

School building names adding hyphens

By Brenda Halvorson
General Manager

Staples-Motley Elementary School

Motley-Staples Middle School

Staples-Motley High School

These are the names of the Staples Motley School District buildings unanimously approved by the school board at their May 16 meeting.

Also approved on a split vote was the addition of a hyphen

between the town names.

Superintendent Mary Klamm and the administration team suggested the renaming of the school buildings as part of the process of realigning the grade levels. Beginning this fall all elementary students in grades K-3 will attend school in Staples, a middle school with grades 4-7 will be in Motley and grades 8-12 will be in the high school building.

In addition to improving stu-

dent achievement the administration hopes that realigning the grades and renaming the buildings will help build a sense of unity within the district instead of the divisiveness that they believe is present now.

Transition teams of school staff, parents and students have been formed for each building to facilitate the moves. One of their tasks was to solicit building names and submit up to three suggestions to a super transition

team. That team reviewed the options.

High school student Sara Oberlander, a member of the super transition team, presented the recommendations at the board meeting. Keeping the town names was overwhelmingly supported in the transition team discussions. She noted that the location of the school building determined which town name was listed first.

Oberlander also said the

high school students in particular wanted to add the hyphen to make the name grammatically correct.

"If you ask Ms. Sharp, she would say we need the hyphen," Oberlander said, referring to one of the high school English teachers.

Board member Bruce Lund, who also was on the super transition team, said the students in the buildings wanted to keep

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Koopmann, Iverson excel in music and academics

By Mark Anderson
News Editor

United by music, but forging their own path,

Jenessa Iverson and Anna Koopmann are the valedictorian and salutatorian of the Staples Motley High School Class of 2016.

They will each be giving speeches at the graduation ceremony on May 27.

As the daughters of two of the school's music teachers, the two students took literally every music opportunity available to them at the high school.

Looking back at their high school careers, both of them see music as the education they value the most.

"Music is life," said Koopmann.

Iverson said their parents would have probably allowed them to go into another field, but "we wanted it," when it came to music.

They also agreed that their English composition class was a memorable class. "It is challenging but laid back," said Koopmann. "The class discussions are a hoot, but then we have

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Jenessa Iverson and Anna Koopmann



Early Farmers Market season

The Staples Area Farmers Market opened at their Lakewood Health System location Thursday, May 12, amid chilling winds. Vendors had greens, baked goods and canned goods, plus a couple of rutabagas that stayed in the ground over the winter. This year the markets will have card readers for credit cards. People can also use their EBT cards to purchase items.

The market at Lakewood Health System will be every Thursday from 2-5:30 p.m. Other area farmers markets are expected to start after Memorial Day, including Tuesdays, 2-5:30 p.m. at the Verdale Railroad Park; Wednesdays 2-5 p.m. next to the Hewitt post office; and Saturdays, 9 a.m.-2:30 p.m. at the junction of Highways 10 and 210 in Staples. (Staples World photo by Mark Anderson)

Hello, Readers,

On May 20, 1927, at 7:52 a.m., American aviator Charles A. Lindbergh took off from Roosevelt Field on Long Island, New York, on the world's first solo, nonstop flight across the Atlantic Ocean and the first ever nonstop flight between New York to Paris. Lindbergh, a daring young airmail pilot, was a dark horse when he entered a competition with a \$25,000 payoff. He ordered a small monoplane, configured it to his own design, and christened it the Spirit of St. Louis in tribute to his sponsor-the St. Louis Chamber of Commerce. When he took off his monoplane was so loaded down with fuel that it barely cleared the telephone wires at the end of the runway. He flew northeast up the East Coast and as night fell left Newfoundland and headed across the North Atlantic. His greatest challenge was staying awake; he had to hold his eyelids open with his fingers and hallucinated ghosts passing through the cockpit. The next afternoon, after flying 3,610 miles in 33 1/2 hours, Lindbergh landed at Le Bourget field in Paris.

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Diana Johnson art show opens May 26

A new art exhibition entitled "Just Paint" by Staples artist Diana Johnson will open with a reception Thursday, May 26, from 5-7 p.m. at the Five Wings Gallery.

The gallery is located within the Five Wings Arts Council's office and can be accessed at the west entrance of 121 4th Street NE, Staples. The exhibit, which continues through June 17, will be open for viewing during business hours, Monday-Friday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Johnson took on a personal challenge of creating one new painting each weekday for a year and posted her progress on her blog, www.dianalynpaints.com. This exhibit, "Just Paint," catalogs the growth and change of her style and skill over the course of that 12 month period.

Over 250 small works were the result, created using a variety of mediums, from oil to pencil. Her subject matter varied

widely and ranged from landscapes to olives and portraits to pine cones.

Johnson's desire to improve her painting skills drove her to start this

challenge. She used the internet as her classroom by watching hundreds of "How To" videos by other artists on their techniques and process.

In reflecting upon the year of dedicated painting she said, "My hope was that painting consistently would make me better at my art and I feel it has

done that. What came as a surprise though, was how much this challenge changed the way I see. At the end of the year, I believe my biggest lesson learned was that painting well is more about really seeing the world around you than mixing the right colors or applying the best brush stroke."

The Five Wings Arts Council is one of eleven regional arts councils in Minnesota. Its mission is to encourage and promote arts creation, appreciation and education through grant programs and technical assistance in order to enhance the quality of life for Minnesota residents in Cass, Crow Wing, Morrison, Todd, and Wadena counties. It distributes funds allocated from the Minnesota State Legislature through the Arts and Cultural Heritage fund and legislative appropriation, as well as funds provided by the McKnight Foundation.



Self portrait

This self portrait by Staples artist Diana Johnson is one of the pieces in the "Just Paint" exhibit opening with a reception May 26 at Five Wings Gallery. Johnson used the photo at right as inspiration for her Van Gogh style portrait. (Submitted photos)



Wadena County coordinator position cut

By Rin Porter
Wadena County reporter

At the May 3 Wadena County Commissioners Board meeting, commissioners voted to eliminate the county coordinator position, held by Curt Kreklau, and create a director of human resources position and a director of information technology position. Kreklau would hold both new director positions. The changes are effective July 1, 2016.

The board also created a new department - the department of human resources. Support staff for the department will be determined during the next few weeks, after the county's personnel committee considers the issue of whether to add new staff or reorganize the duties of current employees.

Commissioners gave no reason for eliminating the county coordinator position they created early in 2014. Kreklau was offered the job on May 2, 2014. He accepted

the position in an oral agreement, pending the receipt of a written offer. To date, he has never received a written offer for the position, Kreklau said on May 3 during a break in the board meeting.

Commissioners also voted to return the job of clerk of the board to the Auditor/Treasurer Judy Taves, as required by Minnesota statutes, effective July 1.

Commissioners, Kreklau and the Personnel Committee will also consider creating a new position

in the information technology department, to be called "network administrator." This position is currently under evaluation by consultant Mike Gibson, to determine the grade and step that the position should be assigned in the county's job hierarchy.

Commissioners briefly discussed the county's budget committee. The committee's membership, charter, work schedule,

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Temps rise over debate on hiring deputies

By Karin Nauber
Todd County reporter

A board action to hire three full-time deputies in the sheriff's office, led to a bit of a disagreement in leadership techniques between Todd County Commissioners David Kircher and Randy Neumann at the commissioner's May 3 board meeting.

The board action read,

"Due to the increased workload, the need to fill open shifts and provide adequate law enforcement coverage for the safety of the citizens of Todd County, Sheriff Asmus wishes to hire three full-time deputies. Sheriff Asmus is anticipating that there will be two deputy sheriff positions open soon due to one retirement and one resignation and wishes to avoid

overtime issues and short shifts for the high activity months of summer."

Kircher asked what would happen if the positions did not turn into resignations and retirements?

"Are we stuck?" he asked. Sheriff Don Asmus said that one resignation has already been received and the other is tentative with a June 30 expected date.

The third position

would be to help with the extra workload.

Chair Barb Becker said that Asmus had brought the request previously, but that one was not until June.

Kircher said, "I would not have approved this. This is catching me all by surprise. I am not in favor of hiring in 'anticipation of.'"

He asked about the severance packages and about

the 90 day rule which he said they apparently no longer do when hiring.

Asmus said that they had considered the cost of the severance packages, but that covering the overtime would be very expensive, too.

Neumann said when they were talking about

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Bear attack near Sebeka

On May 13, at 10:16 p.m., the Wadena County Sheriff's Office received a report of an adult female attacked by a bear at her residence, in Section 16 of Meadow Township, northeast of Sebeka.

Catherine Hanson, 59, of Sebeka, had been on the deck of her house when the bear attacked. It appeared the bear was a sow and had cubs. She was knocked down by the bear and received numerous injuries. When the bear stopped the attack, she was able to get back into her home and call 911.

When law enforcement and medical personnel arrived, the bear had left the area.

Hanson was transported to an area hospital and treated for non-life threatening injuries.

Local DNR officers responded to the scene and attempted to locate the bear. A bear trap from the Park Rapids Area Wild-

life Office was brought in and set up. Further investigation of the scene indicated the bear was after, and destroyed, bird feeders located near the house.

At the time of this report the bear has not been caught.

The DNR and sheriff's office remind residents to be on high alert this spring, especially in the rural areas, for bear. They will be looking for food and or garbage that are easy access for them. Keep bird feeders and garbage away from buildings and keep garbage at a minimum. If you encounter a bear, do not walk towards it. Use loud voices and yell at it if one is on your property. If you see one on your property, do not approach it. It will eventually go away. If a bear becomes a nuisance, contact your local DNR Officer.

The Wadena County Sheriff's Dept. was assisted on scene by Sebeka First Responders, Tri-County Ambulance and DNR.



And they're OFF.....

Excited kids take off at the starting line for the Sacred Heart Area School's Sprint into Summer run. (Submitted photo)

SHAS 5k/1k run a success

Sacred Heart Area School's "Sprint into Summer" 5k/1k run held May 14, with 47 participants.

Race organizers were pleased with the first ever event and plan to hold it again next spring promoting health and wellness. They would like to thank all of the runners and volunteers.

