



## FFA American Degree

Two Staples-Motley FFA alumni received the highest award in FFA, the American Degree, at the National FFA Convention in Indianapolis Oct. 24-27. Hayley Carlson and Rebekka Paskewitz show their awards with their FFA supporters. From left are Molly Lindgren, Rachel Paskewitz, Carlson, Rebekka Paskewitz, Olivia Leslie and Kai Gelle. (Submitted photo)

## Staples-Motley FFA earns National Chapter Award

By Mark Anderson  
News Editor

Staples-Motley FFA made a big splash with a small group at the National FFA Convention, as two members received the highest award in FFA, the American Degree; one member was a national office candidate; and the chapter was honored with a two star rating for the National Chapter Award. It was held Oct. 24-27 at Indianapolis.

The Staples-Motley chapter had 10 delegates, including graduates Katie Benson, Rebekka Paskewitz and Hayley Carlson. Benson attended as a state delegate, as she is the Minnesota FFA State President for 2017-18. Paskewitz was a national officer candidate, but did not make the final cut.

Paskewitz and Carlson received their American Degree, and the rest of the chapter attended for the experience and to pick up their National Chapter Award.

Also at the convention, Keith Olander Central Lakes College Dean of Agricultural Studies, received an Honorary American Degree.

### National Chapter Award

The award is based on the activities the chapter has done over the past year. Staples-Motley FFA was given a two star rating, which is the second highest available.

They first got rated at the state level and were among the top chapters. They then applied for a national rating, comparing their programs with the other top programs in the nation.

Staples-Motley FFA stu-

dents Molly Lindgren and Rachel Paskewitz attended the National Chapter banquet in Indianapolis. "It was pretty cool, to be some of the few to receive the award," said Lindgren.

Part of the ranking was based on models of innovation, Lindgren said. She thought one of their strengths in that category was working with the Barn Quilts of Central Minnesota project, and how they connected that project to economic development in the community.

Lindgren said the chapter's career immersion tours were also a part of the innovation portion of the award. For those tours, FFA students go to local businesses and area colleges to learn about careers in agriculture. This year the Staples-Motley FFA toured Midwest Machinery, the Central Lakes College diesel mechanics program and the CLC Ag and Energy Center's greenhouse, as part of the career tours.

FFA instructor Kerry Lindgren said they rotate among career field pathways each year, depending on the interests of FFA students. The above tours were part of the power, structural and technical

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## Two found dead of gunshot wounds in Menahga

Two men were found dead, from apparent gunshot wounds, in a Menahga residence just after midnight on Nov. 13.

They have been identified as Michael Callahan, age 67, and Carl Albin, age 82, both of Menahga.

At approximately 12:05 a.m. Nov. 13, the Menahga Police Dept. and the Wadena County Sheriff's Dept. responded to a 911 call to an address on Oak Ave. NE in the City of Menahga. Upon arrival, officers from both Menahga and Sebeka Police Departments, the Minnesota State Patrol and Wadena County Sheriff's Dept. observed two male individuals inside the residence who appeared to be deceased from apparent gunshot wounds.

The bodies were transported to the Midwest Medical Examiner's Office for autopsies.

The Menahga Police Dept., Wadena County Sheriff's Dept. and Minnesota BCA (Bureau of Criminal Apprehension) are working on this case jointly. The investigation is still open and pending.

Law enforcement officials do not believe there's any risk to the public at this time.

## Vaping is increasing, health risks possible

By Mark Anderson  
News Editor

At the Oct. 27 Todd County Citizens Against Drugs meeting, David Determan of Todd County Human Services gave a presentation about new trends in vaping. The meeting was held at NJPA in Staples.

Determan showed samples of vaping pens, and how small amounts of liquid are added to the pen-sized units, where heating coils vaporize the liquid, so the steam can be breathed in like smoke from a cigarette.

The practice is more widespread in urban areas, but Determan said that could be because rural areas

are traditionally slower to pick up trends. The devices and vaping liquids are on sale in local stores. The City of Staples is looking at amending their tobacco ordinance to include vaping and the materials associated with it.

Determan said there are no long term health studies on vaping since it is so new, but there is little doubt that it is not healthy. What makes the health risks even worse is that there are no regulations on what can go into the vaping mixture, which is sometimes referred to as e-juice.

"People are making e-juice in their garages, they can put anything in it, it is not regulated by

the FDA," said Determan.

While vaping is legal, many people are adding illegal drugs to the mixture, with marijuana one of the most common additions. Butane lighter fluid is one of the ingredients used to process marijuana into a usable form for vaping, and Determan said stores in this area are selling the lighter fluid by the case. "It's not illegal to sell it, but there's really no reason to have that much of it," (other and processing drugs), said Determan.

The vaping liquids are flavored and have creative names, which adds to the risk, especially if kids are involved. Determan said poison control is getting an

increase in calls about kids injecting e-juice.

### Developmental assets

Also at the Oct. 27 Citizens Against Drugs meeting, Kelly Felton of the Search Institute began training with the 40 developmental assets that kids need in their lives. Her presentation also touched on what gets kids excited about life.

Felton will continue the training at the next CAD meeting, Tuesday, Nov. 21, at 1 p.m. at NJPA in Staples.

For more information, contact Connie Burns at 320-732-2221 or [connie.burns@co.todd.mn](mailto:connie.burns@co.todd.mn).

## Public asked for input on comprehensive plan

As the City of Staples creates their updated comprehensive plan, they're interested in gathering input from local residents and business owners. The Staples Community Visioning Session is one of the tools they're utilizing to collect this information.

The listening session will be an open house style and will be held Monday, Nov. 20, 5:30-7:30 p.m. at the Timbers Restaurant and Event Center in Staples.

A short presentation will begin the event, providing residents with an update of the work completed to date and the necessary steps moving towards adoption of

the document.

Staples residents are welcome to stop any time during the event for the comprehensive plan presentation and to participate in one-on-one discussions on the future of Staples.

More information is available on the progress of the project and can be found on the project's website: [GOSTaples2035.wordpress.com](http://GOSTaples2035.wordpress.com)

Comments or questions on the comprehensive plan can be directed to Tad Erickson, Regional Development Planner, Region Five 218-894-3233 Ext #7 or at [terickson@regionfive.org](mailto:terickson@regionfive.org).



## Tribute to veterans

Fifth grade students Jade Storry, Jacob Becker and Joe Zimmermann posted the colors at the Veterans Day program held Nov. 10 at Sacred Heart Area School. The conclusion of the program featured all of the fifth graders in a tribute to U.S. Veterans as Taps was played. See more Veterans Day program photos on page 10a. (Staples World photo by Janice Winter)

## How do you bridge the gap between generations?

Generation Z is here, and it's different from any other. Research shows that this next generation of young people interacts with the world around them differently from any other generation before them, including their most recent predecessors, the Millennials.

Central MN CEO and the Midland Institute (provider of the CEO program) believe it is important for this generation, and those before it, to collaborate and learn from one another. This is why we believe that our "CEO Program" is so vital.

CEO (creating entrepreneurial opportunities) is an experiential learning based entrepreneurship course that seeks to build a comprehensive educational experience for high school students across the United States. The goal is to foster growth of young people who are able to demonstrate out-of-the-box thinking, who are equipped to communicate well and be problem-solving,



## Interviewing mentors

Former Staples-Motley student Rebekka Paskewitz interviewed potential mentor Charles Funk during a process similar to "speed dating" where candidates have an opportunity to meet a large number of new people in a short amount of time. Charles eventually becomes Rebekka's mentor for her ag-related business. (Submitted photo)

ing, teamwork oriented and self-motivated.

An important aspect of all of these traits is learning to communicate well with those individuals around them- individuals

of all ages.

Over the course of a nine-month school year, Central MN CEO students have an opportunity to practice this communication

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**Hello, Readers,**  
*The International Day of Tolerance, Nov. 16, was created in 1996 by the United Nations to encourage mindfulness and faith in human rights – in order to encourage equality and diversity across the world. It followed the United Nations Year for Tolerance, which was 1995. It is the belief of those supporting this day that everyone has a right to their expression, religion, and their conscience without fear of bias or ridicule. In addition, it teaches that a person's racial or religious background is inconsequential to the potential for tolerance and friendship between people.*

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### String Camp students

Students from the Staples-Motley School's orchestra program attended the Minnesota String and Orchestra Teachers' Fall String Camp Oct. 27-29, held at Camp St. Croix in Hudson, Wisc. Student musicians, parent chaperones and string teachers from several different Minnesota schools attended. Students spent approximately 13 hours rehearsing over the weekend and presented a concert on the final day. At right; AJ Nienow with Moundsview Middle School teacher Sarah Duffy. Above; left to right, Chandler Braith, William Thew, Moorhead High School teacher Anthony Eddleston, Madysen Hull and Meghan VanAlst. (Submitted photos)



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### Mentors help students build network

tion not only through interacting with 50 to 70 small business owners who reside in their hometown, but also through the mentoring program that the CEO program encourages. Each CEO student is paired with a mentor from their local community to foster a relationship in which they communicate, receive advice, direction, and more from the generations before them. "The role of a mentor is to help bridge the generation gap between the business community and the CEO students," Central MN CEO facilitator, Cindi Koll explains. "They look over business plans, give suggestions on personal and class business questions, assist with potential

employment opportunities, etc. The list is endless." "We encourage our students to initiate the Mentor-Student relationship and use it as a starting point for their business network," Hancock County CEO facilitator Christine Murphy said. Another CEO Facilitator, Ryan Follis, writes that, "Mentoring is one of the strongest components of CEO and offers a more direct impact on the lives and future of each CEO student." Anyone interested in learning more about the mentoring program and how to get involved with the local CEO community can contact Bob Jackson at 218-895-2138.

## Police help with youth, school issues

Recent reports taken by the Staples Police Dept. include the following: Nov. 6; Staples Police received a report of a young child walking to school when it was 18 degrees out. Police made contact with the third grader who stated that he was very cold and thought he missed the bus. Police brought the child to school. Nov. 6; Staples Police responded to an assault at Next Step group home in Staples. A juvenile was cited in the incident. Nov. 6; Staples Police responded to a fire alarm at Staples-Motley High School. On arrival it was found that a motor in the

ventilation system was smoking. The Staples Fire Dept. arrived and examined the area. The school custodial staff took care of the issue. Nov. 7; Staples Police responded to a juvenile complaint at the high school regarding a student giving another student prescription medication. Nov. 7; Staples Police responded to Staples-Motley High School, for report from a custodian regarding threats written on a bathroom stall. Police photographed what had been written. The staff was further advised on the incident. There didn't appear to be any perma-

nent damage. Nov. 8; Staples Police received a report of a theft of plug-in cords on semis parked at Dustin's Auto in Staples. Nov. 10; Staples Police responded to Motley to assist Morrison County in locating a subject who fled from a traffic stop the night before. Police located the subject in the bathroom at the Adium gas station and arrested James Stewart, 39, of Perham, without incident. Nov. 10; Staples Police were requested to speak with a student at the high school who was being disrespectful to a teacher.



### Youth rally learning about choices

Around 125 area youth attended the youth rally sponsored by Lakes Area Pregnancy Support Center (LAPS) of Staples. The event was Nov. 8 at the Staples Community Center. Pictured, featured speaker Tracie Rademacher uses Nick Tabbatt as an example, and puts labels on his shirt to show how kids get labeled by life events that they can't control. Rademacher told the group about making choices to overcome broken relationships and hurting mindsets. (Staples World photo by Mark Anderson)

### Health Care Choices booklet available

The Minnesota Board on Aging's 2018 edition of the Minnesota Health Care Choices booklet is now available online and print, providing information for Minnesota Medicare recipients. The annual guide is the only comprehensive, objective statewide publication with information about all Medicare plan options available on the open market for Minnesotans. "This is an important resource for people wanting information about Medicare and all its programs and options," said Kari Benson, executive director of the Minnesota Board on Aging. Health Care Choices is available online at [www.mnhealthcarechoices.com](http://www.mnhealthcarechoices.com),

by calling the Senior Link-Age Line at 1-800-333-2433, or by visiting [www.MinnesotaHelp.info](http://www.MinnesotaHelp.info) and using the chat live feature or leaving an email after business hours. The booklet includes information on Medicare supplements, Medicare savings programs, Medicare Advantage plans and other Medicare health plans and Medicare Part D prescription drug plans. Minnesotans are reminded that Medicare Part D open enrollment began Oct. 15 and ends Dec. 7, 2017.



