

New CLC dean, Staples campus, excited to be here

By Dawn Timbs
Staples World reporter

Dr. Adam Hayashi is now on board at Central Lakes College as the new Dean of Staples Campuses, Nursing & Grants. It's a position he assumed Sept. 5.

He's excited to be at CLC, Hayashi said. "It's a great school with a variety of amazing programs," he went on, mentioning the college's newly accred-

ited diesel program, as well as its heavy equipment, robotics, machine tool and medical assistant programs. "I'm looking to see what I can do to help advance these programs and help bring students in," he said.

The college's mission statement, "We build futures," impressed Hayashi from moment one. "It's so powerful," he said.

There is such a demand today for people with degrees in the fields of diesel, robotics and heavy equipment...and Hayashi wants to help spread the news about CLC's programs in these fields.

Not only do they offer quality education, with cutting edge technologies, but prospective students may be interested to know that CLC's heavy equipment program is not offered anywhere else in the state. "Nine out of 10 graduates will wind up in jobs in their fields," Hayashi said.

What's offered at CLC is impressive.

In terms of accreditation, the medical assistant program is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Pro-

grams (CAAHEP), and the Diesel program is accredited by the Associated Equipment Distributors (AED). The college's Nursing RN (Brainerd) and LPN (Staples) programs were both recently accredited by the Commission for Nursing Education Accreditation (CNEA).

When he heard about the job opening at the CLC Staples campus, Hayashi felt it was not only a great opportunity, but was a position that aligned well with his education/career background.

After graduating from high school in Green Lake, Wis., Hayashi went on to study physiology. He has an undergraduate degree from Texas A&M University, a Master's degree from the University of North Texas (2000); and a Doctorate in Higher Education Administration from the University of Florida, Gainesville (2010). In addition to his interest in physiology, Hayashi minored in music theory along the way, he shared, adding that he plays guitar.

Prior to pursuing education administration, Hayashi taught physiology for over 20 years. During

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'Building Futures'

Dr. Adam Hayashi, new Dean of Staples Campuses, Nursing and Grants at Central Lakes College, stands near the new quilt that is now on display at

the front of the school. Entitled "Building Futures," the piece is part of the Barn Quilts of Central Minnesota. (Staples World photo by Dawn Timbs)

Weather

This Week's Forecast

	High	Low	Cond.
Sept. 25	61°	41°	Sunny
Sept. 26	63	51	P. Cloudy
Sept. 27	58	38	M. Cloudy
Sept. 28	55	45	Cloudy
Sept. 29	57	53	Showers
Sept. 30	67	51	Thunderstorms
Oct. 1	55	47	Showers

Last Year, 2018

	High	Low	Cond.
Sept. 25	53°	41°	Cloudy
Sept. 26	57	38	
Sept. 27	54	42	Cloudy
Sept. 28	53	37	P. Cloudy
Sept. 29	51	30	Sunny
Sept. 30	53	34	Sunny
Oct. 1	63	49	Cloudy

Average Temp.:
H = 65° Low = 48°

Average Rain (last 7 days): .85"
Total Rain 2019: 23.10"

Recall:
Sept. 29, 2018,
first hard freeze!

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WCCO's Staples area
Weatherwatcher

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Obituaries

Dorothy Killingstad
Glen Larson
Lynn Lenk



Closed session held for pending litigation against Todd County

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The Todd County Board of Commissioners once again held a closed session for the purpose of meeting with the county's outside legal counsel to have an attorney-client privileged discussion pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Section 13D.05, Subdivision 3(b) regarding a pending litigation matter.

In other business
• Accepted the resignation of Ben Guell, planning and zoning, effective Sept. 26.

• Approved a gambling permit for the Browerville Sportsman Club to hold a raffle event at the Clarissa Ballroom on March 1, 2020.

• Approved a gambling permit for the Todd County Council On Aging to hold a raffle event at the Clarissa Ballroom on Nov. 2.

• Approved an On Sale, Off Sale and Sunday Liquor License for The Rock Tavern, LLC, effective October 15, 2019 through March 31, 2020.

• Todd County is in the process of building a complete county fee schedule to be implemented for 2020 and is required by law to hold a public hearing to gather any public input on the proposed fees before adoption. The hearing will be held on October 15 at 9:15 a.m. in the county board room.

• On August 20 the commissioners approved the 2018 Todd County Local Election Equipment Plan Revision which altered the 2019 equipment purchase to be the Electronic Pollbooks (PollPads).

The Auditor-Treasurer's Office has received a Municipal Agreement of Participation and Funding of the PollPad purchase from each city and township within the county.

Todd County will be the fiscal host and central storage location for the unit(s) purchased and each municipality will be funding their respective unit(s) purchase cost.

The board approved the PollPad purchase with KNOWiNK for \$83,817.50.

• Acknowledged receipt of a Drainage System Repair Request for minor maintenance of County Ditch 15 from Linn Smith.

• The Todd County Unified Environmental Health Ordinance has been

updated to incorporate new state regulations. The ordinance was reviewed by the board and county attorney.

• Heard the 2019 Initiative Foundation update from Grants and Development Manager Carl Newbanks. Affordable child care is a big issue.

• The Todd County Sheriff's Office is in need of additional deputies due to increased policing contracts. These contracts include providing liaison services to both Browerville and Bertha schools, as well as providing policing to the city of Bertha.

Sheriff Steve Och discussed this increased workload during a previous work session. It was discussed to hire two additional full-time deputies. One full-time deputy would be hired immediately after interviews and the other would be hired on January

1, 2020.

Part of the increased need stems from putting in 32 hours a week between the Bertha-Hewitt and Browerville schools. They will also be providing 20 hours per week to the city of Bertha.

He said they needed the extra help because mental health issues have gone through the roof and it is not safe for one officer.

Och said that they are still waiting to hear from Eagle Bend as to what they are planning to do.

Editor's Note: The Eagle Bend City Council met for their regular meeting on Monday, Sept. 16 and will not be making a decision on police coverage until their October meeting.

• The City of Browerville has approved an agreement with the Todd

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Two arrested after burglary investigation

On Sept. 19, at 3:20 a.m., while on routine patrol, Staples Police discovered a burglary taking place at the City of Staples Waste-water Plant. The officer searched for the subject who had fled on foot. Police were assisted in the search by Morrison County Sheriff's K9 and Todd County Sheriff's drone pilot.

After investigation, police executed a search warrant at the residence of Jennifer Lundell and Phillip Breyen at 920 Park Ave NE. As a result of that search, police located several thousands of dollars' worth of stolen property, as well as drugs and drug paraphernalia.

The stolen property located in the home was from a burglary on the 1000 block of Pleasant Ave. NE that had been reported to police on Sept. 4. After further investigation, police also recovered several stolen firearms from that burglary. The firearms were located hidden on a farm in rural Cass County.

As a result of this investigation, Lundell was arrested for felony possession of stolen property and 5th degree possession of a controlled substance. Breyen was arrested and charged with felony possession of stolen property, and 2nd degree burglary.



2019 SMHS Homecoming Court

Ten seniors from Staples-Motley High School were named to the 2019 Homecoming Court during a student assembly Sept. 23. The queen candidates include, front row from left, Alix Peterson, Mackenna Bjerga, Bella Martin, Kay Gelle, Riley Peterson. The king candidates, back row from left, include Ryan Wick, Owen Bjerga, Cade Schmidt, Issac Kronenberg, Ben Olander. The candidates were dressed according to the theme that day, which was 'Hick/Hillbilly.' Homecoming Coronation and a pep fest will take place Friday, Sept. 27, at 10:15 a.m. in the high school gymnasium.

Other Homecoming Week events include dance lessons, tie dye party, tailgate party and the homecoming dance. Several Cardinal home games are scheduled as well, including tennis and volleyball on Tuesday, Sept. 24; volleyball and swimming on Thursday, Sept. 26; and the Homecoming football game Friday, Sept. 27, at 6 p.m., at which time the Cards will take on the Roseau Rams. During half-time, the 2018 spring sport state athletes will be recognized, the Cardinal Cheerleaders will perform, and the Homecoming Royalty will be introduced. (Staples World photo by Dawn Timbs)

Thank you for subscribing!



Construction has begun

A new pavilion is soon to be a reality at Converse Park in Motley, a project initiated by the Motley Free Methodist Church's youth group...

(running the excavator); Bryan Stevens, City of Motley's Maintenance Assistant; and Dave Odden, PHB Excavating employee...

Law enforcement reports, Motley area

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

Sept. 18 - The MPD issued a speeding citation to Mitchell VanAlst, 28.

Sept. 15 - The MPD responded to a report of a one-vehicle accident at

Hwy 10 near City Hall in Motley. A brick sign in front of the fire department was damaged and will need to be replaced.

Sept. 13 - The MPD received a report of a gas drive-off at Orton's in Motley.

Sept. 18 - The MCSO received a request from Cass County regarding a burglary in progress at the 6000 block of Sarah Dr. SW in Motley.

Ask a Trooper

Sgt. Jesse Grabow, Minnesota State Patrol

Question: Can you explain the new law that requires drivers to move to the right lane if they are impeding traffic by traveling under the posted speed limit?

Answer: The requirement to move over and allow vehicles to pass in the left lane has been law in Minnesota for many years. Modernized language was added to the current law for those drivers that drive in the left lane below the posted speed limit...

If you are traveling under the posted speed limit, move to the right when safe to do so. Remember to signal every time you change lanes.

Keeping the left lane clear has other benefits, too: It will help reduce everyone's stress on the road by increasing efficiency, and it can ward off road rage effectively.

The speed limits are the limits, and we are always on alert for violators that choose to go above those limits. In Minnesota, speeding is one of the leading contributing factors in crashes, so please obey all posted speed limits.



Meeting her teacher

Brooklyn Winter (right) met her homeroom teacher, Renae Schmitz, during the recent open house at Staples-Motley Elementary School.



O brothers where art thou?

In the hallway of Staples-Motley High School during the open house Aug. 28. Twin brothers Andy Salcido (left) and Brayden Salcido, both entering the eighth grade, attended the recent open house...



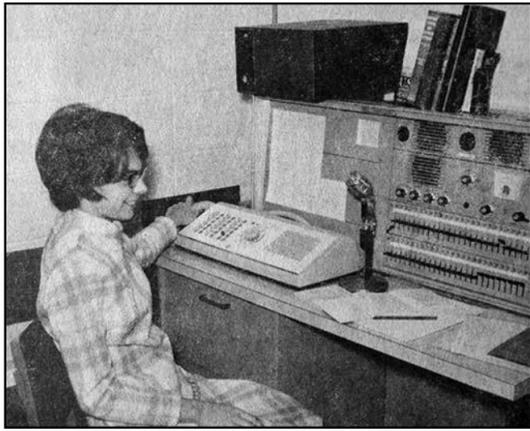
Pre-game entertainment

The Staples-Motley pep band rocks the crowd before the girls volleyball game on Sept. 19.

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Mystery solved

Last week's mystery photo published in the Sept. 11, 1969 edition of the Staples World featured Sherry Miller in her new position as switchboard operator for all the telephones of the Staples Public school system, which had recently gone into effect. The article states, "Residents calling any office or department of the Staples Public schools, including the Area Vocational school and its various departments, must call 894-2430 and Miss Miller will connect them with their calling number."

Those who correctly identified Sherry Miller (now Frisk) included Mel Nefstead, Michael Cizek, Pastor Greg Leslie, Mike Koppes (1971 SHS graduate), Bruce Drone, Lloyd Fellbaum, Monica Johnson, Kevin Roline, Marilyn (Miller) Holst (Sherry's cousin), Alisa (Frisk) Olson; and Linda (Kowalski) Bartylla. Linda shared that she and Sherry both graduated from Staples High School in 1969. Alisa noted that the woman in the photo was her mother and that she had worked in the high school office as a switchboard operator. "She probably sewed that plaid suit, too!" Alisa said. Mel recalled that the switchboard was located in the main office of the Votech school located just inside of the main door on 3rd Street across from the football field...where the high school is now.

Sherry wrote in to say, "The mystery picture is of me with the school's first switchboard. I was the first phone operator for the school. All incoming calls for all the school staff came into it, plus I made all of the long distance phone calls, logging all of them. Whenever there was a list of long distance calls to be made, Mr. (Duane) Lund had top priority, Mr. (Mike) Matanich in the vocational office, and then the school principals. The phone was located in the vocational office. When I went on break or to lunch, Margaret Anderson or Pat Meierhofer answered the phone. Thanks to all for participating in our Mystery Photo."

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Welcome to Staples CLC

that time he was an Assistant Professor at Central Florida Community College where he taught Anatomy and Physiology; and in 2006, he received the award for "Outstanding Educator UF College of Agriculture and Life Sciences" from the University of Florida.

Hayashi continued his career at the College of Central Florida's Citrus Campus in Lecanto. In 2008, he became the campus director and later moved into administration taking on the role of dean.

He has also previously served as the Dean of Science and Health Careers at Oakton Community College in Des Plaines, Ill.

Hayashi misses teaching on occasion, "but being in administration is challenging and rewarding," Hayashi said. He appreciates having the opportunity to work with outstanding faculty and indirectly having an impact on students.

Hayashi is very excited to be in Staples and working at CLC, he said again. "It's a very inclusive, caring environment where student success is priority."

In the short time he's been here, Hayashi said it's been a joy to work with CLC President Hara Charlier and the rest of the staff. He's also found that there is a good collaboration between the college and the community, which he appreciates.

"This is a beautiful area," Hayashi said, adding that he and his family (he is married and has three children) are looking forward to making it their home.

Outside of work, Hayashi enjoys scuba diving, fishing and water sports.



Stauber talks politics at Spot Cafe

U.S. Representative Pete Stauber spoke to more than 25 people at Spot Cafe in Staples on Aug. 27. Stauber told the crowd he has a local team that understands the values and needs of his district. He said he is in favor of the Enbridge pipeline. He also said China is taking advantage of the U.S. by cheating at trade.

75 YEARS Ago - 1944

Sept. 28, 1944 - The Cardinal Kronicle announced Vernon Drake as the Senior President at Staples High School. "His intelligence, excellent qualities of leadership, and ready sense of humor make Vernon Drake an outstanding senior class president. He is an active member of K.K., orchestra, band, Pep band, and mixed chorus. He is also president of the student council."

If one of these days Vernon skips school, it will probably be to go hunt-

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ing. As a hobby he enjoys hunting, fishing, brunettes, and blondes. (Oh, that was strictly off the record). Girls, here's a hint, the way to Vernon's heart is mashed potatoes, gravy and beefsteak. Vernon, alias, "Prof" or "Doc" as he is sometimes known, is a hard-working person with personality.

Sept. 28, 1944 - In the Classified section - For Sale: 8-room house and two lots on 4th Ave. North. Will sell for \$1,300. Mrs. P. J. Galvin, Staples.

Sept. 28, 1944 - Showing at the Staples Theatre Friday - Saturday, Hop A Long Cassidy in "The Forty Thieves." \$25 war bond to be given. Admission is 12c - 30c, including tax.

50 YEARS Ago - 1969

Sept. 25, 1969 - On Friday of last week, seven adults from the area began taking flight instructions at the Staples Municipal Airport. The flight trainees are Gordon Dezell, Roger Easthouse, Ken LeVasseur, Mrs. Doris Pribbenow, Dennis Ahrens, Mrs. James L. Schaefer and Sherwood Jordahl.

Sept. 25, 1969 - Showing at the Staples Theatre for seven days is "True Grit," starring John Wayne, Glen Campbell and Kim Darby.

Sept. 25, 1969 - Master Sergeant Einar P. Moen, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Moen of Motley, received the U.S. Air Force Commendation Medal from Brigadier General Allison C. Brooks, commander of the Aerospace Rescue and Recovery Service, George AFB, California. The award was presented for meritorious service in Vietnam. