweeney and Emmet Anderson easily outpaced the competition.

Sweeney won the girls race in 21:12 over a tough course that followed cross-country ski trails. The girls also had the second and third place finishers in Addison Lorber and Ashley Robben, but they didn't quite have enough depth in the team race. The top four teams were within five points, and the Cardinals fell to third place.

In the boys race, Anderson also had a slower than usual time on the tough Pequot Lakes course, but the boys ran well as a team to place second.

The boys and the girls both rebounded with much faster times for most runners at the Park Rapids Invitational on Oct. 16.

The next cross country meet is the Section 6A meet at Long Prairie-Grey Eagle on Thursday, Oct. 26, with varsity starting at 4 p.m. Both the boys and girls expect to be in the running for the team titles and for individuals to make it to state.

Team results

Girls results

Mid State Conference: Detroit Lakes 71, Crosby-Ironton 73, Staples-Motley 75, Pequot Lakes 76, Wadena-Deer Creek 113, Park Rapids 119, Long Prairie-Grey Eagle 146

1. Kira Sweeney 21:12, 2. Addison Lorber

21:44, 3. Ashley Robben 21:45, 39. Abby Brown 25:42, 40. Madysen Hull 25:43, 45. Mackenzie Wilds 26:07, 46. Kaitlyn Smith 26:13, 60. Jorie Ihme 28:31

Jr. High: 2. Kyanna Burton 12:13, 4. Addisyn Cichos 13:20

Park Rapids Invitational:

Girls: Sweeney 19:44, Lorber 20:51, Robben 21:04, Smith 24:24, Brown 26:20, Hull 27:41

Jr. High: Burton 13:33, Cichos 14:53

Boys results

Mid State Conference: Detroit Lakes 32, Staples-Motley 51, Pequot Lakes 79, Wadena-Deer Creek 123, Crosby-Ironton 125, Long Prairie-Grey Eagle 148, Park Rapids 153

1. Emmet Anderson 17:17, 3. Hunter Klimek 18:11, 8. Tanner Robben 18:37, 19. Isaac Christoffersen 19:26, 20. Brayden Christensen 19:31, 22. Jack Tyrrell 19:35, 27. Bentley Christensen 19:42, 43. Austin Johnson 20:56, 64. Nick Tabatt 22:11, 71. Trenton Plopper 22:43, 72. Jacob Schmitz 22:44, 74. Connor Judd 23:13, 84. Connor Fox 25:09, 85. Caleb Picconnato 25:17, 88. Jonah Johnson 28:28

Jr. High: 8. Issiah Tabatt 12:02, 9. Grant Johnson 12:02, 29. William Thew 13:44, 39. Will Dolezal 14:50

Park Rapids Invitational:

Anderson 16:14, Klimek 17:17, Robben 17:38, Christoffersen 18:36, Ben Bartczak 18:48, Tyrrell 18:50, Be. Christensen 18:55, Br. Christensen 19:11, N. Tabatt 21:13, A. Johnson 21:27, Carlson 23:03, Plopper 23:53, Schmitz 24:02, Fox 25:46

Jr. High: I. Tabatt 13:23, G. Johnson 13:26

Cardinals passing game thrives, but it isn't enough to win

The Staples-Motley football team outgained Wadena-Deer Creek on Oct. 13, but didn't match them on the scoreboard, falling 37-19.

The Cardinals gained 319 yards, compared to 308 for W-DC. But three turnovers hurt the team, as did going one for nine on third down conversions.

Chase Davis caught

seven passes for 134 yards and two touchdowns, Mason Nyhus had four for 49 and one touchdown. Josh Lombard completed 16 of 32 passes for 234 yards and three touchdowns, but also had two interceptions.

The loss bumped Staples-Motley to the lower half of the Section 6A standings, so the only way to get a home playoff game

will be to beat Pillager on Oct. 18, a game played after this newspaper went to press. If they don't win, they will likely have a road playoff game on Tuesday, Oct. 24.

Team results

Staples-Motley 19, Wadena-Deer Creek 37

Rushing: 26 carries for 73 yards - Dalton Hoemberg 11-59, Cade Schmidt 8-24, Josh Lom-

bard 7-(10)

Passing: Lombard 16-32, 246 yards, 3 TD

Receiving: Chase Davis 7-134, 2 TD; Mason Nyhus 4-49, 1 TD; Griffin Webster 3-52, Derek Kennedy 2-11

Tackles: Brayden Tyrell 11, Schmidt 9, Webster 5, Isaac Kronenberg 4, Kyle Serich 4, Hoemberg 4, Scout Strickland 3, Isaac Swendsrud 2, Emmitt Winkels 2, Nyhus 1, Luke Schmiegl 1, Davis 1, Ryan Wick 1

Swimmers learning with changes

The Staples-Motley girls swimming and diving team switched up their lineups for a meet against Detroit Lakes on Oct. 12, then got their first taste of their new tougher section at the True Team meet on Oct. 14.