Sprint into Summer race results:

19:28 Jeff Thompson, 20:35 Ryan Trout, 22:16 Chris Odden, 22:29 Jenny Rieve, 23:05 Steve Dalquist, 23:52 Brock Spandl, 24:31 Derek Dickey, 26:28 Emily Burrows, 26:46 Corrina Dalquist, 28:01 Melissa Soule, 29:07 Kasey Odden, 29:07 Missy Spandl, 29:16 Amanda Olson, 29:47 Lauren Ruten, 30:18 Jade Storry, 30:26 Jim Opelia, 31:00 Jack Storry, 31:02 Colby

Zetah, 31:11 Matt Hoemberg, 31:11 Hannah Hoemberg, 31:54 Julie Peterson, 32:16 Julie Benson, 32:36 Briana Schultz, 33:12 Mark Hansen, 33:12 Jackie Goff, 33:20 Eli Ruten, 33:21 Bryan Burrows, 33:51 Jaida Burrows, 34:02 Jennifer Schreiber, 34:03 Sarah Israelson, 34:06 Cheri Bodeen, 34:06 Kayleen DeWald, 34:06 Maryann Burrows, 34:28 Anna Burrows, 34:47 Emily Malone, 36:48 Gregg Hales, 37:23 Jadyn Vogel, 37:24 Morgan Becker, 38:20 Kim Becker, 38:42 Amy Rollins, 38:43 Melinda Amiot, 38:44 Rachel Amiot, 40:00 Scott Schreiber, 45:39 Pat DiGiovanni, 46:23 Peter Miller, 47:49 Ken Hales, 49:04 Jeff Nagel



Fun run

Enjoying the Sprint into Summer run, from left, are Kasey Odden, Amanda Olson, Missy Spandl and Jim Opelia. (Submitted photo)



Jeff Thompson

New arts grant program offered

Five Wings Arts Council announces a new grant program designed to encourage and support the integration of the arts to address a local community issue, problem or need through an arts-based solution.

The Arts Based Community Development (ABCD) grant program is a pilot initiative open to any non-profit 501c3 organization, organizations or groups without nonprofit designation but using a 501c3 fiscal agent, school or local government entity serving Minnesota counties of Cass, Crow Wing, Morrison, Todd or Wadena.

FWAC will award up to \$7,500 for an approved ABCD application. The applicant organization must provide at least a 50 percent cash match towards the total cash costs of the project.

ABCD projects may

be new initiatives or the expansion of an existing arts and community development project. Successful applications will demonstrate that the project addresses a community issue that has been identified as a priority for resolution. The project must incorporate a collaboration between at least one arts organization and/or artist and one non-arts organization, each with clearly defined roles related to the project, with at least one or more artists or arts organizations playing a leadership role in the core conception, planning, implementation and evaluation of the project. The project engages community by providing avenues for community involvement and interaction at some level in its planning and/or implementation and/or evaluation.

Deadlines for grant

application submission are June 3 and, if funds are still available, again on August 15. Applicants will be notified within 60 days of the application deadline date of the board's decision regarding their application.

ABCD funds are provided through a general fund appropriation from the Minnesota Legislature and Minnesota's Arts & Cultural Heritage Fund.

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Check the Five Wings Arts Council's website at www.fwac.org for further details about grant program guidelines and the application process, or call 877-654-2166 or email vicki.fwac@arvig.net or go directly to this link: FWAC ABCD Grant Guidelines & Instructions

Addition to Dollars For Scholars awards

Missing from last week's listing of Dollars For Scholars scholarship winners from Staples Motley High School were two \$750 scholarships from the Motley Legion Post 124. Those scholarships were awarded to Kyle Zetah and Emilee Etzler.

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Students feel well prepared for future

papers and essays to focus on."

Koopmann also remembered making spoof videos

for class projects, such as films based on The Man in the Iron Mask and the Cold War.

Despite having a full schedule of activities throughout the year, Koopmann and Iverson were able to keep up with their academic studies, taking all of the college level classes available to them.

"The busier it gets, the easier it is to do schoolwork," said Iverson.

"I am a compulsive scheduler," said Koopmann about keeping up with her academics. She said she even schedules free time for herself.

The school also appreciates the talents the valedictorian and salutatorian brought. "These two are a great example of setting your expectations high and taking full advantage of everything we have available at the high school," said Principal Mike Schmidt.

Schmidt said the two charted their own courses of study and the school was willing to accommo-

date where they wanted to go. "The handbook didn't apply to them, they became the best of the best through their own efforts," said Schmidt. "They represented the community and their families very well."

Koopmann plans to attend St. Olaf College and study music performance and English. She said her career goals include becoming a music professional.

After high school, Iverson is lined up to do a work/study program in Germany, where she will be an au pair for a former foreign exchange student who stayed with her family. After that, she may stay in Germany for college or return to the U.S. "My thoughts change every day," she said about her indefinite plans.

Iverson said she feels her high school career has given her the tools to handle whatever comes next in her life. "It was well-rounded, it prepared us for a lot of different stuff," she said.

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Meth arrest in Wadena

Sheriff Michael D. Carr reports that on May 13, the Wadena County Sheriff's Office received information from the Minnesota Bureau of Criminal Apprehension (BCA) advising of a suspicious package that was being mailed from Arizona to a residence in the City of Wadena. The Wadena County Sheriff's Dept. and West Central Drug and Violent Offenders Task Force investigated the address listed on the package and learned the intended recipient on the package was not associ-

ated with the residence in Wadena.

A search warrant for the package was obtained and agents located approximately four pounds of methamphetamine inside the package, with a street value of approximately \$200,000. The above agencies, along with the Wadena Police Dept. and Central MN Drug and Violent Offenders Task Force, conducted a controlled delivery of the package to the address in Wadena. Sheriff Carr reports, after the delivery and investiga-

tion, Michael Gino-Ladon Ricks, 27, of Hanover Park Ill., was arrested for first degree possession of a controlled substance at the Wadena residence. Ricks was transported to the Wadena County Jail and made his first court appearance May 16 after criminal charges were filed by the Wadena County Attorney's Office. Ricks is currently being held on \$500,000 bail or bond without conditions or \$30,000 cash bail with conditions set by the court.

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Hiring decisions cause disagreements

the sheriff's department, it meant the health and safety of citizens if they were lax on it.

Asmus said that he has received requests for more coverage, but hasn't been able to provide it because they don't have enough staff.

"You are speaking to the choir. But I thought that you hired part-timers to cover the overtime issue and we still have overtime," said Kircher.

Asmus said they have four part-timers who all have other full-time jobs so it is difficult to schedule them for more hours.

"We have given you approval to take care of the overtime with part-timers, but it never reduces it," said Kircher.

Neumann said he assumed it was the same way when Kircher was sheriff.

Kircher said that was very likely so, but to hire another deputy would be \$100,000.

"I have heard other commissioners say that their constituents are getting taxed out of the county," said Kircher.

When he had held a district meeting recently, Neumann said the people in attendance had no problem with hiring another deputy to improve safety.

"Maybe you should have a district meeting and talk to your constituents," suggested Neumann.

Kircher fired back, "I don't need to have a district meeting to talk to my constituents. That accusation is uncalled for!"

As quickly as it heated up, the discussion smoothed back out when Commissioner Rod Erickson asked about the part time employees.

Asmus said the problem was that Todd County trained them and then they moved on to full-time positions elsewhere.

After further discussion, it was approved, with Kircher casting the dissenting vote, to post in-house and advertise for the three positions, provided the second resignation comes through.

In other business, the board:

- Approved acknowledgement of Benson Air Ag, Inc. of Benson for spraying tent worms in Todd County in 2016 and that the public be notified within 48 hours prior to spraying. Kircher wanted to make sure it was just "acknowledging the request" that the board was not approving the spraying.
- Awarded the contract for bituminous highway construction project work at various locations to

Hardrives, Inc. of Rogers, based on their low bid of \$3,034,940.39.

- Approved an abatement of \$322 for Robert Kottschade. Homestead was removed on Kottschade's parcel for the 2015 assessment because value notices and tax statements sent to the property address were returned by the post office. Envelopes were marked "vacant and unable to forward." Kottschade said he has continuously occupied this parcel.
- Heard a presentation on South Country Health Alliance from CEO Leota Lind about working with legislators on bills related to the procurement process which hurt them. They received a hearing in the Senate, but not at the House, said Lind.

She said they didn't get to where they needed to be, but were continuing to work and make improvements to their service.

They had a net income of \$1.6 million in 2015. Currently they have capital and surplus assets of \$30 million.

They set aside \$1.8 million should their rates not be sufficient. This would cover any potential losses.

Enrollment did shrink by about 2,000 members. PMAP declined, but Minnesota Care increased.

They began Healthy Pathways as a new program in 2015 to help fill gaps in mental health services and they are continuing to introduce new initiatives in 2016.

"We didn't stand still, we continued to pursue and improve services," said Lind.

- Dr. Quinn Strobl from the Midwest Medical Examiner's Office presented the 2015 summary. There were 129 deaths with eight coming to her office for autopsies. There were also 46 death scene visits.

When she reported that 88 cremations were approved by her office, Kircher asked if they had to approve the autopsies?

Strobl said that they did because only on TV could they reconstruct a body from an urn full of ashes. When they reduce a body to ashes, they need to have made sure before hand that it was a natural death.

It is a statutory requirement, but she said that Kircher and others probably would never know this because the funeral homes just take care of getting the notification and approval.

- Heard a report from Julie Ring, Executive Director for the Association of Minnesota Counties. With her was Jake Sieg who is the Lac Qui Parle Auditor/Treasurer Coordinator who served

on the workgroup to talk about problems with County Program Aid (CPA) and how it is distributed amongst the counties.

They talked about the formula for the CPA and how hard it has been for counties to budget because they never know how much, if any, CPA they will receive from year to year.

To decrease the volatility they are asking for a five percent cap on decreases. In the past, CPA could jump or decline by 20 percent in a single year.

A letter in support of the new formula with funding to make it happen was approved by the board.

Ring said that AMC's support of it only exists if it holds the counties harmless.

"I would not ask them to move the formula forward without the additional funding," she said.

She said that the goal of "improving" the formula was to have something solid in place for at least a decade.

"We don't want to have to turn around and do it again in a couple of years (because it is hard work)," she said.

- With Neumann voting against it, the board approved the request for Health and Human Services to recruit and hire a nursing supervisor to fill the position left vacant by the resignation of Heidi Brings.

Neumann said he would like to see restructuring done in HHS before they fill the position. He said more research was needed on this. He also reported that he had received a letter - he assumed from an employee, but it wasn't signed - expressing concerns about this. He said he wanted the employees to know he was listening.

- Held a discussion on the payroll position which is currently being supplied by two emergency placements, one of whom is full-time in the highway department and has had to split her time between there and payroll.

County Attorney Chuck Rasmussen said he felt like they were putting the cart before the horse because the idea had been to have a coordinator in place to help with the decision on what to do with this position.

No decision has been made.

- After discussion, the board approved establishing a county coordinator/human resources position with Kircher opposed.

- The board also approved advertising for the position, with Kircher opposed.



