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Digital Daze: Parents can help kids learn online responsibility

By Mark Anderson
News Editor

There is no magic solution for parents concerned about their kids getting into trouble online, but there is a parenting process that will bring parents closer to their kids and help them both.

"Studies show young people need the same things they have always needed: relationships, boundaries and participation," said Erin Walsh at the Digital Daze community forum on Sept. 26.

"Surveillance and rigid rules don't necessarily help young people learn the skills they need to navigate online, they need to practice those issues," said Walsh.

Parents talking to their kids about digital citizenship and digital literacy helps kids with those issues, and helps them form better relationships in person, not just online.

One of the goals of digital citizenship is to develop offline relationships.

"A text is a fine way to start a conversation, but we have to loop around and talk face to face before long," said Walsh. "Studies show that for every hour of face to face time a person has, the statistics are all better across the board."



Dealing with digital issues daily

The Digital Daze community forum panel included, from left, Erin Walsh, Maggie Evers, Penny Olsen, Steve Commerford, Jane Gustafson and Samantha Pommier. (Staples World photo by Mark Anderson)

On the other hand, Walsh said it isn't clear if depression and anxiety are caused by too much online activity, but people who scroll messages all day without face to face contacts are more prone to anxiety and depression.

"We're all trying to figure out how we are having a healthy relationship with technology," said Walsh.

For parents concerned about the safety of their children online, Walsh said the problem is more likely to come from someone the child knows than a stranger online.

She suggested getting young people involved in producing media that shares their positive messages about online usage.

Walsh said just the fact that Staples is addressing the issue is a good sign. "I knew from the very first conference call that this was a special community

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Baby boomers will need housing options

By Mark Anderson
News Editor

Up to 80 percent of rural homes will be on the market in the next 15 years, as baby boomers transition to different homes. Rural communities need to start planning for this, said Ben Winchester during a presentation of "Rewriting the Rural Narrative" on Sept. 26.

The event was sponsored by Todd County Citizens Against Drugs and the Todd County Council on Aging and held at NJPA in Staples. Winchester used research and statistics from the University of Minnesota Extension and Center for Small Towns as the basis for his conclusions.

"The baby boomer sell-off is a huge opportunity for resupply," said Winchester. However the homes may need rehabilitation. "We must prepare our homes for a new generation of rural residents," he said.

Keeping residents is another need, and housing is the key. "If seniors don't have places to live, they will leave," said Winchester. At the same time, building transitional housing is harder for rural communities. "Housing will be built where it is most profitable to do so, not where 'demand' (in terms of number of households) is strongest," he said. "You can't wait for developers, they go to where the money is, they don't care a lot about rural."

Winchester said government subsidies may be needed to start the senior housing that will be needed. Another suggestion he had was asking the seniors themselves to invest in the types of housing they will want, even before they are ready to move. "Seniors have savings, and when they sell their homes they will have enough to live on and to invest," he said.

Winchester suggested looking into all the available options to make the housing market appealing to seniors. He said every community needs to look into their existing stock, rentals, vacant property and the need for construction, skilled trades and lumber yards.

If senior housing is not built and seniors start leaving, it will hurt a community in more ways than one, but statistically it means millions of dollars leaving over time. Winchester showed statistics of senior income, mainly Social Security and Medicare, which he called "transfer income" and how it makes up a large portion of the rural economy.

In Todd County the percent of total community income that comes from transfer receipts has risen to 29.4 percent of total income, that's just social security, disability and Medicare/Medicaid benefits. Medical benefits have risen to 52 percent of that total.

With the challenges, comes opportunities. Winchester said the local economy is going to become more integrated with boomer-related services and shifts in retail.

Newcomers

Home ownership is not as popular with young people as it was for pre-

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A picture of future housing

Ben Winchester presented "Rewriting the Rural Narrative" recently with a focus on housing. (Staples World photo by Mark Anderson)

SEDA reacts to Winchester talk

By Mark Anderson, News Editor

After listening to Ben Winchester's new statistics about the needs of the aging baby boomer generation, Staples Economic Development Director Melissa Radermacher said Staples will need more transitional housing when that generation starts selling their homes to move into lower maintenance homes. Radermacher brought the subject up at the Sept. 26 Staples Economic Development Authority (SEDA) meeting.

SEDA Board member Doyle Yoder asked if they need to reach out to young people to buy the homes. Radermacher said it is just as important to make sure the community keeps the baby boomers.

"We don't want to lose those people, and their transfer income of social security and Medicare. It plays as big a part as any payroll income," said Radermacher.

Radermacher said the current homes could be useful for workforce housing for young families, but the sellers

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Hello, Readers,

Each year on October 5, people across the nation observe National Do Something Nice Day. It's very similar to National Random Acts of Kindness Day, which is celebrated on February 17.

It would be ideal if everyone lived their lives doing kind things on a daily basis and without thinking about it. Today serves as a reminder to us all, as it is easy to get caught up with hectic schedules and fast-paced lifestyles, to stop for a moment and do something nice. The something can be anything from buying a cup of coffee for someone in line at the coffee shop to giving a compliment to the tired clerk. Maybe the day calls for sending flowers with a card that says "just because," or asking the neighbors over for a barbecue in the backyard or mowing the lawn for someone.

"Real generosity is doing something nice for someone who will never find out."
~Frank A. Clark

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Ethan Fleisher publishes his first book

By Dawn Timbs
Staples World reporter

Ethan Fleisher of Staples has been writing stories since he was four years old...before he could even write.

His mother would actually do the writing part, Ethan explained, dictating his words as he told the story to her. Ethan would then draw pictures to accompany his tale.

"I've always loved reading and writing," he said recently over coffee at the Stomping Grounds in Staples.

It was a passion of his all through his years at Staples-Motley Schools. A 2009 graduate, Ethan recalled his favorite class, a college composition course taught by Onni Sharp Anderson. "Her classes were very inspiring," Ethan said.

His senior year, he wrote a short story that was published in the literary journal 'apt magazine.' That was exciting and fueled his dream of one day writing a book.

Now 26, Ethan's dream has come true with the publication of his first book, "This is Where Things Play." It's a story that was inspired by the landscape of Park Rapids, a town he lived in for a while in 2016. The main character in the book is a 15-year-old runaway who ends up, by accident, joining up with an apocalyptic cult. It's part mystery and part a story about the outdoors, Ethan said of his book.

He spent a lot of time camping in the Park Rapids area during the writing of "This is Where Things Play." Ethan has found that being in nature helps get the creative juices flowing, especially when his subject matter centers on the outdoors.

Ethan said he tried to get his book into print through a traditional publisher, but ended up going the route of self-publishing. It can take many years to find a traditional publisher and you usually need an agent, Ethan has found.

In addition to the physical environment, Ethan said he finds inspiration for his books by speaking with people he meets along the way. He is currently working on an historical novel about the Mesabi Iron Range in 1956. He spent time traveling to the North Shore, talking to people who had worked in the mines. He also utilized the internet for his research on the subject matter.

Reading good literature is something that inspires him in his own work, Ethan said. Two of his favorite writers are Cormac McCarthy and William Faulkner.

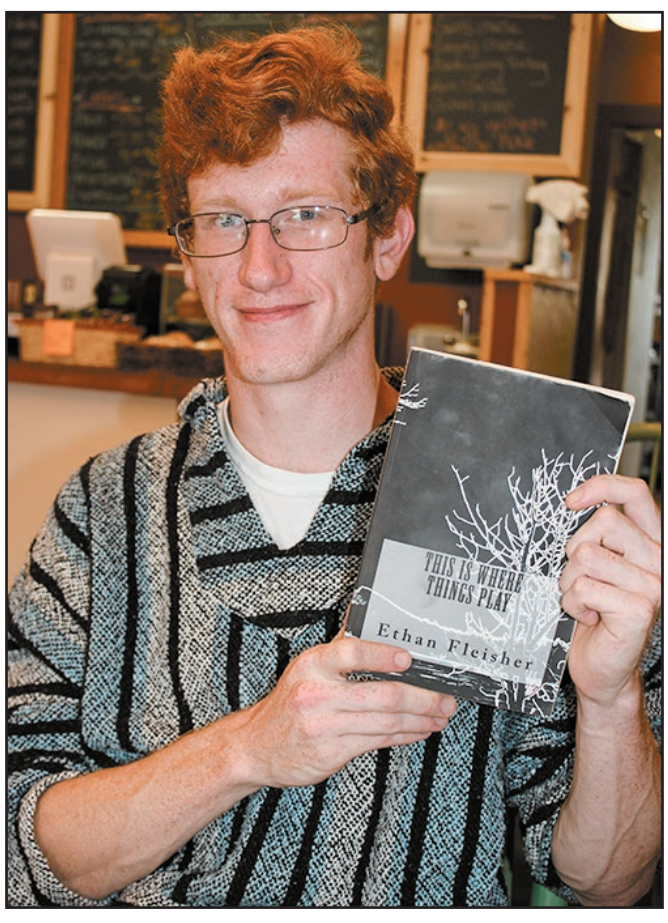
For Ethan, Staples is a good home base for his work. "I really like Staples...it's a great town," he said.

However, he is often out traveling, either working on a book or touring with Aitas, the band he helped found in 2010. Ethan sings, plays guitar and writes a lot of the music for Aitas.

Someday, he hopes to make his living solely from working as a writer and singer.

Currently, Ethan's book, "This is Where Things Play," can be ordered online through Amazon. He also is hoping to do a book reading at the Stomping Grounds coffee shop in the future, a place where he once worked as a barista.

In the meantime, Ethan's spending a lot of time at the Crow Wing River...finding inspiration for his next novel.



Local writer

Ethan Fleisher's debut novel, "This is Where Things Play," is set in the Park Rapids area and includes both mystery and outdoors themes. It is available online at Amazon.com. (Staples World photo by Dawn Timbs)



‘In the ninth month of ‘17...’

...Paul Bunyan gave to me, nine kids a-learning.’ Pictured above at Sacred Heart Area School in Staples are fifth graders in RoAnn Trout’s class. Front row, from left, are Lilly Tyrrell, Jade Storry, Axel Mertens, Drake Dukowitz. Back row: Joe Zimmermann, Jacob Becker, Trout, Sophie Albie, Miranda Schotzko (eight students and one teacher for a total of nine in the classroom). To see a video performance of their song, visit the Staples World website at www.staplesworld.com; or our Facebook page. The Staples World will be highlighting a variety of area landmarks during the debut of, ‘The Twelve Months of ‘17,’ sung to the tune of ‘The Twelve Days of Christmas.’ Stay tuned to find out what Paul Bunyan delivers each month. (Staples World photo by Dawn Timbs)

Z-Degree available first at CLC

By taking selected classes, Central Lakes College students can earn their Associate of Arts Degree without ever buying a textbook. It’s called the Z-Degree and CLC is the first in the state to offer it.

CLC built its Z-Degree by offering its faculty opportunities to review potential open education resources (OER) redesign courses to use OER, and to author OER for CLC courses.

What’s OER? It’s high quality teaching and learning materials, such as textbooks, that are openly licensed. That means instructors are free to revise, reuse and remix the resources to create the perfect set of learning materials to fit their classes. Students can access those materials online, avoiding the cost of a textbook. Still want a paper copy? CLC’s Graphic Design Department prints them at a very low cost.

“Faculty are no longer constrained by commercial textbooks that do not fit their courses well,” said Martha Kuehn, CLC Dean of Liberal Arts. “They now have the freedom to create the set of resources that they want their students to have. This results in materials that are customized to our courses and our students.”

In addition to improved learning, OER helps the student financially.

“OER removes financial barriers for our students and improves student success,” Kuehn said. “No more waiting until the next payday or for financial aid before buying books. Students have all the materials they need on day one of class.”

CLC is extending OER savings into area high schools, as well. Through a grant from the National Joint Powers Alliance, CLC was able to extend its OER work to its College in the Schools partners.

Karen Pikula, a CLC psychology instructor who uses OER in her classroom, added: “About 60 percent of students do not have textbooks three weeks into a semester. This is a tragedy. In these times of economic stress it’s vitally important that we strive to provide our students with high quality free learning resources, that they have access to the first day of class.”

Pikula’s Spring 2016 Honors General Psychology class gathered student feedback on how the cost of textbooks impacted their living budgets. Here are some responses:

“I could use the extra money for other things that I may need for school such as supplemental learning material, school supplies and help with utilities and rent.”

“I traditionally use one student loan to pay for my apartment and textbooks, but I didn’t have enough this semester because the cost of my textbooks were more than double what I paid last semester. Now I have to take money out of my personal savings account to cover rent.”



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• Flu shots are available NOW at all Lakewood clinics during regularly scheduled appointments or by walk-in: 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday-Friday.

• They will also be available Saturday, October 14th and Tuesday, October 24th from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. at our Staples Quick Care clinic.

According to studies done by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), the nasal spray flu vaccine used in past years was found to be ineffective and will not be used or distributed during the 2017-2018 flu season. Therefore, Lakewood will only be using the traditional flu “shot,” and recommends it for everyone six months and older.

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Young people are building their own communities

vious generations. Winchester said younger families may need incentives and other help to make the homes affordable to them.

Studies show home owners participate in the community more than renters and bring more benefits to the town, yet young people are developing new ideas of what the community means to them. Young families consider themselves a part of a region more than just one single community, said Winchester.

“They are creating groups and building their own community, they are diversifying the economy, buying and starting businesses, or working from home,” said Winchester

He said employee recruitment will need to market the entire community and region if they want to get people to fill the jobs that will be needed.

Winchester said communities need to become more welcoming to newcomers in order to keep up with the coming needs. “You will lose equity if you are not a welcoming town,” he said.

He also said towns trying to return to the way things used to be are going in the wrong direction. “The bottom line is people want to live and move here for what you are today and will be tomorrow, not what may have been,” he said.

Rural narrative

Winchester went over some of the conclusions from his original Rewriting the Rural Narrative presentations in the Staples area.

He said rural communities need to change the stereotypes that come from metro media but also can come from the people living in the commuity.

Many times the people of a community propigate a false narrative about their own town. Winchester said he often hears people complain that their town “would have had” (name of business here) “if it wasn’t for” (name of government office here).

“Stores close, and we blame ourselves, but it is actually just a national trend of globalization that causes it, you have to see it in the global context,” said Winchester.

The same with school consolidations and declining enrollment. “The only reason schools are losing students is because the birth rate has been lowered,” said Winchester.

The same applies to rural hospitals, post offices and other institutions undergoing change, he said.

Agriculture is no longer the mainstay of the rural economy. It amounts to only five percent of the total economy. Of that small amount, he said 59 percent is owned by metro companies.

The biggest drivers of the economy in rural Minnesota are education and health care services. “We care about our people,” said Winchester.

Opportunities and Challenges

Winchester provided notes on a statistical analysis of Todd County, including opportunities and challenges.