"We decided it was time to switch things up and swim events they don't normally swim, so our captains put together our lineup," said Coach Amanda Olson. Part of the strategy was to work on the goal of developing well-rounded swimmers, which proved to be successful in the meet.

With the new events, most of the swimmers had season bests. "We have some talented athletes and

showed the girls that they are capable of more than they thought they were," said Olson.

The deep DL team won the meet 119-56, but the Cardinals had a few highlights:

Swimming different strokes, the medley relay team of Lili Schneider, Emma Gerard, Emily Veronen and Autumn Nelsen placed third.

Jaden Engebretson was 3rd in the 100 butterfly, Schneider was first in the 100 freestyle, Veronen was second in the 500 freestyle. The 200 freestyle relay of 8th graders Aleeah Halverson, Evelyn Gonzalez, Malaya Reem, and Adriana Dickey took third in the

varsity race.

The True Team meet was at the University of Minnesota Morris. The Cardinals swam well, but didn't place well. "Our new section are some of the fastest teams in the state," said Olson. "Today was difficult, but I believe that it's an opportunity for growth in the future."

The Cardinals took 11th against Sartell, Melrose, Sauk Centre, Alexandria, Rocori, Minnewaska/Morris, Little Falls, Albany, Holdingford, and St. Cloud Apollo.

The swimmers have one more home meet on the schedule, on Monday, Oct. 23, starting at 6 p.m.

Cardinals pick up volleyball win

The Staples-Motley volleyball team had one win at the Long Prairie-Grey Eagle tournament on Oct. 13, beating Ogilvie 25-13, 25-21. The Cardinals lost to Little Falls and LPGE in pool play.

In their win, Tabetha Allen had 8 kills, Mack-

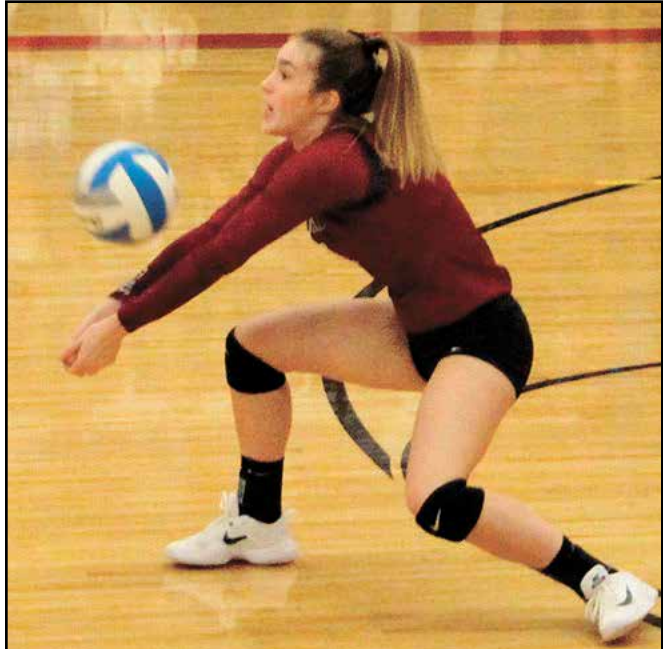
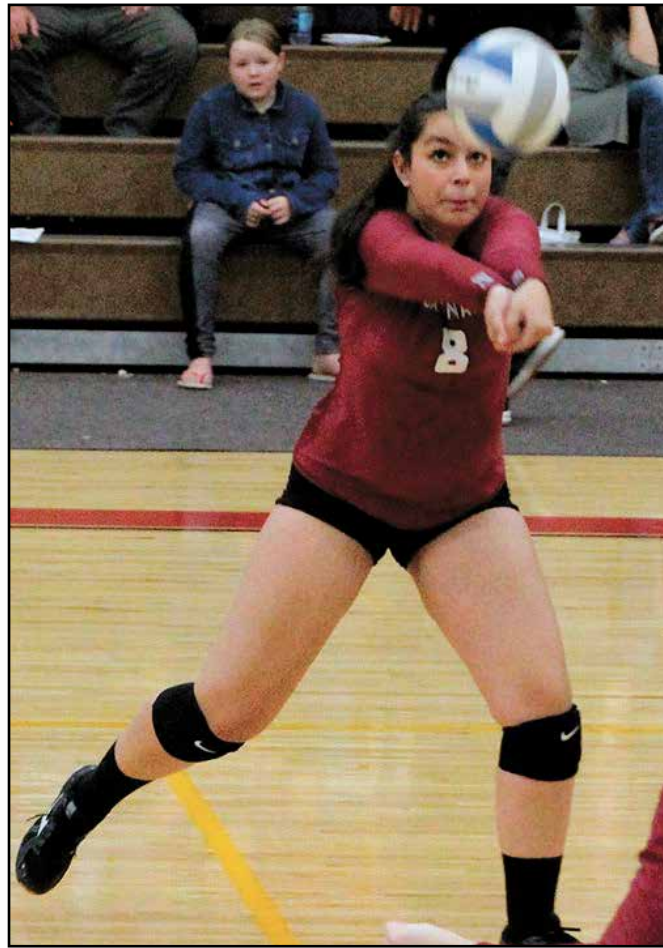
enna Bjerga had 7 assists, Camryn Banaka had 15 digs and Rayna Guzman had two blocks to lead the team. Several players had good all-around games, including Kiera Storry with 5 digs, 3 kills and 1 block, Kiera Dumpprope with 4