All-State musicians selected

A number of Staples Motley High School students have been selected to be a part of the All-State Music ensembles. Pictured above left to right are, back row standing: Chris Hart (All-State Band, 15-16); Nick Crist (All State Orchestra, 16-17); Noah Han (All-State Choir, 15-16); Brian Sterriker (Alternate,

All-State Band 16-17); Sarah Daly (All-State Band, 15-16); Jenessa Iverson (All-State Band, 15-16). Front row kneeling: Josie Erickson (All-State Band 15-16), Jucas Jimenez (All-State Choir, 15-16), Zach Strickland (Alternate, All-State Choir, 16-17), Cade Bestland (All-State Choir, 15-16, 16-17). (Submitted photo)

All-state musicians selected once again from SMHS

It's one thing to be recognized as a team captain, a class MVP (Most Valuable Player) or an all-conference competitor, but to be recognized as an *all-stater* is another level.

Each year, hundreds of the absolute very best music students from across the State of Minnesota audition for an opportunity to be named to one of the MMEA (Minnesota Music Educators Association) All-State ensembles.

The audition is "blind," which means the judges know nothing of the candidate other than the instrument, or voice part, for which they are auditioning. And unlike most high school activities, there is also no differentiation amongst school

sizes - all students from every size school are competing for the same spots.

However, in cases where scores are even and a tie-breaker is needed, students from schools without representation are given preferential treatment.

Staples, Motley and Staples Motley High Schools have been represented by at least one all-stater in 42 of the last 47 years. Since 2002, SMHS has been represented by 68 all-state participants.

For 2016 - 17, SMHS students Cade Bestland (choir), Nick Crist (orchestra); and Noah Han (choir) have been selected as all-staters. Brian Sterriker (band) and Zach Strickland (choir) have been chosen as alternates.

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Friendly Rider getting two new buses

etc., need to be determined for the planning of the 2017 county budget and levy. The bulk of the budget work generally takes place between May and September, when department heads and commissioners go over each of the department's budget line by line. Budgets are approved in December to start Jan. 1. The county's budget year is the calendar year, while the state's budget year is divided between budgets that run July 1 - June 30, and October 1 to September 30.

In other business, the board

- Appointed Jerry Mevissen to another three-year term on the county park board.

- Approved nine amendments to the county's

zoning ordinance, as recommended by the planning commission.

- Approved the purchase of two new Friendly Rider buses. The cost of the buses will be paid 80 percent by the state and 20 percent by the county through revenues generated by Friendly Rider.

- Learned of the hiring of four staff. Brad Bohlen was hired as a part-time Friendly Rider driver. April Damlo was hired as a full-time administrative technician at the highway department. Brent Lissos and Brady Becker were hired as seasonal engineering aids at the highway department.

- Awarded a contract for the replacement of a bridge on CR 26 over the Leaf River to the low bidder, Redstone Construc-

tion, based in Mora. The low bid was \$1,240,361, to be paid from the road and bridge fund.

- Approved a one-year contract with Marsden Services of Sioux Falls, S.D., to provide cleaning services for the highway department building, the county transfer station and the Friendly Rider transit building.

- Approved the purchase of a Caterpillar 297D skid steer by state bid from Ziegler Inc., Bloomington, for the highway department, for \$82,070.

- Gave permission to Kathy Langer, Community Corrections Director, to apply for a grant from NJPA to help fund the Community Concern for Youth program, which has lost one of its funding sources.

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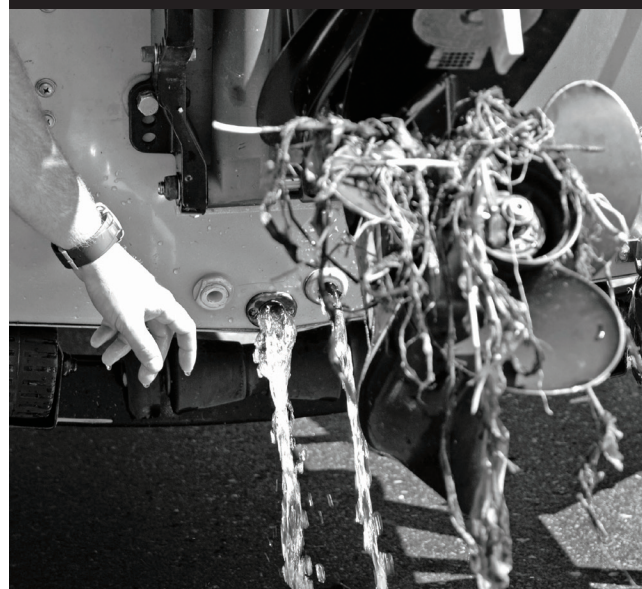
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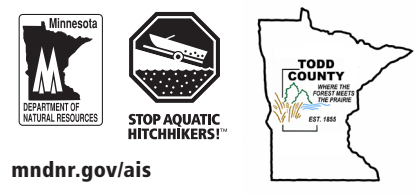
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Consider giving a child help, hope

May is Foster Care Month

By Emily Piper
Minnesota Department of Human Services
Commissioner

Growing up in a safe, stable family is a privilege many of us take for granted. As children, most of us knew where we were sleeping each night, what the family rules were and what food we'd have for dinner.

Foster children, unfortunately, have few of these opportunities. Too often they move, with clothes and a few personal belongings, from their family home to a foster home, back to their family home and then another foster home, and another. With each move, they meet new parents, learn another family's rules, sleep in a different bed, eat food they may not be familiar with, and start over at building trust in others and developing their relationships.

That's why it's critical that we find not only more foster families but the best foster families possible to help children through their trauma - the abuse or neglect in their families

that was so egregious they were placed in the foster care system. In Minnesota, we have almost 14,700 foster children - an increase of nine percent over last year. Most of these children - 12,200 - are in family foster homes. We do not have enough foster parents to care for them.

We need foster parents in Minnesota who come from all backgrounds. They may be single or married, with or without children, renters or homeowners. Most importantly, we need foster parents who have a genuine concern for children and a commitment to help them work through momentous struggles.

While our goal is to return foster children home safely to their parents - 68 percent are reunited with their birth parents or other relatives - they need the best families to care for them while they are in foster care. And that includes foster parents who are willing to adopt the children they care for if the children can't return home safely and the children's parents' rights are terminated.

Relatives are often the answer. Removing children from the people they love and the environments they know is emotionally traumatizing. When children must leave their homes, counties and tribes consider placing them in foster care with relatives first. Currently, 43 percent of foster families are relatives of the children they care for.

Yet we still need more relatives and other foster parents to provide critical temporary care and nurturing to children in crisis. We need foster parents to soothe children's fears at night, listen to them vent about their struggles and help them cope with changes in their lives. We need foster parents to advocate for children at school and in the community, find them the resources to deal with the trauma in their lives, and bring them to medical and mental health appointments. We need foster parents to cheer for youth at games and concerts, praise them for trying their best and hug them when they feel the world is crashing in on them. And, we need foster parents who will consider adopting children.

You could be one of those parents. You could offer foster children the hope and help they need until they can safely return home, or be adopted or placed with a permanent family. As one former foster youth who spent years in and out of the foster care system put it, "Even if you come from a bad situation, you can be successful. Foster families are important. Together, we make it work."

Consider becoming a foster parent. Take the first step and check out the Minnesota Department of Human Services' website steps to become a foster parent. Then, contact your county or tribal social service agency for more information about the need for foster families in your community.

Names reflect site and students who attend each

It's official! We're changing our school building names and adjusting our district name. On Monday, the school board voted unanimously to approve the recommendations of the Super Transition Team. We are now the Staples-Motley School District with three building sites: Staples-Motley Elementary, Motley-Staples Middle School, and Staples-Motley High School.

It might not seem like big changes to those outside our school district. I know, however, these changes are important to us as a community and the naming process will make our district stronger as we move forward.

I would like to extend my sincere gratitude to the parents, community members, staff and students who are serving on each school site's Transition Team. As we have been discussing over the past couple of months, the main purpose for each Transition Team is to help us plan ways to make sure all students and their families feel welcome as we move forward. The Team ensures plans and activities that take place as part of the Re-Start are communicated to all students, but especially those moving to a new school.

The Transition Teams were also tasked with making recommendations for school site names to the Super Transition Team. The Transition Teams did a great job of talking with community members about

this process and giving everyone an opportunity to take part.

The Super Transition Team met on Thursday, May 11, in the District Office. I wish I could fully communicate what a great conversation it was. It was rewarding to hear the dialogue so focused on bringing our district community together.

As a result, the team recommended the elementary site be named Staples Motley Elementary. "Staples" indicates where the school is located and "Motley" says that Motley students attend that site too. The middle school site will be named Motley Staples Middle School. Again, Motley says where the school is located and that Staples students attend that site too. The high school name will stay the same, Staples Motley High School.

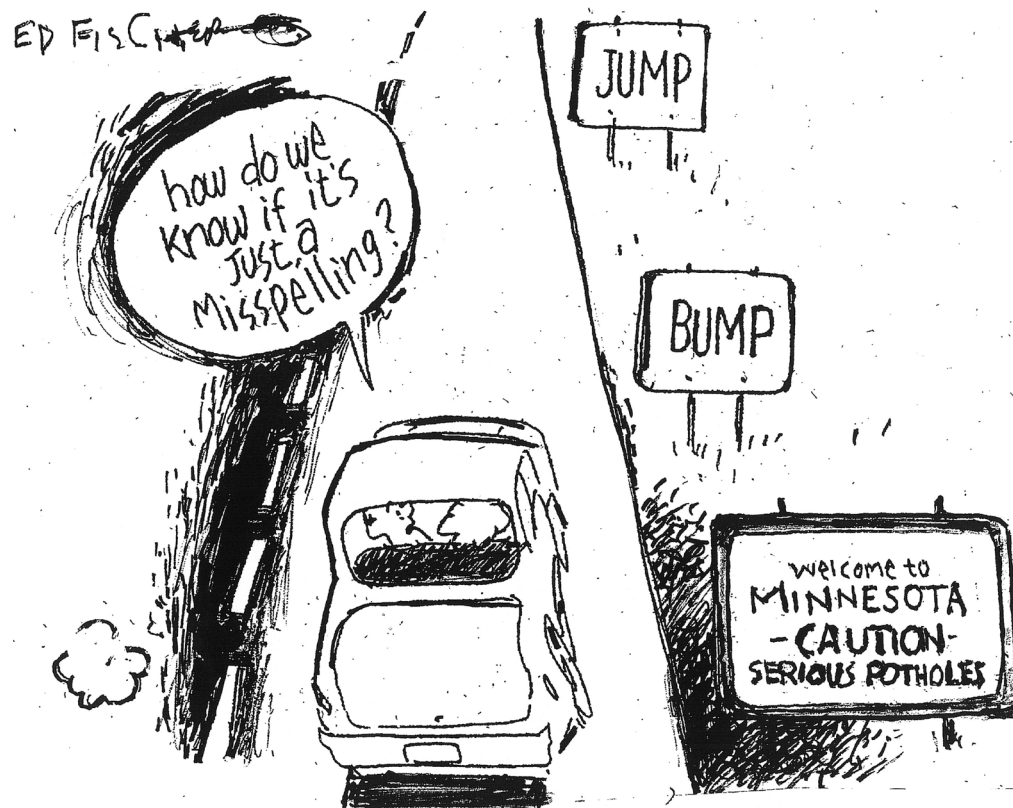
Staples Motley Schools



By Mary Klamm
Supt.

In addition, the high school Transition Team asked the Super Transition Team to finally address the incorrect grammar in the name of our school district and school site names. It was recommended to add the hyphen between the towns in each name. This request was approved by the school board. Our district's English teachers will be very pleased!

The completion of the renaming process is one more step toward our 2021 vision to be "a community united to become the region's school district of choice." It's a great time to be a Cardinal!



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Pick up sticks

The Central Minnesota Boys Choir helped clean Pine Grove Park up May 12. The choir organizes a day of service each year as a way to build comradery among members and to give back to the communities that support them. This year, the choir put on their work gloves, cleared branches, brush and garbage at Pine Grove Park.

Led by director Mary Moen, the choir is made up of boys in grades 3-7, from throughout the area. Its primary goal is to develop musical interest, leadership skills and talent in its members. The choir's final concert for this season will be June 7 at 7:30 p.m. at Sacred Heart Church, Staples. More information about the choir can be found at www.centralmnboyschoir.com.

Above, from left, are Keller Anderson, Staples Motley School; Evan Lunde, Wadena-Deer Creek School; and Zachary McIlravy, Sacred Heart Area School. At left is Xander Kjeldergaard, who attends Verndale School. (Submitted photos)

SEaM Camp to be held at CLC this summer

Spaces are filling up quickly for two summer camps held at Central Lakes College. The Nitro X Camp on the Brainerd campus and the SEaM Camp on the Staples campus. Each camp is first come, first served.

To sign up or for more information on either camp, contact Janet Gontarek at 218-855-8134 or jgontarek@clcmn.edu.

Nitro X Camp

Will be held June 13-17, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Central Lakes College Brainerd campus. It is open to students entering 5th-8th

grades.

Campers will work with a remote control car while learning about other forms of transportation, design (paint), body of the car, gain exposure to the transportation industry through tours of various local businesses, all the while working in teams to develop team building. Students will compete in time trials.

SEaM Camp

Will be held July 11-15 from 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Central Lakes College Staples campus for students entering 6th through

12th grades. A bus will be available for students from Brainerd to attend camp in Staples each day. 8:30 a.m.-3 p.m. (The bus will leave Brainerd at 8 a.m.).

Campers will build a bot with a team members over the course of the week. They will have the opportunity to experience hands-on electronics, motor, computer aided drafting, manufacturing machining and robotics automated systems.

Students will compete in obstacle course, bot hockey/soccer and a demolition derby on the final day of the camp.



Dads and daughters will dance May 21

Students from "A Time To Dance" in Staples have been preparing for the upcoming show at the Centennial Auditorium in Staples Saturday, May 21 at 7 p.m. The 16th annual show and will include several guest dancers, several lo-

cal high school boys along with the dads of several dancers. Above: Anna Koopmann and dad, John; Tab Erickson and daughter, Josie and Jeffrey Iverson with daughter, Jenessa. (Submitted photo)

Staples City Council agenda

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

Preliminary agenda items include:

- Public hearing to consider proposed tax increment financing for the construction of 32 townhome units proposed by Staples Townhomes, LLC.

- Consider approval of liquor licenses for 2016-2017.

- Consider resolution approving Master Subscriber Agreement for Minnesota Court Data Services with the State of Minnesota Office of State Court Administration and authorize the Police Chief to execute the agreement.

Committee Reports:

- Parks and Recreation Advisory Board

- Planning and Zoning Committee including consideration of a Conditional Use Permit to construct a 30 foot by 40 foot residential storage building at 209 Cleveland Street SW and consideration of a Conditional Use Permit to construct a 30 foot by 56 foot residential storage building on the vacant lot west of the alley at 435 2nd Street NE.

Mark Your Calendar

May 23

THE BOSOM BUDDIES BREAST CANCER SUPPORT GROUP MTG Mon., May 23, 5 p.m., Lakewood Health System Care Center, activities rm., Staples. Agenda includes a speaker and making ribbons for survivors dinner. Come early and eat together. For info., 218-894-2627.

'LET'S MOVE ON' GROUP FOR DIVORCED ADULTS MTG Mon., May 23, 6:30 p.m., Brainerd Public Library. For single adults over age 40 who are looking to get back into a social life after their divorce or the loss of a partner. Free. Sponsored by Lakes Area Singles.

May 24

CARE COMMUNITY MEAL Tues., May 24, 4:30 - 6 p.m., Trinity Lutheran Church, 1000 4th St. NE, Staples. Free. For info, 218-894-2372.

May 26

WADENA WHIRLAWAYS SQUARE DANCE Thurs., May 26, 7:30 - 10 p.m., Wadena VFW. Roger Lueth, caller; Donna Stone, cuer. For info., 218-894-1542.

SWCD River & Lake Day is May 27 in Burtrum

Todd County Soil & Water Conservation District is sponsoring Todd County River & Lake Day, Friday, May 27, from 1-3:30 p.m. at The Hub Supper Club in Burtrum.

The featured speaker is Greg Berg, who recently spoke at the State of the Waters event titled Lake, Stream and Watershed Protection - A Comprehensive Assessment.

Berg is a board conservationist with the Minnesota Board of Water and Soil Resources (BWSR).

He worked for the Stearns SWCD for over 15 years. His career experience includes erosion control projects focusing on bio-engineering, wetland restorations, stormwater projects, water management planning, lakescaping and streambank restorations.

The Hub Supper Club is at 30905 Co. Rd. 13, Burtrum.

For more information, call Todd SWCD at 320-732-2644.

Educational Opportunities

June 6, 7

55+ DRIVER IMPROVEMENT COURSE Mon., June 6 and Tues., June 7, 5:30 - 9:30 p.m., Staples Community Center, 425 4th St. NE., Staples. To register, more info., 1-888-234-1294.

'I CAN PREVENT DIABETES'

PROGRAM offered by Tri-County Health Care, Tues., June 7, 5 - 6 p.m., Henning Community Center, 612 Front St., Henning. Instructor: Marilyn Hofland, University of MN Extension. Free. Program will meet weekly for 16 weeks. For more info., 218-236-2007.

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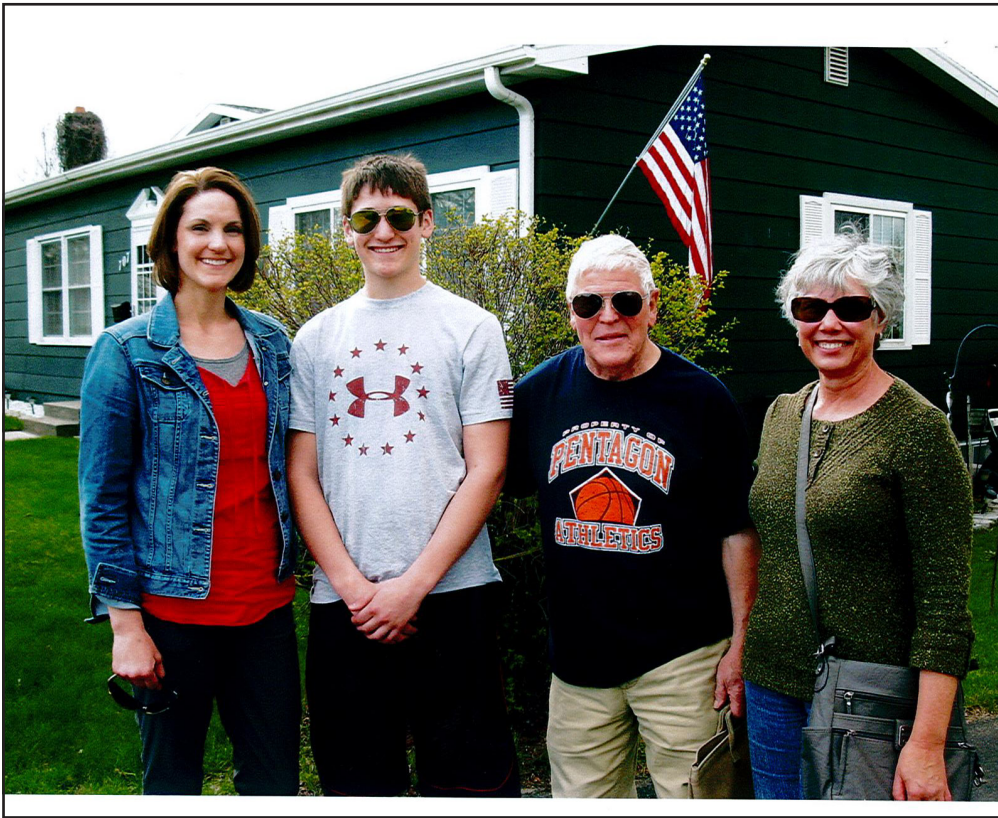
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Longtime driver's ed teacher

Jerry Riewer of Staples (third from left) has taught driver's ed in Staples for over 50 years. During that time he has worked with hundreds of students, many from the same family. Riewer is pictured

with three generations who all studied with him. From left, Jenn (Motl) Sowers, 1991; Tim Sowers, 2016; and Kathryn (Goligowski) Motl, 1968. (Submitted photo)

Todd County Historical Society meeting May 2

A representative from Desigh Electronics attended the May 2 meeting of the Todd County Historical Society to explain different security systems for the museum.

The board will have a special meeting to review the options and choose which is best for the museum's needs.

Breakfast on the Farm will be held June 25 at the Dale Katterhagen farm northeast of Browerville. The society will have infor-

mation on the creameries of Todd County on display.

A special thank you was given to Roger Warner and family for the generous donation in memory of Janet Warner.

Charlie Ring did a program on global warming. Alice Siegle furnished lunch.

The next meeting will be held Monday June 6, at 7 p.m.

Submitted by De Eberle, Secretary pro-tem.

Much Appreciated

The American Legion Auxiliary would like to thank all of the businesses of Staples, Motley and Verndale for all their donations to the Veterans Poppy cards and to everyone who donated to our Poppy Day for veterans on May 13.

Thank you also to Doreen Scott for taking over calling for poppy workers and Joan Doll for the calling for our meetings. Jan

Goff had done the job for 14 years and did a great job. Thank you, Jan.

This is my 16th year. I think we've done a good job for all the veterans.

Thank you all for helping all the veterans.

God bless all our veterans.

Shirley Morrison
Poppy Chairperson
Staples, Minn.

Student Achievements

MINNESOTA STATE UNIVERSITY, MANKATO held its spring 2016 commencement ceremonies May 7. Local graduates include:

- Jacquelyn White, Pilager, Bachelor of Science degree in Social Studies & Education. Cum Laude

- Lance Noska, Staples, Bachelor of Science degrees in Computer Engineering Technology and Electronic Engineering Technology

- Joshua Wuollet, Staples, Master of Science degree in Math: Statistics Option.

MINNESOTA STATE UNIVERSITY, MOORHEAD held its spring 2016 commencement ceremonies May 13. Local graduates include:

- Krista Lesmann, Staples, Bachelor of Science degree in Business Administration. Cum Laude

- Grant Longbella, Staples, Bachelor of Arts degree in Communication Studies

- Sarah Neururer, Motley, Bachelor of Arts degree in Psychology. Cum Laude

- Trevor Rohloff, Pilager, Master of Science degree, Counseling & Student Affairs.

Staples Senior Schedule

- Whist 12:15 p.m. June 7 and June 21

- Penny bingo, 12:00 p.m. every Wednesday - except June 15 when Todd County Council on Aging will be here at 1:30 p.m. Pie Social

- 500 cards at 12:00 p.m. June 2, 20 and 27
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Christina Smith recognized for her work at U of M Crookston

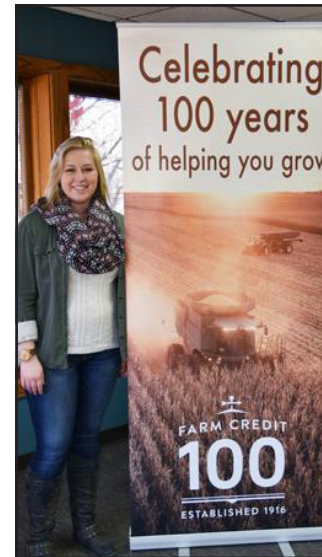
Staples native Christina Smith, a junior at the University of Minnesota Crookston, was recently recognized for her involvement with a national contest held at the school.

The contest (which included horse judging, agribusiness, horticulture and several others) was part of the 2016 North American Colleges and Teachers of Agriculture (NACTA) Judging Conference, hosted at the U of M Crookston.

New to the competition was the ag sales and marketing competition, which was the focus of Smith, who is an ag business major and communication minor.

Under the guidance of instructor Chuck Lariviere, Smith worked on all aspects of the contest, including putting together tests and maps, meeting with participating businesses, contest logistics and organizing volunteer help.

Smith found that the work provided experience for the future in a field she did not always see herself pursuing. "I did not grow up on a farm, and for me, it all came down to the ninth grade and a choice between art class or a class in fish and wildlife," she said. "I wasn't excited about either option, but my dad convinced me to give the fish and wildlife class a try. It led to involvement with FFA...which was a big part



Organizer

Christina Smith, Staples, helped organize the contest for the NACTA Judging Conference held at the University of Minnesota Crookston in April. Smith is a junior at the university.

of my high school experience and opened the door to my future."

When she first arrived at the university, Smith thought she would pursue a major in agricultural education; but along the way, she discovered a keen interest in ag business combined with agronomy.

Meeting with growers who came to the classroom, finding she loved her grain and livestock marketing

class; and an internship with Professional Agronomy Services in Perham, confirmed that Smith was headed in the right direction.

This summer, Smith plans to participate in a second internship with Winfield in Little Falls (part of Land O' Lakes, Inc.) to help broaden her agricultural experience.

Along with her professional opportunities, Smith is active in the Ag Business and Agronomy Club and Delta Theta Sigma Little Sisters, a part of the social agricultural fraternity on campus. She also finds time to tutor students in crop production, biology; and statistics in the Academic Success Center.

While Smith hopes to begin her career in ag business, agronomy and seed sales, she would like to gain enough experience to one day lobby for ag interests. Her leadership in FFA as an officer in high school and her leadership on campus including her work with the NACTA Judging Conference are all a part of the preparation. Next year, she hopes to compete at the contest.

A 2014 graduate of Staples Motley High School, Christina is the daughter of Brian and Heidi Smith; and the granddaughter of Bill and Sandy Smith, all of rural Staples.

Hello World

BIRTHS REPORTED AT LAKEWOOD HEALTH SYSTEM HOSPITAL INCLUDED:

Born to Colter and Kara Jenkins of Brainerd, a baby boy, Daxon Henry weighing eight pounds, one ounce on May 6, 2016.

Born to Benjamin and Leah Schrader of Baxter, a baby boy, Chayton Charles weighing eight pounds, 14.5 ounces on May 6, 2016.

Born to Nattalie Cluever and Tyler Meyer of Randall, a baby girl, Grace Christine Marie weighing six pounds, 10 ounces on May 7, 2016

Born to Rosalie Talley and Dustin Smith of Baxter, a baby boy, Ronan Gabriel weighing six pounds, three ounces on May 7, 2016.

Born to Jessica Kreigl and Conan Jensen of Motley, a baby girl, Hope Atalie weighing eight pounds, three ounces on May 7, 2016.

Born to Jamie Maxwell and Ashton Osterday of Perham, a baby boy, Ezekiel Alastair weighing six pounds, 11 ounces on May 8, 2016.

Born to Jeremy and Kayla Ballou of Randall, a baby boy, Bennett Walter weighing six pounds, 14 ounces on May 10, 2016.

Born to Mathew and Aimie Russell of Baxter, a baby boy, Dezmond Wayne weighing seven pounds on May 11, 2016.

Born to Jason and Cari Burton of Hewitt, a baby girl, Kirra Lynn weighing seven pounds, nine ounces on May 12, 2016.

Born to Janae Johnson and Luke Ostrowski of Brainerd, a baby girl, Myla Maureen weighing seven pounds, 13 ounces on May 13, 2016.

Born to Jacob and Alexi Mast of Bertha, a baby boy, Liam Joseph weighing eight pounds, two ounces on May 13, 2016.

Born to Travis and Justine Beto of Little Falls, a baby boy, Ethan TravisLee weighing seven pounds, seven ounces on May 13, 2016.

Born to Reinna Gerhardt and Cody Robinson of Brainerd, a baby girl, Gracelynn Marie-Fabeian weighing nine pounds three ounces on May 13, 2016. * * * * *

Born to Alisha Schulke and Justin Clairmont of New York Mills, a baby girl, Ramsey Rose Clairmont weighing six pounds, three ounces on May 8, 2016, at Tri-County Health Care in Wadena. Sisters are Briley and Emery; grandparents are Lisa Colson and Patti Bundy.



Receives scholarship

Macray Rodeman, a senior at Staples Motley High School, was recently awarded the DSU (Dakota State University) Champion Scholarship. The scholarship is awarded to high achieving students based on ACT scores and high school GPA. Rodeman will be attending DSU in Madison, S.D., in the fall to pursue a degree in computer graphics. He is the son of Justin and Angie Rodeman of Staples. (Submitted photo)

May birthday party held

The May birthday party was held May 10 at the Staples Community Center, in the Senior Citizen's Room. Judy Petrie was the only May celebrant and was given a decorated cake and card. A short program was held with prizes given out to everyone attending.

The June birthday/anniversary party will be held June 14 at 11:30 a.m. RSVP by noon on June 13 by calling 218-894-2556. All seniors are welcome. Other activities are held each month for senior citizens. For information call Doreen Scott, 218-352-6746 or Carol Olsen, 218-894-1712.



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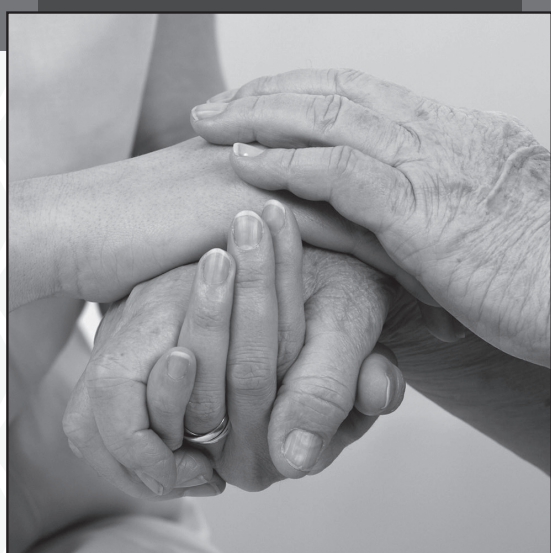
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Support team

Todd County members attending the Backing the Blue Line Ball April 23 were Dave and Sheri Leven, Tina and Jake Maros, Alisha and Josh Winter, Tamie and Jon Barber. (Submitted photo)

Backing the Blue Line Supports law enforcement families

Backing the Blue Line - Wives of Minnesota law enforcement members, recently held their 2016 Blue Line Ball April 23, at the Marriott City Center, in Minneapolis with area members attending. Backing the Blue Line is a non-profit organization of law enforcement wives who support the law enforcement community. Members support injured officers, families of fallen officers and law enforcement families in need. "This event is one way for members and their spouses to attend a grand event together," said Tina Maros, Blue Line Ball Fundraising Committee. The raffle and silent auction this year raised over \$42,000.

Following the shooting death of Aitkin County Sheriff's Deputy Steve Sandberg in October, 2015, Backing the Blue Line wives provided meals, support and the signature white and blue roses to the family. An Officer Down 5K event will be held, May 21, in Aitkin to benefit the Steven Sandberg Memorial Fund. The Officers Down 5K and BtBL celebrates officers who put their lives on the line daily to keep communities safe and honor those who have fallen in the line of duty.

For information visit www.backingtheblueline.org; email backingtheblueline@gmail.com or visit Backing the Blue Line on Facebook.

NOTICE TODD COUNTY BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT 215 1st Ave. South, Long Prairie, Minnesota 56347 320-732-4420

AMENDED PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that on **Thursday May 26, 2016 at 7:00 p.m.** the Todd County Board of Adjustment will hold a public hearing in the Commissioner's Board Room, 215 1st Ave. South, Long Prairie, Minnesota to consider the following Variance applications:

- Dianne Grammond:** Section 28, Burnhamville Township. Site Address: 31710 County 13, Burtrum, MN 56318. PIN: 06-0056300
- Variance request to reduce the structural setback to the road right-of-way and reduce the setback for the septic system to the road right-of-way
- Big Birch Lake, LLC:** Section 25, Birchdale Township. Site Address: NA (Anne Trl). PIN: 03-0070500
- Amended variance request to 1) Appeal of the

Todd County's bluff determination. 2) Reduce the structural setback to the top of bluff and build within a bluff and severe steep slopes. All persons interested are invited to attend said hearing or submit a letter to be heard on these matters.

Todd County Board of Adjustment
Bill Berscheit, Chair
20pnc

NOTICE TODD PLANNING COMMISSION 215 1st Ave. South, Suite 103 Long Prairie, Minnesota 56347 320-732-4420

Notice is hereby given that on **Thursday, June 2, 2016 at 7:00 p.m.** the Todd County Planning Commission will hold a public hearing in the Commissioners Meeting Room, 215 First Ave. South, Long Prairie to consider the following applications.