Opportunities:

- Now have this research and data to guide us
- Within driving distance to urban areas
- Be more welcoming through social media and other new efforts
- Newcomers group getting together (can be a challenge too)
- Near lakes/hunting
- Concerts, music
- Jobs and industries
- School system
- Assistance for older population
- Recreation promotion
- Good realtor is a good resource
- Library
- Shopping in the region
- Churches
- Medical
- Cost of living is less
- Close to jobs
- Available housing (Staples)
- Civic organizations, churches
- Ethnic diversity

Challenges:

- Child care
- Adult day care
- Broadband
- We may not be very welcoming
- Lack of housing (Long Prairie)
- Not the “right” housing (Staples)
- Reaching out to newcomers in groups and individuals
- Could use welcome wagon
- Newcomers not necessarily being welcomed personally
- Differences between older and newer groups (it’s a two-way street)

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Focus group for housing suggested

will want single level, low maintenance housing.

SEDA Board member Tim Rice, CEO of Lakewood Health System, said when the new townhomes opened in Staples, some of the assisted living residents who no longer needed as much help moved there, but he said they still need more rooms for all types of elderly housing.

SEDA Board member Doug Case said some retired people would like garage space and shop space in addition to simplified housing. City Administrator Jerel Nelsen said senior housing options are becoming competitive, as many have activity rooms and other added amenities. He said having a shop space could be an attraction to the retired crowd.

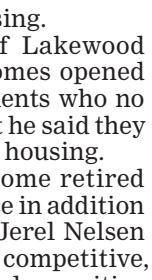
Case also brought up the trend of tiny homes, which can be placed on lots too small to place a traditional home.

Radermacher suggested that SEDA help form a focus group that works on housing issues. She said it could be realtors, developers, contractors and anyone who works on housing issues.

Case said the biggest housing problem he sees right now is people from out of the community buying homes to put them on the rental market. Case said they rarely get improved and become blighted.

Radermacher said the Central Minnesota Housing Partnership is looking to build units for working families, but they were unable to make a deal for the trailer park area near Airport Road and 3rd Ave. NE. That land has been sold to a developer from Montana that specializes in improving trailer parks.

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AgCentric boosted by grant

AgCentric was awarded a $99,947 grant from the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Risk Management Agency. This is the second year AgCentric received this grant.

AgCentric is a Minnesota State Center of Excellence in Agriculture made up of three colleges: Central Lakes College in Staples, Ridgewater College and Northland Community and Technical College. AgCentric works to develop and deliver the latest and most advanced agricultural knowledge and training in the region.

The primary focus of this grant is to assist beginning farmers in mitigating risks on their operation by providing tools to managing risk aggressively. Specifically, AgCentric will focus this grant project on human risk that will include family mental health and employee management.

"With today's farm economy being strained significantly, AgCentric, with the support of the Risk Management Agency, is offering support to our beginning farmers in Minnesota through training and offering tools to manage risk in all areas of a farm business," said Keith Olander, Director of AgCentric, Dean of Agricultural Studies, and Director of CLC Ag & Energy Center.



Edina Realty office celebrated

The Staples Motley Area Chamber of Commerce commemorated Edina Realty's new office in downtown Staples with a ribbon cutting on Sept. 27. Realtors Sandy Knosalla and Nikki Hirschey will be the primary agents to use the office, as they both sell mainly in the Staples area. Broker Jim Eisler said the area has enough volume of sales to warrant opening a new office, even though almost all real estate searches start online. Knosalla has been with Edina Realty for 14 years and said the new office will be welcome, because she won't have to run to Brainerd for services or sign paperwork in her vehicle, like she has done in the past. Hirschey has been in the real estate business for 16 years, the last couple with Edina Realty. "We will usually be at the office, but if we are out, we will ask people to call our phone," said Knosalla.

From left are Chuck Mayer, Bruce Brotherton, Steve Gertken, Dan Orth, Nikki Hirschey, Jim Eisler, Sandy Knosalla, Barb Cline and Dawn Hagenson. (Staples World photo by Mark Anderson)

Staples Police report

Recent reports from the Staples Dept. include:

Sept. 25; Staples Police responded to a report of a kitchen fire on the 400 block of 7th St. NE. Upon arrival, the fire was extinguished. The reporting party stated a dish boiled over and started on fire. The Staples Fire Dept was also on the scene.

Sept. 25; Staples Police arrested John Faulk, 52, for violating an order for protection.

Sept. 26; Staples Police responded to an address on 5th St. NE for an assist to public. The caller reported he found money in his step-son's room and it was possibly stolen. They also reported possible abuse to the child. The incident was investigated and information transfered to Todd County Social Services.

Sept. 27; Staples Police received a report of ATVs parked on school property west of Airport Rd. The ATVs had been reported stolen from a residence in Staples in July. The owner was contacted and the ATVs were returned.

Sept. 28; Staples Police received a report of a suspicious male walking eastbound on Hwy 10. Police made contact with the subject who stated he was trying to get to Minneapolis and wanted to walk. The subject was not a traffic hazard and continued walking eastbound on Hwy 10.

Sept. 30; Staples Police were advised of an individual wrapped in a pink blanket riding on a train car. Police assisted BNSF when the train arrived at the Staples Depot. The individual was not located upon the train's arrival.

Sept. 30; Staples Police observed a vehicle travelling at a high rate of speed on Warner Rd, reaching 78 miles per hour. Police cited the driver for speeding and gave a verbal warning for expired tabs.

Sept. 30; at 11:30 p.m., Staples Police responded to the 500 block of Warner Rd for a noise complaint. It was learned a group of juveniles were causing a disturbance for neighbors. The juveniles were advised on the incident and left the residence.

Sept. 30; Staples Police responded to the 1200 block of 2nd Ave. for a disturbance and a possible drunk driver. Police found the vehicle involved but did not observe any indicators of drunk driving.

Sept. 30; Staples Police responded to the 1200 block of 2nd Ave. NE for a report of an assault. Police spoke with both parties involved. The complainant did not wish to press charges.

Oct. 1; Staples Police arrested Keri Self, 30, for domestic assault and disorderly conduct.

Oct. 1; Staples Police Police witnessed a driver on 2nd Ave. driving carelessly. Police located the vehicle and arrested Brian Dukowitz, 43, for DWI.

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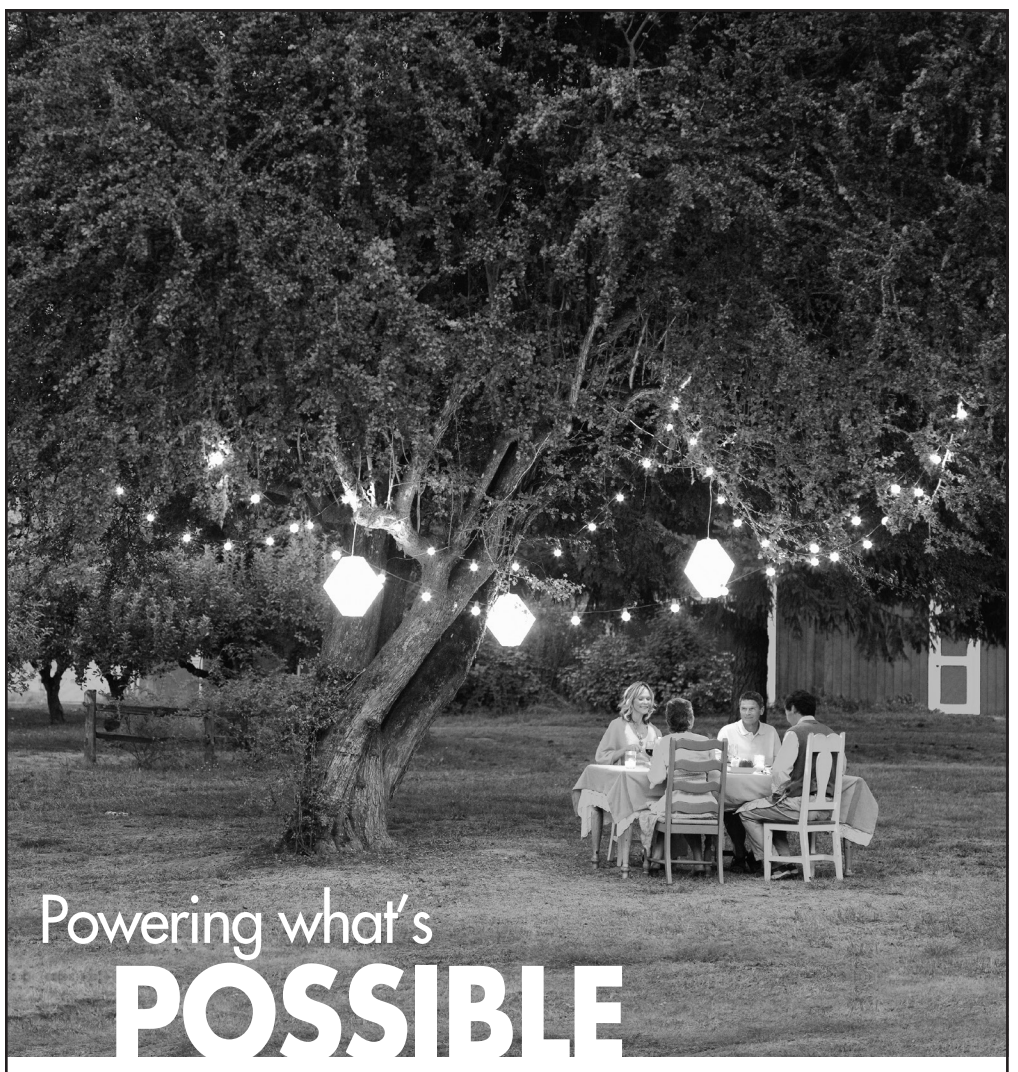


Cardinal Homecoming runners

Joe Zimmerman, age 11, was the top finisher in the first Cardinal Homecoming 5K run on Sept. 30. Pictured, Zimmerman poses with football players and cheerleaders at the finish line/goal post. The top women's finisher was Shannon Hogan. Below, finishers run through a gauntlet of football players, cheerlearders and give high fives to the Staples-Motley Cardinal mascot.







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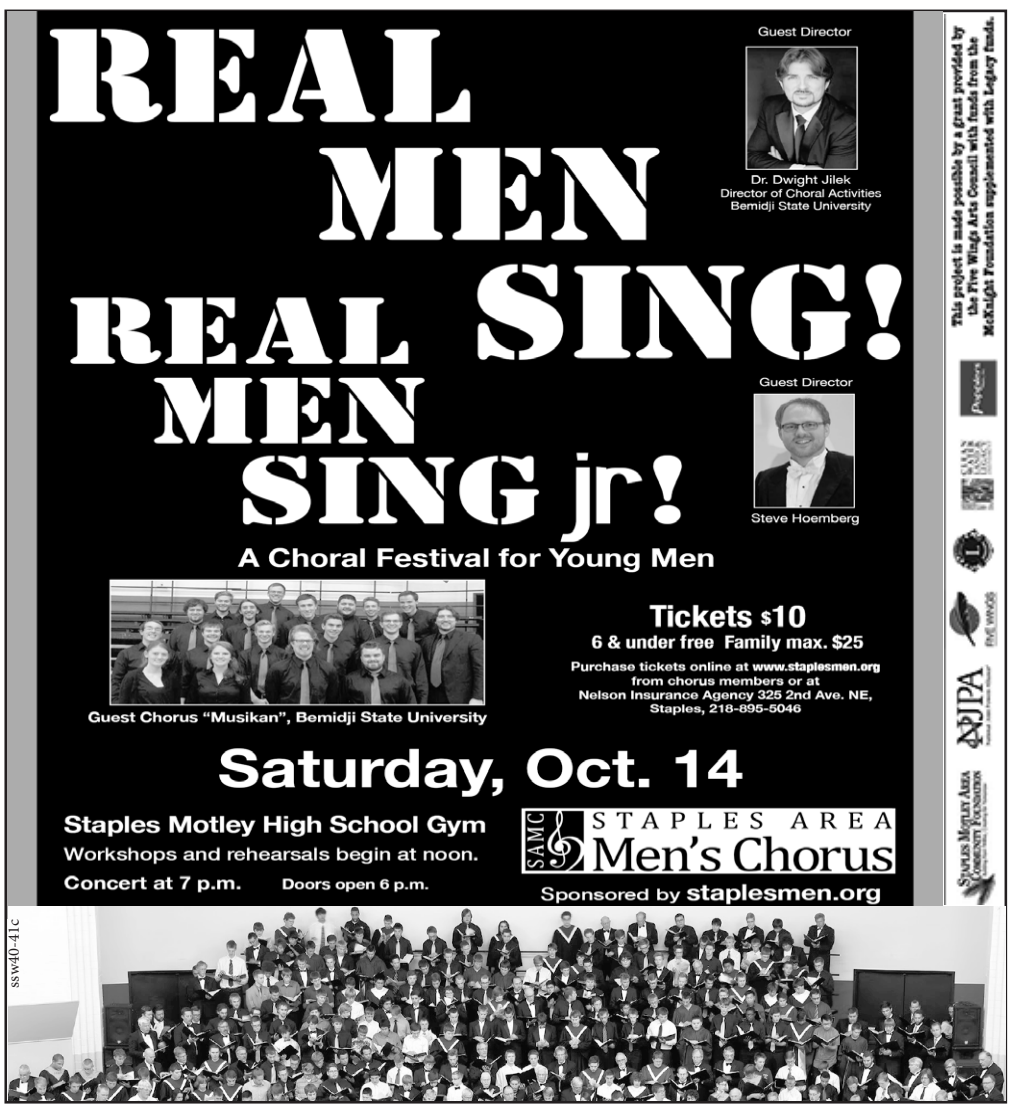
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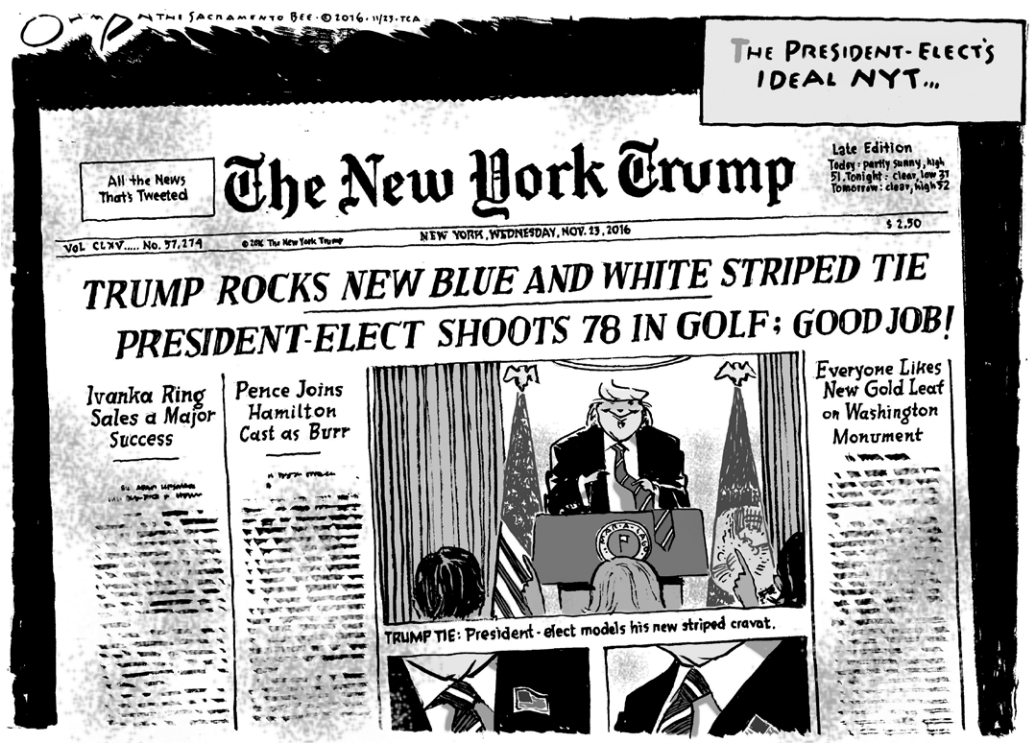
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Your local newspaper: We are the real deal

By Jim Zachary

While no one should ever say "I know it's real because I saw it on the internet," everyone should be able to say, "I know it's real. I read it in the newspaper."

Real newspapers reporting real news have never been more important or more valuable to readers and communities.

This week, newspapers across the nation recognize National Newspaper Week and the theme - Real Newspapers...Real News - points to the importance of accurate reporting, watchdog journalism, strong editorials, comprehensive public notices and a free, open public forum that can be easily accessed by readers in more ways than ever before.

In print, on digital sites, via laptop, desktop and mobile devices, through SMS or social media, newspapers across the nation continue to be the leading source of reliable information in all the communities they serve.

In a world of fake news spread on social media and attacks on the media from people in power, it is important for the public to know the difference between legitimate reporting by credible sources and all the noise posing as "the media."

Here are some of the reasons your local newspaper is the most trustworthy source for news and information:

- Newspaper newsrooms are staffed with real people - people you know - reporters, photographers, editors - gathering the news, conducting interviews, covering meetings, attending events, writing, editing, fact-checking and making sure every day you can trust what you read.
- Newspapers rely on recognizable sources. Quotes in the articles you read are attributed to real people and can be easily verified.
- Newspapers work hard to stay away from single source reporting, giving readers context and balance.
- Newspaper websites have legitimate URLs ending in .com or .org extensions, listing contact information, the names of staff members and the media organization's leadership team on the website.
- Newspapers correct mistakes. Everyone makes mistakes at times, but there is a big difference between an error and intentionally and knowingly publishing a false report because of some political or social agenda. Spurious websites, blogs and social media do not correct errors. They thrive on them.

In the United States newspapers have a long and important legacy of holding the powerful accountable, defending the First Amendment and advocating for government transparency.

Democracy is protected when the newspaper provides checks and balances as the Fourth Estate of government from city hall to the courthouse to the statehouse to the White House.

Newspapers are committed to the neighborhoods, cities, counties, states and coverage areas they serve.

Straightforward news reporting and thought-provoking commentary give a voice to the voiceless and empower the powerless. Newspapers hold government accountable because at our very core we believe that government belongs to the governed and not to the governing.

Don't be embarrassed because you shared some sensational, agenda-driven report on social media only to find out it is totally fake. Get your news where real news has always been found: Your local newspaper, the real deal.

Jim Zachary, CNHI Regional Editor for Georgia and Florida newspapers, is the president and chairman of the Red & Black Publishing Co., serving the University of Georgia, director of the Transparency Project of Georgia, open government trainer and member of the board of directors of the Georgia First Amendment Foundation and a member of the Grady College of Journalism and Mass Communications Board of Trust.

Connecting with readers by delivering chicken dinner – and steak, too

By Jim Pumarlo

Nothing is more satisfying to an editor than reviewing a day's edition – whether in print or digital format – and quietly proclaiming, "We connected with our readers." A newspaper's relationship with its readers is at the heart of National Newspaper Week.

Newspapers, at their best, are stewards of our communities. News columns are a blend of stories that people like to read and stories they should read. Advertising promotes and grows local commerce. Editorial pages are a marketplace of ideas. Energized newspapers are at the foundation of energized communities.

Connecting with readers also means delivering the chicken dinner – and steak, too. No matter how big the newspaper, we must not forget the little things. No matter how small an operation, newsrooms must strive to present the special projects, too.

There's no better barometer of connecting with readers than walking into a house and seeing the "refrigerator" posts.

A report of a high school sporting event. The calendar of activities at the senior center. A photo from the school musical. A notice of a hearing on proposed sidewalk assessments. New hours for the landfill. A feature on a neighborhood book club. A letter to the editor that struck a sensitive chord. A school board announcement of higher student athletic fees. A store's grand opening.

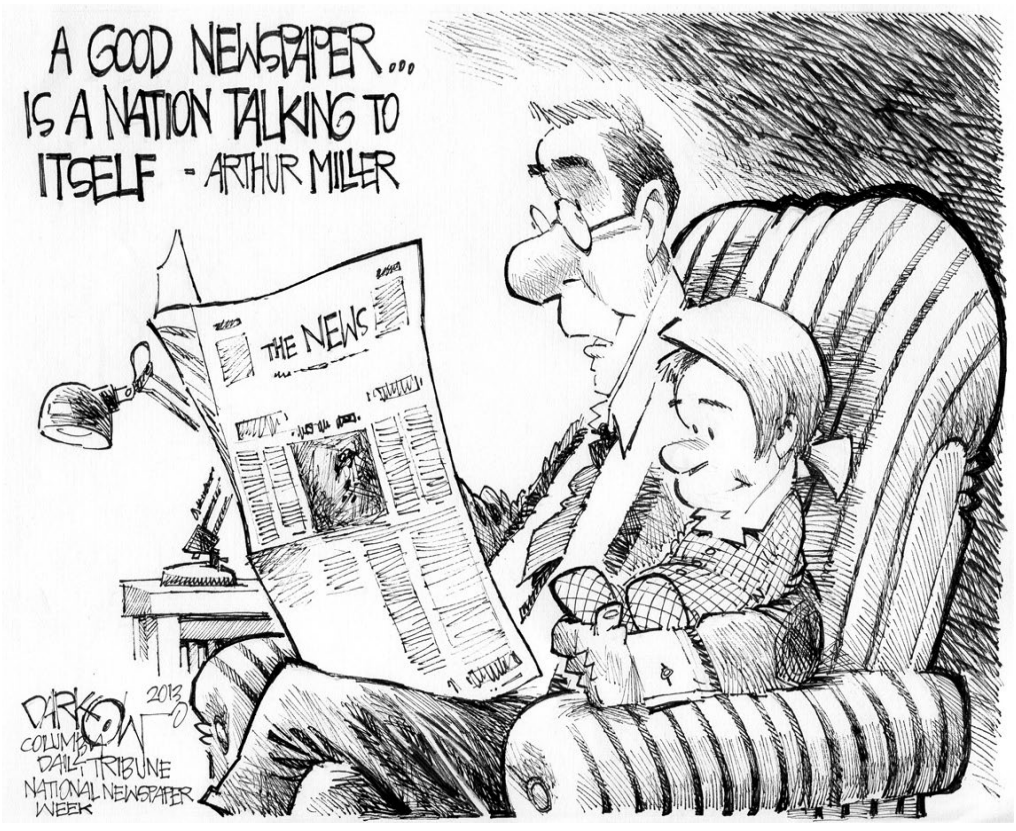
Newspapers must not abandon their other responsibilities either. We keep readers abreast of decisions of local governing bodies. We are vigilant in fighting for the First Amendment rights and tracking down information at the foundation of an informed citizenry. We provide in-depth reports and analysis of issues vital to our readers.

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Jim Olsen to perform at Motley's 'Music in the Park'

Guitarist Jim Olsen will be the featured entertainer at Motley's 'Music in the Park' event Sunday, Oct. 8, at 1:30 p.m. The free concert will be held at Veterans Park, located off Hwy 10 on Main St. E.

A Hibbing native, Olsen currently lives in the Brainerd Lakes Area. He plays traditional guitar and harp-guitar and performs throughout the state at a variety of concert venues, including fine-dining restaurants, resorts, weddings, dinner parties and corporate events.

Olsen was based in Nashville, Tenn. for a number of years, where he toured with a number of music groups and as a solo artist. In 2007, he returned to his home state to help care for his dad.

Expect to hear some stellar guitar work from Olsen, who will be performing songs he grew up with, as well as telling some of the stories that shaped his playing.

"This should be an excellent day to get out and hear good music and enjoy the fall colors," said event organizer Bob Jenkins.

In the event of inclement weather, the concert will be held at Motley United Methodist Church, 847 3rd Ave. S.

'Soup, Sandwich and a Song' concert Oct. 28

The Staples Area Women's Chorus will present their annual "Soup, Sandwich and a Song" concert Saturday, Oct. 28, at Staples Alliance Church, 1512 8th St. NE, Staples. Doors will open at noon, with festivities beginning at 12:30 p.m.

Chorus members are encouraging the community to, "Come out and enjoy a fine lunch while being entertained by wonderful music."

Advance tickets are available from chorus members; in Motley at Markus Hair Design; and in Staples at Nelson Insurance Agency and Staples World. Tickets will also be available at the door.

For more info., call Janet Anderson at 218-839-3900.

Mark Your Calendar

October 12

Wadena Whirlaways Square Dance Club Mtg sponsored by Cass County Public Health, Thurs., Oct. 12, 7:30 - 10 p.m., Wadena VFW. Tom Allen, caller; Donna Stone, cuer. For info., 218-296-1641.

October 17, 18

Immunization Clinic Tues., Oct. 17, 10 a.m. - noon and 1 - 2:30 p.m., Pillager Family Resource Center. Walk-in. For info., 218-547-1340.

WIC Nutrition Program sponsored by Cass County Public Health, Tues., Oct. 17, 10 a.m. - noon and 1 - 2:30 p.m.; and Wed., Oct. 18, 9:30 a.m. - noon and 12:30 - 2 p.m., Pillager Family Resource Center. For info., 218-547-1340.

PEP (Parents Empowering Parents) Talk Support Group For Parents of Children with Special Healthcare Needs sponsored by Lakewood Health System, Wed., Oct. 18, 7 - 9 p.m., LHS main campus, Staples. Refreshments, childcare and activities provided. Free. For info., to register, 218-894-8311.

October 24

Free Seminar on Arthritis and Joint Pain hosted by Lakewood Health System, Tues., Oct. 24, 5:30 p.m., lower level classrooms at LHS main campus, Staples. Pie and coffee served, presentation by Northern Orthopedics surgeon, Dr. Paul Rud. To RSVP, 218-894-8638. For info., 218-894-8578.

Real Men Sing! Festival encourages young men

What does turning the calendar to October signal for you? Crisp weather and beautiful fall colors? Or do you think of crisp music and beautiful melodies? If you are in the mood for both, the Real Men Sing! festival held each October in Staples is for you.

On Saturday, October 14, 2017, the Real Men Sing! and Real Men Sing jr! will bring a variety of colorful tunes Saturday, Oct. 14, to the Staples-Motley High School Gym. Workshops and rehearsals begin at noon for participants. The doors open at 6 p.m. with a concert for the public starting at 7 p.m.

This year the guest director is Dr. Dwight Jilek, Director of Choral Activities at Bemidji State University. Dr. Jilek was last year's voice clinician.

"We were impressed by him and impressed by his choir as well," said Kevin Olsen, chair of the festival for the Staples Area Men's Chorus (SAMC), the sponsoring organization.



Dr. Dwight Jilek



Steve Hoemberg

Guest chorus "Musikan" from Bemidji State University will also be performing this year.

The guest director for the Real Men Sing Jr! is former SAMC director, Steve Hoemberg. Hoemberg is excited to work with the high schoolers in attendance and has been sought after for his experience working with developing male voices. Hoemberg was recently chosen to work with the 2017 American Choral Director Association of Minnesota (ACDA-MN) Honor Choir later this fall.

Real Men Sing is in its 16th year and SAMC member Pat Lunemann was recently awarded the Advocate for Choral Excellence (ACE) Award from the Central District of the American Choral Directors Association of Minnesota for being the inspiration behind the Festival. Lunemann will be recognized for his contributions at this year's concert.

The Staples Area Men's Chorus as well as the high school choruses attending will perform separately and then as a mass chorus. Registration is still open for high schools interested in attending. Contact SAMC director Rob Freelove at rfreelove@isd116.org for more information.

Tickets are available online at www.staplesmen.org, from chorus members, or at the Nelson Insurance Agency, 325 2nd Ave. NE, Staples or by calling 218-895-5046.

This event is sponsored by Staples Motley Area Community Foundation, Northern Joint Powers Alliance (NJPA), the Five Wings Arts Council, the Clean Water Land & Legacy Amendment with funds from the McKnight Foundation, and Popplers Music.

Class offered in ancient art of mosaic making

The Cultural Center in New York Mills is offering a two-part mosaic table top making class over two October weekends. The first sessionis; Saturday, Oct. 7 from 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.; the second is Saturday, Oct. 14 from 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Participants in the class spend a couple of relaxing days assembling their mosaics out of tiles, dishes, pottery and glass. Instructor Pam Collins, a local artist from Staples, says the class is fun and stress-free, and that the instructions and guidelines are simple for anyone to follow, though it is recommended for ages 14 and up.

Participants will break for lunch (bring your own, or visit a local restaurant). Depending on how quickly the students are able to finish gluing their designs, the second Saturday will be used for grouting and cleaning, which may not require the full day.



Pam Collins

Says Collins on teaching art and helping the creative process in others, "I believe all humans have a need to be creative, and that art is made to examine our emotions and responses to the world we live in. Most adults do not allow themselves much, if any, creative time in their busy lives. Whenever I have an opportunity to help someone discover his or her creative side, I understand a bit more of the purpose for my life."

Collins is mostly a self-taught artist, who, in addition to working with mosaics, works in watercolors and fabric. She has studied under nationally known artists in pursuit of her favorite medium. Collins has lead numerous watercolor and mosaic workshops in her studio, at area art centers and school districts. Her passion is contagious and inspirational. She's received grants from Five Wings Arts Council, funding from the McKnight Foundation and in 2014, she won a Community Arts Leadership award.

Collins says of her art, "My art is my response and commentary of life around me. My reactions to what I see and experience dictate what kind of art I produce. When working in mosaics, subject matter varies greatly, and the medium allows for an abstract outcome."

Attendees should bring an empty ice cream bucket and rags, and if desired, design ideas and any personal knick-knack or dishes to incorporate into their piece. All other materials provided. There is a fee for the class.

Pre-registration is required. To reserve a spot and pay class fees, call the Cultural Center at 218-385-3339 and for more information, visit the Center's website at www.kulcher.org.

Staples City Council agenda

The Staples City Council will meet Tuesday, Oct. 10, at 7 p.m. at the Staples City Hall, 122 6th St NE, Staples.

Preliminary agenda items include:

- Consider resolution ordering the removal of hazardous buildings at 217 Dakota Avenue SE.
- Committee reports including the public works commission and the economic development authority.
- Open forum.
- City Administrator's report.

School board work session

The Staples-Motley School Board will hold a work session Monday, Oct. 9, at the high school media center.

Foster, Jacobs & Johnson, the firm hired to help the school board develop a long range facility plan, will conduct the facility study session.

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Senator Paul Gazelka to speak at League of Women Voters

Paul Gazelka, state senate majority leader, will give a state legislative session update to the Brainerd Lakes Area League of Women Voters at their meeting Thursday, Oct. 12, at Central Lakes College, Brainerd.

A social will begin at 11:30 a.m. followed by the program at noon.

All League presentations are open to the public and there is no charge.

For more information contact Sally Jacobsen at 218-829-1704.

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Staples High School Class of 1977 held 40 year reunion

Staples High School Class of 1977 held their 40 year reunion hosted by Marlene and Bob Reeck in Staples on Aug. 26 during Railroad Days.

Pictured in the class photo above include (women listed by maiden name), front row, left to right: Cindy Melhus, Mary Palmer, Deanna Larson, Cheryl Doucette, Jody Mueller, Sue Tepley, Marlene Card, Sheryl Britsch, Connie Becker, Mike Odden.

Second row: Mike Martin, Jean Hassler, Terry O'Keefe, Dawn Dorman, Janet Wille, Patty Imgrund, Sue Olson, Trina Heldman, Renee Imsande, Marcy Judd, Joyce Wille, Roxanne Hall, Dave Macho, DeAnn Hutchinson, Nancy Kern, Dave Smith.

Back row: Steve Grossman, Scott Johnson, Ken Berg, Nathan Sturre, Jeff Barrett, Doug Heldman, Randy Wilson, Matt Barrett, Curt Miller, Gary Hoemberg, Pete Card, Charles Radneicki, Gordy Greenwaldt, Steve Gardner, Sandy Denning, Albert Adamietz. (Submitted photo)

Hello World

Births reported at Lakewood Health System Hospital included:

Born to Serena Hoeke and Ethan Boyd of Park Rapids, a baby girl, Harper Antonia weighing seven pounds, eight ounces on September 23, 2017.

Born to Angel Young and David Clairmont of Wadena, a baby boy, Oliver Bleu weighing seven pounds, 12 ounces on September 25, 2017.

Born to Daniela and Charlie Wiczek of Little Falls, a baby boy, Silas Joel weighing eight pounds, six ounces on September 25, 2017.

Born to Naomi and Caleb Horn of Baxter, a baby girl, Elizabeth Kathryn weighing eight pounds, 10 ounces on September 26, 2017.

Born to Mackenzie Monroe of Wadena, a baby girl, Kinsley Mae weighing seven pounds, three ounces on September 27, 2017.



Grandparents Day at SHAS

Above: Father Joe Korf greets Sacred Heart Area School students, grandparents and guardians following Grandparents Day Mass held Sept. 28 at Sacred Heart Church. Students and guests then walked to the school for muffins, cookies and handmade gifts from the students (below). (Staples World photos by Janice Winter)





Classroom visit

Oskar Doll shows grandparents Julie and LeRoy Peterson and great-grandmother Rosie Peterson his kindergarten classroom.



Morning flag raising

Rick and Dawn Adamietz along with fifth graders Drake Dukowitz and Miranda Schotzko raise the United States flag and the Minnesota state flag at Sacred Heart Area School.



Dr. Adrianne Moen

Moen is newest family physician

Dr. Adrianne Moen is the newest family medicine physician to join Lakewood Health System's medical staff.

Originally from Brainerd, Moen completed her undergraduate work at the University of Minnesota-Duluth and received her medical degree from the University of Minnesota. Her residency was done at the U of M-St. John's Hospital Family Medicine Residency. Moen is a member of the Minnesota Academy of Family Physicians and the American Academy of Family Physicians.

As a family practice provider, Moen was drawn to family medicine for the lasting bonds providers get to develop with their patients, and she is excited to practice full-spectrum medicine and help patients through their joys, sorrows and every-day struggles. She has a passion for tackling obesity in all ages and loves the instant gratification of some procedural treatments. Working to improve systems of care to deliver the best medicine for every patient is also something she enjoys.

"I am so excited to be back at Lakewood because the staff and providers feel like a family," said Moen. "I thoroughly enjoyed and was enriched by my experience as an RPAP (Rural Physician Associate Program) student five years ago and I can't wait to have years to build on that. I look forward to working to improve an already amazing system of care."

Moen and her husband have two sons, ages five and one. Together they enjoy fishing, camping and downhill skiing. They are excited to be back in the lakes area and away from big city life.

Moen will be seeing patients at Lakewood's Motley and Staples clinics. To schedule an appointment, call 218-894-1515.

Care Center

Tues., Oct. 24, 10 a.m. Sing-Along w/Bruce; 2:15 p.m. Church - St. John's Lutheran; 4 p.m. Bingo w/Marge; 6:30 p.m. Barn Quilting

Weds., Oct. 25, 2 p.m. Bingo w/Marge

Thurs., Oct. 26, 6:30 p.m. Cards & games

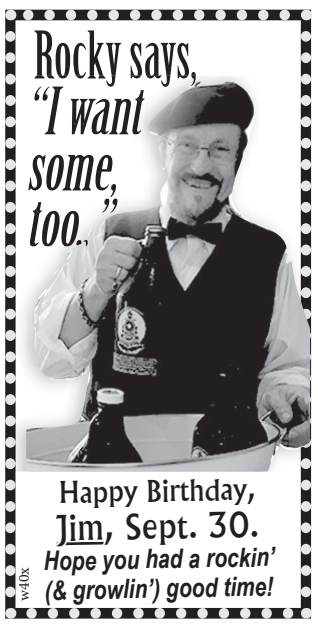
Sat., Oct. 28, 10 a.m. Bingo w/Marge

Mon., Oct. 30, 1:45 p.m. Halloween Party

Tues., Oct. 31, 2:15 p.m. Church - Motley Free Methodist; **4-5 p.m. Trick-or-Treaters;** 6:30 p.m. Bingo w/Marge





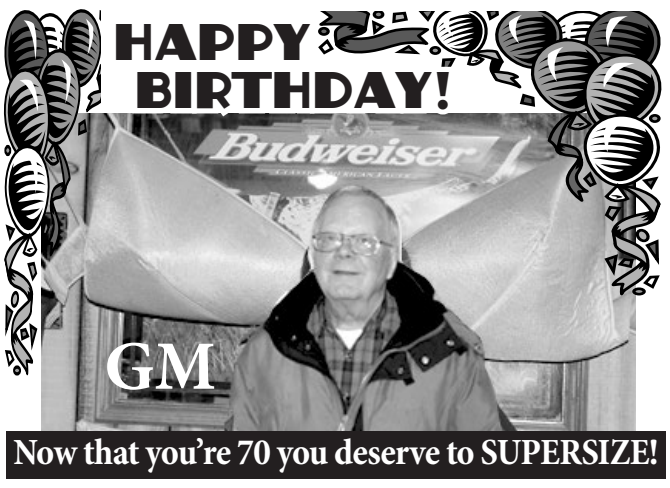


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Obituaries



Marie Adamietz

Marie Adamietz, 84, of Staples, passed away October 2, 2017, at Lakewood Health System Care Center in Staples.

Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 11:00 a.m, Thursday, October 5 at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Staples with Father Joe Korf officiating.

Interment will be at St. Isidore's Cemetery in Moran Township.

Arrangements are with the Brenny Funeral Chapel in Staples.

Marie was born June 23, 1933 to Leo and Emma (Hooker) Vogel in Moose Lake Township, Poplar. She lived and went to school in the Leader area until moving to Staples. Marie was united in marriage to Frank Adamietz on May 9, 1952 at St. Michaels Catholic Church in Motley. Marie and Frank raised their children on a farm near Staples, during which time Marie worked on the family farm along with working at Mid-Western Gas Station for 29-1/2 years; teaching cake decorating classes at West Acres in Fargo, Staples, Motley, Long Prairie, Wadena Home Economics and Central Lakes College in Brainerd and Staples. Marie also operated greenhouses for 18 years. She enjoyed plants, flowers, cake decorating, quilting, canning, ceramics and spending time with family and friends.

Marie is survived by three sons, Mark Adamietz, Albert Adamietz, Francis (Annette) Adamietz and four daughters, Marsha (Kim) Pexsa, Kathleen (Brian) Dobson, Marie (Jan) Pexsa and Monica Adamietz; one sister, Margaret Farber; 19 grandchildren and 20 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband, Frank; son, John; two infant babies; four sisters and six brothers.

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James Cunz

James Cunz, 88, of Onamia passed away October 1, 2017 at the Mille Lacs Long Term Care Center in Onamia

A Funeral Mass will be held at October 7, at 10:30 a.m. at Holy Cross Catholic Church in Onamia with Father Jerry Schik, officiating. Visitation will be one hour prior to services at the church.

Interment will be in Holy Cross Cemetery.

Arrangements are with the Shelley Funeral Chapel of Onamia.

Jim was born on June 25, 1929 and immediately adopted by Harry and Eylma Cunz. He lived in Bismarck, ND until he was 10, when his family moved to Onamia. His family ran a small farm, where Jim and his father built the barn from processed lumber off the farm. They raised chickens, geese, cows and horses. In 1950, Jim married Annella Athman, his "Little Bride". Jim and his father built a house for Jim and his growing family. Jim worked for the Minnesota Department of Transportation, and in 1975, they moved to Staples where Jim continued to work for MnDOT until his retirement in 1987. He enjoyed duck and deer hunting, walking in the woods, plowing snow with his tractor and spending hours mowing acres of lawn.

He is survived by his wife of 67 years; two sons, Jim Cunz and Tom (Aletha) Cunz; five daughters, Mary Syverson (Richard Booth), Margaret (Peter) Willis, Sue (Gary) Rogers, Shari (Scott) Iverson and Kristi (Gary) Trana; 15 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents; son-in-law, Myron Syverson; daughter-in-law, Beth Cunz and step-great granddaughter, Megan Syverson.

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Lloyd Nelson

Lloyd G. Nelson, 78, of Staples died peacefully in his sleep October 2, 2017 at Lakewood Health System Care Center, Staples.

Memorial services will be held at 11 a.m., Thursday, Oct. 5, at Faith Lutheran Church, Staples. Visitation will be held one hour prior to services at the church.

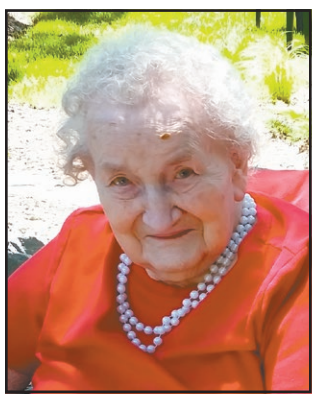
Arrangements are with Iten Funeral Home, Browerville.

Lloyd was born July 30, 1939 to Ernest and Albena (Brabec) Nelson in rural Browerville. He graduated from Staples High School in 1957. He worked at Batcher's Department Store in Staples, before joining the U.S. Air Force. He married Ellen Thorp at the Staples Congregational Church in September, 1962. He returned to Staples and operated Nelson Insurance Agency until his retirement. Lloyd was active in the community as a member of the Staples Fire Department, Staples School Board, Jaycees, Masonic Lodge, Rotary Club, hospital board, church boards and others.

He is survived by his wife of 55 years; two sons, Scott (Doreen) Nelson of Barnesville and Kevin (Julie) Nelson of Staples and one daughter, Terri (Jason) Anderson of Motley; eight grandchildren; four step-grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; two brothers, Gary (Marian) Nelson of Staples and John (Dodie) Nelson of Sauk Rapids.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

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Iris Jares

Iris V. Jares, 95, of Minneapolis died September 26, 2017, in Minneapolis.

Funeral Mass will be held October 20 at 11:30 a.m. at the Catholic Eldercare, Minneapolis.

Burial will be at Evergreen Hill Cemetery in Staples.

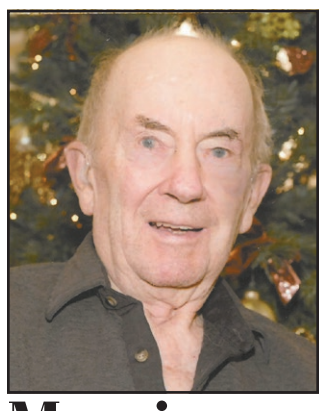
She was born October 5, 1921 to Emil and Anna Marie (Breher) Hoemberg on a small farm north of Staples. She graduated from Staples High School in 1939. She worked as head checker at the National Tea and Red Owl grocery stores. She married Floyd A. Jares, February 18, 1954 in Sauk Center. She was a homemaker, specializing in pies, canned fruits and vegetables, loved traveling and was a devout Catholic. In 2009, she moved to Main Street Lodge (Catholic Eldercare) in Minneapolis.

She is survived by five sons, Mark (Sue), Jay (Donna), Floyd (Nancy), Phillip (Mark) and Jim (Barb); grandchildren, great grandchildren, nieces, nephews and many friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband; three sisters, Magdalene Farber, Dorothy Riebe and G. Marie Fellman and two granddaughters, Caili and Elia.

In lieu of flowers donations to: Catholic Eldercare, 817 Main St. NE, Minneapolis, MN 55413.

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Marvin Pearson

Marvin Pearson, 88, of Twin Valley, and formerly of Motley, passed away September 27, 2017, at Twin Valley Living Center.

Services were held Oct. 2 at Brenny Funeral Chapel in Staples.

Interment was at the Minnesota State Veterans Cemetery near Little Falls.

Arrangements were with the Brenny Funeral Home of Staples.

Marvin was born June 7, 1929 in Glover, ND to Sven and Gladys (Cooper) Pearson. He grew up in the Henning area. Marvin served in the U.S. Army during the Korean War and was Honorably Discharged. He married Betty Thornton on June 9, 1952 in Milner, ND. They owned and operated Marv's Lockers custom meat processing plant in Nashua. Later, they moved to Motley where Marv worked for Gold's Turkey Farm. Marv was a proud member of the Army Chapter of the Chosin Few and a longtime member of the VFW in Tintah and Motley Post #124, where he served as Commander. He enjoyed deer hunting, going to auctions, flea markets and especially loved spending time on his hunting land-the "80".

He is survived by three sons, Craig (Margie) of Hot Springs, SD, Joel of Twin Valley and Colt (Teresa) of Breckenridge and one daughter, Fabia (Danny) Mohn of Yuma, AZ; eight grandchildren; 11 great-grandchildren; one brother, Clayton Pearson of IL.

He was preceded in death by his parents; wife; two sisters and five brothers.

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Linda Thompson

Linda (Oldenburg) Thompson, of Eyota passed away September 10, 2017.

A private celebration of her life was held by her husband, children and grandchildren.

Linda was born in Bertha on April 23, 1951 to Keith and LaVerne Oldenburg. She attended Staples schools and graduated in 1969. She married Fred Rhodes and they had two children, Darren and Lori. Later, she married Wayne Thompson. They lived most of their life in southeast Minnesota.

She is survived by her husband, Wayne; one son, Darren; one daughter, Lori; two grandchildren, Devrie and Chayla; three sisters, Machel (Alan) Marshall of Motley, Terry (Bill) Dobson and Joanne (Jerry) Carpenter, both of Staples along with many nieces and nephews.

Linda was preceded in death by her parents.

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Randy Vasecka



Randy Vasecka, 66, of Motley, MN passed away Saturday, September 30, 2017, at her home.

Services for Randy will be held at 3:00 p.m., Friday, October 6, at the Motley Free Methodist Church in Motley with Pastor Wayne Erickson officiating. Visitation will be from 5 to 7 p.m., Thursday, October 5, at the Brenny Funeral Chapel in Staples and one hour prior to services at the church.

Randy was born September 26, 1951 in Savanna, IL to Raymond and Ruby (Munsterman) Taubert. She was united in marriage to Glen Vasecka January 6, 1976 in Anoka. Randy was a loving wife, mother, grandmother and friend and she showed that every day. Randy's love of the Lord and family was obvious to everyone who knew her. She loved her flowerbeds where she would spend hours pruning and weeding - it was her heaven on earth. She would come into the house afterwards with dirt from her toes to her nose. Randy also loved to can tomatoes, especially salsa and canned jellies, jams, apple butter and great barbeque sauce. Randy will be greatly missed and always loved by her family and friends.

Randy is survived by her husband, Glen of Motley; children, Melanie (Chad) White and their children, Devon, Dylan, Carter and Jude of New London, Tasha (Brian) Olds and their children, Chelsea and Reed of Staples, Elizabeth (James) Williams and their children, Dexter, Sam and Rollie of St. Paul, Tami (Greg) Zupon and their children, Jordan and Sydney of Coon Rapids, Jade and Wyatt Smith.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Raymond and Ruby and brother, Rollie.

Services have been entrusted to Brenny Funeral Chapel in Staples.

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Dale Noble

Dale "Art" Noble, 80, of Motley, passed away September 28, 2017, at Lakewood Health System Care Center in Staples.

Services were held October 2 at St. Michaels Catholic Church in Motley with Father Joe Korf officiating.

Military Honors were provided by Motley American Legion Post #124.

Arrangements were by Brenny Funeral Home, Staples.

Art was born October 1, 1936 in Hay Springs, NE to Dale "Jack" and Helen (Barth) Noble. He grew up in the Sand Hills of Nebraska and later moved with his family to Minnesota. Art served his country in the U.S. Army and was stationed in Germany. He won several championships in professional bronc riding and rodeos in Nebraska. Art had a real passion for his ranch, bronc riding and rodeos and he also enjoyed fishing and firearms. Most important to him was spending time with his children and grandchildren.

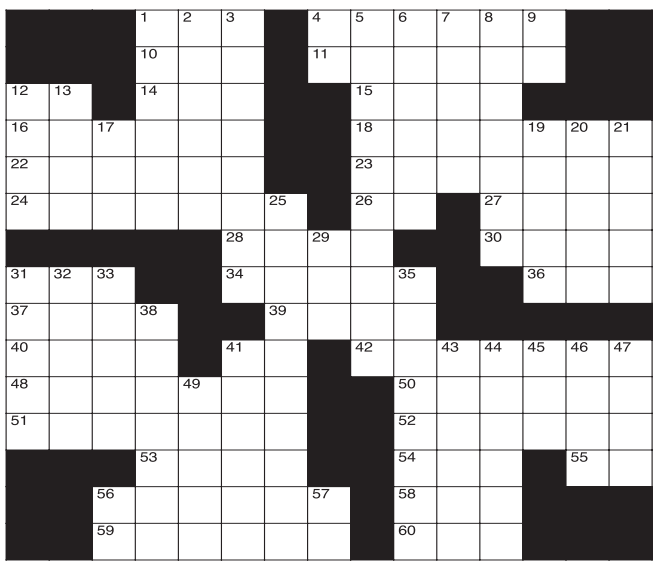
Art is survived by three sons, Quincey (Roxanne) Noble of Stockton, CA, Steven Noble of Los Angeles, CA and Luke (Amber) Noble of Motley; three grandchildren, Wade, Cody and Elizabeth; one sister, Maxine (Marvin) Farmer of Rapid City, SD.

He was preceded in death by his parents and two sisters, Ione and Donna.

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Crossword Puzzle

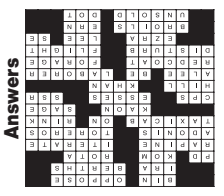
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CLUES ACROSS
1. Storage device
4. Disagree with
10. Political organization
11. Playoff appearances
12. Collection of cops
14. Balkan mountain peak
15. Island north of Guam
16. Seizure of someone's property
18. Repeat
22. Beautiful youth
23. Bullfighters
24. Charges a fare
26. Not off
27. Where skaters ply their trade
28. Meson
30. Guru
31. Cycles/second
34. Alternating turns
36. Soviet Socialist Republic
37. Mound
39. Boxer Amir
40. Away from wind
41. Exist
42. Working man
48. British soldier
50. Scrounge
51. Upset
52. The act of escaping
53. Poet Pound
54. Confederate general
55. Midway between south and east
56. Becomes hot from the sun
58. Fictitious poet Mailey
59. Not yet purchased
60. Intersperse

CLUES DOWN
1. Bathing suit
2. Poignantly different from what was expected
3. A person with the same name as another
4. West Siberian river
5. Of the membrane lining the abdominal cavity
6. Has a positive electric charge
7. Fish-eating mammal of the weasel family
8. Offerers
9. Spanish be
12. Chilean province Capitan __
13. Father
17. Pestilence
19. Songs
20. Grilling tools
21. Long, winding ridge of sand and gravel
25. Court game
29. __kosh, near Lake Winnebago
31. Variety of beet
32. Caps
33. Rides in the snow
35. Took without permission
38. Tall stand to hold books
41. Spanish neighborhood
43. Spanish dance
44. Countries of Asia
45. Make fun of
46. Elk Grove High School
47. Network of nerves
49. Greek apertifs
56. Unit of volume
57. South Dakota

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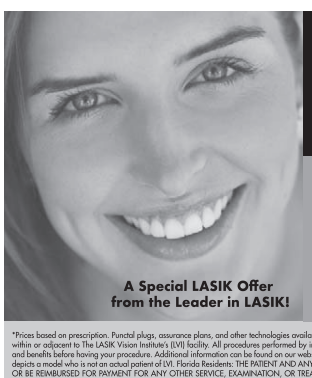
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Wadena County 4-H campers

Wadena County's campers and counselors at the 2017 residential summer camp. Front row, left to right: Nolan Reger, Ashley Shike, Melissa Trout, Melissa Hammer, Cody Hammer, Eugene Reger. Back row: Becca Reger, Emma Malone, Natalie Vandermay, Simon Snyder, Otto Mattson, Coleen Malone, Charli Snyder. (Submitted photos)

Showmanship



Kaija Whitaker and her horse, Rita after receiving a reserve champion placing in Senior Showmanship at the Wadena County Fair.

Wadena County 4-H

Celebrating National 4-H Week Oct. 1 - 7, 2017

Dolly Parton, Julia Roberts, Jimmy Carter, Luke Bryan, Nancy Grace, Reba McEntire, David Letterman...what do these famous people have in common? They, along with a myriad of celebrities, were #4HGrown.

For the 75th consecutive year, millions of youth, parents, volunteers and alumni across the country are celebrating National 4-H Week October 1-7.

Wadena County 4-H will leverage National 4-H Week this year by showcasing the incredible experiences that 4-H offers young people and will highlight the remarkable 4-H youth in our community who work each day to make a positive impact on those around them.

"4-H is so much more than most people realize," said Virginia Hendrickx, Wadena County's 4-H Program Coordinator.

To kick off National 4-H Week 2017, the 4-Corners 4-H Club hosted their second Annual 4-H Block Party Sept. 30 at the Aldrich Community Center, sponsored in part by the Aldrich City Council. On Sunday, October 1, Wadena County 4-H hosted our Annual Awards Program celebrating the achievements of members and volunteers during the 2016-2017 4-H year and kicked off the 2017-2018 4-H year.

The West Jolly Jets 4-H Club collaborated with the Blowers/Rockwood and Wadena Juniors 4-H Clubs to design and distribute an informational flyer through the school system, inviting interested kids and families to their next club meetings, all of which will take place October 8. The Blowers/Rockwood meeting on October 8 will feature a typical club meeting (brief business meeting followed by activities) as well as a potluck supper and a new member kickoff party.

"I think so many people get stuck on the perception that you can only be in 4-H if you live on a farm and that is far from the truth these days," said Hendrickx. "When it comes down to it, 4-H is a youth development organization; utilizing a strong volunteer system, we are able to reach out to youth and help them develop and build social skills, confidence, decision making abilities, and more."

"4-H is preparing youth for their life as an adult someday utilizing learn-by-doing environment we can provide career exploration, teach values, and build better citizens. Given the array of project areas, it doesn't matter what your background is, 4-H has a place for everyone."

Wadena County 4-H is in the middle of a new process called Growing 4-H Opportunities Together through Volunteers in Vision and Action (GOT:VIVA). VIVA identifies the need to expand the 4-H marketing practices and show the kind of program to attract more kids and families to take advantage of the 4-H programs and activities.

4-H alumni around the country are always the first to acknowledge the significant positive impact 4-H had on them as young people; the opportunities and experiences that 4-H provides youth empowers them to become true leaders. Research has shown that young people in 4-H are almost four times as likely to contribute to their communities, and are twice as likely to engage in Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM) programs in their free time.

In Wadena County, more than 200 youth and 40 volunteers from the community are involved in 4-H.

One of the most anticipated events of National 4-H Week every year is 4-H National Youth Science Day, which sees hundreds of thousands of youth across the nation taking part in the world's largest youth-led science challenge. This year's theme is "Incredible Wearables". Youth used the engineering design process to build a prototype wearable technology that will gather data to help solve a real world problem. Wearable technologies are now used in industries around the globe from education and sport, to health, fashion, entertainment, transportation and communication. To learn more about National Youth Science Day, visit http://www.4-h.org/nysd/.

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Find Wadena County 4-H at www.extension.umn.edu/county/wadena/4-h or www.facebook.com/wadenacounty4H.



Fashion Revue

4-H Fashion Revue participants, left to right: Mattea Smith, Amber Johnson (back), Claire Paurus and Sena Lehmann

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EAP is federally funded through the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. Grants are available for renters or homeowners, with household income at or below 50 percent of the state median income, and is based on household size, income, fuel type and energy usage. Services may include payment of energy bills, help with utility disconnections or necessary fuel deliveries, education on efficient and safe use of home heating energy, and repair or replacement of homeowners' malfunctioning heating systems.

The average energy assistance grant in Todd County is $722 per household. Households with an income less than 50 percent of the state median income ($48,076 for a family of four) may qualify; those who qualify are served on a first-come, first-served basis while funds last. People have until May 31, 2018 when the program year ends, to apply for EAP.

EAP pays the utility company directly on behalf of eligible households. Qualifying families must apply for assistance at the local service provider in their area. If you are interested in applying for Energy Assistance, please contact Todd County Health and Human Services at 320-732-4516, or toll free at 888-838-4066. If you signed up for the Cold Weather Rule through your energy provider, this protection ends on April 15, 2018.

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

See the Minnesota Department of Commerce webpage at mn.gov/commerce for resources and energy saving tips.

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Cerney headed to Gopher Hall of Fame Oct. 12



Del Cerney

Former Staples High School swimmer Del Cerney will be inducted into the University of Minnesota "M" Club Hall of Fame.

Cerney capped off a spectacular career for the Maroon and Gold in 1992 by repeating as the Big Ten's 50-yard freestyle champion and then earning bronze at the NCAA Championships. By the end of the national meet his senior year, Cerney had picked up eight All-America finishes during his career. He was also a five-time Big Ten champ, highlighted by those consecutive crowns in the 50 free. In addition to his Gopher career, Cerney won the 1991 U.S. senior national title in 50-meter freestyle, becoming the first Gopher to win a senior national championship in more than two decades.

The University of Minnesota "M" Club, one of the nation's largest and oldest varsity letterwinner clubs, announced its 2017 Hall of Fame induction class. Headlined by NCAA champions, All-Americans and well-known names from professional sports, this year's cohort includes nine alumni athletes and former coaches representing nine different varsity programs. These new additions will be officially inducted into the Hall of Fame during the "M" Club Hall of Fame banquet on Oct. 12 in the DQ Club Room at TCF Bank Stadium.

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





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Questions about online behavior

Erin Walsh, right, asks Motley-Staples Middle School students about growing up in the digital age. Walsh talked to students about being kind online. (Staples World photo by Mark Anderson)

Growing up in the digital age

Walsh gives students ideas to help with online issues

By Mark Anderson
News Editor

The world is becoming dominated by screens and technology, to the point where some people call it a revolution.

"It is changing the way we see the world," Erin Walsh told Staples-Motley students.

Walsh is a nationally known speaker on digital media and brain development. She spoke to middle school students, high school students and again at the Digital Daze presentation for community members on Sept. 26.

She said technology isn't good or bad in itself, but it is powerful and the good or bad depends on how a person uses it.

She asked Motley-Staples Middle School students to think about what it means to them to live well in the digital age, and had them give suggestions on the best part of growing up digital.

Some of the responses from students included "YouTube, entertainment, being able to talk to friends, do research, learn science, learn new things every day and learn how to make things."

Walsh also asked what affects you negatively and students came up with "cyber bullying, hackers, getting addicted and spending all the time on the phone, stalkers, not excercising (getting fat) and technology taking over the world."

Walsh said kids all over the country have the same benefits and the same concerns. She said the biggest problem for students is the online drama being posted. She said kids can be rude and obnoxious, behavior that is not really bullying, but it can move over into that if students do too much of it.

If someone does go too far, Walsh said students need to stand against it together. "Show support for people who show courage," said Walsh.

She said the most important questions to ask when going online are "How do we stay safe?" and "How do we stay kind?"

She told students to take a moment to think about where they are when they feel the most kind and where do they get the most drama?

"Refuse to fuel the drama and use your kindness instead," said Walsh. "Think of your best self in person and ask if I can be that same person online," she said.