digs, 3 kills 1 ace serve and one block, and Alex Davis with 6 digs, 1 block and 1 ace serve.

In the tournament around, Staples-Motley extended Swanville to three games, losing 19-25, 25-23, 7-15

On Oct. 10, the Cardinals lost 3-0 to Pelican Rapids and on Oct. 16, they lost 3-0 to Menahga.

The next volleyball action is Thursday, Oct. 19, in a tournament at Upsala. The final home game is Monday, Oct. 23, at 7 p.m.



VB action

Above, Kiera Dumpprope tips a ball over the net. Top right, Rayna Guzman pops a dig up. Right, Kiera Storry gets low for a pass. Below, as the Staples-Motley volleyball team lines up before the game, the students get ready to haunt the opponents. (Staples World photos by Mark Anderson)





Two Pillager High School seniors named Commended Students



Prestigious award

Tanner Swenson (left) and Jacob Siefkes, seniors at Pillager High School, have been named Commended Students in the 2018 National Merit Scholarship Program. More than 1.6 million students entered the competition; and Swenson and Siefkes were among the top 50,000 scorers who took the preliminary test. (Submitted photo)

Pillager High School Principal Jason Savage recently announced that seniors Jacob Siefkes and Tanner Swenson have been named Commended Students in the 2018 National

Merit Scholarship Program. A Letter of Commendation from the school and National Merit Scholarship Corporation (NMSC), which conducts the pro-

gram, was presented by the principal to these scholastically talented seniors.

Approximately 34,000 Commended Students throughout the nation are being recognized for their exceptional academic promise. Although they will not continue in the 2018 competition for National Merit Scholarship awards, Commended Students placed among the top 50,000 scorers of more than 1.6 million students who entered the 2018 competition by taking the 2016 Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test (PSAT/NMSQT).

"The young men and women being named Commended Students have demonstrated outstanding potential for academic success," commented a spokesperson for NMSC. "These students represent a valuable national resource; recognizing their accomplishments, as well as the key role their schools play in their academic development, is vital to the advancement of educational excellence in our nation. We hope that this recognition will help broaden their educational opportunities and encourage them as they continue their pursuit of academic success."



Pirates.... witches.... and ghosts Oh, my!

The Kmetz family on Aztec Road on Lake Shamaineau are ready to greet Halloween visitors. Their display includes a pirate, ghost, witch, skeleton, ghoul on the roof, mad dog, signs warning of hazards and eerie lighting at night. (Submitted photos)



Motley City Council holds strong, saves taxpayers money

By Dawn Timbs
Staples World reporter

Bolton & Menk will eat the additional costs they have incurred for their engineering services for Motley's new well installation project.

This decision came after a lengthy discussion between engineer Phil Martin and the Motley City Council at their regular meeting Oct. 9.

Martin had approached the council to explain that since being retained, Bolton & Menk has dealt with changed site condi-

tions and additional design items not originally considered on their proposal. Subsequently, they were respectfully requesting that the city consider approving a fee amendment to the existing contract.

The company's initial proposal for the project included a new well installation, located east of Hwy 10 and south of Trident Seafoods, and a raw water-main improvement, which would be installed across Hwy 10 directly west of the new well site. This proposal was approved by the council this past April.

In his preliminary opinion, Martin estimated that the probable project construction costs would come in at approximately \$235,000. In addition, he proposed to provide his professional engineering services on an hourly basis for a not-to-exceed cost of \$34,950.

However, once bid, the actual amounts for the project came in at \$440,792.39, which is \$205,792.39 higher than estimated.

At the Oct. 9 meeting, Martin said while working on the west side of Hwy 10, his survey crew suggested to him that the area looked very wet and that it could possibly be wetlands. Bolton & Menk proceeded to hire a surveyor to do a wetland delineation and discovered that it definitely was wetlands that didn't show up on the Morrison County Beacon webpage. As a result, they shifted gears and moved the design to the east side of the highway.

Martin requested reimbursement for the wetland delineation, additional survey and design fees, additional easement survey services and anticipated construction services fees estimated to total \$17,152.

Council member Amy Hutchison said she was not okay with paying anything over the original fee of \$34,950. She stated that where she is employed, if the company messes up the bids, they eat it.

Martin went on to explain that this is a "changed project." He gave the example of a homeowner requesting to have a two-stall garage built and then deciding to have a three-stall garage built instead. Wouldn't you expect to pay for three? he asked the council.

Mayor Al Yoder said that he felt the surveyor crew should have gone out to look at the property before going ahead with the design based on website maps. Since the council's responsibility is to make the wisest decisions possible for the city, Yoder didn't feel they should pay the extra fees.

Council member Steve

Johnson made a motion that the city pay no more than 10 percent of Martin's request.

In the end, Martin retracted his request for the \$17,152, because Bolton & Menk wants to maintain a good relationship with the city.

In other matters the council:

- ACCEPTED a donation of a silver maple tree from Angie Goff in memory of her son, Alan Dumpprope. The tree will be placed in the city's pet stop/rec area. A tree dedication ceremony will be held Sunday, Oct. 29, 2 p.m.

- LEARNED that a "Trunk or Treat" event will be held at Motley United Methodist Church on Tuesday, Oct. 31, 4 - 7 p.m. The church is hoping to have a firefighter and/or police officer, along with their vehicles, stop by to interact with the children.

- APPROVED hiring new firefighter MFD Benjamin Vogt, pending successful medical and background checks.

- ACCEPTED the resignation of MFD firefighter Sarah Swecker.

- APPROVED request to have MPD Officer Jason Borash attend the TZD Conference in St. Paul, with mileage and meals paid for as well. Borash's hotel and parking costs will be reimbursed by the MN State TZD program.

- APPROVED the School Resource Officer Agreement for the 2017 - 2018 school year. As part of the agreement, the city will bill the school for the actual time an officer is utilized by the school according to each officer's wages, with the sum not to exceed \$7,986 during the term of the agreement.

- LEARNED that the public works department received the results of the city's recent lead/copper monitoring that is required by the Safe Drinking Water Act. Based on these results, the city's public water system has not exceeded the action levels for lead and copper.

- LEARNED that the lift station sewage pumps had been running up to 12 hours a day trying to keep up with all of the extra water in the system. In a later conversation, Bruce Brotherton, public works supervisor, noted that these pumps usually average about 3.1 to 3.3 hours per day but with all of the recent rain, the flows have been up. Brotherton went on to say he suspects a lot of the extra volume is coming from sump pumps in people's basements that are incorrectly tied into the sanitary sewer instead of being pumped outside or to the storm sewer.

Law enforcement reports, Motley

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

Oct. 6 - 9 - The MPD issued a speeding citations to Ravi Mangra, 27; Yosselin Lopez, 22; Tabitha Nystuen, 33; Kelli St. Germaine, 26; Catherine Holte, 61.

Oct. 5 - The MPD issued a citation to Trelavick Lewis, 24, for uninsured vehicle.

Oct. 5 - The MPD issued a citation to Joshua Schmidt, 32, for driving after revocation.

Oct. 5 - The MPD received a report of burglary at a house located at Ash St. E. in Motley.

Oct. 10 - The MCSO received a report of suspicious activity at Stanchfield Lake Rd. and Birch Rd. in Motley.

Oct. 10 - The MCSO received a call from a Cushing resident who reported a telephone scam.

Oct. 9 - The MCSO received a call from a resident at the 31000 block of 18th Ave. in Cushing reporting the theft of a small boat and gas tank.

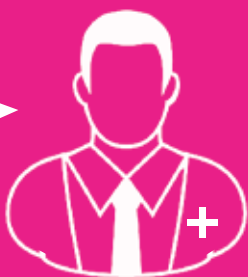
Oct. 8 - The MCSO paged Motley First Response for help in searching for a juvenile near Pulaski Rd. and Morrison Line Rd. in Motley.

Oct. 8 - The MCSO arrested Eric Meintsma, 37, on a warrant.



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