

Money topics top at school board

By Brenda Halvorson
General Manager

Money matters were among the items on the minds of the Staples-Motley School Board members at their Sept. 19 meeting.

As has been their custom and on the recommendation of Marci Lord, district business manager, the board approved their proposed tax levy at an 11.82 percent increase, the maximum amount allowed.

The state requires a preliminary levy to be submitted by the end of September each year. After that time the levy can be lowered, but it cannot be increased, Lord said.

Superintendent Mary Klamn noted that it is getting more difficult to make adjustments to the budget and levy because of state funding requirements. If the district under levies, it runs the risk of losing state aid in certain areas.

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Fall color on the Crow Wing River

Today, Sept. 22, is the first official day of autumn and the fall colors are beginning to show themselves as in this scene of the Crow Wing River near the landing in Motley. To be exact, the Northern Hemisphere enters fall at exactly 9:21 a.m. CDT, according to the Old Farmer's Almanac. The day - which has roughly an equal amount of nighttime and daytime - marks the official end of summer, a bumper to beach bums but a welcome change for fans of sweater weather. In Latin, the word equinox is composed of two words meaning "equal" and "night." This hints at the fact that during the equinox the Sun crosses the so-called "celestial equator," an imaginary line over the equator that signifies when night and day are equal to one another. (Staples World photo by Dawn Timbs)

Absentee voting by mail and in-person starts Sept. 23 for general election

Eligible voters can begin casting their ballots Sept. 23 for the Nov. 8 General Election by voting absentee. This is the first presidential-election year where Minnesotans no longer need an excuse to vote absentee - a reform also known as no-excuses absentee voting.

Minnesotans can request an absentee ballot to be mailed to them, or they can vote absentee in-person at their county or local elections office.

"I encourage all eligible Minnesotans who can't make it to the polls on Election Day, or simply want to vote from the comfort of their own home, to vote early by casting an absentee ballot and ensure that their voice is heard," said Secretary of State Steve Simon. "I know that together we can get our state back to number one

in voter turnout in the country."

For nine elections in a row Minnesota was number one in the country in voter turnout. In 2014, Minnesota fell to number six. Secretary Simon is challenging the people of Minnesota and the thousands of nonprofits and businesses across the state to return our state back to number one.

How to request an absentee ballot

Minnesota voters can request an absentee ballot quickly and easily at mnvotes.org using the online application.

Voters can also request an absentee ballot by downloading the "2016 Minnesota Absentee Ballot Application" and returning it to their county election office by email, mail, or fax. Absentee Ballot application forms are avail-

able in English, Spanish, Hmong, Somali, Vietnamese, Karen, Russian, Chinese, Lao, Oromo, Khmer, and Amharic.

Voters can request an absentee ballot even if they are not registered to vote - a voter registration application will be provided with their ballot.

Important deadlines

Voting Absentee by Mail: Minnesotans voting absentee by mail must make sure their ballot is returned on or before the Nov. 8 General Election. Ballots returned after Nov. 8 will not be counted.

Voting Absentee In-Person: The last day to vote absentee in-person is Monday, Nov. 7.

Military and overseas voters

Minnesotans serving in the military or living abroad - temporarily or

indefinitely - can have an absentee ballot sent to them anywhere in the world. Learn more here: <http://bit.ly/1Yybb1v>.

What's on my ballot?

In addition to voting for the next President of the United States, Minnesotans will vote for their member of the U.S. House of Representatives, their state Senator and Representative, as well as on a constitutional amendment. Some Minnesotans may also be voting for their local County Commissioner, Soil and Water Supervisor, City Officers, School Board Members, Township Officers, or local ballot questions.

Stations for electric cars?

By Mark Anderson
News Editor

Electric cars could be driving through Staples but they have no place to recharge. Staples Public Works Director Doug Bendorf said that Staples is in the center of a "dead zone" where there are no car charging stations nearby.

At the Sept. 13 Staples City Council meeting, Bendorf said they are looking at bringing charging stations to town, one as a rapid-charge station and one as an overnight charging station in conjunction with the new hotel.

Bendorf said for the rapid charge station, drivers would take about 15 minutes and use a credit card to pay for the cost of the electricity. Bendorf said Tesla, a company making electric cars, has programs that can provide

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Hello, Readers,

In an important victory for his Cold War foreign policy, President John F. Kennedy signed legislation establishing the Peace Corps as a permanent government agency on Sept. 22, 1961. Kennedy believed that the Peace Corps could provide a new and unique weapon in the war against communism. In the years since, thousands of Peace Corps volunteers have been sent around the world. Some faced indifference, some even faced danger. For the most part, however, the Peace Corps "army" proved to be a valuable, and relatively inexpensive, Cold War weapon for the United States. Most nations welcomed the idealistic volunteers, and their labor helped make better lives for hundreds of thousands of people. Though the Peace Corps is no longer viewed as a weapon against communism, its goal of improving lives remains intact—the Peace Corps outlived the Cold War and continues to send participants to various nations.

Where in the World?

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Obituaries

Evelyn Doucette
James Hart

Citizens Against Drugs seeks local coalition

The Staples Citizens Against Drugs will offer a coalition presentation on Tuesday, Sept. 27 at noon at the Staples Police Department

The presentation will answer some of the following questions:

- What's the difference between coalitions and programming?
- Why build a coalition?
- What are the organizational essentials for coalition work?
- Are there plans for coalition work in Staples?

The Citizens Against Drugs meet every month with a new topic for each meeting.

The community is invited to attend this presentation, and all of CAD's monthly meetings. The CAD coalition's work is just starting in Staples and the group is seeking members from several sectors of the community.

The group stems from the Todd County Citizens Against Drugs coalition, a grant-funded enterprise that has members in other Todd County communities. The group has worked on community assessments, town hall meetings, youth leadership and the knowledge, attitudes and perceptions of drugs in the



Meet and greet coalition

Connie Burns, member of the Staples Citizens Against Drugs, was at the Stomping Grounds in Staples on Sept. 19, to meet and greet people interested in the group. She will be back Monday, Sept 26, from 7:30-9:30 a.m.; and will return for more informal meetings on Monday, October 10, from 7:30- 9:30 a.m. Burns said she would like to hear from anyone interested in the group's activities. The full coalition will meet Tuesday, Sept. 27, at noon at the Staples Police Department. (Staples World photo by Mark Anderson)

communities.

For more information, and to RSVP, contact Connie Burns, Drug Free

Communities Project Coordinator, at 320.732.2221, or connie.burns@co.todd.mn.us.

To our loyal subscribers . . . We hear you

The newspapers of some of our loyal subscribers have not been delivered in a timely fashion the past few weeks.

We appreciate that you miss the paper and we want to know when you don't get it on time. We want you to know that we are just as frustrated as you are.

Your calls alert us to where the problem area is and we need that information. Many of the Motley boxes and routes have been experiencing intermittent problems. Sometimes the boxes don't get the paper, sometimes it is one or two of the routes. We have also received calls from subscribers with addresses in Browerville, Aldrich, Verndale and Wadena.

Our newspapers are printed every Wednesday morning. The printing plant puts the newspapers into mail bags sorted according to zip code and route. Our driver picks up the bags and delivers them to the Staples Post Office between noon and 1 p.m.

We run a postal report and a check to pay for postage is delivered to the post office before the mail truck leaves at about 2:30 p.m. The truck takes the papers to the Brainerd Post Office where they are sorted into bins destined for the individual post offices. Those bins are put on

trucks and delivered early Thursday morning to the destination post offices to be disbursed to the route drivers and into the boxes.

If a bag labeled for Motley, for instance, is accidentally put into a bin destined for Nevis, that delays the bag and the Motley subscribers don't get their papers until Friday. The Nevis post office has to put the bag on the next truck to go back to Brainerd, where it is sorted, hopefully to the correct bin that is going to Motley.

The Motley postmaster has been proactive in letting us know when she doesn't get the Staples World bags and in calling other post offices to find out where her routes are. Our new Staples postmaster has also been willing to find the problem so it can be resolved.

We are exploring options within the postal system that may help us avoid the problem somewhat. However, there does not seem to be one fix for all of the problem areas. We will keep working on it.

In the meantime, we appreciate your patience and understanding. Please let us know of your delivery issues. That can help us pinpoint those problem areas.

Brenda Halvorson
General Manager

Thank you for subscribing!

Todd County levy increase at 4.6%

By Karin Nauber
Todd County reporter

After looking at things in each department line item by line item, the Todd County Finance Committee was able to reduce the projected preliminary levy by \$814,791.

Originally, at their Aug. 10 meeting, the committee met with the preliminary levy slated to come in at \$15,935,090 or an 11 percent increase from the 2016 final levy.

On Aug. 16 and 18, the Finance Committee met again to discuss budget/levy figures with several county departments and the following adjustments were made:

- Reduce Health and Human Services by \$300,000
- Reduce Sheriff's Department by \$191,300
- Reduce Community Corrections by \$114,294
- Reduce Custodial/Buildings by \$32,500
- Reduce County Attorney by \$20,000
- Reduce Public Works by \$156,697.

On Sept. 6, the Finance Committee met once again and came to the recommendation that they made to the county board during the Sept. 13 work session to set the 2017 preliminary levy at \$15,001,965 which is a 4.6 percent increase from the 2016 final levy.

Since this was a work session, no decisions were made regarding approval of the preliminary levy. That discussion and action will take place at their Sept. 20 meeting.

Commissioner Randy Neumann asked why the Human Services fund was at a 15 percent increase over the 2016 approved levy.

Auditor/Treasurer Denise Gaida said that the HHS department was budgeting for the \$663,000 that had been removed from their budget in 2016 and for the anticipated cut of

\$300,000 for the 2017 year.

HHS Director Jackie Och said that they plan for a neutral budget, not a surplus. She pointed out that their budgeting looked like a yo-yo over the past few years with the ups and downs.

She added that they were deficit spending in 2016.

Neumann asked if anything had been carried over from their 2015 budget and was told that these funds don't get carried over from year to year.

Och said that they were over budget in human services because of the large reduction.

Commissioner David Kircher said that neither he nor Commissioner Gary Kneisl had seen the line item requests and questioned if the increases and decreases were from the departments requests.

Gaida said they were. She said they went line by line and caught some things including different departments overstating some potential costs which "skews the budget."

Kircher also asked if any departments had revenue increases.

Commissioner Rod Erickson said that a lot of the departments work on grant revenue and they were hesitant to rely on grant funds. They took a more realistic look at the ones that have to be renewed annually.

"We are trying to be as real as we can, but not overconfident. We are looking at the actual numbers," Erickson said.

Och pointed out that her department works on several different budget cycles which does present some challenges. They need more funding later in the year than at the beginning.

Grants that have been applied for, but not yet received, were not counted, said Och.

Chair Barb Becker said

that it was the same in the Sheriff's Department - only actual grants were budgeted.

Och said that because their budget had been reduced \$663,000 for 2016 they knew they would be short.

Gaida said that the audit report showed that the HHS department was under budget by over \$700,000.

Gaida said they chose to make cuts where they were sustainable, otherwise they would have to increase the levy more and that would increase the tax dollars needed.

Citizen Steve Beck said that the HHS department was always over and suggested the department could use a cleaning.

"That's the only one (department) I feel is out of line. They are doing things that other counties don't," said Beck.

Becker said they had looked at some of those things.

Gaida said that when they met with department heads in the Finance Committee, they asked the hard questions including, "What amount can you live with?"

Gaida acknowledged that the HHS budget was up and down, but that at the end of the day, all the money belonged to the General Fund. They have been making steps in the right direction to keep the ups and downs in check.

Kircher said that when he had started human services had been \$1 million in the red.

"Now they are in the black and we are complaining about that. What programs do you want to cut? That is the million dollar question," said Kircher.

Neumann said that some other counties put all the reserve funds for their county in one pot instead of three different reserve fund balances. He said that

it takes the politics out of it.

Erickson further clarified why they made the \$300,000 cut to HHS.

"We were willing to take that option due to the six month reserve balance. They may be in deficit spending and we may not want to do this every year, but that was our reasoning (because they had the six month fund balance)," said Erickson.

Erickson said they were welcome to suggestions, options, differences of opinion.

Long Prairie Packing

County Engineer Loren Fellbaum updated the board on the possible purchase of county property by Long Prairie Packing near their facility.

They had discussed different possibilities to replace the land that would be purchased, but none of them had worked.

"Then Rod came up with a brilliant idea," said Fellbaum.

The city owned lots that would work for the county's needs. They are at a point where they would like to put the property up for sale.

Fellbaum said it was a win-win situation because the packing plant would get what they needed, which was a place to get the trucks off the street, and the county would get new facilities for the departments that would be losing their property through the sale.

Fellbaum said that no one at the county was looking to do this and that Long Prairie Packing had come to them.

"We can get new facilities and they can reduce traffic. It is a win-win," said Fellbaum.

The county would pretty much break even on the sale of the property and building the new facilities at the property they would purchase from the city.



Big trucks, big smiles

Dozens of children attended the Big Equipment Show in Staples Sept. 19, sponsored by The Staples-Motley Early Childhood Coalition (SMECC) and the Staples-Motley Early Childhood Family Education (ECFE). Pictured above, from left, are siblings Jessica, Jordan and Jack Lundquist of Staples. Below is Mina Floyd of Little Falls, who attended the event with her mom, Staples native Dianna Dickey. (Staples World photos by Dawn Timbs)



Future police officer?

Jackson Braith, 10, of Staples, had the opportunity to sit in a police vehicle during the annual Big Equipment Show. He is pictured with Staples Police Department Officer Joe Fuhrman. The event featured a variety of equipment and vehicles on display. (Staples World photo by Dawn Timbs)

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For questions, call city hall or 800-794-5733.
Staples Police Department

JCI Staples wins awards at state convention



Presidential Medallion

Several Staples JCI members were the recipients of Presidential Medallion award at the state convention, from left; Samantha Fischer, Scott Lenk, Robin Rothstein, Megan Haber, Zachariah Johnson, JCI MN President Josh Regan.

JCI Staples (Staples Jaycees) won a number of awards at the Fall All State convention held Sept. 16-18, in Willmar. The chapter was also awarded Silver Chapter. Those receiving special distinction of the Presidential Medallion, an honor

bestowed by the Minnesota Jaycees State President and given to only 75 members annually, were; Megan Haber, President; Zachariah Johnson, member; Melissa Radermacher, Individual and Community Development Vice President; and Saman-



JCI award

Melissa Radermacher received the JCI Presidential Medallion award.

tha Fischer, Secretary/Treasurer. The JCI Minnesota Statesman honor is a lifetime achievement award is the highest honor a Jaycee member can receive in the state. Local Chapter President, Megan Haber, Staples was presented with this



Statesman honors

Megan Haber, Staples received the Statesman honor for lifetime achievement. Pictured, Eva Fisher, Minnesota Statesman President, Megan Haber, #1616, Chad Carlson #1615, MN JCI President Josh Regan. (Submitted photos)

award. JCI Staples is an organization of young active citizens ages 18 to 40 who are engaged and committed to creating impact in their communities. More information can be found at JCI MN.ORG.

Coat donations now accepted

Organizers are preparing for this year's Great Coat Giveaway and have made some changes in their process. People who are interested in donating new or gently used children's coats can take them to any church in the area. Each

church has been asked to designate one person to handle the donations. The organizers say that, while adult coats are welcome, by far the greatest need is for children's coats. Donations will also be accepted Tuesday, Oct. 25, from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. at the

Staples Community Center. Distribution of the coats will be Wednesday, Oct. 26, from noon to 6 p.m. at the Staples Community Center. The Staples Motley Community Connect event is also scheduled that day from 3-6 p.m. at Staples Motley High School. This

is a resource fair organized by Staples Motley Beyond Poverty that is designed to connect people with local resources that can help. For more information on the Great Coat Giveaway contact Marge at 218-894-1723, Gail at 218-894-1105 or Jeanne at 218-894-2442.

Applications open for community grants

Is your organization or group in need funding to support a community project? The Staples Motley Area Community Foundation (SMACF) is now accepting grant applications from non-profit organizations within the Staples-Motley School District boundaries. The Staples Motley Area Community Foundation will accept and consider funding proposals that fit within the following categories: Economic Vitality: Making our community vital now and in the future.

Grants to promote community development and appearance. Children, Youth and Families: Supplementing the endeavors of people striving to develop and implement positive opportunities for residents of the Staples/Motley area. Human Services: Programs to promote the overall quality of life and meeting human needs (i.e. healthcare, food shelves, domestic violence, etc.).

The average grant is \$2,000 and a limited number of grant funds are available so apply now. For large projects, grants are available for a maximum amount of 50 percent of the project cost up to \$2,000. The application and grant guidelines are available on the SMACF website at: http://www.staplesmotleyfoundation.org. Completed applications must be submitted no later than Oct. 15. Questions can be

directed to committee members; Curt McIlravy, Mike Gold, Joe Roline or Judy Richer or by phone at 218-894-3050. Since its inception in 1999 the foundation has awarded over \$155,000 in grant funding to area projects. The Staples Motley Area Community Foundation is a component fund of the Initiative Foundation, a regional foundation serving Central Minnesota.

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The staff at Staples Curves are, from left, Mary Osborn - Whitney, Rebecca Soukup, Jeanette Evans and owner Autumn Pechan.

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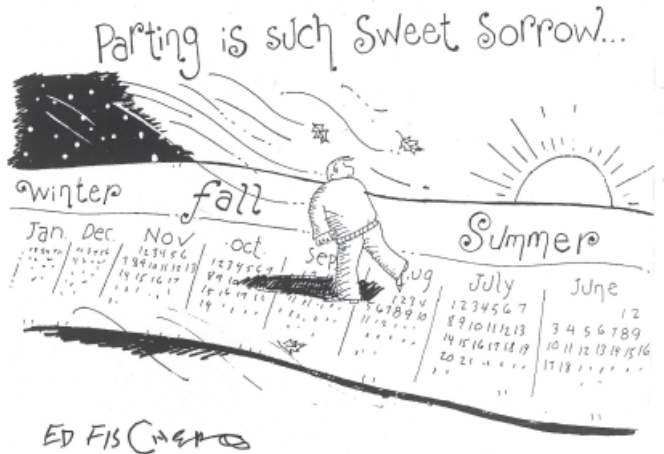
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Safety, success of students are primary goals

What a Re-Start we have had!! September is flying by here at Staples-Motley Elementary. The students and staff are settling in, and kids are getting used to routines and systems we have in place.

With Staples-Motley Elementary being the transportation transfer hub, we have been studying the patterns each morning and afternoon. A special thank you to Kevin Roline and Norby Klimek for all their assistance and guidance with making this a safe and simple process for our students.

The morning drop off and after school pick up area at Staples-Motley Elementary is located at the west entrance of the school. It is behind the school and clearly marked. We have a staff member stationed at the door starting at 7:45 a.m. until 8:25 a.m., and again at 3:10 p.m. until 3:20 p.m. for parent pick up.

We believe that if we have all car traffic in the back away from the buses this will be a safer option for all. Please know that parents should still pick up/drop off their student during the school day (illness, appointments, etc.) at our school office, which has parking spots available in front of the school.

Next week, each grade level will be a part of a data day, where teachers will be looking over student data to better assist us in the needs of all students. We will target learning needs for small groups and individual students.

We are excited about this essential time, where we will be able to individualize instruction and determine classroom needs for increasing achievement for all of our students. Together with our parents' support, we are committed to become the region's school district of choice and develop successful productive students.

We have a great new group of parents that have joined our Parent Teacher Connection, and they are so helpful and excited to partner with the school. We welcome these parents and encourage anyone else interested in being a part of this team to join us at our monthly meetings. They are committed to help us continue to provide a welcoming, fun environment for students to come each day to be their very best!!

We have started out strong and are going to have an amazing year. It is a great time to be a Cardinal. Feel free to stop in to visit any time.

By Kathy Johnson
Staples-Motley Elementary Principal



Rural communities are resilient, but the economy is still tough

Is economic recovery being felt by rural Minnesota's communities? According to Blandin Foundation's 2016 Rural Pulse survey, released recently, yes.

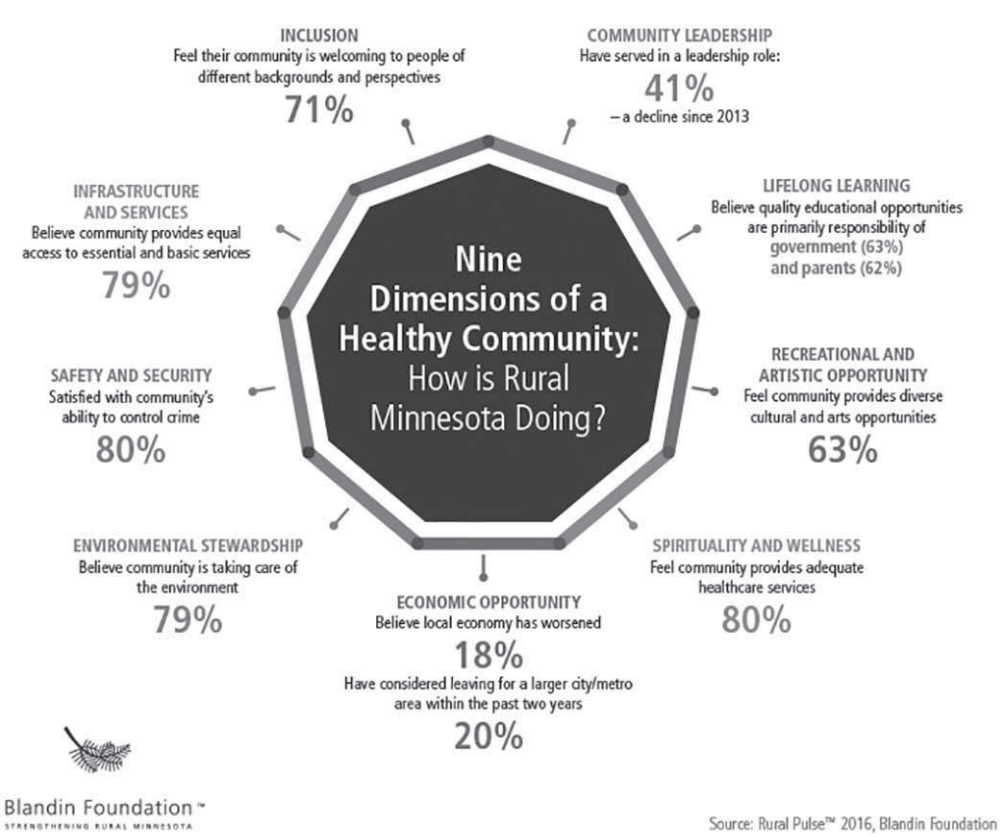
Sort of. And by some. Commissioned since 1998 by the Grand Rapids-based foundation, Rural Pulse™ provides a snapshot every few years of how rural Minnesotans perceive their communities and the issues they consider of greatest importance. Blandin Foundation surveyed 1,144 rural Minnesotans last spring, with a parallel survey of 500 urban residents. Results are at the www.ruralpulse.org website.