If students are their best self, they will never post mean messages or embarassing photos.

Walsh said to do well in the online world, students need to practice kindness with each other when they are not online.

"The most valuable things are the things we choose to pay attention to," she said. "Pay attention to each other. The most important thing is to know when to text or share with a friend, and when you have to go face to face with them and say you are sorry," said Walsh.



Working together

Middle school students practice face to face interactions while talking about online issues during the Erin Walsh presentation on Sept. 26. Walsh said students need to learn when to talk face to face and have personal interactions instead of sending an online message. (Staples World photo by Mark Anderson)

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Professionals develop strategies to confront misuse by children

with great leaders. It was a treat to spend time with your young people, then talk to parents and teachers," she said.

Panel discussion

The forum also had a panel discussion from community members who deal with online issues.

Samantha Pommier, Motley-Staples Middle School Social Worker, said the 4th through 7th grade students at her school do not have the decision making abilities needed to deal with all the online issues. "Mix that with hormones and peer pressure, that is a recipe for disaster," said Pommier.

At the same time, Pommier said the students are aware of the problems sexting and online fighting can cause. "They want to have to have those conversations with parents. I have had those conversations with them."

Some kids don't want to deal with it sometimes and wish their parents would take their devices away at those times, or have rules to not respond to inappropriate messages. "Putting boundaries on them is taking a weight off them," said Pommier.

If a student makes a mistake, they usually know right away because they know the message will be available for anyone to see. "Instead of punishing them and saying it was stupid, help them build themselves back up and bring out the positive side," said Pommier. "They are more likely to do it again if they feel bad about it."

Maggie Evers, a behavioral health psychotherapist at Lakewood Health System, said "I see problems in social media on a daily basis in all age groups, from adolescents to people not liking facebook posts."

Evers said online issues affect self-esteem, anxiety and many other issues. She said she helps people work on boundaries, learning what they can ignore and learning what is real online or what is an emotional response.

Penny Olsen, Staples-Motley High School Social Worker, said she sees online behaviors play out in the school. "Bullying and harassment is a weekly occurrance, both cyber and face to face," said Olsen. It is usually on a smaller scale but it often affects other students.

She said the most effective tool is to get parents involved. "We need to talk to our children and find out what they are doing. We teach people to be compassionate and kind every day, to always treat people with respect and build problem solving strategies."

Steve Commerford, the Todd County Community Corrections agent said last year there was an explosion of inappropriate images shared among students in the county. He said every incident started with boys who pressured girls to send them a photo.

Their solution was to set up a new program that involves all the parties, including their parents, and have a circle discussion where each person states their role in the matter and how it affected them.

Jane Gustafson, Assistant Todd County Attorney, said kids know sexting and sending nude photos is a crime, but they do it anyway because of peer pressure and because "everyone else is doing it," she said.

"Gross misdemeanors and felonies stay with them the rest of their life," said Gustafson. She said they are looking for better ways to deal with it, and also suggested that it starts with parents spending time with their kids talking about their social media behavior.

Questions

The audience asked a few questions of the panel.

To a question about bullying, Olsen said the high school is encouraging kids who stand up against it. "We do have some strong kids and we are having those conversations in home rooms with staff, and the kids want to have those conversations," said Olsen.

Walsh was asked what age should kids get a smart phone? She said better questions to ask are "For what?" and "What's on the phone?" and "How do they start forming positive habits?"

"The way that happens is a coach or parent guides them on positive media habits. This is about clear communication, a phone is a privilege, not a right. You don't need to worry that they are going to miss out on something."

Military service members eligible for tax credit

By David A. Anderson
Wadena County Veteran Service Officer

The Credit for Military Service in a Combat Zone for service in 2013 will expire for most qualifying service members on Oct. 16, 2017. The Minnesota Department of Revenue is reminding Minnesota service members to take advantage of the refundable tax credit before it expires. The 2013 credit is worth $120 per month, or partial month served.

The department recently sent letters explaining how to claim the credit to over 1,500 service members who may qualify. Service members have already claimed more than $1 million in refunds for the 2013 credit, with an average refund of $620.

"Military service members earned this credit while sacrificing for our country. The department wants to make sure they have the information they need to claim this 2013 credit before it expires in October," said Revenue Commissioner Cynthia Bauerly.

To qualify for the credit, service members must meet all of the following requirements:

- Served in a combat zone or qualified hazardous-duty area anytime on or after Jan. 1, 2013
- Been a Minnesota resident during the time of service
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To receive the credit, service members must send the following documents:

- Form M99, Credit for Military Service in a Combat Zone
- Corresponding Form DD-214 for each period of qualifying service

If still on active duty, attach Leave and Earnings statements for each month of qualifying service. Applications must be postmarked by Oct. 16, 2017.

For more information on the military tax credit and to fill out the form, visit our website at www.revenue.state.mn.us. Check out and share our video that explains who qualifies and how to claim the Credit for Military Service in a Combat Zone.

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Lombard, Nyhus connect for game winning touchdown

After falling behind 18-7 in the first half, the Staples-Motley football team shut out United North Central in the second half and won the game 21-18 in the fourth quarter with a 23 yard touchdown pass from Josh Lombard to Mason Nyhus.

Each team scored three touchdowns in the game, but the Cardinals won the extra point battle, Lombard kicking it through on the first score and Dalton Holmberg rushing for the last conversion. The defense stopped all three UNC extra points.

UNC scored in the first quarter, but Chase Davis returned the kickoff for an 81 yard touchdown and Staples-Motley had a 7-6 lead.

In the second quarter, UNC had two touchdown drives for their halftime lead.

Lombard finished a drive in the third quarter with a one yard touchdown run.

The defense was led by the linebacker crew, starting with Braden Tyrrell, who was credited for 19 unassisted tackles and 10 assists, for 29 total tackles. Cade Schmidt and Scout Strickland also cleaned up on defense, with 14 and 10 total tackles, respectively.

The Cardinals were outgained 304-213, and did not convert a single third down or fourth down conversion, but they made enough big plays to come out on top.

Team results

Total yards: SM 213, UNC 304

Rushing: 29-130 yards; Cade Schmidt 9-98, Dalton Holmberg 10-49, Spencer Miller 1-4, Chase Davis 2-(-5), Josh Lomberd 7-(-16), 1 TD

Passing: Lomberd 6-13, 83 yards, 1 TD, 1 Int.

Receiving: Griffin Webster 2-47, Mason Nyhus 3-31, 1 TD, Derek Kennedy 1-5

Tackles: Braden Tyrrell 29, Schmidt 14, Scout Strickland 10, Webster 6, Holmberg 6, Luke Schmieg 6, Isaac Kronenberg 5, Kyle Serich 5, Lombard 4, Kennedy 4, Isaac Swendsrud 4, Nyhus 4, Emmitt Winkels 3, Ryan Wick 3, Chase Davis 1, Jordon Carlson 1



Running shot

Haylee Wold catches up to a drop shot in the tennis match against Perham.

CC teams running fast times

The Staples-Motley cross country teams had some good finishes at the Pelican Rapids Invite on Sept. 28. The boys team finished in first place and the girls had some great races against good competition.

Emmet Anderson won the boys race, while Hunter Klimek and Tanner Robben outkicked their opponents to finish third and sixth, respectively. Isaac Christoffersen had his fastest time of the year to finish in the top ten.

The girls, running without two regular varsity runners, still had two top runners who ran fast times. Addison Lorber finished second and Ashley Robben was third. Madysen Hull had her fastest time of the year and was the third varsity runner.

Team results

Pelican Rapids Invite

Girls scores: Lake Park-Audubon 48, Pelican Rapids 52, Dilworth-Glyndon-Felton 75, Staples-Motley 79, Ottertail Central 82

2. Addison Lorber 21:00, 4. Ashley Robben 21:16, 24. Madysen Hull 23:57, 27. Abby Brown 24:23, 31. Mackenzie Wilds 25:41

Boys scores: Staples-Motley 30, Ottertail Central 61, Dilworth-Glyndon-Felton 63, Park Rapids 106, Hawley 114, Lake Park-Audubon 163, New York Mills 172

1. Emmet Anderson 16:27, 3. Hunter Klimek 17:46, 6. Tanner Robben 18:03, 10. Isaac Christoffersen 18:31, 13. Ben Bartczak 18:41, 14. Jack Tyrrell 18:46, 17. Brayden Christensen 19:11





Runners on the move

Above, Tanner Robben and Hunter Klimek work together. Left, Mackenzie Wilds races the hilly Pelican Rapids course.

Cardinals break even on tennis courts

The Staples-Motley girls tennis team had mixed results as they tried different lineups against two teams. On Sept. 26, the Cardinals beat Little Falls 6-1, with Kelsi Peterson and Haylee Wold earning convincing singles victories and the team of Claire Wolhowe and Jenna Dvorak dominating at number one doubles and Anna Willgohs and Katie Johnson winning easily at number two doubles.

The team had all new doubles teams for a 6-1 loss against Perham on Oct. 2, with Wold getting the lone Cardinal win.

Team results

Staples-Motley 6, Little Falls 1

Singles: Kelsi Peterson W 6-3, 6-0; Haley Dietman L 6-1, 6-2; Haylee Wold W 6-0, 6-1; Rose Han W 2-6, 7-5, 6-1

Doubles: Claire Wolhowe/Jenna Dvorak W 6-0, 6-0; Anna Willgohs/Katie Johnson W 6-1, 6-0; Bryn Williams/Beth Johnson W 6-2, 6-1

Staples-Motley 1, Perham 6

Singles: Peterson L 6-4, 6-1; Wolhowe L 6-0, 6-4; Wold W 6-3, 7-5; Han L 6-2, 6-3

Doubles: Willgohs/Williams L 6-2, 6-2; Dvorak/K. Johnson L 6-4, 6-0; B. Johnson/Tasha Achermann L 6-3, 6-2







Concentration

Left, Claire Wolhowe concentrates on a forehand. Right, Beth Johnson (top) and Jenna Dvorak reach for net shots. (Staples World photos by Mark Anderson)

Hunters: Be prepared to avoid, or survive getting lost

Every fall there are hunting-related incidents that make the news. Some are grim, like hunters being shot; as often as not the victim is also the shooter. Dropping a loaded firearm; forgetting to keep a rifle or shotgun's safety in the "on" position or falling out of a deer stand with a weapon, are among the more common scripts.

Other incidents are potentially grim, but more often than not have happier endings. Getting lost is of this variety. Some forms of hunting – deer and grouse hunting come first to mind – take us into wild country and away from easily-recognized landmarks. They may also take us into country with which we're totally unfamiliar. Even more than deer hunters, grouse hunters over the course of a very long season may seek out new areas in order to avoid over-shooting their favorite covers, and to find new hotspots.

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Then there's the possibility of having to trail a wounded deer. Or, a hunter may follow a grouse that has flushed a couple of times and was seen landing at a distance. Either of these may disrupt one's orientation. And there are always newcomers to either bird hunting or deer hunting, who are not returning to familiar, traditional hunting grounds. But whether you're a veteran or neophyte, losing one's bearings is not that hard to do.

Two recent incidents – one in Pine County, the other in Cass County – have reminded us of the unpleasant possibilities. One hunter was lost for three days, the other for four days before being found. If either of these incidents had happened during the kind of harsh weather that Minnesota is capable of serving up – even in September – the hunters could have ended up in a morgue instead of in the arms of loved ones.

I've been in those boots a time or two myself; not to the extent of being lost overnight, but disoriented long enough for cold sweats to break out, the heart to begin to race and a feeling not that far short of panic to begin rising up. It's happened both when deer hunting as a youth many years ago and grouse hunting later in life. That sudden, chilling realization that I was not sure of my location is hard to describe to someone who hasn't felt it. Becoming "found" again was aided by the compass I carried, and the fact that I had a pretty good idea of which direction would take me back to more familiar territory. The feeling of immense relief when the episode is over is similarly beyond description.

Many are unwilling to trust a compass if it doesn't match up with their instinctive sense of direction. That's usually a mistake, although there are a limited number of locations – in close proximity to iron deposits, perhaps – where a compass can be deceived. But as a general rule, a good compass is more reliable than our own instinct or intuition (or the unreliable notion that moss grows only on the north side of trees). One hunter recently interviewed by a colleague reported that he carries two compasses. The second is there if one is somehow damaged, or is lost. But I suspect its greatest value might be as a tie-breaker to help override the user's hunch that his compass is wrong.

Of course, a compass is of little value unless its user has some idea of the landmarks they'll find if they believe the device and follow a compass heading. Whether from prior familiarity with a parcel of land, or by scanning a reliable map before a trek begins, one should have in mind landmarks that are virtually impossible to miss if he follows a compass in that landmark's direction. A river or stream, power line, an official maintained road or a railroad track come to mind.

Of course, a trekker should also have some idea where that road, river or railroad line leads, and how far away assistance may be, if it comes to that. Just knowing the direction of a natural landmark reveals little if anything about the difficulty of the terrain. Trying to find and follow a river in a roadless area, or in deep wilderness, may increase risk rather than reduce it. On the other hand, if a can't-be-missed forest road is where you parked your vehicle, taking a compass bearing and going cross-country to find it may be the right move.

Realistically, most people are reluctant to abandon trying to find their way back to their starting point, and the magic carpet to safety in the form of a waiting vehicle. Who wants to admit they're lost? But this can become an acute problem if the disoriented person continues traveling without direction, hoping to stumble upon the familiar. Instead, he may be getting farther and farther away from the familiar; farther away from help, too.

The most important advice given by search-and-rescue personnel – to whom the task falls to find lost hikers, hunters and adventurers – is "stay put." The first place searchers begin looking is in the place where you were last known to be; one reason – by the way – why it's so important that someone knows where you're going, and when you expect to return. If you arrived in a vehicle, as will probably be the case, that's where a search for you would begin.

If staying put is good advice for those who are truly lost, how can you increase your chances of surviving if help is not immediate? Carry a charged cell phone, though in some remote locations you may not have phone service. Those who have handheld GPS devices may find their way back in that manner, but any electronic device can fail. Carry at least one container of bottled water, and energy bars. A small plastic tarp and twine could be used to rig a crude shelter; staying dry will help ward off hypothermia. Matches, plus a small candle for a lasting flame – or a cigarette lighter – can help you light a warming fire. Carry a small flashlight, a battery-powered emergency flasher – even one designed for bicycle use – and a whistle, which you may already carry if you hunt with a dog. The flasher might be seen from the air, and the whistle heard by searchers on the ground.

Grouse and archery deer hunting seasons have already begun. Hunter numbers will multiply greatly when the firearms deer season gets underway in a few weeks. It may seem like overkill to worry about staying found, or survive getting lost. But if ever the Boy Scouts could give us good advice, it would be to follow their motto: "be prepared."

Cardinals drop VB game

The Staples-Motley volleyball team fell to a very good Park Rapids team 3-0 on Sept. 28.