- 1) James Rowe:
Site Address: 32610 County 3, Eagle Bend, MN 56446
Zoning Amendment Re-

quest to rezone the W2 of the NW4 of Section 1 of Burleene Township from R-10 to AF-2

- 1) JU Feeders: Part of the W2 of the NW4 of Section 1 of Burleene Township
Site Address: 32610 County 2, Eagle Bend, MN 56446 PIN: 12-0014602
Conditional Use Permit request:
Notice is hereby given per Minnesota statutes, Chapter 116, that Tri-County Feeders has made application to the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency and the County Of Todd for a permit to operate and expand a feedlot with a capacity of 500 animal units or more.
The existing feedlot is located in the NW qtr, Sect. 1, Burleene Twp, Todd County, MN. The existing facility consists of 990 head of beef feeders equating to 693 animal units, partial confinement buildings, open lots, and earthen manure pit. The proposed facility will consist of no more than 999 head of stock or feeder cattle, partial confinement barns, open lots, and an expanded manure basin (s). The total animal unit ca-

capacity will not exceed 999 animal units. This publication shall constitute as notice to each resident and each real owner of property within 5,000 feet of the perimeter of the proposed feedlot as required by Minnesota State Law.
1) Michael and Patti Tiemann:
Site Address: Across from 10491 Amigo Trl. PIN: 03-0022400
Subdivision request to create a one lot plant containing about 1.5 acres to be named "Sunset View Development" located in the shoreland zoning district of Little Birch Lake.
All persons interested are invited to attend said hearing and be heard on these matters.

Todd County Planning Commission
Mike Wiener, Chairperson
20pnc

PUBLIC NOTICES: Your Right to Know

Staples Area Church Directory

Staples
Staples Alliance
1512 8th St. NE, Staples.....218-894-2891
Pastor Bob Hepokoski, Paul Johnson
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
Pastor Tony Romaine
Worship.....9:30 a.m.
Fellowship, refreshments following service

Faith Lutheran
430 12th Street, NE., Staples
218-894-1546
Pastor Stephen Sveom
Sunday Worship.....8:30 a.m.
First Service.....10:45 a.m.
Second Service.....9:35 a.m.
Sunday School.....9:35 a.m.
Coffee fellowship.....9:35 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
Jeff Scaggins, Pastor
Saturday Worship.....9:30 am.
Sabbath School.....10:45 a.m.

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

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

United Methodist
310 5th St. NE, Staples.....218-894-2248
Pastor Greg Ciesluk
Sunday Worship.....10:30 a.m.
(Nursery Available for Sunday Worship)

Aldrich
Congregational, UCC
One block S. of Hwy. 10, Aldrich
Pastor Dave Seaton.....218-445-5831
Sunday Worship.....9:30 a.m.
Communion.....1st Sunday of Month

Balsamlund Lutheran
19550 490th Street, Aldrich
Pastor Rachel Stout.....218-640-5587
320-749-2140
Sunday Worship.....8:15 a.m.
Sunday School.....8:30 a.m.

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

Lincoln Evangelical Free
1354 320th St., Cushing.....218-575-2449
www.lincolnefree.org Facebook Lincoln E Free
Senior Pastor: Pastor Dan Crocker
Visitation Pastor: Pastor Jim Brown
Youth Coordinator: Stacey Minion
Sunday School for All Ages.....9:30 a.m.
Sunday Worship.....10:45 a.m.
WEDNESDAY
Kids' Club.....6:00 p.m.
Jr./Sr. Forge Youth Group.....6:30 p.m.
Men's Bible Study.....6:00 p.m.
Praise & Prayer.....4:30 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.
Sunday Bible Study.....6:00 p.m.
WEDNESDAY
AWANA.....6:00 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
Rev. Greg Ciesluk
www.motleyumc.org
Monday AA meeting.....8:00 p.m.
Sunday Worship Service.....9:00 a.m.

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

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

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

First Baptist
903 River Street South, Pillager
Pastor Paul Johnson
218-746-3768
Sunday School.....9:00 a.m.
Sunday Worship.....10:30 a.m.
TUESDAY
Bible Study/Prayer.....11:00 a.m.
WEDNESDAY
AWANA 2yrs-5th grade.....6:15 p.m.
Adult Classes.....6:15 p.m.

Hewitt
Church of the Nazarene
114 Front Street, P.O. Box 146
Hewitt, MN 56453
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.

Verndale
Verndale Alliance
109 NW Brown Street, Verndale.
218-445-5619
Senior Pastor Tony Stanley
Associate Pastor Fred Hartley IV
Sunday Worship.....9:30 a.m.
Sunday Bible Fellowship Classes
.....11-11:45 a.m.

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.

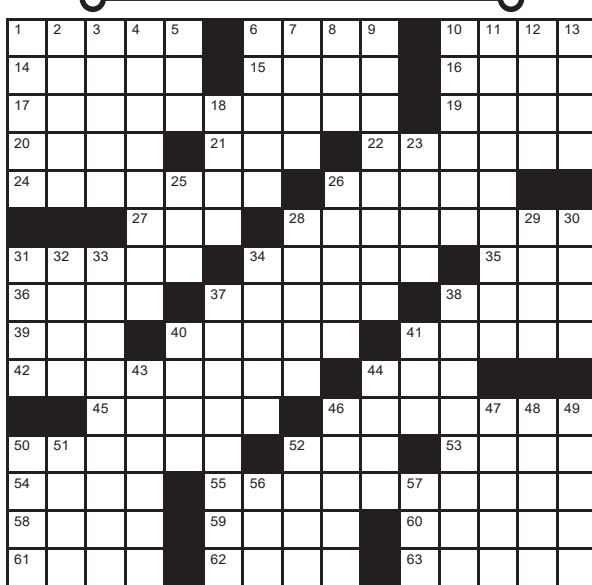
Family Life Church
402 NE Clark Drive, Verndale
Church.....218-445-5568
VerndaleFLC@gmail.com
Pastor Amos Seli.....218-371-7189
Children's Pastor Kenneth Kjeldergaard
Sunday School - Worship.....10:30 a.m.
Coffee Fellowship.....10:00 a.m.
Prayer & Praise.....6:00 p.m.
WEDNESDAY
6:15 - 7:30 p.m.Boys and Girls Ministry
6:15 - 7:30 p.m.C.R.E.W. Youth Ministry
6:15 - 7:30 p.m.Adult Bible Studies

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.

Crossword Puzzle

Provided by American Profile



"J.V. Team"
Across
1 Hatfield feuder
6 "It's my turn to bat!"
10 Not fully closed
14 Brunch serving
15 See 34-Down
16 Let go
17 "Journey to the Center of the Earth" author
19 "Sounds good to me!"
20 Valhalla V.I.P.
21 Nonclerical
22 Textile factory container with coloring
24 "None of your 1"
26 String quartet member
27 Spoon-
28 Piece of scenery
31 Cheap hotels, for short
34 Hindu class
35 Dr. Dre's old group
36 Love personified
37 "The Two _____"
(Nicholson movie)
38 New driver, typically
39 Lodge
40 Tennis ace Monica
41 Rendezvous
42 Competed with
44 Bishop's jurisdiction
45 Toothbrush brand
46 Hoosegow
50 1960's super-model
52 _____ green
53 _____ California
54 Italian sauce brand
55 Fictional coffee grower from Colombia
58 Flu symptom
59 With warts and all
60 Rodents, in fun
61 Cookers
62 Actress Russo
63 Slapstick falls
Down
1 Low-level position
2 Unrefined
3 "The Color Purple" role
4 Precedes at a concert
5 Word on a Ouija board
6 Mountaineer's tool
7 Name repeated in a nursery rhyme
8 Mantel piece
9 Foretells
10 Off course
11 Ernest P. Worrell actor
12 Puccini piece
13 Monthly expense
18 _____ the Impaler
23 Coupler
25 Creepy Craven
26 Ming things
28 Kind of bean
29 Has a tab
30 Gasp
31 Salon focus
32 Old Dodge model
33 Angelina Jolie's acting father
34 With 15-Across, "The Alienist" author
37 Smucker's container
38 Shaky one
40 Smeltery refuse
41 Picker-upper
43 Contests a case
44 Moravian, e.g.
46 Intuit
47 Tyler Perry's grandmother
48 Throw out
49 Flattens
50 Mouth, slangily
51 City on the Brazos
52 Hurt
56 Treat Shabbily
57 PA system component

Last Week's Answers
"SEND MONEY"

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On following Jesus
Pastor Robin Collins, Trinity Lutheran Church, Staples

While walking by the Sea of Galilee, Jesus saw two brothers, Simon (who is called Peter) and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea, for they were fishermen. 19 And He said to them, "Follow Me, and I will make you fishers of men." 20 Immediately they left their nets and followed Him (Matthew 4:18-20)

Immediately the two fishermen left everything behind and followed Jesus. As this past weekend was fishing opener here in Minnesota I confess I have difficulty envisioning that scene. Yet that is what the brothers, Simon and Andrew did - they quit fishing in order to follow Jesus. How little they understood what that would mean. To be certain it changed their lives.

For three years they followed Jesus. they were taught by Him. They witnessed His miracles. They were certain that He was the Messiah, and they were right, yet they did not understand what that meant either. Rather than the earthly kingdom they expected, Jesus led them to the cross where He suffered and died, for their sin, and also for yours and mine.

But it was not just the cross that they would witness - they saw the risen Christ as well. And still no earthly kingdom, but rather the promise of forgiveness, life and salvation - heaven's kingdom, as well as the task of proclaiming the risen Jesus, the Savior of the world - becoming "fishers of men" as Jesus had said.

And they are still "catching men" even to this day. Not just Peter and Andrew, but all the apostles, all Jesus' disciples - confessing their risen Lord, proclaiming the Good News of salvation in Jesus' Name, and leaving also a written testimony, by the Spirit's guidance, the Word of God.

For by this Word Jesus continues to call people to follow Him. God grant us grace to hear and also to follow.

The Staples Area Church Directory is sponsored by these area businesses:

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- Staples Veterinary Clinic**
"Complete Animal Care"
Staples, MN 218-894-1775
- Mid-Central Federal Savings Bank**
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Student artists recognized at regional show



Awards ceremony

Amy Hunter (second from left), the Gifted and Talented Coordinator for Freshwater Education District, presented awards to winning artists at a ceremony May 12, at Centennial Auditorium in Staples. Pictured with Hunter are, from left, Katherine Michel, seventh grader at Browerville Jr. High; Madison Sharp and Mikalia Lynch, juniors at Verndale High School. (Staples World photo by Dawn Timbs)



Freshwater/NJPA art show

Pictured above are Amy Hunter, Gifted and Talented Coordinator at Freshwater Education District; and Lisa Morgan, Education Program Coordinator at National Joint Powers Alliance, the organizations that coordinated the art show in Staples May 12 and 13. (Staples World photo by Dawn Timbs)

Dozens of ribbons were awarded to outstanding student artists at the Freshwater Education District/National Joint Powers Alliance Art Show in Staples May 12 and 13.