### FFA Horse Judging team

The Staples-Motley FFA Horse Judging team placed 5th out of 20 teams at the Region 2, Horse Career Development competition Nov. 9, held at the Rocking R Farm in Rice. The Staples-Motley FFA Chapter was represented by, above, left to right: Abbie Di-Giovanni, Amy Michel, Danielle Carpenter and Natasha Lyman. The competition had five halter classes, two performance classes, an oral reasoning session and a written test. The fifth place finish qualifies the team for the State FFA competition. "I celebrated my birthday and FFA all in one day," said Danielle Carpenter. "I'm glad I was introduced to FFA and all the FFA activities," said Natasha Lyman. "This was a great experience and the team was the best," said Amy Michel. (Submitted photo)



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Funding is now available for sustainable agriculture projects

The Minnesota Department of Agriculture (MDA) is accepting applications for Agricultural Growth, Research and Innovation (AGRI) Sustainable Agriculture and Demonstration Grants. Approximately \$250,000 is available to fund projects that explore new ways of conserving natural resources, enhancing farm profitability, increasing energy efficiency, and improving life in rural communities.

“No one cares more about Minnesota’s rural landscape than farmers and their families,” said Lt. Governor Tina Smith. “The Minnesota Department of Agriculture’s Sustainable Agriculture and Demonstration Grant program is available to help farmers improve the sustainability and profitability of their operations. I encourage all farmers interested in making changes to their operations to apply for a grant worth up to \$25,000.”

Farmer David Abazs hopes his grant funds will help demonstrate a cost-effective way to increase soil health on the Wolf Ridge Environmental Learning Center School’s organic farm. Abazs is testing a variety of materials, including lime, wood ash, and biochar for their abil-

ity to affect soil chemistry and increase pH levels of the acidic soils in Lake County.

“These fields have never been farmed before and are providing a great template to help us and other farmers,” said Abazs. “We’re trying to find soil amendments that will help simultaneously meet pH goals and enhance soil health.”

Previous grant rounds have funded projects exploring farm diversification, cover crops and crop rotation, conservation tillage, input reduction strategies, and alternative energies like wind, methane, and biomass.

AGRI Sustainable Agriculture and Demonstration grantees must share their findings. These are published annually in the MDA’s Greenbook, which provides a summary of each project along with results, management tips, and other resources.

Applications from farmers receive priority, but the program also funds Minnesota nonprofit and educational organizations as

long as Minnesota farmers are meaningfully involved in the project. Projects may last two to three years.

AGRI Sustainable Agriculture and Demonstration Grant applications are due by 4 p.m. on Wednesday, Dec. 13. For more information and to apply, visit [www.mda.state.mn.us/grants/demogrant.aspx](http://www.mda.state.mn.us/grants/demogrant.aspx).

### Have You HEARD?

**Presented by**  
**Steve Trebil, BC-HIS**



**ANTIDEPRESSANTS MAY EXACERBATE TINNITUS**

If you take antidepressant medication in the class of drugs known as “selective serotonin reuptake inhibitors” (SSRIs) and experience tinnitus (ringing in the ears), you should know that your medication might be making your tinnitus worse. The irony of this link between SSRIs and worsening tinnitus is that previous research indicates that people with tinnitus are at increased risk of developing depression, in which case SSRIs may be prescribed. The link between the antidepressants and ringing in the ears may have to do with the fact that cells in the dorsal cochlear nucleus (DCN), which is the region of the brain involved in sensory processing and affected by tinnitus, become hypersensitive to sound with exposure to serotonin.

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Emergency Services donates used AEDs

Lakewood Health System Emergency Services recently donated four used automated external defibrillators (AED) to local organizations.

The AEDs went to Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Staples; St. Michaels Catholic Church, Motley; Motor City Raceway, Staples; and Curves, Staples. All of these organizations had been without the use of AEDs.

New AEDs were recently purchased for the Lakewood facilities, so it was decided to donate the used, but still operable devices. “The used AEDs are in perfectly good working condition, so we thought instead of recycling them, we’d take the opportunity to potentially save some lives,” said Lakewood Ambulance Supervisor, Scott Braith.



With the new AEDs

With the newly donated AEDs are, from left Sharon Kadlec, Motor City Raceway; Fr. Joe Korf, Sacred Heart and St. Michael’s Catholic Churches; Scott Braith, Lakewood Ambulance Supervisor; and Connie Wells, Lakewood Emergency Services Manager. (Submitted photo)

“AEDs are a valuable tool and the more people who know how to use them, and are comfortable doing so, the better off we all are.”

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Attending national convention helps local members and chapter grow

systems, and also the plant systems cluster. Other clusters to be explored are animal, agribusiness, environmental, food and natural resources.

Rachel Paskewitz said many of the activities within the chapter were part of the National Chapter Award. She gave examples of various events such as hosting drive-in movies and playing jello kickball, which had different food substances at each base. “It ended up everyong throwing it around at the end,” she said.

“We do all those things to help members feel at home in our chapter, we want everyone to know that they have a place here,” said Paskewitz.

**FFA on the rise**

The 2017 national convention had a record attendance with 67,000 people. The 2017 theme was “I Can, We Will.”

“It’s a magical place, you see the sea of blue jackets, and you can relate to people on that level,” said Paskewitz. “I love meet-

ing people and getting to know people from different states.”

“It was an amazing experience,” said Lindgren. She pointed to the many speakers, such as Laila Ali and Mick Ebeling, a huge career fair and expo, and also the presence of agriculture industry and colleges. She said the group also took time to explore Indianapolis.

“We had two new delegates, Olivia Leslie and Kai Gelle, and it was fun to see them take it all in,” said Lindgren. “My first year there it was overwhelming, so I enjoyed seeing it through their eyes.”

Gelle agreed that it was overwhelming. “It was absolutely amazing, it was incredible to see all those people in one place for one thing,” she said. “Cool to see national officers talk about how everyone has been impacted by FFA and how it can impact us.”

Gelle said the FFA hosts from Indina were very welcoming. “It was a cool experience, everyone

should see what it’s about,” she said.

**National to local**

After attending the national convention, Gelle was inspired to do more with the local FFA chapter. “We can help get new members, motivate our current members and I would like to be a mentor,” she said. “FFA can help you grow.”

Lindgren also said the convention gave her new ideas. “It’s so hyped up, it gets us inspired,” she said. “Everyone there wants to make a difference, and we want to do those things when we get back.” She said it takes time to put what they learned into practice, since not everyone had the same national experience.

Paskewitz also feels that the national convention will help the local chapter. “I don’t know if we would be so successful without conventions,” she said. “The experience is priceless, there is nothing you can do to get the same feeling.”



## Holiday Arts & Craft Sale

**9 am-4 pm, Saturday, Nov. 18**

We fill the building with over 50 vendors from all over the state featuring everything from homemade goodies to hand crafted gifts to personalized ornaments.

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**Fri. Nov. 17 at 5 p.m.**

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Our teachers work hard every day to provide a balanced literacy program which gives all students the ability to be the very best reader they can be. This includes giving students choices in what they are reading, small group instruction time with teachers to learn the skills to improve their reading and time to practice those skills independently or with a partner.

Students also have time in their day to learn and improve their writing, also connected to building reading skills.

Students listen, read and interact with literature every day to improve their reading and writing abilities.

We are also trying to encourage parents, at home, to model reading and encour-

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By **Kathy Johnson**  
Staples-Motley Elementary Principal

age our students to read at least 20 minutes a day, at least five days a week. We are sending home reading calendars to encourage and build reading stamina. Students who have support at home, along with a strong balanced literacy program provided by our teachers and staff, will see great success.

We are calling all parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles and friends to help us build this love of reading in our students.

One of the messages we want our students to know is that the more they read the more they know, and reading can take them on great adventures! This is a life skill and we want all of our students to leave our elementary school being strong readers.

Thank you for taking the time to read to a child. It is a gift that will never stop giving.

## Newspapers reach customers that social media often misses

By Peter Wagner, Publisher  
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A Kansas publisher emailed me recently, seeking information on how to respond to businesses who say they've "placed their sale or event on Facebook, so they don't need a newspaper ad." The businesses think, the publisher said, that "the Facebook posting is essentially free and generates at least some response without any cost to them."

The problem is nothing is ever truly free. Businesses depending on Facebook or any other social media to generate customers for a special sale or unique entertainment event are turning their backs on far greater potential profits than the little they're saving in advertising dollars. As my son, Jeff, often reminds me, "no business ever saved their way out of debt."

### Facebook's limits

A sense of reverence has surrounded social media that has caused many businesses to drink "the internet's bitter poison."

It is true that Facebook has its appeal, but it also has its faults. For every Facebook friend or follower who regularly reads a posting by a business or individual, there's at least one other who wishes he could permanently turn off Facebook. He's tired of postings from some 30-year-old classmate reporting, with pictures, what he had for lunch, supper and a midnight snack.

Digital media experts say Facebook pages - and business websites - need to feature new fresh, worthwhile information to retain active, truly interested Facebook friends. Those postings might come in the form of a daily blog, a recipe for that night's meal, breaking credible news, a commentary on the local college's football standings and stats or local reviews of the movies currently playing at the hometown theatre.

But this oversight of material requires time most business owners don't have to invest. There are local and national services that do such work but their fees can be expensive and their material anything but local or unique to the specific business.

### Facebook's flaws

There are four up-front reasons local businesses should not depend only on a Facebook page to increase their business.

1. The businesses' Facebook friends recipient list is limited mostly to those who already know of and traditionally shop the store. Those customers might be the first to respond to an emailed

price reduction on certain merchandise, from knitting yarn to shotgun shells, but they probably would have bought the items, when needed, at full price anyway.

2. Many Facebook postings, especially those selling a product or service, quickly disappear after momentarily popping up on the receiver's device. Facebook users are often frustrated by their inability to retrieve a recent message or picture, let alone a commercial message not posted by Facebook itself. With millions of users worldwide, Facebook's management says it is necessary to constantly edit and condense the material posted to accommodate the heavy flow of new messages.

3. Facebook purposely limits the number of those on a business friends list who actually receive a specific promotional message to five percent. Facebook management explains this is done as a service to its members. If every user received every message, says Facebook, most users would be overwhelmed with messages. That five percent is determined by Facebook tracking the history of which friends most often read the sources postings. Interestingly, businesses can expand their reach to their full friends list by paying Facebook a user fee. So much for protecting the end user.

4. Unlike locally managed community newspapers, many social media postings are poorly researched or even purposely untrue or decisive. Las Vegas Sheriff Joe Lombardo, the morning after the recent concert massacre, said law enforcement's response could have been quicker except for the many erroneous internet reports (fake news) that there were multiple shooters firing guns from various locations. Later that day, dozens of blogs and websites were wrongly reporting more fake news, claiming knowledge the shooting was planned by the Russians, ISIS, the anti-Trump movement and untold others. All those claims have yet to be proven.

### Local papers provide the market with six C's unique to media

Local newspapers reach their immediate market with six unique values not always shared or observed by social media.

*The most important, of course, is the creation of a sense of community.* The local or regional newspaper provides families with information about everything that brings them together: high school sports, city government updates, local entertainment opportunities, weather, births, marriages and deaths.

*The local newspaper encourages cooperation.* Newspapers often take leadership in the bring-

ing together of various interests to accomplish good for the community. They also recognize the efforts of others working for the good of the community and encourage support and involvement. The printed newspaper brings the masses together with one voice, while many independent digital sites promote dissension.

*Newspapers provide continuity.* The community newspaper is the first recorder of local history and the source most often turned to for details regarding earlier historical events and activities and even family history. No other source can be so easily researched or duplicated.

*The newspaper is respected for its credibility.* Newspapers stake their reputations and financial future on researching the facts and providing every side of an issue. When questions arise the favored statement is, "It's true, I read it in the newspaper." That is in strong contrast to "It must be true, I read it on the internet." That last comment usually results in a condescending laugh from those in the crowd.