Cardinal statistics included:

Alix Peterson; digs-4, assist-1, kills-2

Bella Martin; ace-1, digs-8, kills-1

Kiera Dumpprope; digs-1, blocks-3

Tabetha Allen; kills-4, blocks-1

Camryn Banaka; digs-26, assist-1

Mackenna Bjerga; digs-4, assist-5

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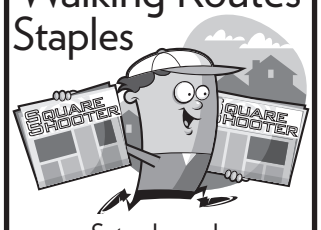
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Strong steps

Above, Madysen Hull runs her fastest race. Left, Brayden Christensen, Jack Tyrrell and Ben Bartczak race together.





Racket action

Left, Tasha Achermann reaches high to hit an overhead shot. Above, Rose Han strokes a backhand shot. (Staples World photos by Mark Anderson)

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STATE OF MINNESOTA
COUNTY OF TODD
SEVENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT
DISTRICT COURT
Case Type: #14 - Other Civil

City of Staples,
Plaintiff
VS.

SUMMONS

Edna E. Hietala or her Estate, also all other persons or parties unknown claiming any right, title, estate, lien or interest in the real estate described in the Complaint herein, and all unknown heirs or assigns of the above in real estate described in the Complaint herein,

Defendant.

THIS SUMMONS IS DIRECTED TO THE ABOVE NAMED DEFENDANTS.

1. 1. YOU ARE BEING SUED. The Plaintiff has started a lawsuit against you. The Plaintiffs Complaint against you is attached to this Summons. Do not throw these papers away. They are official papers that affect your rights. You must respond to this lawsuit even though it may not yet be filed with the Court and there may be no court file number on this Summons.

2. YOU MUST REPLY WITHIN 20 DAYS TO PROTECT YOUR RIGHTS. You must give or mail to the person who signed this Summons a written response called an Answer within 20 days of the date on which you received this Summons. You must send a copy of your Answer to the person who signed this Summons located at:

Joseph A. Krueger
BROWN, KRUEGER & VANCURA, P.A.
124 Lake Street South
Long Prairie, MN 56347

3.YOU MUST RESPOND TO EACH CLAIM. The Answer is your written response to the Plaintiffs Complaint. In your Answer you must state whether you agree or disagree with each paragraph of the Complaint. If you believe the Plaintiff should not be given everything asked for in the Complaint, you must say so in your Answer.

4. YOU WILL LOSE YOUR CASE IF YOU DO NOT SEND A WRITTEN RESPONSE TO THE COMPLAINT TO THE PERSON WHO SIGNED THIS SUMMONS. If you do not answer within 20 days, you will lose this case. You will not get to tell your side of the story, and the Court may decide against you and award the Plaintiff everything asked for in the Complaint. If you do not want to contest the claims stated in the Complaint, you do not need to respond. A default judgment can then be entered against you for the relief requested in the Complaint.

5. LEGAL ASSISTANCE. You may wish to get legal help from a lawyer. If you do not have a lawyer, the Court Administrator may have information about places where you can get legal assistance. Even if you cannot get legal help, you must still provide a written Answer to protect your rights or you may lose the case.

6. ALTERNATIVE DISPUTE RESOLUTION. The parties may agree to or be ordered to participate in an alternative dispute resolution process under Rule 114 of the Minnesota General Rules of Practice. You must still send your written response to the Complaint even if you expect to use alternative means of resolving this dispute.

7. THIS LAWSUIT MAY AFFECT OR BRING INTO QUESTION TITLE TO REAL PROPERTY located in Todd County, State of Minnesota, legally described as follows:

Lots 9 and 10 of Block 8 in Forest Park Addition to Staples.

The object ofthis action is quiet title to a tax forfeited parcel, pursuant to Minnesota Statute §284.11.

Dated: September 20, 2017

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Staples Area Church Directory

Staples

Staples Alliance
1512 8th St. NE, Staples 218-894-2891
Pastor Bob Hepokoski, Paul Johnson
Mark Shea, Pastor of Student Ministries
Sunday Worship.....9:30 a.m.
Sunday School .....11:00 a.m.
WEDNESDAY
AWANA. .....6:15 p.m.

Assembly of God
914 3rd Ave. NE, Staples 218-894-1081
Pastor Roy Miles
Youth Pastor Julie Boone
Discipleship Class.....9:15 a.m.
Sunday Worship.....10:30 a.m.
Evening Prayer .....6:00 p.m.
WEDNESDAY
Sonlight & Youth .....6:30 p.m.

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

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

Faith Lutheran
430 12th Street. NE., Staples.....218-894-1546
Interim Pastor: Saul Stensvaag
Emelia Enquist, Director of Youth, Family & Christian Ed.
Sunday Worship Service.....9:00 a.m.
Coffee Fellowship.....10:05 a.m.

Sacred Heart Church
310 4th St. NE, Staples
Church.....218-894-2296
Pastor Fr. Joe Korf
Youth and Young Adult Ministry Coordinator:
Monica J. Simmons.....218-414-0081 cell/text
MASS:
Thursday and Friday.....8:30 a.m..
Saturday .....5:00 p.m.
Sunday.....8:30 a.m.

Seventh Day Adventist
421 Dakota Ave. SE, Staples
218-894-0033
Saturday Worship .....10:45 am.
Sabbath School.....9:30 a.m.

Thomastown Covenant
15940 251st Ave., Staples.....218-894-3923
Pastor Nathan Hillman
Sunday School .....9:45 a.m.
Sunday Worship.....11:00 a.m.
WEDNESDAY .....7:00 p.m.

Trinity Lutheran
1000 4th St., NE, Staples.....218-894-2372
Rev. Robin Collins
Sunday Divine Service .....9:00 a.m.
Sunday School & Bible Class.....10:15 a.m.

United Methodist
310 5th St. NE, Staples.....218-894-2248
Pastor Greg Leslie
Sunday Worship.....10:30 a.m.
(Nursery Available for Sunday Worship)
Sunday School (for grades K-12 and adults)
.....9:15-10:15 a.m.

Aldrich

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

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

Cushing

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

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

Cushing Baptist
26298 Bear Rd., Cushing
www.cushingbaptistchurch.org
Pastor Dan Holmes.....320-749-2583
Sunday School .....9:30 a.m.
Worship.....10:30 a.m.
WEDNESDAY
Bible study .....7:30 p.m.

Leaf River Township

The Old Country Church
Leaf River Twp., Wadena County Rd. 6
Info. 218-837-5690 Open by arrangement

Leader

Swan Valley Lutheran
Leader 218-397-2470
Pastor David Stevens
Sunday Worship.....11:00 a.m.

Maple Hill Lutheran
Pastor David Stevens
Leader .....218-397-2470 (Rural Pine River)
Worship and Sunday School .....9:00 a.m.

Motley

Motley Free Methodist
33 Wellwood St. E
Motley 56466.....218-352-6888
Pastor Jim Johnson
Assistant Pastor Richard Broberg
Sunday Worship.....9:00 & 10:30 a.m.
Sunday School .....10:30 a.m.
WEDNESDAY
Kids Club.....4:00-5:30 p.m.
Youth Group .....5:30-7:30 p.m.

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

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

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

Oylen

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

Pillager

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

Casino Assembly of God
Pastor Dan Johnson
N. of Motley, Hwy. 64, E. on Cty 34 to Cty. 104.
Phone 218-746-3839
Sunday School .....9:30 a.m.
Worship.....10:30 a.m.
Sunday Worship.....7:00 p.m.
WEDNESDAY .....7:00 p.m.

First Baptist
903 River Street South, Pillager
Pastor Jake Anderson
218-746-3768
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Connection Point.....9:30 a.m.
Sunday Worship.....10:00 a.m.
WEDNESDAY
AWANAS.....6:15 p.m.

Hewitt

Church of the Nazarene
114 Front Street, P.O. Box 146 Hewitt, MN
218-924-2028
Pastor Wayne Hoffert
Sunday School .....9:30 a.m
Sunday Worship..... 10:45 a.m./6 p.m.
WEDNESDAY
Prayer.....7:00 p.m.

Trinity Lutheran Church (LCMS)
524 Front Street, PO Box 116, Hewitt, MN
Pastor Robin Fish
Sunday Worship.....10:30 a.m.

Verndale

Verndale Alliance
109 NW Brown Street, Verndale, MN 56481
218-445-5619
Senior Pastor Tony Stanley
Heath Belknap, Pastor of Student Ministries
Sunday Worship.....9:30 a.m.
Sunday Bible Fellowship Classses
.....11-11:45 a.m.

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

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

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

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

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

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Reformation 500 - "The Ongoing Reformation: It's Still All about Jesus!"

Pastor Robin Collins, Trinity Lutheran Church, Staples

For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, not a result of works, so that no one may boast. -Ephesians 2:8-9

October 31 will mark the 500th anniversary of Martin Luther posting the "95 THESES" on the castle church door in Wittenberg, Germany to protest the legitimacy of indulgences, thus sparking the Reformation. Though his theology was still developing Luther understood Scripture's clear teaching that a person is saved solely by God's grace, through faith in Jesus Christ and His saving work and that this faith was God's gift. We contribute nothing to our salvation, it is entirely the work of God. in fact, Luther's last written words were: "We are beggars. This is true."

We too are beggars before God. We have nothing to offer Him that would put Him in our debt, where we can say, "God, you owe me." Instead we must echo the words of the tax collector in Luke's Gospel who prayed: "Lord have mercy on me, a sinner."

And for Jesus' sake God promises us His mercy. Because of Jesus' perfect obedience including His suffering and death on the cross God forgives our sin, because of His mercy and grace through the faith which He gives us by His Word and Sacraments.

For our part we thank and praise God for this amazing gift of salvation and strive to follow in the footsteps of the prophets and apostles and the faithful through the ages who shared the Gospel's message that even now is "STILL ALL ABOUT JESUS!"

To God be the glory. Amen.

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NOTICE
CITY OF STAPLES
ORDINANCE NO. 513

AN ORDINANCE to amend Staples City Code Section 7.1.11, relating to the sale of intoxicating liquor on Sundays.

SECTION 1. Section 7.1.11 is hereby amended by deleting the Section in its entirety and substituting in lieu thereof the following:

Sec. 7.1.11. Sale of Intoxicating Liquor on Sundays.

Subd. a. A restaurant, club, bowling center, or hotel with a seating capacity of at least 30 persons and that holds an "on-sale" intoxicating liquor license may sell intoxicating liquor for consumption on the premises in conjunction with the sale of food between the hours of 11:00 a.m. on Sundays and 1:00 a.m. on Mondays.

Subd. b. An establishment serving intoxicating liquor must obtain a Sunday intoxicating liquor license from the City of Staples, which license shall be issued for a period of one year, for a license fee of $200.00.

Subd. c. Sunday intoxicating liquor licenses issued to an applicant shall be in accordance with Minn. Stat. § 340A.504.

SECTION 2. Effective Date. The ordinance becomes effective from and after its passage and publication.

Adopted this 26th day of September, 2017.

ATTEST:
Phil Lindaman,
City Clerk

APPROVED:
Chris Etzler,
Mayor
40pnc

NOTICE
STAPLES TOWNSHIP
REQUEST FOR QUOTES FOR ROAD MAINTENANCE

Staples Township is requesting quotes for plowing/grading of 34 miles of township roads. This will be for the contract years of November 1, 2017 to October 31, 2019.

Quotes must be based on an hourly rate.

Quotes will be accepted by the Clerk until 7:30 p.m. on October 9, 2017. Quotes should be mailed or hand delivered to:

Bonnie Thoele
Staples Township Clerk
48301 County 21
Staples, MN 56479
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NOTICE
TODD-WADENA COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS

The Todd-Wadena Community Corrections Executive Committee will meet Monday, October 9, 2017, at 4:30 p.m., at the Wadena County Courthouse, 415 Jefferson Street South, Wadena, Minnesota.

Curtis Bryniarski
Administrative Assistant
40pnc

CITY OF MOTLEY
PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
and
MOTLEY CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING NOTICE

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN: Notice is hereby given that the Motley Planning Commission will convene a special meeting on Monday, October 16, 2017 at 6:30 p.m. at City Hall to conduct the following public hearings:

Ordinance amendment to change the maximum height for accessory buildings in the R-2 (Residential - Medium Density) zoning district from 13 feet to 25 feet for lots 2.5 acres in size or higher. Applicant: City of Motley.

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

Immediately following the Planning and Zoning meeting, the Motley City Council will hold a Special Meeting. The purpose of the meeting is to consider public comments and possibly make a decision regarding the proposed Ordinance Amendment. Discussion of other Planning & Zoning issues may also occur.

Ben Oleson, Planning and Zoning Administrator

Lacey Smieja, City Clerk
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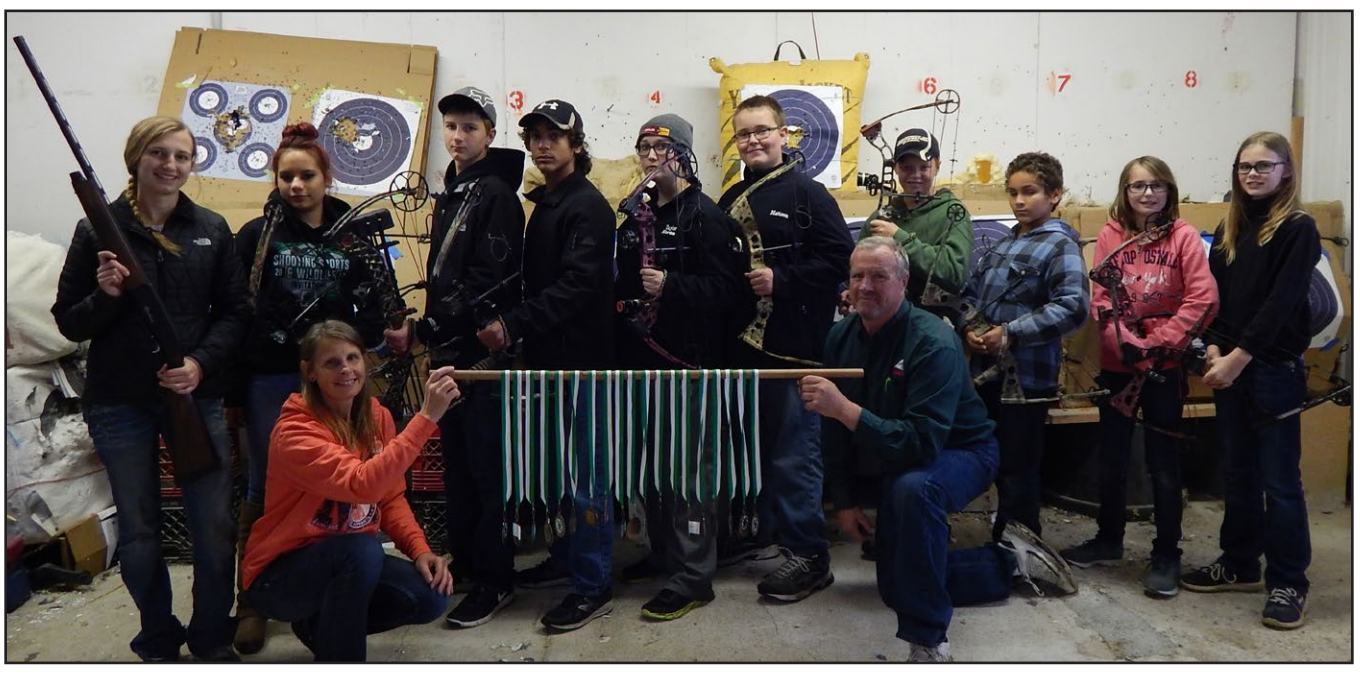
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Wadena County 4-H Shooting Sports

The Minnesota 4-H State Shooting Sports and Wildlife Invitational was held in Martin County Sept. 8-10. Throughout the weekend 715 youth from 59 counties participated in the following events: BB gun, Standard Air Rifle, 3 Position Air Rifle, Air Pistol, .22 Rifle, Muzzleloading, Trap, Silhouette, Wildlife Calling, Skillathon and Conservation/Wildlife Displays. Wadena County 4-H had 15 youth participate in the State Shoot this year in multiple areas. The team earned 22 medals.