The show was held at Centennial Auditorium and featured a variety of art from students representing 11 area schools. These included Bertha-Hewitt, Brainerd High School, Browerville Elementary, Browerville Jr. High, Browerville Sr. High, Cuyuna Range Elementary, Little Falls Community Middle School (LFCMS), Pequot Lakes, Pine River-Backus (PR-B), Staples Elementary, Staples Motley High School (SMHS), Verndale.

A list of winners is included below:

Elementary

- First: Kelbee Lampi, Pequot Lakes, sculpture.
- Second: Taylor Shera, Pequot Lakes, painting.
- Third: Caden Dobson, Staples, fiber weaving.

Middle school

- First: Joelle Bounds, Verndale, drawing; Jaden Engebretson, Verndale, mixed media; Emma Ahlin, LFCMS, painting; Amy Johnson, LFCMS, painting; Katherine Michel, Browerville, photography; Haily Wiltz, PR-B, printmaking; Keenan Dahl, PR-B, pottery; Elena Uhlenkamp, Browerville, pottery.
- Second: Jack Chiodi, Pequot Lakes, ceramics; Melissa Hammer, Verndale, ceramics; Will Middleton, Pequot Lakes, drawing; Kylee Forcier, Verndale,

mixed media; Megan Benning, Browerville, photography; Kaliyah Brownlow, Verndale, printmaking; Jaden Tyrrell, Browerville, sculpture.

- Third: Breann Malone, Verndale, ceramics; Sarah Barrett, Verndale, drawing; Macie Lohmiller, Pequot Lakes, mixed media; Chris Blashack, Bertha-Hewitt, painting; Emma Barchus, PR-B, printmaking.

- Honorable mention: Crystal Zwilling, Bertha-Hewitt, drawing; Caleb Johnson, LFCMS, drawing, oil pastel; Camilla Johnson, LFCMS, drawing, pencil; Yazmine Kimball, Verndale, mixed media; Kaija Weishalla, Bertha-Hewitt, painting; Summer Mayo, LFCMS, painting; Megan Gold, LFCMS, painting, acrylic.

High school

- First: Patrick Thompson, SM, crafts; Gemma Hollen, Brainerd, drawing; Caitlyn Swartwood, Brainerd, mixed media; Kelsey Stroot, Brainerd, painting; Sannah Lohmiller, Pequot Lakes, photography; MacKenzie McGree, SM, pottery/ceramics; Quinn Uhlman, SM, sculpture; Kaitlyn Hanson, PR-B, printmaking.

- Second: Macray Rodeman, SM, crafts; Brittany Adkins, Pequot Lakes, drawing; Grace Couchey, Browerville, mixed media; Kennidie Schermer, Brainerd, painting; Paige Callahan, Browerville, photography; Nichole Meixner, PR-B, printmaking; Hannah Wiedewitsch, PR-B, sculpture/pottery/ceramics.



Receives award

Kevin Miller, a fourth grader at Staples Elementary School, received a participation ribbon at the Freshwater Education District/National Joint Powers Alliance Art Show in Staples, for his weaving project. (Staples World photo by Dawn Timbs)

- Third: Alyssa Vanderhoof, SM, crafts; Heather Wonders, SM, drawing; Mackenzie Zetah, SM, mixed media; Jack White, Pequot Lakes, painting; Jordan Haglin, SM, photography; Travis Maciej, SM, pottery/ceramics; Lillian Schneider, SM, printmaking; Zack Demars, SM, sculpture.

- Honorable mention: Jordan Erickson, Brainerd, ceramics; Reily Miller, Brainerd, ceramics; Sydnie Johnson, SM, crafts; Rayna Guzman, SM, drawing; Alyssa Vanderhoof, SM, drawing; Mike Pluimer, Pequot Lakes, drawing; Lyndsey Johnson, Pequot Lakes, drawing; Anna Nichols, Brainerd, drawing; Shawnda Minoletti, SM, drawing; Madeline Lahr, SM, mixed media; Mackenzie Rickard, Pequot Lakes, painting; Alex

- Kotaska, Pequot Lakes, painting; Lyndsey Johnson, Pequot Lakes, painting; Sarah Marte, SM, painting; Sydney Martin, SM, painting; Molly Holman, Verndale, painting; Travis Maciej, SM, photography; Sam Fritz, Brainerd, photography; Jordan Haglin, SM, photography; Nada Chamamahattana, Verndale, pottery/ceramics; Travis Maciej, SM, pottery/ceramics; Karlee Morales, SM, pottery/ceramics; Molly Holman, Verndale, pottery/ceramics; Del Eckman, SM, sculpture; Alyssa Vanderhoof, SM, sculpture; Madison Sharp, Verndale, sculpture; Sydney Martin, SM, sculpture; Rebecca Soukup, SM, sculpture; Sky Kukuk, PR-B, sculpture, painting; Gretta Norton, PR-B, drawing; Tiana Williams, TR-B, painting.

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Audit bid discussion to continue at work session

things as they are.

Board member Roy DiGiovanni was on the school board during the consolidation of the Staples and Motley School Districts. He said there was significant discussion at the time and the consensus was to not have a hyphen so it would be one name with no division.

Board member Chad Longbella remembered that was the agreement at the time to show no separation, but he felt that, as a school, they should be grammatically correct.

The motion to add the hyphen passed with DiGiovanni as the sole dissenting vote.

"We will change things as we go along as needed,"

Klamm said.

In other business, the board:

- Did not approve the audit bid of Clifton Larson Allen as recommended by the finance committee. Mayer, Porter & Nelson, Ltd., of Staples has been the auditor in recent years. Board member Bryan Winkels said they had no problems with the Staples firm, but felt perhaps another set of eyes on the books would be beneficial. In addition to being the low bid, Clifton Larson Allen specializes in school finance. After more questions the board was split 3-3 on awarding the bid. The board will discuss the matter further at the June 6 work session.
- Approved without

comment a paid leave of absence for Tom Riitters, middle school principal, until the end of the school year when his resignation, which was accepted at last month's meeting, is effective. Notice was recently received that the Board of School Administrators has suspended Riitters' principal license until the end of the school year. Riitters is on probation from Wadena County District Court for an embezzling incident that took place when he was employed by the Verndale School District.

• Heard the results of a communications survey conducted by J & J Solutions on behalf of the district. Sara Dregney said she was pleased with the response rate of five percent. She noted that the community is divided between those who have access to the internet and those who don't. That division needs to be considered as the district develops communication options with residents. Over 80 percent of the respondents found the Cardinal Chronicle useful and appreciated the inclusion of the calendar, although they would like to see it earlier.

• Approved the cancellation of the marketing contract with J & J Solutions because of a change in the company's structure. Sara Dregney, one of the owners, is moving out of the area.

• Approved a resolution to award refunding bonds as presented by Kelly Smith of Springsted, Inc., which will mean a savings to the district taxpayers of \$57,189.

• Approved an increase in contract time for Deb Ferdon in Motley until the

end of the school year.

• Approved contracts for Christian Halverson, middle school principal; Joy Rippentrop, Connections High School math teacher; Caleb Horn, choir teacher; Jeremiah Piepkorn, special education teacher; and Jeff Spandl, transportation on call assistant.

• Accepted resignations from Kay Martin, elementary art teacher; Jon Berggren, care and treatment paraprofessional; Jerome Miller, part time Connections High School teacher; and Aimee Jenkins, Little Cardinals Academy assistant.

• Approved naming Gretchen Bestland as varsity volleyball coach and Amanda Olson as varsity swimming coach.

• Approved the high school Spanish trip to Costa Rica in June.

• Heard from Lund that Freshwater Education District will move its business office and Area Learning Center to the Staples campus of Central Lakes College.

• Heard from board chair Mary Freeman that National Joint Powers Alliance will be awarding \$1.5 million in Innovation grants including eight grant requests from the Staples Motley district.

• Heard in Klamm's report about a number of unfunded mandates for education currently under consideration at the state legislature. She encouraged board members to contact Rep. Mark Anderson and Sen. Paul Gazelka to consider those mandates that are unfair to rural school districts.

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Congratulations to these 5-Star employees

Left to right: Ben Johnson, Karen Knoll, Tanya Schmitz, Debbie Peasley

Ben Johnson, Occupational Health Coordinator
Nominated by Jacque Bartzak RN, Education / Occupational Health, "Occupational Health provides physical assessments for local fire departments. We recently had a few firemen who couldn't make the night assessments, which were done at their fire hall. One of the men worked out of the area and would have to leave work early to get the testing done. Ben offered to come in after hours to get his testing done. Ben's flexibility shows the quality of service the Occupational Health department provides for their customers. His 5-star service to our customer means that the customer's needs were met. Thanks, Ben."

Karen Knoll, RN, EHR IP Coordinator, Hospital Services
Nominated by Mary Kay Wohler, HUC, Hospital Services, "With the starting of Epic I have really had a struggle learning the program. Karen helped ease the challenges of a new system. Karen has been my angel; every time I called her she came right away. I really appreciate her for all the help she has and continues to give."

Tanya Schmitz, CRA, Senior Services
Nominated by Donna Hildahl, LPN, Senior Services. "Tanya always comes to work with a team player approach and is always more than willing to jump in and help wherever needed. Everyone benefits when resident care is exceptional and Tanya helps to achieve this."

Debbie Peasley, Housekeeping, Environmental Services
Nominated by Rosalie Fearing, Receptionist. "When my mom passed away five years ago, Lakewood gave me a beautiful plant. I decided to keep it in the lobby area at the Senior Campus so I could see it every day. The plant outgrew the container it came in, and I with a "brown" thumb did not know how to transplant it. Debbie volunteered to report it for me. This meant so much to me. The plant cheers up the lobby area, and my heart. Thanks so much, Debbie."

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the Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP) and other Farm Bill conservation programs. A local workgroup meeting will follow from 11 a.m. to 12 p.m., where members of the workgroup will set resource priorities in Todd County. For more information on the listening session or workgroup, contact Tim Stieber, Todd SWCD Director at 320-732-2644 or Russell Kleinschmidt, NRCS District Conservationist, at 320-732-6618, ext 3.



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Athletes go for gold at Area 5 Special Olympics

Dozens of athletes from 19 schools participated in the Area 5 Special Olympics Athletics Competition May 11, in Pillager.

Hosted by the Pillager Huskies, the event was held at the high school and featured a number of track and field events, including the 50 meter dash, 400 meter walk and run, the 4x100 meter unified relay, long jump, tennis ball throw; and shot put.