*That credibility leads to the newspaper's ability to create consensus.* When it comes to making community decisions, it is the newspaper that best gathers the opinions around both sides of the question. Broadcast reports the news in bits and pieces but seldom provides all the extenuating details. Social media sites provide many adverse and condescending opinions, often self-filling, that lead to greater dissension and controversy. The local newspaper is the one source that shares a common focus with the majority of people living in the market area.

*Finally, newspapers have commitment.* From the beat reporter to the executive editor, managing editor to the publisher, the newspaper professional knows his role and purpose. Newspapers report the good and the bad, the entertaining and the devastating, the simple stories and the in-depth interviews, game scores, what is happening in the schools, on main street and with local industry.

*Newspaper professionals care first of all about the community they live in and the future of the people who live there.* That commitment alone is the main reason newspapers will never completely disappear from markets that support them in return.

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## Citizens Against Drugs (CAD) hosting 'Meet and Greets' in Staples

Do you care about the health and safety of Todd County youth? Todd County Citizens Against Drugs (CAD) will be hosting 'Meet and Greets' in Staples beginning in January.

Meetings will be held in the Depot Room at Central Lakes College in Staples

on the second Tuesday of each month, from 11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Attendees are asked to bring their own lunch; CAD will provide coffee.

"Come join others as we chat about CAD's important work with Todd County Youth," said Connie Burns, Health Education Coordinator with Todd County Health and Human Services.

The 'Meet and Greet' session will be held on the following dates:

- January 9
- February 13
- March 13
- April 10
- May 8

For more information contact Burns via email at [connie.burns@co.todd.mn.us](mailto:connie.burns@co.todd.mn.us).

## Mark Your Calendar

### November 21

**BRAINERD CHAPTER #738 NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF ACTIVE AND RETIRED FEDERAL EMPLOYEES Mtg** Tues., Nov. 21, Pizza Ranch, Baxter Social, 11:30 a.m.; lunch, noon. Presentation by Tina Elder, Triad.

### November 22

**SUE AMUNDSON, CENTRAL MN COUNCIL ON AGING SPEAKING** Wed., Nov. 22, at Staples Community Center. Senior meal at 11:34 a.m. To RSVP, call Dianne at 218-894-2556 before 10:30 a.m. Nov. 21.

### November 24

**CARE COMMUNITY MEAL - THANKSGIVING DINNER** Thurs., Nov. 23, noon, Faith Lutheran Church, 430 12th St. NE, Staples. Free. For info, 218-894-1546.

## Educational Opportunities

### November 16

**'BALSAM & BOWS' WREATH-MAKING CLASS** sponsored by Staples-Motley Community Ed., Thurs., Nov. 16, 4:30 - 8 p.m., Central Lakes College Assembly Rm., Staples campus. Instructors: Becky Roelofs, Alan and Shirley Judd. Registration fee includes all materials. Bring pruning shears, gloves. For info., 218-894-2497.

## School board agenda

The Staples-Motley School Board will meet Monday, Nov. 20, at 7 p.m. in the Staples-Motley High School media center.

Agenda items include:

- Financial items include a review of the preliminary levy and certifying the minutes related to the general obligation facilities maintenance bond.
- Personnel items include a discussion on the superintendent search
- Curriculum and policy items include acceptance of several policies with either minor or no revisions that have been reviewed by the committee and adoption of the physical education/health curriculum document as presented at the October meeting.

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



## Area Community Christmas Concert, Dec. 9

The Community Concert major work, held every other year, featured Handel's Messiah in 2015 held in the Staples-Motley High School gym. (Submitted photo)

## Community Christmas Concert to feature Schubert's Mass in G

The Staples Area Community Christmas Concert, normally held in the Sacred Heart Church, is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 9 in the Staples-Motley High School Gymnasium.

"We recognize that the Community Christmas Concert is an annual holiday tradition for many area families so we thought it best to change venues, to accommodate the larger audience that we see for our major work events," said Past President, Jerry Reck.

The Community Concert features a major work every other year. In 2015 the concert featured Handel's Messiah. This year, the featured work will be Franz

Schubert's Mass No. 2 in G Major, commonly referred to as Schubert's Mass in G. This composition written in 1815 for choral, string orchestra and organ, consists of six movements: "Kyrie", "Gloria", "Credo", "Sanctus", "Benedictus", and "Agnus Dei". The composition will be performed by the Staples Area Men's Chorus (SAMC), Staples Area Women's Chorus (SAWC), Staples Motley High School A Capella Choir, and accompanied by the Staples Motley Chamber Orchestra as well as a select group of area musicians.

"I'm excited to be directing Schubert's Mass Number 2 in G, with the choral groups and orchestra from

Staples Motley," said Rob Freelove, SAMC Director. "The Staples community is truly a shining gem in the choral world, and I can think of no other community, this size, that regularly performs this high-quality literature. This arrangement is perhaps Schubert's best known "Short" Mass, and sets the Latin text of the traditional Roman Catholic Mass to his wonderful music. It's truly a beautiful composition."

The concert will open with special guest solo performances by the Colla Voce Girl's Choir and Central Minnesota Boy's

Choir, followed by solo performances by the SAWC, SAMC and the Staples Motley A Capella Choir. The major work will comprise most of the second half of the concert.

Tickets are available at [www.staplesmen.org](http://www.staplesmen.org), from any SAMC or SAWC chorus members, or Nelson Insurance Agency, 325 2nd Ave. NE, Staples, 218 895-5046. Tickets will be available at the door on the night of the concert, unless sold out ahead of time. Single tickets and immediate family tickets are available; children under six are free.

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The Staples American Legion Auxiliary had 15 patriotic caps made for veterans residing at Lakewood Health System Care Center in Staples. The red, white and blue caps were distributed on Veterans Day by Auxiliary Chair Shirley Morrison. "They were so happy and smiled to see the caps," Morrison said, mentioning there were 12 veterans who received a cap that day and that she spent time visiting with each. "I was so happy that I went out there on Veterans Day. God bless all our veterans," she said. (Staples World photo by Dawn Timbs)



**50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary**  
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**Left to right: Alisa Olson, Tammy Brandanger, Daniel Booker, Becky Fuhman, Laurie Bach**

**Alisa Olson RN, Emergency Department**  
Nominated by Renee Peterson CRNA, Anesthesia Services, "Alisa is always very helpful when I come over for a patient consult. She always has as much ready as she can to anticipate the patient's care needs so they can be met efficiently when I arrive to assist her. It is such a treat to be able to work with someone of this caliber clinically and professionally. I appreciate all she does for those she works with as well as her patients. It's staff like her that makes the overall culture here at Lakewood so warm and welcoming. Thanks Alisa for all you do."

**Tammy Brandanger Landscaper, Maintenance**  
Nominated by Greta Smith, Recruiter/HR Generalist, "Tammy's passion for gardening complimented by the knowledge of the job and her vision have turned our "construction zone" into a true place of beauty throughout all of Lakewood's various locations. She has rejuvenated the existing landscape and has added so much color and charm to our facilities. She has brought the passion of gardening back into the resident's view which in turn brings them joy. She strives to make sure that what she does is a true reflection of what takes place inside and out of our facility. Tammy demonstrates 5-Star Service in all that she does. Congratulations."

**Danny Booker DME Technician, Medical Marketplace**  
Nominated by Cara Spilman & Keisha Otterstetter HME Coordinators, "Patients aren't always able to come in and pick up their supplies or equipment and we are fortunate to have Danny who is able to deliver to the patient's homes. We often get last minute calls for hospice deliveries and Danny is always willing to help bring peace of mind to the families by delivering to the patient what they need. Danny is great about helping build patient's confidence with their equipment once he has educated them on it. He takes great pride in his career and our department is extremely lucky and thankful for him. We believe Danny is a vital member of our team and greatly contributes to repeat customers/patients."

**Becky Fuhman Patient Financial Services, Business Office**  
Nominated by Emily (Hoernberg) Wright RN, Hospital Services, "Becky provides stupendous, professional assistance with regards to the finances of our patients. Her efficiency with my account was well communicated and organized. I left feeling confident that I had appropriately handled my financial situation, and it was all as a result of Becky's help. She went above and beyond to assure the outsourced company was made aware of our conversation; assuring communication was complete between all stakeholders. I appreciate Becky for her tremendous professionalism, commitment to LHS and every one of her customers."

**Laurie Bach BA, RN, Certified Diabetes Coordinator**  
Nominated by Stephanie Jeziorski RN, Care Coordination Director, "Laurie is always willing to go above and beyond to assist patients in reaching their goals. Her communication between the patients and their Providers really improves the quality of care the patient receives. As her department manager I can always count on Laurie to be forward thinking and making sure all tasks are being completed. She works hard to meet the requirements needed to be an accredited facility through the ADA. It is apparent that her passion for optimal patient care is what drives Laurie each day. Laurie's willingness to share her expertise is greatly appreciated by her team members."



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## Obituaries

### Michael Motl

Michael Motl, 60, of Browerville, passed away November 11, 2017.

Funeral services will be held Saturday, Nov. 18 at 11:00 a.m., at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Bertha with Fr. Mitchell Bechtold officiating. Visitation will be held Friday, Nov., from 4:00 to 8:00 p.m., at the Iten Funeral Home in Browerville with Christian Mother's Rosary at 3:45 p.m. and Parish Prayers at 5 p.m. Visitation will also be one hour prior to services at the church on Saturday.

Arrangements are with the Iten Funeral Home, Browerville.

Mike was born on January 15, 1957, in Browerville, to Robert and Rosie Motl. On September 14, 1985, he married Kimberly Harff at Christ the King Catholic Church in Browerville. Mike was a dairy farmer his entire life and served on many boards and was a member of the AGR of St. Paul. He enjoyed the Minnesota Twins, talking about farming and deer hunting.

Mike is survived by his wife; two daughters, Ann Motl and Emma Motl; his parents; one brother, Bruce (Helen) Motl; mother-in-law, Shirley Harff; sister-in-law, Chris (Rick Marshall) Harff and nieces and nephews.

Mike was preceded in death by his grandparents and father-in-law, Wilferd Harff.



### Judith Farber

Judy Farber, 74, of Browerville, passed away November 12, 2017, surrounded by her family.

A celebration of life will be held Saturday, Nov. 18, 2017 at 11:00 a.m. at Lincoln Evangelical Free Church.

Judith Ann Farber was born August 2, 1943 in Bertha to Ardeen and Vera (Thompson) Goligowski. Judy graduated from Staples High School in 1961 and Bemidji State University in 1993, Summa Cum Laude. She worked different jobs in the area including a social worker for TCC, until she retired.

Judy married Gary Farber on April 28, 1962. They were married for 55 years and lived in the Browerville area. She enjoyed her family, especially her grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Her favorite spot was on the porch with Gary, every evening, watching birds and wildlife. She enjoyed making quilts, baking, reading and growing flowers.

Judy is survived by her husband; one daughter, Connie (Jon) Balbach, of Bemidji; one son, Terry (Sharon) Farber, of Browerville; seven grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; mother; three brothers; Robert (Audrey) Goligowski of Champlain, Steve (Nancy) Goligowski of Voss, TX and Loren (Merrilee) Goligowski of White Bear Lake; two sisters; Peggy (Sonny) Freyholtz of Hewitt, Kathryn (Richard) Motl of Staples, and her dog Tika.

She was preceded in death by her father and grandparents.

The family requests no flowers or plants.



### Rita Matthews

Rita Louise Matthews, 68, Brainerd, passed away November 10, 2017 at St. Joseph's Medical Center in Brainerd.

Services will be held Saturday, Nov. 18, at 10:30 a.m. at Brenny Funeral Chapel in Baxter, with Father Paul Strommer officiating. Visitation will be held Friday, Nov. 17 from 5 to 7 p.m. and one hour prior to services on Saturday.

Private family interment will be held.

Arrangements are with the Brenny Funeral Home.

Rita Louise Tholl was born, January 24, 1949, in St. Cloud, to Norbert P. and Janet L. (Kasper) Tholl. She attended school in Staples and later earned a degree in floral design from Brainerd Vocational School. Rita married Robert Duane Matthews on August 28, 1965. They made their home in Mora, until 1977, when they built their home in Brainerd. Rita worked at area florists for several years before starting her own business, Tans Unlimited. She enjoyed being with family, fishing, deer hunting, traveling

and spending winters in McAllen, TX. She created flower gardens, enjoyed growing and canning vegetables and was a fantastic cook.

Rita is survived by two daughters, Melissa (Scott) Swisher of St. Louis Park and Rebecca Matthews of Ft. Worth, TX; one grandson, Sam Swisher; two sisters, Jean (Ed) Graham and Sharon Tholl (Bob Riebe); three half-brothers, Dale, Doug and Kenny Grimsley and many nieces, nephews and cousins.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband; and half-brother, Larry Grimsley.

### Hello World

Born to Sarah and Shaun O'Brien of Brainerd, a baby girl, Adeline Grace weighing seven pounds, four ounces on November 2, 2017.

Born to Kylie Teberg and Mitch Kopp of New York Mills, a baby girl, Alexia Maye weighing eight pounds on November 2, 2017.

Born to Katie Harper and Robert Anderson of Brainerd, a baby boy, Jackson Roger weighing seven pounds, 10 ounces on November 3, 2017.

Born to Alison and Alan Larrimore of Staples, a baby boy, Myles Richard weighing six pounds, 10 ounces on November 3, 2017.

Born to Lenore Sheets and Daniel Mertens of Staples, a baby boy, Reese Leo weighing eight pounds 10 ounces on November 4, 2017.

Born to Ashley Heitland and Jacob Meyer of Clarissa, a baby boy, John Matthew weighing five pounds, 12 ounces on November 5, 2017.

Born to Adelle and Matthew Sanoski of Browerville, a baby boy, Jackson Shawn weighing seven pounds, 11 ounces on November 6, 2017.

Born to Samantha and Scott Armstrong of Long Prairie, a baby boy, Colt Dennis weighing six pounds, 15 ounces on November 8, 2017.

Born to Carissa and Jessie Goff of Staples, a baby girl, Charlotte Michael weighing seven pounds, 11 ounces on November 9, 2017.

Born to Rachel and Tyler Bacon of Brainerd, a baby boy, Winston Phelps weighing seven pounds, 10 ounces on November 9, 2017.

### Wedding

#### Chapin, Marelo

David Chapin, formerly of American Fork, Utah, and Alessandro Marelo of Turin, Italy, were married August 19, 2017, at Living Legacy Gardens in Staples. They are making their home in Metropolitan Turin.

The ceremony was performed by Sue Nyhus, L.U.T. of Dent.

David, a 1982 graduate of Staples High School, is a son of the late Dale Chapin of Staples and Joyce Chapin of Taylors, South Carolina.

### Much Appreciated

#### Youth collect for food shelf

What a great job the youth groups from local churches did when they went "trick or treating" for the food shelf.

It was so nice to see all their happy, smiling faces while they were having a great time. They collected 1,100 pounds of food and \$100. This is a great help to the food shelf as we are entering our busiest season.

We also thank all the parents that drove them around - some on hay wagons. Also, thanks to the youth team leaders.

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### Donald Henry

Donald Eugene Henry, 88, Staples, died peacefully November 12, 2017 at his home surrounded by his family.

A remembrance event will be held Saturday, Nov. 18, .

Donald was born in Kansas in 1929, to James and Edna (Ellerman) Henry. He joined the U.S. Air Force after high school and served as a staff sergeant from 1948 to 1952. He spent 21 months in the Aleutian Islands, serving in the meteorology department. Following his discharge from the air force went to work for the National Weather Service, where he worked for 30 years. Don's interests included genealogy, wood carving, music, history, philosophy and the great outdoors.

Don is survived by two sons, Michael (Lauri) Henry and David (Julie) Henry; five daughters, Karen (Gary) Pipek, Colleen (Scott) Swantner, Sheila (Scott) Becker, Sara (Mark) Hoernberg, Merrie (Dennis) Breitenfeldt; stepdaughter Lora (Legrende) Petty; three sisters and one brother.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Laurida.



# Congratulations



## 2017 Staples-Motley Boy's Cross Country Team Section 6A Champions

Front, left to right: William Thew, Isaac Christoffersen, Emmet Anderson, Hunter Klimek, Austin Johnson, Connor Judd, Issiah Tabatt, Grant Johnson, Alex Brings, Will Dolezal, Gaven Christensen. Back row: Assistant Coach Kristie Johnson, Tanner Robben, Assistant Coach Steve Fligge, Connor Fox, Bently Christensen, Ben Bartczak, Jack Tyrrell, Brayden Christensen, Trenton Plopper, Nicholas Tabatt, Garret Carlson, Jacob Schmitz, Head Coach Bruce Fuhrman.

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Lakewood Health System  
Staples Precision Metalcraft

Staples True Value  
Staples-Motley Community Ed.  
Giovanni's Pizza  
Giza Plumbing & Heating  
Brenny Funeral Home  
Ideal Construction Company  
Insurance Advisors, Staples  
James Soule Auto Sales  
Ted & Gen's BBQ, Aldrich  
PHB Excavating  
Always Available Towing  
& Sales, Inc.  
BRICKS Travel Center  
Countryside Restaurant  
Lake Country Insurance,  
Inc., Motley  
Motley Dairy Queen  
Northwind Grocery  
R. Bjerga Construction/  
Friendly Inn  
Sportsman's Plumbing,  
Heating & Outdoor Services  
The Best Little Hair House  
in Motley  
Trident Seafoods Corp.  
Staples World

Orton's Staples/Motley Food  
Mart  
Stern Rubber Company  
SuperAmerica  
Orth Insurance Agency  
The Spot Cafe  
Staples Auto License Bureau  
Thrivent Financial/  
Bob Mueller  
Tower Pizza  
Unity Bank  
Wayne's Electric  
of Staples, Inc.  
3M  
Precision Polishing and  
Plating, Inc.  
Ron's Auto Repair  
Seasons Adult Foster Care  
Shear Contact  
Longbella Drug  
Mayer, Porter & Nelson,  
Ltd., CPA's  
Mid-Central Federal  
Savings Bank  
Staples Ace Hardware



**STATE OF MINNESOTA  
DISTRICT COURT  
COUNTY OF TODD  
SEVENTH JUDICIAL  
DISTRICT  
PROBATE DIVISION  
Court File No.:  
77PR-17-1085**

**In Re: Estate of  
BLAKE ALEXANDER  
DIXON  
a/k/a Blake A. Dixon,  
Decedent,**

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

It is Ordered and Notice is given that on December 19, 2017, at 1:15 p.m., a hearing will be held in this Court at Long Prairie, Minnesota, on a petition for the adjudication of intestacy and determination of Decedent's heirs, and for the appointment of AMANDA R. DIXON, whose address is 30509 US 71, Browerville, MN 56438 as personal representative of the Decedent's estate in an unsupervised administration.

Any objections to the petition must be raised at the hearing or filed with the Court prior to the hearing. If the petition is proper and no objections are filed or raised, the personal representative will be appointed with the full power to administer the Decedent's estate, including the power to collect all assets; to pay all legal debts, claims, taxes, and expenses; to sell real and personal property; and to do all necessary acts for the Decedent's estate.

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

**BY THE COURT**  
**Dated: November 9, 2017**

/s/ Daniel Benson  
**Judge of District Court**

Rhonda Bot  
by Patti Johnson  
**Court Administrator**

**PEMBERTON LAW  
FIRM**

Nicholas J. Heydt,  
No. 0327864  
203 22nd Avenue West  
Alexandria, MN 56308  
Telephone: 320-759-3143  
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**OFFICE OF  
THE MINNESOTA  
SECRETARY OF  
STATE  
Certificate of  
Assumed Name  
Minnesota Statutes,  
Chapter 333**

The filing of an assumed name does not provide a user with exclusive rights to that name. The filing is required for consumer protection in order to enable consumers to be able to identify the true owner of a business.

1. List the exact assumed name under which the business is or will be conducted:

Shamaineau  
International

2. Principal Place of Business:

2345 Ridge Road  
Motley, MN 56466

3. List the name and complete street address of all persons conducting business under the above Assumed Name, OR if an entity, provide the legal corporate, LLC, or Limited Partnership name and registered office address:

Herb Bloomquist  
3695 Ridge Road  
Motley, MN 56466

Scott McCall  
19155 Orlando Avenue  
Hastings, MN 55033

Bruce Hibbard  
15424 Drexel Court

Apple Valley, MN 55124

4. I, the undersigned, certify that I am signing this document as the person whose signature is required, or as agent of the person(s) whose signature would be required who has authorized me to sign this document on his/her behalf, or in both capacities. I further certify that I have completed all required fields, and that the information in this document is true and correct and in compliance with the applicable chapter of Minnesota Statutes. I understand that by signing this document I am subject to the penalties of perjury as set forth in Section 609.48 as if I had signed this document under oath.

Bruce J. Hibbard  
Director of Shamaineau  
International  
shamaineauinternational@gmail.com  
952-688-3624

Date: October 24, 2017  
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**PUBLIC NOTICE  
NOTICE TO OPERATE  
(AERATION SYSTEM)**

An aeration system has been installed and will be operating approximately Nov. 30, 2017, on Lake Shamaineau on the South shore about 1-1/2 miles East of West end of the lake, located in Morrison County, Twp. 132, Range 31, Section 16, which will result in thin ice and open water.

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

Notice is hereby given that on **Thursday, November 30, 2017 at 6:00 p.m.** the Todd County Board of Adjustment will hold a public hearing in the Commissioner's board room, 215 1st Ave. South, Long Prairie, Minnesota to consider the following Variance applications:

1. **Daryl and Lynn Dhein:** Bass Lake View Outlot A in Section 8 & 9 of Burnhamville Township

Site Address: 19406 Ermine Dr. PIN: 06-0096500

1.) Variance request to exceed the 10 yard limit for substantial alterations of topography within a shore or bluff impact zone, or in a moderate or severe steep slope for an after the fact shoreland alteration to establish an approximate 800 square foot paved sidewalk.  
2.) Variance request to exceed the maximum sidewalk width of four feet for an after the fact constructed sidewalk.

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

Todd County  
Board of Adjustment  
Bill Berscheit, Chair

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**TRUTH IN TAXATION  
MEETING NOTICE  
WADENA COUNTY  
BOARD OF  
COMMISSIONERS**

The Wadena County Board of Commissioners will be holding a Truth in Taxation Meeting to discuss the proposed Wadena County 2018 Budget and Property Tax Levy and provide an opportunity to Wadena County citizens to give comment relating to same.

The meeting is scheduled to be held on **Monday, November 27, 2017 at 6:00 p.m.** in the Wadena County Courthouse, Multi-Purpose Room on the Lower Level, 415 Jefferson Street South, Wadena, Minnesota 56482.

Judy Taves  
Wadena County  
Auditor/Treasurer

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**Public Notice  
Advertising Protects  
Your Right To Know**

**MINUTES  
TODD COUNTY BOARD  
OF COMMISSIONERS  
OCTOBER 3, 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 3rd day of October, 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.

A moment of silence was observed for the Las Vegas shooting victims.

**Approval of Agenda**

On motion by Kneisl and seconded by Becker, the following motion was introduced and adopted

**Public  
Notices**

**NOTICE  
TODD-WADENA  
COMMUNITY  
CORRECTIONS**

The Todd-Wadena Community Corrections Executive Committee will meet Monday, November 20, 2017, at 4:30 p.m., at the Wadena County Courthouse, 415 Jefferson Street South, Wadena, Minnesota.

Curtis Bryniarski  
Administrative Assistant

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**OFFICE OF  
THE MINNESOTA  
SECRETARY OF  
STATE**

**Certificate of  
Assumed Name**

*Minnesota Statutes,  
Chapter 333*

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1. List the exact assumed name under which the business is or will be conducted:

Kathy's Kut & Kurl

2. Principal Place of Business:

33302 Pulaski Road,  
Cushing, MN 56443

3. List a Mailing Address if you cannot receive mail at the principal place of business address: If you're removing the Mailing Address, you must list "NONE".

4. List the name and complete street address of all persons conducting business under the above Assumed Name, OR if an entity, provide the legal corporate, LLC, or Limited Partnership name and registered office address:

Kathleen Marie Kobliska  
33302 Pulaski Road,  
Cushing, MN 56443

5. This certificate is an amendment of Certificate of Assumed Name File Number: 36643

Originally filed on: July 26, 1984

6. I, the undersigned, certify that I am signing this document as the person whose signature is required, or as agent of the person(s) whose signature would be required who has authorized me to sign this document on his/her behalf, or in both capacities. I further certify that I have completed all required fields, and that the information in this document is true and correct and in compliance with the applicable chapter of Minnesota Statutes. I understand that by signing this document I am subject to the penalties of perjury as set forth in Section 609.48 as if I had signed this document under oath.

Kathleen M. Kobliska  
Owner/Operator  
skkobliska@brainerd.net  
218-575-2519

Date: October 12, 2017  
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by unanimous vote. To approve the agenda as presented with the removal of 17.2 Approve Updated Employee Personnel Handbook.

**Consent Agenda**

On motion by Becker and seconded by Neumann, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To approve the Commissioner Meeting Minutes for September 5, 2017 and September 19, 2017 as presented.

**Auditor-Treasurer**

On motion by Kircher and seconded by Kneisl, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To approve the September 2017 Auditor Warrants number 230287 through 230441 in the amount of \$917,249.83.

On motion by Neumann and seconded by Becker, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To approve the Commissioner Warrants number 47098 through 47190 in the amount of \$186,755.32.

On motion by Kircher and seconded by Neumann, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To approve the Health & Human Services Warrants number 701271 through 701440 in the amount of \$171,223.87 and Warrants 513069 through 513089 in the amount of \$50,997.60.

On motion by Kneisl and seconded by Becker, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To approve the agreement to provide professional consulting services between Government Management Group and Todd County for the 2017 through 2021 Cost Allocation Plans at a \$5,000 for each plan year.

On motion by Becker and seconded by Neumann, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: **To set the Truth in Taxation hearing for November 28, 2017 to begin at 6:00 p.m. in the County Commissioners Board Room.**

On motion by Kircher and seconded by Kneisl, item 5.6 Initiative Foundation Annual Contribution was tabled for further information gathering.

On motion by Kneisl and seconded by Neumann, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To approve the attached Budget Request Form allowing for the carryover of \$55,000 from the 2016 Budget into the 2017 Budget to enable the purchase of the 2016 scheduled motor pool vehicle replacements.

On motion by Kircher and seconded by Neumann, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To approve the purchase of two (2) 2018 Chevrolet Malibu cars for \$19,883.46 each and two (2) 2018 Dodge Grand Caravan SE minivans for \$24,533 each from Ranger Chevrolet per bids received via the State Bid system along with required registration and licensing fees.

**Solid Waste**

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

**ESTABLISH A**

**FUNDING PLAN FOR**

**THE FUTURE**

**BUILDING**

**IMPROVEMENT**

**PROJECT AT THE**

**TODD COUNTY SOLID**

**WASTE TRANSFER**

**STATION**

WHEREAS, the Todd County Transfer Station was originally constructed in 1988 and is currently starting to show signs of overall rapid building deterioration due to its age, and;

WHEREAS, the daily operations of the Todd County Transfer Station create concerns such as accessibility and use efficiencies and overall basic functioning efficiencies, and;

WHEREAS, it is understood that the building improvement project would be a significant financial burden to the County and

that the benefits of having a long range funding plan is warranted, and;

WHEREAS, in 2016 the Todd County Board of Commissioners approved with BA#20160719-04 that \$240,000 be paid back to Todd County Solid Waste from the General Fund, and;

WHEREAS, beginning in FY 2016 The Todd County Transfer Station along with the Todd County Finance Committee established a goal to set aside \$50,000 annually to help fund the future building improvement project for the Todd County Transfer Station, and;

WHEREAS, in FY 2017 the annual goal to set aside \$50,000 was reviewed by the Todd County Finance Committee and a recommendation was made to bring forth a formal funding plan for the Todd County Board of Commissioners to adopt.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that Todd County Board of Commissioners hereby authorize the Todd County Auditor/Treasurer to create a committed fund balance account for future building improvement within the Solid Waste Enterprise Fund, and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Todd County Auditor/Treasurer transfer \$340,000 of existing fund balance from the Solid Waste Enterprise Fund to the newly created committed fund balance account in the Solid Waste Enterprise Fund, and;

BE IT ALSO FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Todd County Board of Commissioners hereby assign \$50,000 annually to the newly created committed fund balance beginning in FY 2018 if fund balance allows.

**Ditch Inspector**

On motion by Neumann and seconded by Kneisl, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To acknowledge receipt of a Minor Maintenance Petition to maintain approximately 1,200 feet of CD12 on 27-4000500, West Union Twp Section 9.

**Public Works**

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

**FINAL PAYMENT**

**AUTHORIZATION - 2017**

**BITUMINOUS**

**CONSTRUCTION**

**CONTRACT**

WHEREAS, the contract with Tri-City Paving for the 2017 Bituminous Construction Contract known as SAP 077-616-007, SAP 077-631-006, SAP 077-618-012, SAP 077-636-003, SAP 077-639-003, CP 17-79, CP 17-61, CP 17-106, CP 77-17-06 and CP 77-17-01 located along various Todd County Highways, has in all things been completed, and;

WHEREAS, construction work on this contract was scheduled and completed in 2017 with the value of the total work certified being \$4,532,157.47, and;

WHEREAS, partial payments amounting to \$4,302,864.62 have been previously been made to the contractor as work progressed, and;

WHEREAS, it has been determined that \$229,292.85 still remains to be paid to Tri-City Paving.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners does here accept said completed project for and in behalf of the County of Todd and authorize final payment as specified.

**Emergency Management**

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

**RESOLUTION**

**DECLARING A STATE**

**OF EMERGENCY**

WHEREAS the severe weather has impacted the population of Todd County and its cities; and

WHEREAS the severe

weather event has caused a significant amount of public property damage; and

WHEREAS the Todd County Department of Emergency Management requests the Todd County Board of Commissioners to declare Todd County in a STATE OF EMERGENCY for the September 20 event of 2017;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Todd County Board of Commissioners declares Todd County in a State of Emergency for conditions resulting from the severe storm event of September 20, 2017 (date).

**Hands of Hope**

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

**2017 DOMESTIC  
VIOLENCE  
AWARENESS MONTH  
PROCLAMATION FOR  
TODD COUNTY**

WHEREAS, Our homes should be a place of warmth, love, safety, and security, and for most of us, home and family can indeed be counted among our greatest blessings, and;

WHEREAS, domestic violence is a serious crime that impacts families, workplaces, schools, churches and whole communities, and is happening in Todd County, and;

WHEREAS, The crime of domestic violence violates an individual's privacy, dignity, security, safety, and humanity, due to the systematic use of physical, emotional, sexual, psychological, and economic control and abuse, with no regard to race, age, religion, economic status, gender or occupation, and;

WHEREAS, Domestic violence financial costs continue to soar annually in medical expenses, police and court costs, shelters and foster care, sick leave, absenteeism, and loss of productivity. In Todd County, Hands of Hope Resource Center has served 19 men, 139 women, and 89 children to date in 2017. Todd County also suffered a domestic homicide in 2017, and;

WHEREAS, A coordinated community effort is needed to address this crime; a coalition of organizations including law enforcement, victim services, prosecution, health care providers, the clergy, social services and concerned citizens to address this recurring crisis, and;

**NOW, THEREFORE**

**BE IT RESOLVED,**

In recognition of the important work done by Hands of Hope Resource Center, we the commissioners of Todd County do hereby proclaim the month of October 2017 as Domestic Violence Awareness Month and urge all citizens to work with Hands of Hope Resource Center in eliminating domestic violence in our communities.

**Great River  
Regional Library**

Karen Pundsack, Executive Director and Aron Murphy Accounting & Distribution Supervisor presented an update of activities regarding Great River Regional Library.

**Sheriff's Office**

On motion by Kircher and seconded by Kneisl, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To authorize the waiver of the 90 day waiting period and hire of Charles Kloos to full time Jailer/Dispatcher, jailor work assignment, effective October 15, 2017 on Grade 6, Step A.

On motion by Neumann and seconded by Becker, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To authorize the separation of employment of Employee #543 effective 10/3/2017.

On motion by Kneisl and seconded by Kircher, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To allow Sheriff Asmus to purchase the Ford F150 crew cab pickup truck.

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Facilities Department

On motion by Neumann and seconded by Becker, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To authorize the hire of Curtis Rosenow on a Grade 5 at Step 3 \$18.81 per hour.

Planning & Zoning

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

FINAL PLAT APPROVAL - "FIRST ADDITION TO IVAN ADDITION" SUBDIVISION

WHEREAS, Applicant Larry I. Hansen applied to subdivide a property that is part of Auditor's Subdivision, the S2 of Lots 68 & 69 E of road, Section 12, and part of E2 NW4 North of CSAH #7 & E of Hwy 210, Section 13, all in Staples Township with the plat to be known as First Addition to Ivan Addition,

WHEREAS, The First Addition to Ivan Addition Plat consists of two residential lots Block 1 Lot 1, 2.36 ± acres and Block 2 Lot 1, 2.00± acres located in the Residential-2 zoning district of Staples Township,

WHEREAS, On December 4, 2014 the Todd County Planning Commission recommended the following property be considered for Subdivision pursuant to Todd County Subdivision Regulation and Ordinance: SEC-13 TWP-133 RNG-33 E2 NW4 N OF CSAH #7 & E OF HWY #210, EX BEG AT PT 1845.28 FT S & 712.48 FT

NW OF NE COR OF NW4, N 314.10 FT, N 250 FT, SE 300 FT, SW 343.18 FT TO BEG EX PLAT OF IVAN ADDITION 33.99 ACRES

AND AUDITOR'S SUBDIVISION... (11 & 12-133-33) S2 OF LOTS 68 & 69 E OF RD

WHEREAS, On February 21, 2017 the Todd County Board of Commissioners considered the Preliminary Plat for the above described property and approved the First Addition to Ivan Addition with condition that the existing wetland violation on parcel 22-0012700 be resolved to the satisfaction of the Todd Count Wetlands Officer,

WHEREAS, the Planning & Zoning Department has completed the necessary final plat review and find that all items required for final plat approval have been completed.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the final plat of "First Addition to Ivan Addition" subdivision be approved as presented.

On motion by Becker and seconded by Neumann, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To authorize the resignation of Galen Gruber effective September 27, 2017.

South Country Health Alliance

Leota Lind provided an updated of activities regarding South Country Health Alliance.

Health & Human Services

Mike Steinbeisser pre-

sented a report regarding the Health Pathways program.

On motion by Neumann and seconded by Kneisl, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To appoint Kathy Kremers to fill the open Relative Search position at Grade 7, Step 7, effective 10/16/2017.

On motion by Becker and seconded by Neumann, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To authorize Health & Human Services to add and recruit members to serve on the Todd County Public Health Advisory Committee.

Administration

On motion by Kircher and seconded by Becker, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To approve the Joint Powers Agreement with NJPA for health insurance services.

Auditor-Treasurer's Report

The Auditor-Treasurer reported on current activities including real estate tax season approaching, election equipment grant in progress, fee sched-

ule updates in progress, a drainage ditch conference attended and progress of ISD 2759 record conversions in the tax and voters systems.

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, union negotiations upcoming open enrollment for health insurance schedule.

Recess

Commissioner Erickson recessed the meeting until October 17, 2017.

AUDITOR WARRANTS

| Vendor Name                    | \$ Amount  |
|--------------------------------|------------|
| AM. HERITAGE BANK              | \$3,501.75 |
| BIG BIRCH LAKE ASSOC.          | 3,271.12   |
| GALLAGHER BENEFIT SERVICES INC | 2,400.00   |
| 32 PAYMENTS LESS               |            |
| THAN \$2,000                   | 11,378.80  |
| AM. HERITAGE BANK              | 61,295.88  |
| BAXTER/JUDITH                  | 3,880.00   |
| CARD SER. COBORNS              | 3,555.94   |
| COMPUTER PROS                  | 4,644.00   |
| FLEET SERVICES/ WEX BANK       | 5,366.63   |
| GENE-O'S CS REST LLC           | 7,361.60   |
| GREAT RIVER REG. LIBRARY       | 84,348.25  |
| LONG PRAIRIE SANI. INC         | 4,648.65   |

|                                              |            |
|----------------------------------------------|------------|
| MN DEPT OF FINANCE                           | 8,770.00   |
| MORRISON COUNTY                              | 48,637.55  |
| PLAISTED/DOROTHY OR ELLWOOD                  | 4,000.00   |
| PRAIRIE LAKES MUNI. SOLID WASTE AUTH.        | 74,141.67  |
| STEP                                         | 4,558.25   |
| ULINE                                        | 4,553.66   |
| UPDATE BUILDING SUPPLIES LLC                 | 20,296.09  |
| WATERGUARDS, LLC                             | 15,427.50  |
| WONDERLICH/SCOTT A. 24 PAYMENTS LESS         | 5,483.25   |
| THAN \$2,000                                 | 9,619.86   |
| GOULD/RHONDA M. MINNESOTA POWER & LIGHT      | 2,834.00   |
| PETERS LAW OF, P.A.                          | 14,432.85  |
| RESOURCE TRAINING AND SOLUTIONS              | 4,012.00   |
| TODD CO AUD-TREAS.                           | 235,536.00 |
| VOYANT COMM., LLC                            | 7,386.50   |
| 31 PAYMENTS LESS                             | 3,511.73   |
| THAN \$2,000                                 | 12,621.35  |
| AMERICAN HERITAGE                            | 10,691.03  |
| CENTRAL ELECTRIC                             | 5,017.04   |
| CENTURY FENCE CO                             | 7,915.00   |
| GUSTAFSON/JEAN M.                            | 5,108.50   |
| LONG PRAIRIE MACH. CO INC                    | 3,500.00   |
| MUELLNER/PEGGY                               | 4,640.00   |
| NO NAME CONSTRUC.                            | 29,100.00  |
| STAPLES ADVANTAGE STRUCTURAL SPECIALTIES INC | 3,110.65   |
| SYMALAR/ALONZO                               | 162,060.21 |
| 32 PAYMENTS LESS                             |            |
| THAN \$2,000                                 | 3,400.00   |
| Total                                        | 11,232.52  |

HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES WARRANTS

| Vendor Name                         | \$ Amount   |
|-------------------------------------|-------------|
| DHS - ANOKA METRO RTC - 412         | \$29,190.00 |
| DHS - MSOP- MN SEX OFFENDER PROGRAM | 5,766.00    |
| DHS - SWIFT                         | 57,589.23   |
| ITEN FUNERAL HOME                   |             |

|                   |              |
|-------------------|--------------|
| BROWERVILLE       | 3,385.00     |
| NJPA              | 9,561.24     |
| NOW MICRO INC     | 4,990.68     |
| RURAL MN CEP INC  | 11,303.54    |
| 163 PAYMENTS LESS |              |
| THAN \$2,000      | 49,438.18    |
| Total             | \$171,223.87 |

Vendor Name \$ Amount

|                                   |             |
|-----------------------------------|-------------|
| #15145                            | \$9,797.76  |
| NORTH HOMES CHILD. & FAMILY SRVS. | 8,246.00    |
| NORTHERN PINES MENTAL HLTH CTR    | 19,104.50   |
| NORTHWOOD CHILD. SERVICES         | 3,727.88    |
| PRODUCTIVE ALTER. INC - FERGUS    | 2,548.21    |
| PAYMENTS LESS                     |             |
| THAN \$2,000                      | 7,573.25    |
| Total                             | \$50,997.60 |

On a motion by Kircher and seconded by Kneisl, the preceding minutes of the County Board meeting held October 3, 2017 were duly approved by unanimous vote at the Todd County Board of Commissioners at the Regular Board Meeting held on October 17, 2017.

Witness my hand and seal:

Randy Neumann,  
Todd County Board  
Vice Chairperson

Denise Gaida, Todd County  
Auditor-Treasurer

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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  
Sunlight & Youth.....6:30 p.m.

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

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

**Faith Lutheran**  
430 12th Street. NE., Staples.....218-894-1546  
Pastor: Carl Larson  
Sunday Worship Service.....9:00 a.m.  
Sunday School and Coffee Fellowship.....10:05 a.m.

**Sacred Heart Church**  
310 4th St. NE, Staples .....218-894-2296  
Church.....  
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.

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

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Eric Clapp.....701-261-2394 (cell)  
Sunday Worship.....8:15 a.m.  
Sunday School.....8:30 a.m.

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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.  
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26298 Bear Rd., Cushing  
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Worship.....10:30 a.m.  
WEDNESDAY  
Bible study.....7:30 p.m.

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Motley

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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**  
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Pastor Vicar Paul Koehler  
Sunday School and Bible Class.....8:30 a.m.  
Sunday Worship.....9:30 a.m.

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Pastor Fr. Joe Korf  
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Tuesday.....6:30 p.m.  
Wednesday.....8:30 a.m.  
Saturday.....7:00 p.m.  
Sunday.....10:30 a.m.

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

Pillager

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

**Casino Assembly of God**  
Pastor Dan Johnson  
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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  
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Worship Gathering.....10:00 a.m.  
Connection Point.....9:30 a.m.  
(serving coffee and donuts)

Thanksgiving

That the Pilgrims who came to America considered it right and proper to honor God with a feast of thanksgiving, despite losing nearly half of their numbers to disease and lack of proper shelter during their first year speaks volumes about their character.

That many present-day Americans see the holiday as little more than a chance to indulge the vices of sloth and gluttony perhaps says more about our character than we would wish. But we should not imagine that there was no grumbling among the Pilgrims. Surely some of them grumbled and complained about the conditions and rued the day they left European shores, and it is likely that some of them felt more like cursing God than thanking Him. But the better angels of their nature won the day, and in November of 1621 the Pilgrims celebrated a harvest with the natives, in what was the first Thanksgiving.

We should take this as counsel to give thanks in all things, both in good times and in bad, in times of plenty and in times of scarcity, and to share our harvest with our families, friends and neighbors, no matter the size of the harvest or our relations with our families, friends and neighbors.

- Christopher Simon

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### Veterans Day program at SHAS

The Sacred Heart Area School Community Veterans Day program began with the Posting of Colors, the Pledge of Allegiance and singing the National Anthem. Grade 3 greeted those attending and paid tribute to the branches; grade 5 presented the history of Veterans Day; PreK and kindergarten students sang Veterans Day songs; grade 4 read poems (all but one poem was written by the students); and grades 1 and 2 presented "Please Wear a Poppy" by Don Crawford and "Poppies for Remembrance" poem. (Staples World photos by Janice Winter)



### Listening to 'Taps'



Above: Members of the Motley American Legion Post #124 stand at attention as 'Taps' is played by Motley-Staples Middle School students Topanga Braith and Haiden Rychner at the close of the Veterans Day program in Motley Nov. 10.

At left: Army National Guard member John Vavra of Aldrich holds his niece, Jaidyn Fonteyn at the Veterans Day program. Next to him is Jaidyn's mother, Christina Fonteyn of Staples. (Staples World photos by Dawn Timbs)



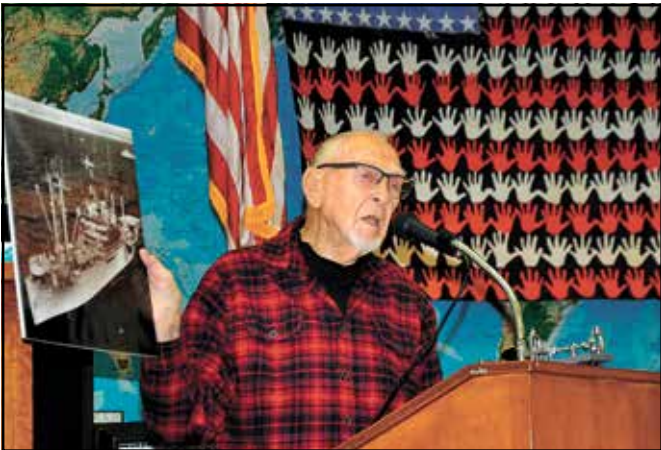
### Welcoming the veterans

Staples-Motley FFA members escorted veterans into the Staples-Motley High School gym for the Veterans Day program as students stood and cheered the veterans. (Staples World photo by Mark Anderson)



### Brothers in honor on Veterans Day

Dan Holst, left, and Huck Holst enjoy one of the speakers at the Staples-Motley High School Veterans Day program on Nov. 10. Dan was the featured speaker at the event, while Huck was the emcee. Dan told the crowd about his family military history, starting with his grandfather in the Spanish-American War. He also talked about the values he learned in Staples that helped him through his military career. Among the lessons, "do the right thing, be honest, admit mistakes, move forward, and pay attention to family." (Staples World photo by Mark Anderson)



### Guest speaker

Bob Larson was the guest speaker at the program sharing his experience in the U.S. Army. His visual aid was the USS Estes, the ship that brought him and his buddies back from the "forgotten name" island. Larson was a teletype specialist. He thanked the students and staff for being respectful and appreciative to all veterans.



### 'Thank you' letters read

Sixth graders at MSMS wrote letters to United States veterans thanking them for their service. From left are Riley Belmore, Bel Birkholtz, AJ Nienow and Emery Lorber. (Staples World photo by Dawn Timbs)



### Poems for the veterans

Several 4th grade students read patriotic poems during the program at MSMS. From left are Alissa Hageman, Melissa Anderson, Conner Kuhns, Avandre Brandt.

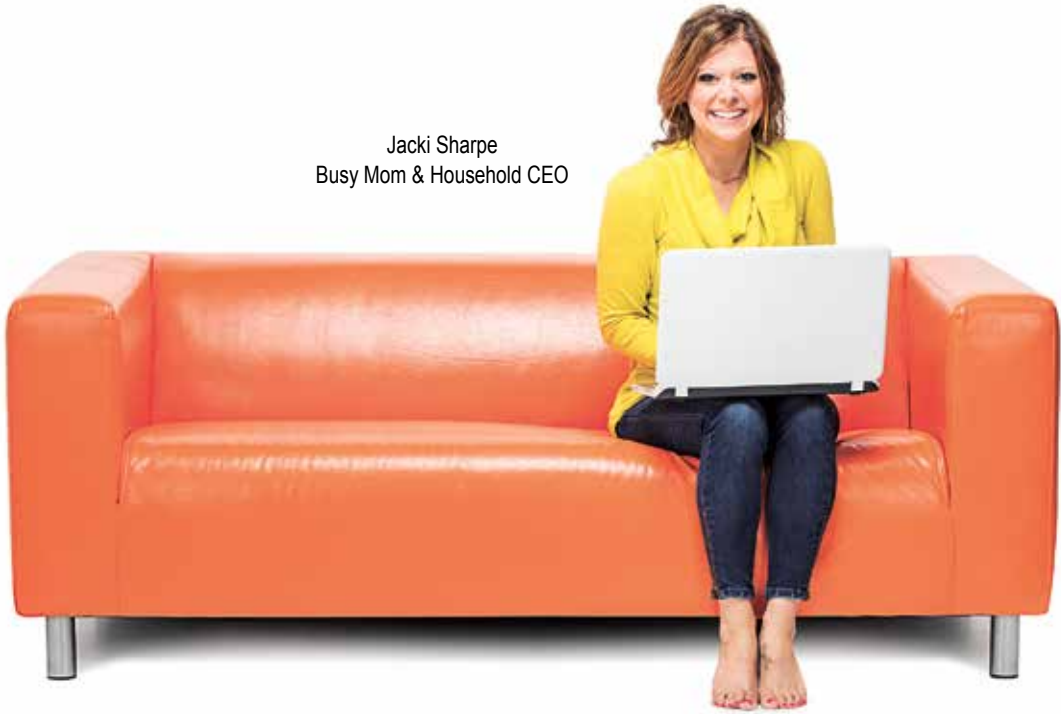


### A treat for the veterans

Middle school ISC (Improving School Climate) students served cake to veterans following the program. From left are Camden Anderson, Elizabeth DiGiovanni, Georgia Kruchten, Megan Franzen.

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## Russell, Russell, how does your garden grow?

Following the Kleinschmidt Farms, from planting to harvest

By Dawn Timbs  
Staples World reporter

*This is the fourth and final in a series of articles about gardening, as the Staples World followed the work of Russell Kleinschmidt from planting to harvest.*

For avid gardeners like Russell Kleinschmidt, the words found in chapter three of the Book of Ecclesiastes ring true. “To every thing there is a season...a time to plant, and a time

to pluck up that which is planted.”

The Staples World first caught up with Russell last March, a few weeks after he had begun planting seeds in his basement. We met up with him again in mid-May, to witness the growth of vegetables in both his high tunnel and raised beds garden; and again in August, when late-season vegetables such as tomatoes, beets, peppers and summer squash were

in full production.

Now, after a very busy harvest season, the owner/operator of Kleinschmidt Farms in rural Staples has put his gardens to bed.

The tomatoes have long since been picked and canned; farmers market consumers have eaten the last of this year’s green beans and lettuce; and his late-season vegetables like beets, potatoes and squash were harvested at the end of September, Russell said.

To every thing there is a season.

Once the temperatures begin to plummet and the white of snow replaces the colors of summer, it’s a clear sign that gardeners like Russell can call it a day.

By the end of October, Russell had completed the majority of his garden clean-up chores. These included pulling out all of the old vegetable plants, as well as the larger weeds to help keep their seeds from growing. He also applied decomposed compost to the empty garden beds, a task that must be done prior to the ground freezing.

Other duties on the clean-up list include taking down the trellises that support a variety of vegetables, raking up old straw and putting down new straw over the garden rows as needed. The straw, Russell explained, is used for weed control. He also utilizes landscape fabric for this purpose.

Both the high tunnel and raised beds garden need to be winterized, Russell said, adding that he drains all water lines so they don’t freeze, and pulls the heater out of the high tunnel.

There are a few hardy veggies that survive the first freeze. Carrots that

are still in the ground at that point actually taste sweeter, Russell said; and kale can still be utilized after it’s been frozen. What his family doesn’t eat, he’ll feed to the cattle.

Although they sell a lot of their produce at the Farmers Market in Staples and to their CSA (Community Supported Agriculture) members, the Kleinschmidts grow enough each season to feed their own family as well.

Russell gets a lot of help with the canning and freezing of vegetables from his wife, Jessica. This winter they’ll enjoy reminders of summer while eating green beans, pickles, jellies and jams; salsa and a variety of other tomato sauces. Jessica also makes and freezes several pumpkin and apple pies, much to the delight of her and Russell’s five children.

During the height of the season, Russell spends up to 30 hours a week at his gardens...on top of working full-time as a conservationist. As much as he enjoys gardening, by this time every year he’s ready for a break, Russell admits.

Winter forces one to stop, to take time to rest. “It’s God’s way of telling you to

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Winter...

*“It’s God’s way of telling you to slow down.”*

Russell Kleinschmidt, farmer

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slow down,” Russell says.

So, for the next few months he’ll kick back for a bit, enjoy time with family over the holidays and maybe swap deer hunting



### Kale, anyone?

Russell Kleinschmidt of rural Staples holds up some kale that was still growing in his garden Nov. 1, despite snow that fell a few days earlier. Even if it freezes, kale is still usable to some extent, Kleinschmidt said. (Staples World photos by Dawn Timbs)



### New home for winter

Russell Kleinschmidt raises Cornish Cross broilers and Red Ranger chickens at his CSA (Community Supported Agriculture) farm in rural Staples. They are still free range, but during the winter months Kleinschmidt moves their camper inside a pole shed for added protection. His grass-fed Angus beef begin bale-grazing during the winter, as opposed to the rotational grazing practices utilized in the summer.

### Putting the gardens to bed

By the last weekend in October, Russell Kleinschmidt had finished cleaning up both his raised beds garden (above) and his high tunnel (below), as well as winterizing as needed. He also planted garlic bulbs and covered them with straw.



## Morrison County Historical Society giving away free book

The Morrison County Historical Society was founded in 1936, at the height of the Great Depression. The organization was the outgrowth of a Works Progress Admin-

istration project to collect oral histories from long-time families in Morrison County. Over 1,000 oral histories were collected and this project set the course for the Morrison County

Historical Society’s foundational belief that everyone who makes Morrison County their home (past or present) has important history to share.

The institution, which owns and operates The Charles A. Weyerhaeuser Memorial Museum, is the only one that specializes in covering the entirety of the county’s history.

From its founding, membership in the Morrison County Historical Society has always been open to the public. According to Mary Warner, executive director of the organization, “Members are the life blood of MCHS, providing support, encouragement, ideas and feedback. Without our members, the organization wouldn’t be as vibrant as it is today.”

#### Free book offer

The Morrison County Historical Society invites new members to join the organization during the month of November. Those who establish new memberships during the month will receive a free copy of the book, “A Big Hearted Paleface Man: Nathan Richardson & the History of Morrison County, Minnesota.”

This award-winning 378-page hardcover book features Richardson’s earliest histories of the county, written in 1876 and 1880. As the “Father of Morrison County,” Richardson had a unique perspective on the early history of the area. According to Warner, who wrote his biography for the book, “He had a great sense of humor that shows through his writing.” The book also includes Richardson’s addresses as mayor of Little Falls.

MCHS members also receive four newsletters per year and discounts on events and select items from the museum’s gift shop.

For information, call 320-632-4007.



### 2 Tall Tavern gives back

John Brichacek, owner of 2 Tall Tavern in Cushing, launched a ‘Never 2 Much Respect’ program last September, to honor area law enforcement agencies, fire departments and first response teams. As part of the program, Brichacek raised funds for these organizations, as well as the Motley Area Food Shelf (MAFS). Pictured above, MAFS Director Sherry Miller Frisk accepts a check on behalf of the food shelf for \$1,155 from Brichacek. In lower photo, Motley Fire Chief Todd Judd accepts a check from Brichacek on behalf of the MFD, in the amount of \$1,195.70. (Submitted photos)



## Man charged in fatal shooting of 25-year-old Cass Lake woman

Brandon Joseph Roy, 24, has been charged on three counts in Cass County District Court in connection with the homicide of a 25-year-old Cass Lake woman that occurred on or about Nov. 12, 2017, in Cass Lake.

According to a press release from the Cass County Attorney’s Office, Roy has been charged with second degree murder without intent while committing a felony; first degree aggravated robbery; and possession of ammo/any firearm conviction or adjudicated delinquent for crime of violence.

Roy was arraigned on these charges on Nov. 14. Judge Earl E. Maus set bail

in the amount of \$1 million with numerous conditions. The next hearing is scheduled for 1:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 22.

On Nov. 13, Cass County authorities responded to a report of a shooting at a residence in the Cass Lake area the morning of Nov. 12. Upon their arrival, deputies located a female victim with a gunshot wound to the head. Life-saving efforts were performed but the victim died at the scene. Roy, the suspect, was taken into custody in connection with the death.

The criminal investigation is ongoing and is being conducted by officers, agents and investigators of the Cass County Sher-

iff’s Office, the Leech Lake Tribal Police, the Minnesota Bureau of Criminal Apprehension and other area law enforcement agencies.

Authorities are requesting assistance from the public with locating three individuals in regards to the ongoing homicide investigation. Assistance is requested in locating Anthony John Larose, age 28; Sara Renae Larose, age 41; and Ileisha Lynnee Guinn, age 25; all of the Cass Lake area (*See accompanying photos below*). If anyone has information about the location of the listed individuals, please contact the Cass County Sheriff’s Office at 218-547-1424 or 1-800-450-2677.



Anthony John Larose



Sara Renae Larose



Ileisha Lynnee Guinn

## Law enforcement reports, Motley

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

Nov. 6 - 7 - The MPD issued ‘Driving after Revocation’ citations to Jason Fix, 42; and Levi Keehr, 31.

Nov. 3 - The MPD assisted state patrol with a two-vehicle crash on Hwy 10 near 385th St., Motley. The driver of the first vehicle was traveling south on Hwy 10, lost control on the bridge over the Long Prairie River, spun out, went over the center median and into oncoming traffic. This vehicle was hit by a pickup truck with rolled over into the ditch on the east side of the highway. Both drivers refused to be transported by ambulance to the hospital.

Nov. 3 - The MPD assisted Todd County with a one-vehicle rollover on Hwy 10, three miles west of Motley.

Nov. 3 - The MPD arrested Matthew Treanor, 48, for driving under the influence.

Nov. 3 - The MPD issued a citation to Kristy Blomlie, 28, for the use of a wireless device while in the flow of traffic.

Nov. 2 - The MPD arrested Travis Craig, 37, for financial card fraud. A small baggie containing meth was located on his person at the Morrison County Jail. Craig was subsequently charged with felony 5th degree possession and gross misdemeanor introduction of contraband into a correctional facility.

Nov. 7 - The MCSO received a report of theft of a laptop computer at a residence at the 33000 block of Hwy 10 in Motley.

Nov. 5 - The MCSO assisted the Motley Fire Department at a crash in Cass County along Hwy 64.

Nov. 2 - The MCSO assisted state patrol with the report of an accident along Hwy 10 near 385th St. in Motley Township. The road was very icy and MnDOT was notified, sent a plow to salt the road.

**5 pm Tuesday Nov. 21**

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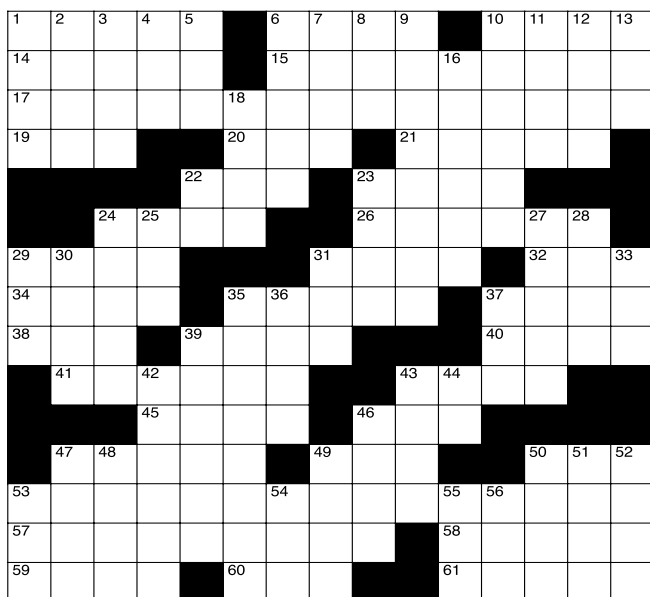
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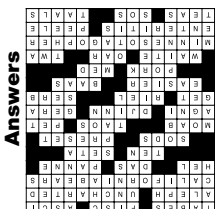


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14. First letter of the Hebrew alphabet
15. Unexplored waters
17. Berkeley athletes
19. Norse giantess
20. Crater on the moon
21. Resembles velvet
22. Pearl Jam's debut album
23. Hair-like structure
24. Turfs
29. Put in advance
29. First son of Lot
31. Native American language
32. Furry family member
34. Vedic God of fire
35. Genie
37. German city
38. Acquire
39. Cambodia currency
40. A person from a Balkan republic

43. Bleats
45. "The other white meat"
46. \_\_\_ student; learns healing
47. 04492, town in Maine
49. Paddle
50. Airline once owned by Howard Hughes
53. Big 10 athlete
57. Inflammation of the intestine
58. Key's comedic partner
59. Chamomile and black are two
60. Distress signal
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1. Measures engine speed (abbr.)
2. Wings
3. Founded a phone company
4. Upon
5. Superhigh frequency
6. Colorless liquid
7. Hostelries
8. \_\_\_\_ fi (slang)
9. One who accompanies
10. Where rockers play
11. “\_\_ the Man” Musia
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18. Lyric poems
22. Touchdown
23. From end to end
24. \_\_\_\_ Claus
25. JEDI Master Kenobi
27. Fencing swords
28. Famed child psy-  
chiatrist
29. Gossip
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31. '\_\_\_\_ death do us part
33. Bar bill
35. Placed over a vowel  
to indicate sound
36. Steve Martin was once
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39. One who rumpages
42. Backbones
43. "Friday Night Lights"  
director
44. Anno Domini
46. One-time Yankees  
sensation Kevin
47. Fermented grape juice
48. Peruvian province
49. Former Braves out-  
fielder Nixon
50. Entertainment award
51. Feeling good
52. Greek god of war
53. Famed NYC museum
54. Of the ears
55. Select
56. Friend to the carrot



Staples-Motley 8th grade football team, (not in order). Defensive line: Chandler Braith, Ethan DiGiovanni, Easton Ecker, Ryan Larson, Josh Schimpp, Tytan Skeesick, Calob Trantina, Joe Tyrell, and Tyson Franks. Linebackers: Jaden Jantz, Sivert Klefsaas, Hunter Martin, Sam Opheim, and Dalton Wells. Secondary: Dayton Anderson, Drew Berg, Daniel Bible, Gordon Enyart-Martinez, Corey Hansen, Tristan Helstrom, and Alex Vernon. Coaches: Tab Erickson, Jeremy Moulton and Kermit Klefsaas. (Submitted photo)

The Staples-Motley eighth grade football team completed a second consecutive undefeated season for a cumulative record of 12-0. They had wins over the following teams: Long Prairie Grey Eagle, Wadena Deer Creek, UNC, Crosby Ironton, OTC and Park Rapids. The team also scrimmaged Pillager, Pequot Lakes, Aitkin and Brainerd. As 7th graders they defeated both Pequot Lakes and Pillager.