The intermediate Class C Archery team of Ethan Trout, Autumn deLeon, Rashad Lincoln and Taylor Horton took 2nd place, behind Ethan Trout's 1st place individual effort. The senior Class C Archery team of Jack Benson, Jack Adamietz, Vincent Berglund and Alex Burckhard took 3rd place. Individuals receiving medals were Katie Benson placing 8th and Jack Adamietz placing 10th. The senior Trap team of Katie Benson, Jack Benson, Jack Adamietz, Ethan Trout and Brenden Thompson took 3rd place. Other individuals receiving medals were Jack Benson, 4th place senior Skillathon and 9th place senior Air Pistol Silhouette; Katie Benson, 1st place senior Skillathon, 3rd place senior Target .22 Rifle, 8th place senior Air Pistol Silhouette and 10th place senior Air Pistol.



Above, in front are Anita Hoeper and Kevin Hoeper, archery coaches. In back from left are Melissa Trout, Autumn deLeon, Ethan Trout, Rashad Lincoln, Taylor Horton, Otto Mattson, Jotham Walsvik, Xander Lincoln, Coleen Malone and Emma Malone.

At right, from left are Jack Benson, Jack Adamietz and Katie Benson.

Vincent Berglund, Alex Burckkhard, Tegan Kempenich, Cassandra Lamphere and Brenden Thompson were unavailable for the photo. (Submitted photos)



Together again

Colton Paskewitz, left, and Trey Skeesick, football and basketball teammates at Staples-Motley High School, met again on the football field Sept. 30, but this time they were playing for different teams. Colton, a junior at the University of Northwestern, St. Paul, plays for the Northwestern Eagles. Trey, a freshman at St. Scholastica, plays for the St. Scholastica Saints. Both teams are in NCAA Division III, UMAC conference. The Saints won 14-7.This was a rivalry game and it was the UMAC game of the week. This game was Colton's first time starting a game at Northwestern and it was Trey's first game with a reception for 18 yards for the Saints.

Colton, a 2015 graduate of SMHS, is the son of Lee and Laurie Paskewitz and the husband of Nicolette Edin Paskewitz. He is majoring in kinesiology pre-therapy.

Trey, a 2017 graduate of SMHS, is the son of Travis and Trisha Skeesick. He is in the School of Nursing at the College of St. Scholastica Duluth.

(Submitted photo)

Swimmers push through mid season crunch

The Staples-Motley swim team has been increasing their workouts as they pass the mid season point.

"They are tired, and they are working so incredibly hard in practice," said Coach Amanda Olson. "The girls are staying consistent with their times so I can't wait to see how they perform once they're rested up."

Highlights from their meet at Park Rapids on Sept. 28 included:

Medley relay of Emily Veronen, Lili Schneider, Autumn Nelsen, and Aleeah Halverson 2nd place.

Halverson and Emma Gerard 2nd and 3rd in the 50 freestyle.

Evelyn Gonzalez made her diving debut with a win.

Autumn Nelsen 2nd in the 100 butterfly with a season best 1:17.

Schneider 1st in the 100 freestyle with a new personal best of 1:01.35.

Veronen 2nd in the 500 freestyle with a personal best of 6:12.

Veronen 1st in the 100 Backstroke with a season best of 1:10.

Schneider also first in the 100 breaststroke.

400 freestyle relay of Veronen, Adriana Dickey, Halverson, and Schneider 2nd.

The junior varsity team is also working hard and earned a win at Park Rapids, 50-49.

"This is a great sign for the future of this team," said Olson. "They have been dropping times and having fun. A couple of years from now they're going to do some amazing things as a team."

Junior varsity highlights:

Medley relay of Mandy Carter, Cassidy Barthel, Val Lozano and Malaya Reem 2nd place.

Brooke Ferdon 2nd place in 200 freestyle in 3:18.

Olivia Holmberg 2nd in the 50 freestyle with a season best of 40.00. Jayma Lawson was 3rd in a season best 46.98.

Breanna Jasmer 3rd in the 100 freestyle with a personal best of 1:30.

The 200 freestyle relay, Ferdon, Carter, Jasmer and Gonzalez 2nd place, with the team of Lozano, Barthel, Irene Argelich, and Johana Ptackova 3rd.

Carter 2nd in th. 100 backstroke with a 7 second drop for 1:37. Holmberg 3rd 5 second drop for 2:02.

Jasmer 1st in the 100 breaststroke with a personal best of 1:55.

The 400 freestyle relay, Lozano, Barthel, Ferdon, and Carter 1st.

Other season bests included: Ferdon - 100 free style, 1:36; Barthel 100 freestyle 1:37; Halverson - 100 freestyle 1:05; Gonzalez 100 backstroke 1:30; Aften Robinson 100 Breaststroke 1:33.

It's time for perch again

By Ray Gildow

When I see the acorns falling off the oak trees and the deer are snarfing them up like crazy, I know it's time to hit the water and start fishing the fall perch run.

Perch numbers on many Minnesota lakes have been down for the past few years and the DNR is not certain why, but there are still adequate numbers to be had for those willing to go fish them. Perch numbers on Leech Lake are still very low, but the perch numbers on Winnibigoshish are rebounding and for anglers who have ventured there this fall the action has been very good.

Some of Minnesota's best perch lakes are in the northern half of the state; Leech Lake, Winnibigoshish, Red Lake, Mille Lacs, and Lake of the Woods. In the fall, the perch leave their hunting grounds in the vegetation and move into shallow water weeds and sand flats in search of this year's crop of shiners, perch and other bait fish. Finding them is pretty easy with today's modern sonar systems and they can even be hunted with the naked eye on clear, windless days. They are very easy to see in three to six feet of water on most lakes. I like to search the ten to eleven-foot depths when I first start fishing them and then work my way to shallow water on sand flats. On a recent trip to Leech Lake, I found large schools of perch in only three feet of water and my boat did not scare them away. We were aided by winds at sixteen to twenty miles per hour.



Fresh fish

Mike Zauhar with two nice fall perch

The daily limit for perch is twenty but I have found that keeping ten to twelve perch in the ten to eleven-inch range is plenty for a nice meal for two people.

The tackle needed to catch perch is really basic. I use 1/8th or smaller jigs tipped with crappie minnows or, on days when they are really aggressive, I tip the jigs with plastic baits. Little Twister Tails, Puddle Jumpers and similar baits work well when they are really biting.

The shallow perch bite is usually good into mid-October and then the perch move out of the shallows into deeper water where they can still be caught, but fishing them becomes more challenging.

First time perch anglers can stop at most resorts and get tips on where to go on any good perch fishing lake. When the bite is really hot, just follow the boats.

If you want to taste Minnesota's finest eating fish... go perch fishing.

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Gayle Christenson,
Total Knee Replacement Patient

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Working on the 'well supply line' project

Crews were in Motley Sept. 27, working on the 'well supply line' project for the new well being installed. Pictured at top left, Inspector Andrew Beadell with Bolton & Menk of Baxter looks over paperwork near the site where crews were at work dewatering the ground prior to pipes being installed. Pictured at top right, working with pipes along Hwy 10, are Joe Pederson, left, and Supervisor Shawn Krebs, with GM Contracting of Lake Crystal. (Staples World photos by Dawn Timbs)

New back-up well going in at City of Motley

Construction is underway for a new back-up well in Motley which will handle the city's water needs if the primary well goes down.

The city's existing well is located just south of Motley on the west side of Hwy 10. The new back-up well will be located on the east side of the highway.

GM Contracting of Lake Crystal is the contracted company for the project. Bolton & Menk, Baxter, is the engineer firm. Construction began Sept. 20 and is expected to be completed by Oct. 13.

Approximately 1,000 ft. of piping is needed to connect the new production well to the existing well house. One of the pipes will be going under the highway and MnDOT requires that the pipe be in a casing so if anything ever leaked it would not cause any damage to the highway. The other pipe is a water main extension.

On Sept. 27, crews were at work on the 'well supply line' project. Bruce Brotherton, Motley's Public Works Director, noted that two different crews were working at the same time drilling in two different directions. "Once the casing is in under the highway, then it will just be a matter of sliding another smaller pipe through that casing and connecting to the pipe that the second crew is currently drilling in going south," Brotherton said.

The new well is expected to pump 500 gallons per minute. Brotherton noted that the city's existing backup wells cannot supply enough water to keep up with the demand when the primary well has to go down for repairs or maintenance.

Motley Police Department, Morrison County Sheriff's Office reports

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

Sept. 20 - The MPD arrested George Weiblen, 47 for driving under the influence and transported him to the Morrison County Jail.

Sept. 18 - The MPD issued a citation to Alec Stoecker, 22, for possession of a small amount of marijuana and possession of paraphernalia.

Sept. 14 - The MPD issued a citation to Justin Cornea, 26, for not having proof of insurance. Verbal warning for speed.

Sept. 18 - The MCSO issued a citation to James Crawford, 59, for driving after revocation.

Sept. 16 - The MCSO responded to a report of a one vehicle accident near Dove Rd and Azalea Rd in Pillager. Driver had hit a deer.

Sept. 14 - The MCSO responded to a report that a cabin at the 27000 block of E Jade Trail in Cushing had been broken into. Cabin owner said that the previous week, she noticed a downstairs window had been broken and that it appeared someone had come inside, eaten some food and slept in one of the beds. Someone had also been in their shed. She didn't notice anything missing. Her husband repaired the window and nailed the doors on the shed closed. They left for the week and upon their return noticed the window had been broken again and in the kitchen a bowl was set out filled with crab apples and an electric razor was on in the bathroom. They checked the house but did not see anything missing. They had not checked the shed. Upon the deputies arrival, they searched the area but did not locate anyone.

Sept. 14 - 20 - The MPD issued speeding citations to Michael Narum, 47; Beau Nieters, 18; Anthony Goodman, 27; Cassandra Deepah, 20; Hannah Waswick, 26; Joseph Schwartz, 31; Marilou Miller, 50.

Sept. 16 - The MPD assisted a female whose vehicle had run out of gas along Hwy 10 in Motley.

Sept. 27 - The MPD responded to a report of theft at the 200 block of Hwy 210 W. in Motley.

Sept. 26 - The MPD and MCSO assisted state patrol with a vehicle that had left the roadway on Hwy 10 near Azure Rd. in Cushing and went down a steep embankment. According to the report, the vehicle had been airborne after hitting a field approach causing the airbags to deploy. Two subjects in the vehicle were transported to St. Gabriel's Hospital in Little Falls with moderate injuries.

Sept. 26 - the MPD was dispatched to Country Terrace Apartments in Motley to help a juvenile tenant remove a string that had gotten wrapped around his parrot's neck and foot.

Sept. 23 - The MCSO responded to a mental health call at Harmony House in Motley.

Sept. 22 - The MCSO received a report of theft at a location in Cushing. Items taken included an ATV worth $2,500. In addition, misc. tools were damaged, with the damage totaling $800.

Sept. 21 - The MCSO received a call from a resident at the 24000 block of Basswood Rd. in Cushing who reported that over 100 trees went down during the storm Sept. 19. He also stated that he had gone out to look for his dog and a tree fell on him, injuring his back.

Sept. 21 - The MCSO received a report of illegal burning at the 2000 block of White Pine Ln. in Motley.



'Banned books' on display

Motley-Staples Middle School fifth graders Ivan Lozano (left) and Dannica Rahn stopped by the library recently to see the display of 'banned books' that had been put together by library media-specialist Michelle Jeziorski. The students were surprised to see that a few books they had read were on the list including "A Wrinkle in Time" by Madeleine L'Engle; and "Hop on Pop" by Dr. Suess. Other favorites banned in the past included "Call of the Wild" by Jack London, "The Diary of a Young Girl" by Anne Frank; and "Of Mice and Men" by John Steinbeck. (Staples World photo by Dawn Timbs)

Thank you for reading the Staples World!

Welcome to the family



Mark Hightower, MD
General Surgery
Essentia Health
St. Joseph's-Brainerd Clinic

Dr. Mark Hightower, a general surgeon, has joined the team at Essentia Health St. Joseph's-Brainerd Clinic. He will care for patients of all ages with a wide range of surgical needs.

Dr. Hightower earned a medical degree from the University of Nebraska Medical Center College of Medicine in Omaha, NE. He completed a residency in general surgery at the University of North Dakota School of Medicine and Health Sciences in Grand Forks, ND.

"I make it a priority to thoroughly explain the options and outcomes of any procedure to my patients. I never gloss over the details," says Dr. Hightower. "I find that the more they are involved in the process, the better prepared they are for what we chose as a treatment plan."

To schedule an appointment with Dr. Hightower, call 218.828.7100.

"Being a general surgeon allows me to perform both common and complex procedures and I really enjoy that variety."

- Dr. Mark Hightower

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New cement slab at dog park in Motley



A new cement slab was recently installed at the entrance of the Motley Pet Stop & Rec Area. The materials were paid for by the city and labor was donated by family members of the late Alan Dumpprope of Motley, who passed away last January as the result of a house fire. Pictured above pouring the cement are, from left, Joseph Dumpprope, Alan's brother; and James Goff, his step-dad. In lower photo, Angela Goff, Alan's mother, stamped a dog print into the cement. Alan's father, Jody Dumpprope (not pictured) also helped stamp dog prints. *Angela will be donating a tree to the park in memory of Alan; and will host a dedication ceremony on Sunday, Oct. 29, at 2 p.m. to thank all of the people who were involved in putting out the fire that took her son's life.* (Submitted photos)