Although the day was cold and rainy, the athletes gave it their all, taking home a number of ribbons

for their efforts.

Pillager coach Kim Lund said the event went very well. "These athletes worked very hard during practice and it showed today. The athletes ran hard and left it all on the track. I am so proud of the team."

Lund went on to note that, "This event would not have run as smooth without the support of Leah Wolkow, the Pillager track coaches (Jim Bentson, Ann Hutchison and Terry Hollingsworth), Camp Confidence, Headquarters 134th BSB (MN Army National

Guard, Camp Ripley) and the Pillager students."

Staples Motley coach Julie Richgels had nothing but praise for her team as well. "They have done a great job at every event this year," she said. In addition to the Athletics Competition (the final one for the school year), the Cardinals have competed at several other Area 5 Special Olympics events, including bowling, unified bowling, basketball, unified basketball, a winter carnival; and the swim meet.



Pillager Huskies ready for competition

The Pillager Huskies hosted and participated at the recent Area 5 Special Olympics Athletics Competition. Pictured above from left are, front row: Emma Sebasky, Kade Hines, Nate Put-

nam. Center: Andrew Tabor, Tate Boelter, Josh Smith, Shelby Wilson. Back row: Ethan Hines, Domenik VanAllen. (Staples World photos by Dawn Timbs)



Cardinal power

The Staples Motley Special Olympics team, along with their coaches and high school volunteers, posed for a photo prior to the Area 5 Athletics Competition in Pillager May 11. Pictured above, left to right, are front row: Sally Flickinger, MaKayla Lambert, Jordan Bohne, Lily Romig, Michael Ballantine, Gavin

Christensen, Molly Skeesick. Row 2: Julie Richgels, Logan Paklonsky, Cody Christy, Sarah Oberlander, Amber Robben, Ashley Smith, Kim Dickinson, Kelsie Peterson. Row 3: Blake Girard, Mason Rychner, Colton Fraley, Frank Karbowiak, Dakota Baert, Connor Schmitz, Corey Ekholm, Katey Flansburg.



Lily's blue ribbon race

Lily Romig (pictured above, far right; and in lower photo) took home a blue ribbon in the 50-meter dash event in Pillager. Romig, a fifth grader, was one of several Staples Motley athletes who competed at the Special Olympics Athletics Competition May 12.



Classifieds

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GARAGE SALES 701

YEARLY PERENNIAL SALE: Sat., May 21, 8:30 a.m.-3 p.m. 4 mi. W of CLC - Staples to 231st Ave., north 2-1/4 mi. to #13831. Maltese Cross, Hostas, Dicotamus, Autumn Joy Sedum, plus about 30 more varieties. Most are 50¢ /pot. 218-445-5248. w19-ssw20c

TOOL/ESTATE SALE Fri., May 20-Sat., May 21, 8 a.m.-4 p.m. 302 Wisc. Ave., Staples. Woodworking tools/supplies; DeWalt, Ryobi, hand clamps, air compressor; **LAWN TOOLS:** lawn shredder/chipper, 15 gal. sprayer, edger, ladders. Household, furniture, pr. swivel chairs, dresser, much misc. ssw20p

GARAGE SALE: Sat., May 21-Sun., May 22, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. 417 County Line Rd., Motley. Cash only, no early sales. Antiques/collectibles, tools, sporting goods, much more. ssw20p

HUGE PERENNIAL PLANT SALE: Sat., May 28-Mon., May 30; Fri., June 3-Sat., June 4, 8 a.m.-7 p.m. Yvonne Dickman and Sue Gosse. Many varieties of perennials: Hostas, Day Lilies, Bleeding Hearts, Lilacs, more. 3 mi. east of Staples, Hwy. 10 to 305th Ave. S, across tracks to #49430. Watch for signs. w19-ssw20-21p

GARAGE SALE: Inside, outside and everything in-between sale! Plus, 14' alum. boat, 15 HP pressure washer, hunting, fishing, helmet, snowblade, ATV. Vintage Villas, 1-1/4 mi. N of CLC, Staples. **Fri., May 20, noon-6 p.m.-Sat., May 21, 8 a.m.-noon.** ssw20p

GARAGE SALE: Fri., May 20, 8 a.m.-7, Sat., May 21, 8 a.m.-noon. Diane's selling her "REALLY NICE" L and XL clothing. Come and see. Turn by Shell gas in Verndale. The Hahns. ssw20p

GARAGE SALE: A lot of blankets, Nascar cars/pillows, little of everything for all. Come, check it out! Thurs., May 19, 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m.-Fri. May 20, maybe? North of golf course before bridge, Staples. Fire #10756. Roger Braith. ssw20p

THE ATTIC & 2 FAMILY GARAGE SALE: May 21, Open 9 a.m.-3 p.m. 1200 8th St. NE, Staples. New items at The Attic and a lot of goodies at the garage sale! w20p

GARAGE SALE: Sat., May 21, 8 a.m.-5 p.m. 1333 85th Ave. SW, Motley (between Staples and Motley on the Warner Rd.) Watch for signs! w20p

WIEBESICK ESTATE SALE: Household, tools, rubber boat, 3x-4x men's clothing; 3 deer cameras, Grumman motorback canoe. Fri., May 27-Sat., May 28, 7 a.m.-5 p.m.; Sun. May 29, 7 a.m.-2 p.m. 2520 Cty. Rd. 7 north of Staples, 1 mi. west/Wahoo Valley. w20-ssw21p

GARAGE SALE: Fri., May 20, 8 a.m.-6p.m., Sat., May 21, 8 a.m.-1 p.m. 8th St. NE/Prairie Ave. (at 4-way stop), go East 1 blk. to 103 Sunrise Dr., Staples (signs). Clothes, dishes, Tupperware, baking dishes, desk, corner hutch, a lot of stuff! Rudenick, Serich, Dukowitz. w21p

GARAGE / ESTATE SALE: Thurs., May 19, Fri., May 20, Sat., May 21, 9:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m. 4734 Hwy. 210 W, Pillager. •Furniture •Household •Clothing: men's, women's •A lot more misc. DON'T MISS THIS SALE. w20p

GARAGE SALE: Friday, May 20 ONLY, 9 a.m. Tools, jewelry, furniture, wooden decoys, kid's play table, table umbrella, etc. 621 Iowa Ave. NE (alley), Staples. ssw20p

GARAGE SALE: Fri., May 20, 9 a.m.-6 p.m. Assorted furniture incl. leather loveseat recliner, dishes, bedding, antiques/collectibles, new compact fridge, weights/ bench, many misc. items. 26615 128th St., Staples: N on Airport Rd. to CLC, straight to 130th St. (on left). Follow signs. w20p

GARAGE SALE: 8360 120th St. SW, Motley. Approx. 3-1/2 mi. E of Staples/Warner Rd. Thurs., May 19-Fri., May 20, 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Sat., May 21, 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Boy's clothes, bikes, a lot of Legos, toys and other misc. items. w20p

4TH ANNUAL HUGE GARAGE SALE - LINCOLN LAKES AREA: Fri., May 27, 7 a.m.-7 p.m., Sat., May 28, 9 a.m.-2 p.m. 3287 Bluebird Rd., Cushing. 4th Annual HUGE Garage Sale. Many items to choose from, something for everyone. Household, furniture, clothing: children-adult; shoes, toys and MORE. All proceeds go to Cushing Bethany Lutheran Church Youth! w20-ssw21p

Annual Staples AG Missions Garage Sale
Thurs., May 26 - Fri., May 27, 8 a.m.-7 p.m.
Saturday, May 28, 8 a.m.-noon.
914 3rd Ave. NE

- Bikes •12 ft. boat/trailer
- Bunk beds • Buffet •China hutch •Wicker furniture
- Antique cookie jars
- Farm fresh eggs •Rhubarb
- Baby scale •Baby buggy
- Cribs •Wheelchair •TVs
- Clothing (all sizes) •Electric fireplace •Rockers •Chairs
- Couch/other misc. furniture
- Rocks •A lot of misc.

ALL PROCEEDS GO TO MISSIONS.
w20-ssw21

Fort Ripley woman injured in one-vehicle rollover

A 46-year-old woman was injured in a one-vehicle rollover in Ripley Township May 12. The incident occurred at approximately 11:43 a.m.

According to a report from the Morrison County Sheriff's Office, Maria Wagner of Fort Ripley was

traveling on 165th Avenue when she swerved to miss a deer, lost control of her vehicle and rolled several times. Wagner was transported to St. Joseph's Medical Center in Brainerd by Gold Cross Ambulance with unknown injuries.

Law enforcement reports

Recent reports from the Morrison County Sheriff's Office (MCSO) included the following:

May 10 - The MCSO received a call regarding a panic alarm at Motley Elementary School. Upon their arrival, law enforcement checked the area and did not find anyone around. The alarm company was contacted and advised to cancel.

May 8 - Lincoln Gas and Bait, Cushing, called the MCSO to report a gas drive-off in the amount of \$40. The registered owner of the vehicle was contacted and he said he would be there within the hour to pay for the gas.

May 8 - The MCSO received a call regarding a public safety issue at a lake near the 2100 block of Pine View Blvd. in Motley. Caller stated there was a boat lift in the water where boats travel and that only a part of the wheel on the lift was visible. In addition, the caller said there was "a bunch of stuff" on the shore and in the water by the shore. Law enforcement attempted to contact the owner of the boat lift, James Thatcher, but were unsuccessful. They also placed a danger buoy by the lift.

Blood drive in Motley

A blood drive, sponsored by the American Red Cross, will be held at the Motley United Methodist Church Tuesday, May 24, noon - 6 p.m.

Bring photo ID or donor card. For more information or to schedule an appointment, call Janet at 218-352-6188.

Torch bearer

Josh Hoemberg (at right) served as a torch bearer for the Staples Motley Cardinals at the Special Olympics Athletics Competition in Pillager May 11. He is pictured walking the track with torch bearers from the other participating schools. Hoemberg is a senior at SM High School.



Winner

Jordan Bohne took home a third place ribbon after running the 50-meter dash at the recent Special Olympics event in Pillager. Bohne is a member of the Staples Motley Cardinals.



Man found unresponsive in vehicle in Cushing Township

A Long Prairie man was airlifted to St. Cloud Hospital with unknown injuries following an early morning incident in Cushing Township May 13.

According to their report, the Morrison County Sheriff's Office responded to a report of a vehicle in the ditch off 260th Street.

When deputies arrived, they observed 21-year-old Andrew Dubois of Long Prai-

rie unresponsive in the driver's seat of a 1998 Toyota Corolla. The vehicle came to rest in a ditch with standing water and was still running. Dubois was airlifted from the scene by North Air Care.

The case is under investigation by the Morrison County Sheriff's Office. Assisting at the scene were Randall Rescue, Gold Cross Ambulance, North Air Care and the Minnesota State Patrol.