The team consisted of twenty-one players, five of whom had never played competitive football. All

the kids played both an offensive and defensive position and participated on special teams. According to the coaches, the most common comment made about this team is that they have so many players who contribute during games, it is truly a team effort. Coach Tab Erickson had this to say about them: "It is fun when you get a group of guys who 'get it' and buy into what we are trying to teach them about the game and about life. Most importantly, these guys get what it means to be a team and put the team first. That's a

big part of why they have been so successful. And one more thing, these guys are fantastic."

Although middle school football success is not necessarily a good predictor of future high school success, the boys beat the teams that were the same age and mixed teams of 8th and 9th grade. The coaches believe their future success depends on continued participation and improvement through high school. If these two things happen this group will be fun to watch in the future.



The Staples-Motley girls basketball team had their first official practice on Nov. 13 and will play their first game on Tuesday, Nov. 18. Boys basketball and wrestling start with their first official practices on Monday, Nov. 20. (Staples World photos by Mark Anderson)

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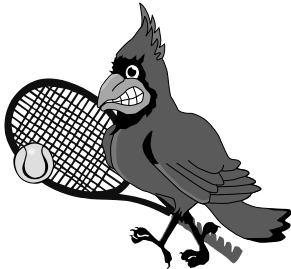
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## Tennis awards

Tennis players at their season ending awards ceremony, from left, Jenna Dvorak, Claire Wolhowe, Katie Johnson and Kelsi Peterson. Wolhowe was named the team's Most Valuable Player and also was voted Best Teammate. Peterson and Wolhowe tied for most wins during the season and were both Mid-State All Conference. Dvorak and Johnson tied in voting for Most Improved Player. Three Cardinals earned Minnesota Academic All State awards, Peterson, Johnson and Wolhowe. (Submitted photo)



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## Volleyball awards

The Staples-Motley volleyball team handed out letters and special awards at their season ending banquet. Pictured, team letterwinners, front, Tori Jenkins, Bella Martin; back row from left, Tabetha Allen, Mackenna Bjerga, Alex Davis, Camryn Banaka, Alix Peterson, Kiera Dumpprope and Kiara Storry. The team received the Silver Academic Award with a grade point average between 3.50 and 3.74. Senior Alex Davis was awarded the Gold Academic Award for a GPA above 3.80 throughout her career.

Other team and conference awards included: Banaka: All Conference, most digs (395); Allen: All Conference Honorable Mention, most kills (134), most blocks (43); Bjerga: All Conference Honorable Mention, Team MVP, most set assists (332), most ace serves (26), highest serving percentage (97 percent); Dumpprope: Team Most Improved, Coaches Award; Peterson: Spirit Award; Jenkins: Sportsmanship Award. (Submitted photo)

# Remembering the tales and gales of November

If you were to pick one month out of the twelve that seems more forbidding than the others – perhaps even dangerous – November would be a good choice. November ushers in a harsh changeover from a time that's warm, comfortable and benign, to a time increasingly inhospitable to creatures wild and tame, plant or animal. To cope with the climatic extremes that lie ahead, some life goes dormant. Some life exits via migration. Other life has somehow become adapted to tough it out through impending winter, in a place that could easily pass for America's Siberia.

The transition is often less than a peaceful one. "The gales of November" is an expression familiar to many of us who were teenagers or older and listening to popular music in 1975. Familiar in part, because powerful song lyrics have a way of embedding themselves in your mind. This one – "the gales of November" – was powerful not because it was particularly clever, or poetic. Its power came from what this music by Canadian songwriter and performer Gordon Lightfoot was about. The song commemo-

rated the then-recent sinking of the Great Lakes iron ore carrier Edmund Fitzgerald, which went down while carrying taconite ore pellets across Lake Superior to Detroit.

The Fitzgerald went down in a massive storm, one that made Lake Superior as dangerous as any ocean. November 10, was the 42nd anniversary of the sinking of the huge freighter, called "the pride of the American side" by songwriter Lightfoot, and the loss of all hands; 29 seamen to be exact.

Thirty-five years before the Edmund Fitzgerald went down – almost to the day, on November 11, 1940 – the nation was celebrating the date in 1918 when The Great War came to an end. It was then called Armistice Day, when the official end to fighting – the armistice – took effect. Only later would this national holiday be changed to Veteran's Day to honor military veterans in all conflicts, not just to celebrate the end of World War I.

November 11, 1940, would come to symbolize not just the end to military hostilities in a war a generation in the past, but the arrival of weather hostilities that threatened life and limb in an entirely different manner. Many Minnesotans were off work due to the holiday. This being a state that was bristling with avid duck hunters, many would be out in the hope of intercepting late migrants before they were beyond our borders on their

southward migration.

Weather forecasting for Minnesota and much of the Upper Midwest was then headquartered in Chicago. It could be imprecise, at best. That day's forecast was for "a moderate cold wave warning." But weather the previous day – Sunday, when many holiday plans were no doubt being made – was balmy, with temperatures in the 40's over most of Minnesota; even 50 degrees in the Southeast. Monday, November 11th, began with temperatures above freezing in the Twin Cities and elsewhere. A fine day for a late season duck hunt.

We tend to expect severe weather from the Northeast or Northwest, but this weather system was flowing up from Iowa on a Northeasterly track. During the morning a light rain turned to sleet, and then to snow, and the temperature began to go down instead of up. By afternoon the temperature had plummeted from just above freezing to 15 degrees as registered in the Twin Cities. The wind that had been steadily building rose to a sustained 30 miles per hour over a wide swath of the state, with gusts up to 40 miles per hour. Some hunters with small boats, ill-equipped to handle the waves, were forced – or chose – to wait it out rather than risk swamping and drowning.

The third element of this storm of the century, snow, was soon added to the mix of wind and plummeting temperature.

During a 12-hour period from early November 11 to the morning of November 12, more than two feet of snow fell over much of Central and Northern Minnesota, and almost a foot and a half of snow in the five-county Twin Cities area. The fierce, unrelenting wind whipped the heavy snow into drifts that immobilized vehicular traffic, even trains. The state basically came to a standstill. In the end, 49 Minnesotans died in the weather event that defined "blizzard" in the 20th century in our state; roughly half were duck hunters.

A similar event touched me and my lifelong duck hunting partner a quarter of a century ago. It hardly seems possible that it could be that distant in time, but the math doesn't lie. It was not officially a November event, since it began on October 31, but the timing is close enough for me.

My partner and I prefer late season duck hunting, and this trip was planned for the first three days of November. Jim was to arrive on the evening of Halloween. We would venture forth the next morning for several days of awaiting ducks over our decoys, hoping to harvest enough for at least a handful of game dinners in the weeks and months ahead.

The storm that stymied our plans was really a combination of two storms. One part of this toxic meteorological cocktail was a strong Canadian cold front that formed over the North At-

lantic off the Canadian Maritime provinces. As it moved westward it collided with the northward-tracking remains of Hurricane Grace, which by then had been downgraded to a Category two hurricane after it left the tropics.

This storm came ashore in New England and headed west to the Great Lakes states. When it hit Minnesota it dropped as much as 36 inches of snow from the Twin Cities – where my partner lives – southward, and more than a foot of snow here where I live. My hunting partner was stranded as vehicular traffic came to a halt, not to mention the "digging out" he had to do over the next day and more. Our duck hunting plans for the first days of November were scuttled. The probability that any significant numbers of ducks remained after the storm were slim and none, and – as one of my other friends would say – "Slim just left town."

Minnesotans were spared any weather-caused casualties, but in all, 12 people died. Six of the 12 lost their lives when their commercial fishing vessel was caught in the storm offshore in the Atlantic and sank. If you've not guessed already, this 1991 event was the inspiration for the book The Perfect Storm by Sebastian Junger, later made into a movie that starred heart-throb George Clooney.

I, however, knew it as "the perfect ruination of a duck hunt."

# Swimmers rise to meet tough section competition

By Mark Anderson  
News Editor

The Staples-Motley girls swim team came through with their best performances in the section competition, Nov. 9 and 11 at the University of Minnesota-Morris pool. Many Cardinal swimmers set personal bests against some of the best swimmers in the state. The Cardinals placed 10th out of 11 teams in the meet.

The medley relay team has been doing well all season, and set their best time of 2:05 at the meet to advance to the finals. The swimmers were Emily Veronen (backstroke), Lili Schneider (breaststroke), Autumn Nelsen (butterfly) and Aleeah Halverson (freestyle).

Adriana Dickey dropped four seconds in the 200 individual medley, finishing in 2:45.

Schneider swam her best time in the 100 freestyle at 59.56 and earned an alternate spot for the finals. She also claimed an alternate spot in the 100 breaststroke with her season best 1:16.

Veronen made the finals in the 100 backstroke with

a time of 1:07

The 200 freestyle relay team of Emma Gerard, Jaden Engebretson, Nelsen and Joelle Bounds had a four second drop with a 1:59 finish.

The first day of the two day meet saw several swimmers do well, but as a whole the Cardinals didn't drop their times by as much as they had hoped. Coach Amanda Olson was concerned that the team's tapering schedule was affected by the gap between race days. She was also concerned about getting moved to a faster section.

"Tonight was proof of how fast and tough of a section we have been moved into," said Olson. Despite the season bests, the team had hoped to place a little higher. Olson said "At this point in the season, it's really tough to see this for the girls."

#### Day two

The Cardinals began smashing their season bests on the second day of the section meet, as they rose to the level of the competition. "The girls made strides in the mental game and swam their hearts out," said Olson. "Thursday was not the best meet of our season but today was. It was a great way for the girls to end their season and I couldn't be more proud of the way they stepped up to be their best."

Highlights included:  
The medley relay team



## Section qualifiers

The medley relay team at the section meet, from left, Emily Veronen, Autumn Nelsen, Aleeah Halverson and Lili Schneider. (Submitted photo)

dropped a little more time and improved their position to place 9th in the finals.

The 200 freestyle team swam the race of the season with another two second time drop putting them 10 seconds ahead of what they swam the majority of the season.

Veronen took 13th place with her best time ever in the 100 backstroke of a 1:06.78.

The 400 free relay of Veronen, Dickey, Halverson, and Schneider dropped seven seconds from their time on Thursday, which put them 12 seconds faster than the times they were swimming for the majority of the season.

"The section finals meet is always bittersweet," said Olson. "It's the last meet



## Dropping times at section meet

Cardinal swimmers at the section 6A meet. Front from left, Joelle Bounds, Emma Gerard and Emily Veronen; back row, Autumn Nelsen, Aleeah Halverson, Adriana Dickey, Lili Schneider, Jaden Engebretson and Evelyn Gonzalez. (Submitted photo)