It's still the economy
Top of mind for rural Minnesotans was the economy. Rural Pulse shows that nearly one-third (31 percent) felt their local economy had improved over the past year, a nine-point upswing from 2013 study findings and 13 points higher than in 2010. Half said it stayed the same over the past year (49 percent), and 18 percent said it was worse.

Nearly half (48 percent) of rural residents felt that living-wage job opportunities in their community are inadequate. In a parallel study of urban residents, Rural Pulse found that only 27 percent of residents felt living-wage opportunities were inadequate.

One-third of rural residents said their household income has increased over the past year at the same time that 22 percent say it actually has decreased - similar to 2013 and only slightly improved over 2010.

Differences that make a difference
Who is feeling it most? Rural residents ages 25 to 34 and those whose annual household income is greater than \$100,000 were most likely to feel the economy has improved (41 percent say it has). Central Minnesota shows the greatest sense of improvement,



with 37 percent of residents believing that the economy had improved (up 17 points since 2013).

Meanwhile, those with the lowest incomes (\$35,000 or less) and those ages 50 and older were least likely to believe that the economy has improved. Only 19 percent of Minnesota's Northeast region believed they have seen improvement.

Populations of color, especially African Americans, felt better about the state of the economy. Most (55 percent) of African Americans living in rural Minnesota who were surveyed said that their local economy had improved, with more than one-third of rural residents who are Asian, Hispanic and Native American saying it had improved.

Work to do
"Rural places are rich with possibility - abundant natural resources, optimistic and committed leaders, quality of life," said Dr. Kathleen Annette, president and CEO for Blandin Foundation. "Nearly half of our state's population lives in rural places, and Rural Pulse results remind us that economic recovery is not yet reaching all Minnesotans. We must press on if we want to be a state that is resilient, healthy and vibrant."

Nationally, rural jobs are expanding at less than half the rate of metro job creation, according to Sept. 6 U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics figures. While the number of jobs in the country's rural counties increased by 4.8 percent between July 2015 and July 2016, job growth in metropolitan counties was 13.3 percent, reports the Bureau.

According to recent statistics from the Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development (DEED), the state's economy is growing. In July 2016 alone, 11,300 jobs were added in Minnesota. Most (84 percent) of these

gains, however, were in the Twin Cities.

"While economic experiences may be different right now between our state's urban and rural places, we share the belief that we must come together in support of all communities - including rural places."

Rural Pulse found that nine in 10 urban and rural residents alike believe that it is important to support political candidates who address rural issues.

Other Rural Pulse highlights

- Seventy-three percent of rural residents - and 83 percent of urban residents - believed their community is strong, resilient and able to recover from difficult situations.

- About three-quarters (73 percent) of rural residents said that they feel their community works together cohesively and are able to work across differences such as ethnicity, sexual orientation, religion and nationality. Millennials ages 18 to 24, those with incomes of \$35,000 or less and non-business owners were the least likely to agree.

- Looking forward, 17 percent of rural Minnesotans - and 21 percent of urban area residents - said that they do not expect to be living in their current locale five years from now.

- More than half (53 percent) of rural residents - and two-thirds of those in urban areas - felt their community's ethnic or ra-

cial makeup has become more diverse over the past five years.

- Only 71 percent of rural residents - and 84 percent of urban residents - said that they feel their community is welcoming to people of all backgrounds, an 11-point decrease from 2013 rural findings. Those of color who live in rural Minnesota had similar response to those who are Caucasian.

- Women and those ages 18 to 24 were least likely to agree that people from different backgrounds fill leadership roles within their community. More than four in 10 (44 percent) rural residents disagreed that their community fills leadership roles with people from diverse backgrounds (compared to 24 percent disagreement among urban residents).

- Among the 7,000 rural Minnesotans who have received training through Blandin Foundation's community leadership programs, two-thirds (67 percent) disagreed that people from diverse backgrounds fill leadership roles in their community.

- Three in four (74 percent) rural Minnesotans believed that improved Internet access could make a positive impact on local economic vitality, yet only 64 percent felt their community does a good job of improving access.

Rural Pulse results, including special reports by topic and by region, are available at www.ruralpulse.org.



Electrify the economy

By Brian Depew
Center for Rural Affairs

Efforts to significantly reduce carbon pollution between now and 2050 are vital and feasible. Electrifying transportation and the heating of residential and commercial buildings will help reduce carbon pollution because the electric grid is getting cleaner each year. This creates a huge opportunity for rural economic development.

Most renewable energy is generated in wide open spaces outside of dense urban centers. New job opportunities come with every new megawatt of wind or solar built in rural areas. In the wind industry,

new jobs mean solid middle class incomes, with an average salary of \$46,077. Renewable energy also increases the tax base and provides direct payments to landowners.

Moreover, opportunities for clean energy sector growth are significant. U.S. consumers spent over \$200 billion on gasoline in 2015. When you consider that, in the context of moving transportation toward electric fuel, this translates into a \$200 billion rural economic development opportunity.

In order to reach this level of clean electricity production, we will need wind and solar at all scales. We need public policy to

drive forward the boom in home-, farm- and business-scale solar. We also need models that better support community-scale renewable projects.

And, we must continue the transformation of utility-scale electricity production from fossil fuels to renewables. This will mean additional utility-scale wind farms and solar projects, and the transmission infrastructure to carry these renewables from rural areas to urban markets.

The Center for Rural Affairs is a private, non-profit organization working to strengthen small businesses, family farms and ranches, and rural communities.

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Letter to the Editor

Penny Auction

The Staples Congregational UCC Church would like to thank all the individuals and businesses who donated and participated in our annual Penny Auction held during Railroad Days.

We had a tremendous turnout, the best year yet. Due to everyone's generosity, we were able to donate \$1,776 to the Staples and Motley Food Shelves. A big thank you to all involved in this fun event.

We hope to see you all again next year. We appreciate your commitment to our community.

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Mark Your Calendar

September 22

STAPLES PUBLIC LIBRARY BOOK CLUB Mtg Thurs., Sept. 22, 6 p.m., at the library. For adults and teens that enjoy reading are invited to join the group and the discussion. For more info., 218-894-1401.

September 26

BOSOM BUDDIES BREAST CANCER SUPPORT GROUP Mtg Mon., Sept. 26, 5 p.m., Lakewood Health System Care Center, Staples, activities rm. All breast cancer survivors welcome. For info., 218-894-2627.

September 27

CARE COMMUNITY MEAL Tues., Sept. 27, 4:30 - 6 p.m., Staples United Methodist Church, 310 5th St. NE., Staples. Free. For info, 218-894-2008.

October 1

SCOTT KELBY WORLDWIDE PHOTO WALK - FREE Sat., Oct. 1, Wadena. Photographers will meet at the Boondocks Cafe at 8:45 a.m. and will walk from 9 a.m. - noon, capturing photos in the Wadena area and meeting back at the cafe for lunch and to share stories. Photographers of all skill levels encouraged to participate. For info., call 218-838-2970 or email lisa-haste@brainerd.net.

Staples City Council agenda

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

Preliminary agenda items include:

- Accept donation of used Trimble Pipe Laser from Greg Haglin.
- Consider approval to tar Sunrise Drive as requested by petition and approval of assessment agreements with abutting property owners.
- Consider adjustments to mayor and city council member compensation.
- Consider proposed preliminary property tax levy payable in 2017.
- Consider proposed preliminary 2017 budget.
- Schedule discussion, public input and adoption of final budget and tax levy for 7 p.m., Dec. 13, at city hall.
- Committee reports will include the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board and the Planning and Zoning Commission, which will include consideration of a Conditional Use Permit to relocate a single family residence from 1220 2nd Ave. NE to 1616 Airport Rd.
- Open forum.
- City administrator's report.

Educational Opportunities

October 10

55+ DRIVER IMPROVEMENT REFRESHER COURSE Mon., Oct. 10, 5:30 - 9:30 p.m., Staples Community Center, 425 4th St. NE, Staples. For info., to register, 1-888-234-1294.



The Chancellors Quartet and Pianist Jeff Stice
Sunday, Sept. 25, 7 p.m.
Staples Alliance Church
1512 8th St. NE, Staples
Free Concert. Public Welcome.
An offering will be taken.



Story time

Apples were falling during storytime at the Staples Public Library on Sept. 14 when Heidi Deuell, right, read some fun apple books and a hungry horse came and ate the five little apples on the flannel board. Grace Hanson, her mom and Matthew Jewison colored their apples to put on a tree for the craft activity. A snack was provided by the Friends of the Library. Join the group next month for another fun storytime, activities and snacks on Oct. 12 at 10:30 a.m. Call 218-894-1401 to reserve a spot. (Submitted photo)



Highway 10 in Motley closing Sept. 27-28

Motorists on Highway 10 in Motley should plan for delays while both directions of the road are closed between Front Street and Main Street beginning Tuesday, Sept. 27 after 7 a.m..

All lanes of Highway 10 in Motley are scheduled to open Wednesday, Sept. 28 by 8 p.m.

A short, signed detour will direct Highway 10 traffic along Front Street, First Street and Main Street.

The closure is needed while crews re-

place the signal system at the Highway 10 railroad crossing located between Main Street and Front Street. Crews also replaced the railroad crossing in summer 2015. When this year's signal replacement project is complete, the combined projects will improve motorist and railroad safety, and reliability of the local freight transportation system.

For real-time travel information anywhere in Minnesota, visit www.511mn.org.

Lakewood to hold pregnancy and infant loss remembrance ceremony

October is Pregnancy and Infant Loss Awareness Month. Each year, approximately one million pregnancies in the U.S. end in miscarriage, stillbirth or the death of the newborn child.

Lakewood Health System, Staples hosts a special ceremony to acknowledge these painful losses and provide comfort to families each year.

Those who have been touched by a pregnancy

or infant loss are invited to a ceremony of dedication and remembrance on Monday Oct. 3. The event will take place at 6:30 p.m. on the lower level of Lakewood's main campus just east of Staples.

The non-denominational ceremony will include poems, a time for reflection and a special water service at the Serenity Sanctuary fountain. Refreshments will be served at the close of the ceremony. Those at-

tending will receive a special token of remembrance.

Whether your loss is recent or was experienced in the past, all - parents, family and friends - are invited to attend. For more information or to request a luminary bag for decorating, contact Sarah at 218-894-8505.

Red Cross in need of blood donations

The American Red Cross urges eligible donors to give blood and platelets this fall to help restock their supply following a significant summer shortage to ensure an adequate blood supply for patients in need.

Through the first two weeks of September, the Red Cross is down more than 10,000 donations from what is needed to replenish the blood supply and be prepared for emergencies large and small. Declines in donations can lead to blood shortages and make it difficult to meet patient needs should a disaster or emergency occur.

Donors of all blood types are needed as blood products continue to be distrib-

uted to hospitals almost as quickly as donations come in. To make an appointment to give blood, download the Red Cross Blood Donor App, visit redcrossblood.org or call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767). Donors are encouraged to make appointments and complete the RapidPass online health history questionnaire at redcrossblood.org/rapidpass to help reduce wait times.

Upcoming blood donation opportunities include:

- Staples - Friday, Oct. 14, noon - 6 p.m., Staples Motley High School, 401 Centennial Lane.
- Verndale - Saturday, Oct. 15, 9 a.m. - 2 p.m., Community Center, 109 SW 1st Ave.

CARE Ministries free meals schedule

CARE Ministries has organized free meals monthly through the school year. These are open to the general public. All are welcome.

CARE is an acronym for Compassion, Accountability, Respect and Ecumenical. Their mission is to provide assistance to those in the Staples and Motley area in emergency and/or at risk situations, primarily to those without a church family.

Here is the 2016-17 schedule and locations:

- Tuesday, Sept. 27, United Methodist Church, 310 5th St. NE, Staples, 4:30 - 6 p.m.
- Tuesday, Oct. 25, Congregational Church, 204 5th St. NE, Staples, 4:30 - 6 p.m. Co-hosted with Thomastown Covenant Church.
- Thursday, Nov. 24, Thanksgiving dinner, Faith Lutheran Church, 430 12th

St. NE, Staples, noon.

- Tuesday, Dec. 13, United Methodist Church, 847 3rd Ave. S, Motley, 4:30 - 6 p.m. Co-hosted with Swan Valley Lutheran Church.

- Tuesday, Jan. 31, Church of Christ, 273343 490th St., Staples, 4:30 - 6 p.m.

- Tuesday, Feb. 28, Alliance Church, 1512 8th St. NE, Staples, 4:30 - 6 p.m.

- Tuesday, Mar. 28, Assembly of God Church, 914 3rd Ave. NE, Staples, 4:30 - 6 p.m.

- Tuesday, April 25, St. Michael Catholic Church, 280 1st Ave. S, Motley, 4:30 - 6 p.m.

- Tuesday, May 23, Trinity Lutheran Church, 1000 4th St. NE, Staples, 4:30 - 6 p.m.

Among the other projects organized by CARE Ministries are a Back To School Fair and the Great Coat Giveaway.

Firearm safety classes offered for ages 11-plus

Firearm safety classes will be offered in Motley and Staples beginning Monday, Sept. 26. A field day will be held Saturday, Oct. 8, in Staples.

This MN DNR certified program is open to youth ages 11 and older. Students must attend all firearms safety classes and field day instruction to receive their certificate.

Firearm safety classes and the field day experience allows students to learn and demonstrate commonly accepted principles of safety in hunting and the handling of firearms. It includes live fir on a rifle range. The Firearms Safety Certificate becomes valid at age 12.

To purchase a hunting license in Minnesota, DNR Firearms Certification is required of anyone born after Dec. 31, 1979.

Students must pre-register for the classes, with a maximum of 15 students in each session. Register online at www.isd2170.k12.mn.us and follow the Community Education link.

Online classes are available in combination with the field day. For more in-

formation, call Jon at 218-894-2255.

Additional information is included below:

Staples

- Instructors: Darlys and Jon Hamberg
- Phone: 218-894-2255
- Dates: Sept. 26, 27, 29; Oct. 3, 4, 6
- Time: 7 - 9 p.m.
- Location: Staples Sportsmen's Club (McGivern Park)
- Cost: Free

Motley

- Instructor: Bob Koenig
- Phone: 218-352-6390
- Dates: Sept. 26, 27, 29; Oct. 3, 4, 6
- Time: 7 - 9 p.m.
- Location: Motley City Hall
- Cost: Free

Field Day

- Instructors: Darlys and Jon Hamberg; Bob Koenig
- Phone: 218-894-2255 or 218-352-6390
- Date: Oct. 8
- Time: 9 a.m., online students; noon, traditional class students. Maximum of 25 students
- Location: Staples Sportsmen's Club (McGivern Park)
- Cost: Free.

'Your Hit Parade' is Geritol Frolics theme

The Geritol Frolics will feature music from the days of "Your Hit Parade" for this year's shows.

Performances are set at the Franklin Arts Center, Brainerd, for 7 p.m., Oct. 20 and 29 and for 2:30 p.m., Oct. 21-23, 27, 28 and 30.

The Geritol Frolics is a musical variety

show performed by talented seniors age 55 and older.

Tickets are available on-line at www.geritolfrolics.com and at the box office at Franklin Arts Center which is open 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday thru Friday. Tickets can also be ordered by calling 218-825-4993. All seats are reserved.

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‘Captain’s Dinner’ at the care center



serves a beverage to Jeanne Brown. In the background are orchestra members Nick Crist and Zach Strickland; and O&P member Kathy Dobson. Pictured at left, Linda McKane poses for a photo with “Captain” Craig Wolhowe, Vice President of Clinic/Hospital Services; and “Captain” John Halfen, Doctor and Chief Medical Officer at LHS. Other ‘Cruise Week’ activities included Casino Day and an Antique Car Show. (Staples World photos by Dawn Timbs)





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Dinner with Grandma

Lee Stark, resident at Lakewood Health System Care Center in Staples, enjoyed dinner on the “cruise ship” with her great-grandson Keller Anderson and granddaughter Bobbe Anderson, of Staples. The special “Captain’s Dinner” was held Sept. 15, in the care center cafeteria and featured a gourmet meal and live entertainment. (Staples World photo by Dawn Timbs)

Hello World

BIRTHS REPORTED AT LAKE-WOOD HEALTH SYSTEM HOSPITAL INCLUDED:

Born to Zachary and Brittany Thoms of Brainerd, a baby boy, Oliver William weighing eight pounds, one ounce on September 9, 2016.

Born to Travis and Kristina Jackson of Brainerd, a baby boy, Zane Jett-Lee weighing eight pounds, 12 ounces on September 9, 2016.

Born to Adam and Micah Yliniemi of Nevis, a baby boy, Sullivan Loren weighing seven pounds, four ounces on September 10, 2016.

Born to Russell and Jessica Kleinschmidt of Staples, a baby boy, Wilder Finch weighing eight pounds, 2.6 ounces on September 11, 2016.

Born to Cynthia Clews and Nathan Lawson of Verndale, a baby girl, Zoey Isabelle weighing seven pounds, three ounces on September 12, 2016.

Born to Hannah Rogak and Matthias Meyer of Cushing, a baby girl, River Emberlyn weighing eight pounds, 10 ounces on September 12, 2016.

Born to Debra Delahunt and Thomas Trana of Motley, a baby boy, Brayden Thomas weighing six pounds, 15 ounces on September 14, 2016.

Born to Bryant and Ashley Szymanski of Breezy Point, a baby girl, Ruby Claire weighing seven pounds, 1.2 ounces on September 15, 2016.

Born to Grant and Abby Leritz of Sebeka, a baby girl, Laine Jo weighing seven pounds, nine ounces on September 15, 2016.

Born to Krystle Schwartz and Rory Olson of Verndale, a baby boy, Sawyer Menton weighing eight pounds, four ounces on September 15, 2016.

Born to Dan and Ariana Niles of Brainerd, a baby girl, Aurora Jean-Josephine weighing eight pounds on September 16, 2016.

Student Achieve.

REBECCA “BECKY” (ECKENRODE) KRISTIENSEN, Staples, earned a Rehabilitation Long-Term Training scholarship at St. Cloud State University. She is a graduate student in the Rehabilitation Counseling program.

Obituaries

Evelyn Doucette

Evelyn E. Doucette, 94, died September 18, 2016 at her home in Wisconsin Rapids, surrounded by her family.

Funeral services will be held Thursday, September 22 at the Nekoosa United Church of Christ with Rev. Timothy Miller officiating.

Arrangements were by Feldner/Ritchay Funeral Home in Nekoosa, WI.

Evelyn was born July 3, 1922 in Bertha, to Otto and Alma (Horn) Arndt. She graduated from Staples High School in 1940. She married Larry Doucette, Sr. on August 5, 1949 at the Congregational Church in Staples. She returned to Staples in 1960. Throughout her life she held various jobs including a nurse’s aide at Staples Hospital, bookkeeper for Dr. Reichelderfer in Staples and a cashier at Snyder Drugs in Anoka. She lived in Wisconsin with her daughter and son-in-law. She enjoyed visiting with family and being around the farm animals. Evelyn was a member of the Nekoosa United Church of Christ, the Order of Eastern Star and Edgewater Haven Auxiliary. She enjoyed making floral arrangements.

Evelyn is survived by four daughters, Virginia



(Douglas) Suarino of Wisconsin Rapids, Cynthia (Jon) Zahn of Marshfield, Cheryl (Dennis) Erickson of Nekoosa, and Jan (Todd) Ketter of Wisconsin Rapids; two sons, Larry (Linda) Doucette of Staples, MN and William Doucette, Sr. of Port Edwards; one daughter in-law, Constance Doucette of Green Bay; 20 grandchildren; 35 great-grandchildren and two sisters, Norma (Ralph) Kulink of Salem, OR and Marianne (Edward) Hoeykens of Blaine, MN.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband; one son, Gary Doucette; one great-grandson; one brother, Delbert Arndt; one sister, Idamarie and one brother-in-law, Ed Kolpack.

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James Hart

James Andrew Hart, 66, of Branson MO. and formerly of Staples, died September 18, 2016 at the Shepherd of the Hills Nursing Home in Branson.

Visitation will be held at the Kjentvet-Smith Funeral Home in Mondovi, WI. Sept. 23 from 5 to 7 p.m. Funeral services will be held Saturday, Sept. 24 at 11 a.m. at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church in rural Mondovi, with visitation one hour prior to services at the church.

Interment will be at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church Cemetery following the service.

Arrangements are with the Kjentvet-Smith Funeral Home, Mondovi.

James was born April 11, 1950 in Mondovi to Kenneth and Anna (Wulff) Hart. He married Velma Rongholt on June 21, 1969. They lived and worked in

Mondovi and Hayward, WI., moving to Staples, in 1985, where Jim became District Manager for Hardware Hank. In 1988, a medical error caused a brain injury leading to his total disability. Jim and Velma enjoyed several vacations in Branson, and in 2004 made Branson their home. Jim was able to be at home until February, 2016 before going into the nursing home.

Jim is survived by his wife; one daughter, Michelle Hart (Dan Finken), Staples; two sons, Erick (Janell) Hart, Motley and Daniel (Betty) Hart, Tampa FL.; seven grandchildren; one brother, Larry (LeeAnn) Hart, Como, MS.; one nephew and one niece.

He was preceded in death by his parents and one infant brother.

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Congratulations to these 5-Star employees



Left to right: Mary Hoffmann, Maggie Dumond, Jackie Lahr

Mary Hoffmann, Recruitment & Strategy Coordinator
Nominated by Marcia Miller and Katie Poppler, “Mary does an outstanding job with provider recruitment for Lakewood. She is personable, outgoing and shows great enthusiasm when promoting Lakewood Health System to providers who are considering our facility and community. Patients benefit from the high quality providers that Mary is able to recruit and LHS is very fortunate to have her here as the first point of contact for providers who are considering Lakewood as their workplace. Thank you Mary!”

Maggie Dumond, LEAD HME Inventory Coordinator, Medical Marketplace
Nominated twice, once anonymously and another by Jenny Vogel and Melani Longueville. Nominations combined stated, “Maggie was working the late shift when one of our oxygen patients called from St. Paul. The patient borrowed oxygen equipment from LHS and was calling to report that she was having issues. Maggie stayed late trying to find an oxygen supplier in the cities, to help the patient. In the end there were no suppliers able to assist so Maggie drove to St. Paul and met the patient with the new equipment. Maggie is an awesome employee always going above and beyond for our patients!”

Jackie Lahr, Customer Experience Representative
Nominated by Jennifer Strickland, “Jackie is truly the quintessential example of service and teamwork at LHS. She will consistently stop what she is doing to go to another department to assist others with service recovery, to work with a frustrated customer, or to work through a difficult situation. Jackie literally works with every concern and grievance that is received at LHS. She will see the situation through to resolution while remaining positive and advocating for both LHS and the patient... every day... every time... in every situation. Jackie’s deep respect, work ethic and unfailing kindness to everyone with whom she interacts is what makes Jackie an irreplaceable part of LHS. The result of Jackie’s actions is supported individuals, a strong team, and the mission of LHS being lived out daily both within and outside of our organization!”

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‘Hall of Fame’ Inductees named at Pillager High School

The sixth annual Pillager Hall of Fame Induction Banquet was held Sept. 17, with four new inductees added to the roster. These included Betty Rohl, Bob Osell, Mike Rudbeck, Paul Swedberg.

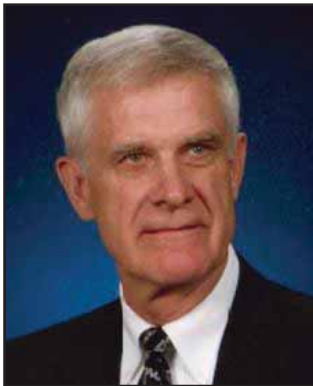
Paul Swedberg
Paul Swedberg came from strong Swedish stock who grew up in and near Pillager in the late 19th Century. From that background came Paul’s appreciation of the three important basics of a good life: home and family, schooling and church.
After graduating from PHS in 1952, Paul began his theological training in Canada, attending Luther College in Regina, the University of Saskatchewan; and Luther Theological Seminary, Saskatoon. Later, he attended one year at Luther Bible Institute in Minneapolis.
Paul met his wife, Sally, in his hometown of Pillager. Originally from Iowa, Sally was in a girl’s quartet which was touring the Pillager and Brainerd areas in the late 1950s. Paul and Sally married in 1956 and together raised four sons: Dan, Eric, Phillip and Michael. Because of the Swedbergs’ ministerial travels, the boys were born in three different cities and two different countries. Paul and Sally also have six grandchildren, born in a number of different continents, including North America and Africa.
Paul was ordained in 1960, and went on to serve



Paul Swedberg



Betty Rohl



Bob Osell



Mike Rudbeck

churches in Illinois; Alberta, Canada; and Grand Forks, N.D. He also received specialized missionary training and in 1966, the family moved to Liberia, where Paul was assigned a “parish” of 21 towns within the rain forest, most of which could be reached only by foot path.
Paul retired in 1998; and he and Sally moved to Osoyoos, in the Okanagan Valley of British Columbia, where they do volunteer ministry work in their community.
Despite Paul’s worldly travels, memories from his formative years in Pillager have stuck and many names and places still remain as reminders of his strong and basic upbringing and the three basics on which he built his life.
Betty Rohl
Betty has devoted a lifetime to the Pillager School system. In 1938, when she was six years old, Betty’s family moved from the country into Pillager so she could attend “town” school.

Prior to graduating from Pillager High School in 1951, Betty worked several jobs, including working at a cafe where she met fellow PHS graduate Norm Rohl, whom she would eventually marry. Betty and Norm raised six children together; all of whom graduated from PHS. In addition, five of the Rohls’ grandchildren and four great-grandchildren are PHS graduates.
Betty went on to attend teachers training and later received a teaching degree from Bemidji State University. She taught at country schools for a few years and upon receiving her teaching certificate and degree was hired by the Pillager School, where she taught for 29 years. In addition to her work at the school, Betty taught Sunday School and Vacation Bible School for many years and been an active volunteer in the community. In 2015, she was named Pillager’s ‘Citizen of the Year.’
Bob Osell
Retired pastor Bob Osell

has been dubbed, “A humble servant to all,” by several residents in Pillager. Since moving to Pillager in 1978, Bob has contributed greatly to the First Baptist Church (where he served as pastor for 30 years), to the school and to the entire community, “ministering” to all, regardless of religious affiliation.
Pastor Bob was born in Little Falls, raised in Duluth and graduated from Proctor High School in 1959. He attended the University of Minnesota Duluth for two years prior to going into the ministry. That was followed by a year traveling with an evangelism team, during which time he met his wife, Darlene.
Bob would eventually go on to study at St. Paul Bible College and Bethel Seminary. He pastored a church in Quamba prior to coming to Pillager.
In addition to serving at the church, Bob and Darlene raised their two children in Pillager, Kristin and Kevin, both of whom were very active in the

school. Pastor Bob volunteered in several capacities at the Pillager School over the years, including serving on several committees and task forces; and helping with spelling bees and the Community Emergency Response Team. He is a regular attendee of both fine arts and sports events at Pillager High School, showing his support to students and staff. Pastor Bob is also a past recipient of the ‘Citizen of the Year’ award for Pillager; and the Booster Club’s ‘Huskie Spirit Award.’
Mike Rudbeck
Mike is a native of Pillager and member of the PHS Class of 1966, of which he served as senior class president. With that responsibility, came to request that he plan class reunions every five years. Having been trained by his parents to “live up to your words,” Mike has not missed a reunion since graduating.
That sort of training is responsible for Mike seeing a number of successes

in his life. Two of Mike’s interests growing up were snowmobiles and working on the irrigation system on his dad’s farm. Both interests led to successful careers for Mike.
In 1969, Mike and his six brothers formed the Rudbeck Racing Team and competed in the snowmobile racing circuit in Michigan, Wisconsin, Minnesota and Montana. Together, they won 159 trophies that season, setting a world record.
Mike also saw a number of successes with his irrigation dealership, an interest which started when he was a senior in high school. After graduating, Mike’s irrigation business grew and he eventually moved it to Oakes, N.D., eventually becoming the largest irrigation company in that state. He was awarded three consecutive Outstanding Sales Achievement Awards for the entire Midwest Region in the 1980s by T-L Manufacturing.
After 15 years of successful business in North Dakota, Mike decided to retire at age 42, moving to Coeur d’Alene, Idaho. He enjoyed that for five years but became bored and gradually started selling irrigation systems again. Today, Mike has the largest irrigation company in northern Idaho.
Although he struggles with some health issues today, Mike continues to work and enjoys it. “It’s hard to keep a good man down,” Mike says.

Motley City Council approves 2017 preliminary budget and levy

By Dawn Timbs
Staples World reporter

At a special meeting Sept. 20, the Motley City Council approved both the proposed levy and the preliminary budget for 2017, as presented by Interim City Clerk Scott Saehr.
The total proposed levy for 2017 is \$358,206, an approximately three percent

increase from last year’s levy.
Present at the meeting were council members Pat O’Regan, Amy Hutchison and Steve Johnson; Public Works Supervisor Bruce Brotherton; and Saehr.
Prior to their unanimous vote, the council spent time discussing the proposed levy and budget with Saehr and Brother-

ton. All those present were adamant that they did not want to exceed the three percent levy increase.
The proposed levy shows a four percent increase in the general fund; an 11 percent increase in the streets improvement fund; and four percent decreases in both the Beaulieu Project and 2011A Street bonds.
Before the final budget and levy is voted on in December, the council and city staff will have some time to go over the budget details. They plan to schedule another budget meeting in October.

Project Lifesaver offered by MCSO

The Morrison County Sheriff’s Office reminds residents of the ‘Project Lifesaver’ program they provide.
Project Lifesaver is a 501 (C) community based public safety, non-profit organization. The program provides law enforcement and other caregivers with equipment and training to quickly locate and rescue individuals with cognitive disorders who are prone to life-threatening behavior.
Sheriff Shawn Larsen states that Project Lifesaver can benefit people who have Alzheimer’s disease, autism, Down syndrome, dementia and people who are susceptible to wandering.
For more information regarding the program, contact the sheriff’s office at 320-632-9233 and ask to speak with Project Lifesaver Coordinator, Deputy Al Yoder.

DEADLINES

for all classified ads is
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Public Notices

**PUBLIC NOTICE
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PLANNING
COMMISSION
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320-732-4420**

Notice is hereby given that on **Thursday, October 6, 2016 at 7:00 p.m.** the Todd County Planning Commission will hold a public hearing in the Commissioner’s Meeting Room, 215 1st Ave. South, Long Prairie, to consider the following applications:
1) **Tom and Kathleen Detloff:** Part of SW4 of NW4 and part of NW4 of SW4 Section 29 of Burnhamville Township
PIN: 06-0041300
Subdivision request for the creation of a plat named “Rachels Grove” containing one 6 acre lot.
2) **Chris and Holly Camacho:** Parts of Govt Lot 4 Section 24 of Villard Township
PIN: 25-0024402
Subdivision request for the creation of a plat named “Camacho Addition” containing one 10.49 acre lot.
3) **Rudy Miller:** Part of the SE4 SE4, Section 26, Wykeham Township
PIN: 28-0022600
Rezoning request to rezone that part of Section 26 in Wykeham Township from R-10 to AF-2 zoning.
All persons interested are invited to attend said hearing and be heard on these matters.

Todd County Planning Commission
Rin Porter, Chairperson
38pnc

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The existing and/or proposed feedlot will be located in the (SW 1/4 of Section 18, T-133N, R-30W, Sylvan Township; and SE 1/4 of Section 13, T-133N, R-31W, May Township), Minnesota. The existing facility consists of (1,839 head of slaughter steer animals-1,839 AU, 3 open barns, 17.8 acres of open lots divided into 14 pens, a 67’ x 274’ feed storage pad and an 86’ x 235’ feed storage pad). The proposed facility consists of (4,054 head of Feeder Cattle (stocker or backgrounding) 2,838 AU with the same barns and open lots as noted above. The open lots will have runoff controls installed and the runoff will be irrigated onto adjacent cropland). The total animal unit capacity will be (2,838 animal units).
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Pillager homecoming royalty

Greg Gentry and Lacie Hines were crowned King and Queen at the Pillager High School’s Homecoming Coronation ceremony held Sept. 12. Pictured above, back; from left, Ridge Hunstad, Chris Ringler, Ryan Foehrenbacher, king candidates; Emma Litke, Vanessa Peterson, Tricia Engholm, queen candidates.

Motley Police, Morrison Cty Sheriff’s reports

Recent reports from the Motley Police Department (MPD) and the Morrison County Sheriff’s Office (MCSO) included the following:
Sept. 14 - The MPD issued a speeding citation to Douglas Vandenberg, 52.
Sept. 13 - The MPD responded to a call from the manager of an apartment on Pine Ave. S. in Motley regarding a strong smell of marijuana from one of the apartments.
Sept. 8 - The MPD assisted the MCSO with attempting to locate a missing female from a group home in Motley. A caller had reported seeing someone who closely resembles the missing female at a cabin in Motley. Responding officers found no one at the scene.
Sept. 9 - The MCSO assisted the Todd County Sheriff’s Office in locating Brian Prozinski at his residence on Bear Rd. in Cushing. He was arrested without incident.
Sept. 9 - The MCSO received a call from Cass County asking that Motley Fire & Rescue be paged for a two-vehicle head-on accident at 76th St. SW in Motley.
Sept. 7 - The MPD assisted the MCSO and Scandia Valley First Responders at a two-vehicle crash on Azure Rd. and Fish Trap Lake Dr. in Scandia Valley Twp. According to the report, Michael Altrichter, driving a 2008 Silverado pickup, had stopped on the roadway to talk with a person in a vehicle in the other lane. Altrichter then backed up to look at something on the back of the other vehicle and crashed into a 2001 Buick LeSabre behind him, driven by Carol Smith. Smith said she observed both of the vehicles stopped in the roadway and had slowed way down prior to Altrichter’s pickup backing into her. Smith was complaining of chest and head pain and was transported by Gold Cross Ambulance to St. Gabriel’s Hospital in Little Falls.
Sept. 7 - The MPD assisted the Motley Fire Department and Cass County Sheriff’s Office at a fire on 64th St. SW in Motley.
Sept. 3 - The MPD received a call regarding suspicious activity near the Eastwood Inn in Motley. Caller stated it appeared someone was attempting to break into a storage shed behind the motel. Responding law enforcement did not locate anyone but noticed footprints on a door to the building, it appeared that someone had tried to kick in the door.
Sept. 3 - The MPD issued speeding citations to Stephen Martinez, 25; Rachelle Williams, 48; Nicholas Miller, 57; Jeffrey Halbakken, 31.
Sept. 1 - The MPD responded to a report of a vehicle accident in the Parking lot of BRICKS in Motley. Caller stated that their pickup truck had been side-swiped sometime during the night by another vehicle, leaving dents and white paint transfer on the driver’s door.
Sept. 7 - The MCSO received a call from Cass County requesting mutual aid at a mobile home fire at 6833 64th St. SW in Motley. Motley Fire Dept. was paged.
Sept. 5 - The MCSO issued a speeding citation to Barbara Greeley, 60.
Sept. 1 - The MCSO responded to a report of assault at the intersection of Bugle Rd. and 330th St. in Motley. Officers arrived at the scene and found broken vehicle parts from the victim’s vehicle laying in the roadway. They proceeded to arrest Benjamin Charles Huff, 52; and Tena Lee Huff, 46.



Gearing up for paint ball

Central Lakes College students try on the masks needed to compete in paint ball at the Heavy Equipment Campus in Staples. The paint ball competition was held Sept. 14 as part of Student Success Day at the college. Pictured below, teams hide behind barriers or scramble to safety during the rounds of paint ball. (Staples World photos by Mark Anderson)



After the ambush

CLC students come back to the crowd to tell their war stories after a round of paint ball on Sept. 14. Each team competed in several rounds.



Put trees and shrubs to work

Submitted by Todd County Soil and Water

Many different conservation challenges are best met using vegetation, Todd SWCD has worked to make available trees and shrubs at low cost to landowners each year. Trees and shrubs can be used for windbreaks and shelter belts, control erosion, and provide wildlife habitat.

Windbreaks and shelterbelts
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Wildlife
Mixed plantings of trees and shrubs provide excellent cover and a source of

food for a whole variety of animals, big and small. Deer like to feed on twigs and buds, birds on the seeds and berries (and on the insects that also find trees home). Pheasants seek the protection that dense plantings of trees and shrubs provide. Locating a mixed tree and shrub planting near your home provides ongoing enjoyment of wildlife throughout the year.

Pollinators
Pollinators are extremely important for the services that they provide to our food production and our native ecosystems. Planting flowering trees and shrubs can provide benefit to declining pollinator populations and the landscape. Providing pollinators with flowing plants to forage upon during the spring, summer and fall is very important. Incorporating flowing shrubs into your windbreak, erosion control, wildlife and other projects will help to ensure the continued services provided by pollinators.
Since a tree planting can be a significant investment in money and time, you should put some time into deciding what and where to plant. Proper selection can provide you with years of enjoyment as well as significantly increase the value of your property. An inappropriate tree for your property can be a constant maintenance problem or even a hazard.
Before buying trees, contact Todd Soil and Water at 320-732-2644.

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Electrical rates increasing six percent

the equipment to build a charging station.

Electrical rates
The council approved a six percent electrical rate increase that will be implemented in the spring. The increase is part of the plan approved last year after an electric rate study.
Bendorf said this summer the city set a new peak electrical load and there was an overall load increase. "There was some good growth," said Bendorf. He said the increased load could help offset the rate increase.

Council salaries
The council discussed

the possibility of increasing the pay for council members, since there has been no change since 2007. City Administrator Jerel Nelsen said the council members currently receive more than \$2,000 per year and the mayor is above \$3,000. Nelsen said he checked with other nearby communities of similar size and Staples is well below those cities.
Council member Roy Miles pointed out that if the salary is raised, it's not just the cost of one person, it's for all six council members and the Mayor. "It's not a lot of money for one person, but with all seven,

it adds up," said Miles.
The council discussed payment options, such as tying pay to meeting attendance or paying more for off-site meetings.
City budget
Nelsen said the first draft of the city budget shows a tax increase of about five percent. Council members Doug Case and Roy Miles said they would like to see it no higher than a four percent increase. The preliminary budget must be passed at the next council meeting on Sept. 27. The final budget can be no higher than the preliminary budget that is passed.

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Bluegrass at its best

The High 48s Bluegrass Band took the stage at Centennial Auditorium Sept. 17, opening the Staples Motley Area Arts Council's regular concert series for the new season. Pictured above, from left, are Eric Christopher, Mike Hedding, Marty Marrone, Rich Casey, Anthony Ihrig. During intermission, concert-goers had the opportunity to visit with the band members; and to learn more about the Barn Quilts of Central MN, a new organization which is co-sponsored by the arts council. In lower photo, Mary Noska (right), member of the arts council and Barn Quilts of Central MN, shares information with Megan Lindgren of Staples. (Staples World photos by Dawn Timbs)



Learning about barn quilts

Recognition of service

Dale Williams, right, was recognized for 25 years of service with the Freshwater Education District at the fall staff workshop. He is pictured with Jerry Nesland, executive director of Freshwater. Other staff recognized include: 10 Years - Trent Becker, Wendy Irons, Jerry Miller, Erin Judd, Bryan Winkels and Lisa Wick; and 15 Years - Deanna Soukup, Deb Baune and Corlie Carter. (Submitted photo)



Walk to end Alzheimer's Saturday, Sept. 24

"It was worth every onion."

That's what Justin Gangl said during his grandpa's funeral in March 2015.

His grandpa, Randall "Randy" Baird had Alzheimer's disease. Justin was referring to the time when his grandpa was supposed to be helping plant onions at The Farm on St. Mathias, owned by his parents, Dr. Robert and Arlene Jones. As fast as the onions could be planted, Randy followed and pulled them out.

When this was reported to Arlene, she said "I don't care, just let him do it." When Justin spoke at the funeral about caring for his grandpa during his journey with Alzheimer's, he recounted that experience stating, "Remember what you said Mom? It was worth every onion."

Arlene Jones is the Honorary Chair of the 2016 Brainerd Lakes Area Walk to End Alzheimer's. It is an important and very personal cause for her. One of Arlene's goals is to increase awareness and education so that providers can direct families to the support systems available much earlier.

The average family waits two years before becoming engaged with services such as the peer and grief support offered by the Alzheimer's Association. She is also working so that her children and grandchildren will have the tools they need to combat this heartbreaking disease.

Randy Baird, Arlene Jones' dad, was no stranger

to hard work, having grown up on a farm, though Randy and his wife Jerilyn raised their family in the city of Grand Rapids, Mich. Following his retirement from over-the-road trucking in 2007, he had the opportunity to get back to his roots, so to speak. Randy loved to come to the Lakes Area with his wife, to work at The Farm every summer. He was adept at gardening and handling the farm machinery.

The Alzheimer's diagnosis was made in 2010 when he was 67 years old. At first, there were very few signs or symptoms. His family tended to blame any mistakes or lapses in judgment on his poor hearing. They just kept adjusting the farm jobs they would entrust to him.

By 2012, Randy's personality was changing significantly. At this time his favorite task was weeding, but he became increasingly frustrated because he could no longer do it. He took to wandering the farm, but couldn't get too far on foot.

When spending the night at the Jones' Nisswa home, he would wander too, mostly down to the mailbox and back, sometimes sitting in the car for a while. Then one evening he went out wandering and wound up 4.7 miles away, at Zorbaz. Both Jerilyn and the owner of Zorbaz had called the police and so Randy was brought home. By then he could recognize faces, but remembered few names.

In August 2014, Randy fell and broke his hip, requiring surgery. When

he was discharged, Arlene moved him to her home. Soon after, Randy developed pneumonia. Arlene found it increasingly difficult to juggle her caregiving responsibilities and her work. With heavy hearts, it was decided in September of 2014 to move Randy and Jerilyn back home to Grand Rapids, Mich., to be closer to family, old friends and other resources.

In February 2015, Randy again developed pneumonia and was hospitalized, sent home, but readmitted within three days. He had suffered a heart attack and his swallow reflex was gone. Randall Baird died 16 days later on Mar. 10, 2015, at the age of 72.

Arlene first got involved with The Walk to End Alzheimer's by forming a team in 2014. She was very frustrated that she couldn't help her dad more and needed something to make her feel like she was in control.

Beginning with the 2015 Walk, Arlene joined the Brainerd Lakes Area Walk to End Alzheimer's Planning Committee. She has made use of her considerable personal and professional network to shift her focus to obtaining sponsorships for The Walk.

This is the eighth year for the Lakes Area Walk to End Alzheimer's. It will be held at Forestview Middle School on Saturday, Sept. 24, beginning at 8:30 a.m. The event raises awareness and funds for local Alzheimer's resources and research. To find out more, visit www.alz.org or call 218-733-2560.

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Tax levy will be finalized in December

The district's finance committee will meet once or twice in the next couple of months to review the budget and the areas that are levied at the board's discretion. Those include reemployment, QComp, safe schools, other post employment benefits, long term facilities maintenance, leases, debt payments, youth service, after school enrichment, Early Childhood Family Education and home visits.

The board has agreed not to levy for school-age childcare, health and safety and leases for the community center and the golf course in exchange for a referendum that was passed a few years ago.

The final decision on the tax levy will be made at the Truth in Taxation Hearing Dec. 19.

Roy DiGiovanni questioned the 2016-17 Staples Community Center rental agreement noting that the dollar amount has increased quite a bit over the last two years.

Klamm said it is based on the number of hours each area is used. Separate hourly rates are calculated for the gym, the fitness center and the swimming pool. The amount of \$84,251.49 is based on last year's usage.

High school principal Mike Schmidt said that since the community center installed their new

gym floor the district has been using it more for basketball. This allows teams to practice on a full court rather than having to share a court with another team. The demand is high for all of the district's gym space.

He also noted more demand for the pool which is the most expensive part of the contract.

Chad Longbella asked about offering swimming for elementary students and Kathy Johnson, Staples-Motley Elementary principal, replied that third graders will begin that class in November after the elementary physical education teacher completes the life guarding class.

The board and administration agreed to study the community center's usage over this school year to see if economies could be made in any area.

Bryan Winkels noted another couple of money matters taking a turn for the better: Those were the reductions in the amounts of the bill write-offs and the transfers to the community service fund for Little Cardinals Academy.

In other business the board:

- Approved contracts with National Joint Powers Alliance and J & J Solutions for public relations and communications services and with Lakewood Health System for EMS ser-

vices at home games.

- Agreed to purchase services from Northern Pines for child and family counseling services in the school.

- Approved contracts for Deb Eagletail, Melissa Wright, Kimberly Berggren, Dale Stoll, Kathy Robben, Robert Larson, Justin Genosky and Becky Templin as paraprofessionals.

- Accepted the resignation of Steve Hoemberg as choral director. Hoemberg's resignation letter noted concerns about decisions that would affect the choral music program and indications that he felt he was no longer a "good fit" at the district. Bruce Lund said "Steve has done a great job in the district and I've appreciated that. I'm sure everyone feels that way."

- Accepted the resignation of Huck Holst as ticket gate manager

- Approved the following coaching/advisor assignments: John Regan, speech; Chris Trout and Shelly Miller, concessions managers; and Darla Davis, ticket gate manager.

- Approved an extended field trip request from the music department for a tour March 13-17, 2017, to Washington, DC, with the comment that there is no school that week for spring break.

- Noted the board will tour the school buildings Sept. 28.

- Noted in the superintendent's report that the evacuation drill originally scheduled for Sept. 23 was cancelled. Klamm said they will still have fire drills and lock downs, but will evaluate the evacuation processes and consider different scenarios.

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College students are ready to vote

As part of Student Success Day held Sept. 14, at CLC the Student Senate set up a voter registration table where students are able to vote either in their home town or in the district where they currently reside. (Staples World photos by Mark Anderson)



Foundation serves meal

The Staples Motley Area Community Foundation served a meal to Central Lakes College students at their Student Success Day held Sept. 14. The Foundation will host another meal on Thursday, Oct. 13, at Ted & Gen's in Aldrich, as part of the celebration honoring the 2016 Community Award recipients.

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Ballot includes area races

seats. Chris Etzler, the current mayor of Staples, is running unopposed.

• **City of Motley:** Two council positions and the mayor's job will be open. Al Yoder and Amy Hutchinson have filed for mayor. Both are current council members but their seats are not up for election this year. Council incumbent Steve Johnson will be joined on the ballot by Nate Douglas and Robert Follis in a contest for the two open seats.

• **United District Hospital Board:** The board, which oversees Lakewood Health System, has eight candidates vying for the seven board seats open. Donald Sirucek and Susan Bartels filed for the Poplar Township seat. Other filings were Billy Haehnel, Meadowbrook Township; Barbara Peterson, Villard Township; Robert Mueller, Member at Large; Lana Hansen, City of Motley; Linda Dietrich, MooseLake Township; and Ronald Storbakken, Staples Township.

• **Wadena County Commission:** Incumbent Jim Hofer is being challenged by Ralph Miller in District

2. In District 4 the race is between Chuck Horsager and Murlyn Kreklau.

• **Todd County Commission:** Incumbents Barb Becker in District 1 and Rod Erickson in District 2 are running unopposed. In District 5 Delvin Durheim is challenging incumbent Randy Neumann.

• **Cass County Commission:** Incumbent Bob Kangas is running against John Warren in District 2.

• **Morrison County Commission:** Mike LeMieur is challenging incumbent Kevin Maurer in District 2.

• **State legislature:** In the races in District 9 for the state legislature incumbent Senator Paul Gazelka is being challenged by Jason Weinerman. Meg Litts of Staples and John Poston, Lake Shore, are vying for the seat in House District 9A. Incumbent Rep. Ron Kresha will be running against Dustin Simmonds in House District 9B.

• **U.S. Congress:** David Hughes is challenging incumbent Collin Peterson in District 7. Stewart Mills is challenging incumbent

Rick Nolan in District 8.

Minnesotans can use "My Ballot" to view their sample ballot and find links to candidates' web-sites.

Tracking your ballot

Beginning Sept. 23, upon requesting an absentee ballot, voters may check the status of their ballot, such as when it was mailed, and if their completed ballot was received and accepted by their local elections office.

Wadena County continues work on 2017 budget

By Rin Porter
Wadena County reporter

There was some good news at the Sept. 13 county commissioner's board meeting in Wadena. Three department heads came before the board to reveal reductions in their 2017 budget requests that will help reduce the county's property tax levy increase.

Curt Kreklau, Director of Human Resources and Information Technology, advised the board of his plan to outsource the work of a network administrator, instead of hiring a new employee to do that job. Kreklau believes that contracting the work out will save \$22,000 next year, and reduce his overall IT budget by \$45,000.

County Attorney Kyra Ladd told the board that she and her staff had made an error in calculating the pay and benefits portion of her 2017 budget. The total request will be reduced by \$45,000.

Social Services Director Tanya Leskey told commissioners that she wanted to use about \$300,000 from the Social Services Fund to make up the difference between the 2017 expected revenue and the 2017 projected expenses. Leskey also noted that the department's expected revenue might increase in 2017 in certain areas. But that is uncertain.

So it was a pretty good day for the commissioners, who are working hard to reduce the total county budget for 2017 so the property tax levy doesn't have to be increased as much as first thought.

Between last week's and this week's budget reductions, the projected county expenses for 2017 have decreased by about \$500,000. That is a great result, but work on the budget will continue until every possible expense has been reconsidered.

Also at the Sept. 13 board meeting, commissioners held a closed session to discuss labor negotiations. At the end of that session, Board Chair Jim Hofer reopened the meeting to announce a decision by the board to offer a new form of health insurance to the county's bargaining units.



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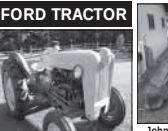
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John Deere 955 hydro dr. 4x4 tractor, hi-lo range, (ac. hrs. 2118) 3D mower, 70A loader, 3 cyl. diesel, 33 hp. Ser. #LV 095SD106347

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TOOLS, EQUIPMENT, SPORTING

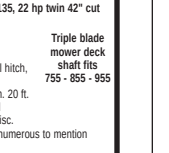
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Warts Power Cnh jigsaw
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Many mechanical and carpenter's tools
Red wagon, old sled
Misc. coolers
Gas cans
6" wood step ladder
Fence tools
Oil filler cans
Hyd. jacks
10 cu. ft. lawn trailer
Hand diaphragm pump, 2"
Cables - 3/4" X 1/2" (several ft)
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Call 6 3 pt. box scraper
3 pt. Ford plow 2-12
7 3 pt. Ford digger
Poulan portable stove, 4 burner

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Helping hands

Volunteers from the Staples Rotary Club are shown painting their house on Sept. 14 as their part in the 'Paint the Town' project. The Rotarians were joined by staff from MidMinnesota Federal Credit Union. (Submitted photo)

Painting the Town.....

On Sept. 13 Lakewood Health System and First International Bank teamed up and painted a home in Staples as part of the 'Paint the Town' program set up by the Staples Economic Development Authority. Homes chosen were either owned by seniors or families who were unable to do the painting themselves. Above left; Joe Reycraft scrapes the old paint as, Mandi Hanson (above right) does the painting. Right, Corey Radermacher finishes an upstairs window.

Four homes were painted as part of the 'Paint the Town' project. Other volunteers included; Staples Host Lions, Staples-Motley School District and the Staples Rotary. (Staples World photos by Mark Anderson)



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Holmberg, Miller provide firepower for big football win

By Mark Anderson
News Editor

Dalton Holmberg scored a rushing touchdown and Matt Miller caught a touchdown pass from Mason Rychner late in the game to give the Staples-Motley football team a 14-7 win over Osakis on Sept. 16.

“I’m proud of our effort,” said Coach Travis VanOverbeke. “We played well defensively, and offensively we didn’t punt the ball, which is a nice feather in the cap.”

Holmberg and Miller kept the offense moving and the Cardinal defense also came up with big plays, holding Osakis to just one of five fourth down conversions.

The game’s first big play was on the opening kickoff. Holmberg raced down the field to cover Josh Lombard’s bloop kick and fell on the ball before any Osakis player could get to it.

The teams traded punts back and forth for the first quarter. Osakis scored in the second quarter on a nice catch in the end zone. But the Cardinals came right back with a big drive. Holmberg scored on a 10 yard run and added the two point conversion on a pitch play.

That gave the Cardinals an 8-7 lead, which was the score at halftime.

Both team defenses stood out in the third quarter and well into the fourth. Staples-Motley ran into

trouble with turnovers, but the defense held each time.

“We had some opportunities slip through our hands, but our team did a nice job bailing each other out in certain scenarios,” said VanOverbeke. “The turnovers are an area of concern and will be a priority.”

After stopping an Osakis drive, the Cardinals put a final scoring drive together that ended with Rychner’s seven yard pass to Miller.

Once again the Staples-Motley defense held, with defensive backs stopping Osakis from passing down the field.

“This team is moving in the right direction and has some great potential when we hit on all cylinders,” said VanOverbeke. “It was a nice “W” against Osakis, but the directive is to start the week focused for UNC.”

Team results

Staples-Motley 0 8 0 6 - 14
Osakis 0 7 0 0 - 7
Rushing: SM 166, O 136
Dalton Holmberg 25-136, Eric Lisson 9-30, Hunter Berggren 4-10, Mason Rychner 4-(-10),
Passing: SM 104, O 69
Rychner 10-17, 104 yards, 1 TD, 3 int.
Receiving: Miller 7-95, Isaiah Ross-Bahn 1-2, Berggren 1-0
Tackles: Alex Erpelding 13, Braden Tyrell 11, Jacob Bendson 6, Holmberg 4, Isaac Swensrud 4, Josh Lombard 3, Miller 3, Kyle Serich 3, Derek Kennedy 3, Trey Skeesick 3, Hunter Carlson 2, Luke Schmiegl 1, Scout Strickland 1



Sideline run

Dalton Holmberg evades a tackler for a first down in the first half. (Staples World photo by Mark Anderson)



Touchdown catch

Matt Miller pulls in a touchdown pass late in the fourth quarter. (Staples World photo by Mark Anderson)

Volleyball team picks up tournament win

The Staples-Motley volleyball team had a rough start last week losing to Sebekia Sept. 13, Crosby-Ironton on Sept. 15, but went 1-3 in the tournament at C-I Sept. 17, placing second in the bronze division.

Results

S-M vs. Sebekia - L 22-25, 14-25, 12-25

Mardi Opheim - 6 Digs, 2 Assists, 1 Kill; Mackenzie Zetah - 2 Ace Serves, 5 Digs, 3 Kills; Ashley Vasquez - 1 Dig, 3 Kills; Camryn Banaka - 2 Ace Serves, 9 Digs, 9 Assists; Chelsea Nanik - 11 Digs, 1 Assists, 1 Kill; Paige Kittleson - 1 Ace Serve, 3 Digs, 6 Kills; Rayna Guzman - 1 Kill; Jenna Trantina - 1 Ace Serve, 3 Digs

S-M vs. Crosby-Ironton - L 15-25, 9-25, 14-25

Opheim - 4 Digs, 2 Assists, 2 Kills; Zetah - 11 Digs, 1 Assist, 7 Kills; Vasquez - 3 Digs, 2 Kills; Banaka - 9 Digs, 10 Assists, 1 Kill; Nanik - 11 Digs, 1 Assists; Kittleson - 1 Ace Serve, 5 Digs, 6 Kills;

Taylor Heldman - 2 Digs, 2 Assists, 2 Kills; Guzman - 1 Block; Trantina - 1 Dig; Kiera Dumpprope - 1 Assist

C-I tourney

S-M vs. Pine River-Backus
L 11-25, 16-25

Nanik: 1 Dig, 1 Assist; Vasquez: 1 Dig, 1 Assist, 1 Kill; Zetah: 1 Dig, 1 Kill, 2 Blocks; Banaka: 2 Assists; Kittleson: 1 Assist, 2 Kills, 1 Block; Trantina: 2 Digs; Opheim: 1 Dig, 1 Assist, 2 Kills

S-M vs. Barnum
L 17-25, 25-23, 14-16

Vasquez: 1 Dig, 3 Kills; Zetah: 3 Digs, 4 Assists, 4 Kills; Banaka: 2 Digs, 8 Assists; Kittleson: 1 Ace Serve, 3 Kills, 1 Block; Heldman: 1 Assist, 1 Kill; Opheim: 1 Digs, 1 Assist, 3 Kills

S-M vs. Cass Lake-Bena
W 25-17, 25-22

Heldman: 5 Digs, 3 Assists, 3 Kills, 1 Blocks; Kittleson: 1 Dig, 1 Assist, 4 Kills, 3 Blocks; Opheim: 3 Digs, 2 Assists, 1 Kill; Trantina: 3 Digs; Vasquez: 5 Digs, 2 Kills; Zetah: 3 Digs, 4 Kills, 1 Block, 1 Ace Serve; Banaka: 6 Digs, 7 Assists, 1 Kill; Kiara Storry: 2 Ace Serves

S-M vs. Upsala

Loss: 23-25, 23-25

Heldman: 1 Digs, 4 Assists, 2 Kills, 1 Ace Serve; Vasquez: 8 Digs, 1 Kill; Kittleson: 1 Dig, 3 Kills, 2 Blocks; Banaka: 1 Ace Serve, 3 Digs, 3 Assists; Storry: 2 Ace Serves; Opheim: 7 Digs, 1 Assists, 1 Kill; Trantina: 10 Digs; Zetah: 1 Ace Serves, 2 Digs, 2 Assists, 3 Kills, 1 Block

To what lengths to catch a fish?

A bright September sun was slipping toward the horizon, when our lake cabin neighbor – just up from the dock – strode across his lawn with a pair of fishing rods in hand. “How was your fishing?” I asked, when he had approached close enough to hear me. “No luck this afternoon” he responded, though his smile and pace would not have betrayed that result. He wasn’t downcast, but laughed it off, acknowledging that anglers sometimes have to accept “fishing luck,” good or bad.

From what I’ve seen, he’s a fairly serious fisherman, based on time spent on the water and the quality and upkeep of the boat in which he fishes. I also have firsthand experience being “skunked,” as do most anglers who have spent sizeable chunks of their lives trying to convince a bass, walleye, crappie or trout that a lure on the end of their line is the next meal. My neighbor’s upbeat acceptance of a fishless afternoon struck me as refreshing, especially when I consider just how far we’ve come in our quest to catch fish.

It’s no secret that sophisticated technologies are more entrenched in our lives than ever before. Often it’s unquestionably helpful, as I found on a recent trip to northwest Montana; in particular, when my wife and I were in need of directions to a motel, a restaurant or some other destination in places like Billings, Bozeman or Missoula. The voice of the car’s navigation system that spoke from behind the dashboard would instruct us to “Turn left in one quarter mile,” or some such command, saving us time, puzzlement and aggravation on numerous occasions. Just tell “her” where you want to go and she’ll get you there.

I’m sometimes struck by how deep technology has crept into our fishing, too. The most recent occasion was reading a newspaper article about one of the participants in the 2016 Toyota Bassmaster Angler-of-the-Year Championship, held on Lake Mille Lacs. The story described the level of commitment and investment

that a typical tournament angler makes in order to be competitive on the Bassmaster circuit.

Tournament fishing has been around long enough that most of us are familiar with the dazzling metal-flake-painted fiberglass boats, matching trailers and extremely large outboards common to the tournament circuits around the U.S. If not in person, we’ve probably watched clips of tournaments on one of the popular outdoor channels on television. The mystique surrounding them has motivated many average-Joe anglers to aspire to a similar level of “equi-page” for their own fishing, which of course is one reason the makers of boats, tackle and fishing electronics sponsor these events.

I’m familiar with most of the developments over the decades that have made it easier to find and catch fish. Developments like electronic depth-finders, satellite-based global-positioning-system (GPS) units that can lead an angler unerringly back to hotspots he’s marked on earlier trips, underwater camera systems, fish-attracting scents infused into fishing lures and other advancements large and small.

Sonar, a technology that since before World War II has been used to detect underwater objects like marine wrecks and submarines, has been progressively fine-tuned as an angler’s aid. Beginning with the simple “flasher” that indicated only depth, it progressed to an illuminated screen showing a profile of a lake’s bottom, then to an actual print-out that could be saved and studied. Today’s units can scan in multiple directions around your boat, not just below it, with a fineness that can show the branches of a tree on a lake’s bottom. And, of course, show the fish that are there, as well.

One technology that was new to me was identified in this article as a “Hydro Wave.” According to the description the newspaper writer was given by the tournament pro, this device “emits bait fish sounds...such as a ‘schooling frenzy’ or ‘crawfish on gravel.’ ” Translated, it means this electronic unit sends out signals that mimic the sounds or vibrations of underwater prey species, the idea being to stimulate a response that draws in predator fish, which the angler can then target. According to this pro, “...just about every guy on

the tournament circuit has one on his boat.”

As I read this, I was reminded of comments made years ago by a well-known Mille Lacs fishing guide and outdoor columnist. He described, I think with some wistfulness and regret, earlier days when fishermen had fewer gadgets, and discovered more things through experience and creativity. Earlier days before expertise and advantage could be acquired via many purchased fishing aids.

It’s a touchy subject. Just what is fair chase? What is the purpose of our fishing? Personal satisfaction? The perfecting of skills? Escape from the pressures of our everyday lives? For many of us it’s a combination of these. Some still fish for a temptingly delicious meal from time to time, notwithstanding the catch-and-release ethic that is so widespread. The tournament angler also fishes for prize money, and the notoriety that brings manufacturer sponsorships that can turn a recreation into a paying profession. I’m certain, however, that even so-called pro anglers fish for relaxation from time to time.

Is it fair chase to use electronics to attract fish and boost the odds of their striking your lure? Predator hunters use electronic sounds that imitate a wounded prey animal, such as a rabbit, to lure coyote or fox into range for a shot. But duck and goose hunters, who decades ago had to give up using live decoys, are denied the use of electronic recordings of ducks or geese to lure in birds. To muddy the water even further, these same waterfowl hunters can use artificial decoys that have electronically-powered spinning wings, which passing waterfowl see from great distances and are drawn to. It’s a patchwork, to be sure.

I recall a 1970s-era angling book entitled How to Find Fish and Make Them Strike. I suspect that few who read and followed its advice really believed the “make them strike” part. But that frontier may be less distant than it once seemed. Don’t be surprised if you someday see a manufacturer claim to have developed “fish telepathy” electronics able to do just this.

I can only imagine how that veteran Mille Lacs guide would react to that.



Volleyball action

Left, Camryn Banaka tips a ball over the net. Right, Taylor Heldman hits a serve in. (Staples World photos by Mark Anderson)

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Swimming with style

The Staples-Motley swim team poses for a photo before the Park Rapids Invite. (Submitted photo)

Big swim invite a learning experience

The Staples-Motley swim team experienced their first big swim meet of the season on Sept. 17, competing in the seven team

Park Rapids Invite.

"This meet was filled with a lot of learning, personal bests and even better memories," said Coach Amanda Olson. "It's been amazing to watch this team come together and improve like they have."

Olson said the team learned how to swim in a big meet, they were competitive in their races and were able to see some of the top swimmers in the area.

The team showed improvement in a dual meet against Minnewaska on Sept. 15. "Most of the girls have swum different events regularly and have been pushed outside of their comfort zone, yet they still get in the pool and swim their hearts out," said Olson. "They had more confidence in themselves than we've seen thus far."

Highlights included:

Minnewaska meet

200 medley relay 2. Emily

Veronen, Lili Schneider, Hannah Hinman, Emma Gerard 2:14.79

200 free 2. Autumn Nelsen 2:31.38; 4. Brianna Hinman 2:35.33

200 IM 2. Veronen 2:41.39 100 fly 3. Nelsen 1:23.29

100 free 3. Jaden Engebretson 1:10.13; 4. Joelle Bounds 1:10.19

500 free 2. Veronen 6:33.27 100 breaststroke 1. Schneider 1:20.07

400 free relay 2. Nelsen, Veronen, Engebretson, Schneider 4:38.74

Park Rapids Invite

200 medley relay - 10. Veronen, Schneider, Nelsen, Gerard

200 freestyle - Schneider personal best (2:23.45)

200 freestyle - Bounds personal best (2:35.01)

500 freestyle - Bounds personal best (6:57.44)

50 freestyle - Aleeah Halverson personal best (33.79)

100 freestyle - A. Halverson personal best (1:16.92)

100 butterfly-Nelsen personal best (1:19.16)

100 butterfly - H. Hinman personal best (1:22.42) .

Sweeney wins CC race

Kira Sweeney earned a first place medal at the Pine River Backus cross country meet on Sept. 13, as both the girls and boys teams had solid performances to finish second.

The teams both fell back a little bit at their next meet at New London-Spicer on Sept. 19.

At Pine River, Sweeney ran 18:45 to win on a course that may have been slightly shorter than 5,000 meters. Addison Lorber and Amara Chenoweth also ran well.

For the boys, Emmet Anderson and Hunter Klimek were in the top ten, with Ben Bartczak, Tanner Robben and Coleman Klimek not far behind. The boys team narrowed the gap between their top five runners, with a season low 1:41 at Pine River and 1:49 at New London-Spicer.

Girls results

Pine River-Backus meet

Pequot Lakes 45, Staples Motley 63, Park Rapids 65, Crosby-Ironton 97, Frazee 109, Pine River-Backus 144, Pillager 167

1. Kira Sweeney 18:45, 8. Addison Lorber 20:27, 11. Amara Chenoweth 21:10, 21. Kaitlyn Smith 22:05, 22. Taylor Yungbauer 22:06, 24. Natalie Kleinerova 23:05, 28. Mikayla Sauber 23:28, 30. Abby Brown 23:47, 35. Jorie Ihme 24:33, 43. Julia Trantina 27:36

Junior high - 2. Ashley Robben 14:19, 4. Madysen Hull 15:41, 6. Mackenzie Wilds 15:46

New London-Spicer invitational

West Central 38, Albany 57, Staples-Motley 81, Paynesville 84, New London-Spicer 103, BOLD/BLH 178, Benson/KMS 199, Litchfield 201,

2. Sweeney 19:43, 8. Lorber 20:33, 28. Yungbauer 22:13, 38. Kleiberova 23:28, 39. Smith 23:36, 46. Sauber 24:40

JV - 22. Wilds 24:56, 25. Hull 25:04, 29. Ihme 25:29, 34. Brown 26:12, 24. Trantina 28:57

Junior high - 1. Robben 11:36

Boys results

Pine River-Backus meet

Team scores: Pequot Lakes 23, Staples Motley 66, Crosby-Ironton 82, Park Rapids 111, Frazee 119, Pine River-Backus 148, New York Mills 166, Pillager incomplete

Boys varsity - 3. Emmet Anderson 16:39, 6. Hunter Klimek 17:30, 14. Ben Bartczak 17:52, 21. Tanner Robben 18:09, 24. Coleman Klimek 18:20, 27. Jack Tyrrell 18:26, 34. Finn Erholtz 18:59, 36. Bentley Christensen 19:07, 41. Cael Sams 19:19, 42. Nicholas Tabatt 19:40, 60. Tren-



Kira Sweeney



Emmet Anderson



Addison Lorber



Bentley Christensen

ton Plopper 21:18

Junior high - 3. Alex Veronen 12:47, 14. Isaac Christofersen 13:34, 16. Jacob Schmitz 13:36, 19. Austin Johnson 13:57, 25. Connor Judd 14:37, 35. Alex Brings 15:45, 39. Grant Johnson 16:12, 40. William Thew 16:15

New London-Spicer invitational

West Central 51, New London-Spicer 113, Albany 130, Holdingford 131, Benson/KMS 146, Staples-Motley 153, Breckenridge/Wahpeton 156, Morris 198, Ottertail Central 210,

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6. Anderson 17:02, 22. H. Klimek 17:58, 41. Bartczak 18:34, 44. Robben 18:40, 53. Be. Christensen 18:51, 57. Tyrrell 19:02, 78. C. Klimek 20:28

JV - 6. Brayden Christensen 19:16, 7. Erholtz 19:18, 9. Tabatt 19:25, 30. Christoffersen 20:36, 38. Plopper 21:09, 44. Schmitz 21:23

Junior high - 17. A. Johnson 11:43, 25. Judd 12:14, 48. Brings 13:43, 51. G. Johnson 13:57, 53. Thew 14:05



Defensive stop

Josh Lombard makes a tackle late in the game to help preserve the football win. (Staples World photo by Mark Anderson)



Friday night football frenzy

Kids attending the Staples-Motley football game on Sept. 16 had a wild time on the outskirts of the stadium, dodging in and out, catching passes and running with the ball. (Staples World photos by Mark Anderson)



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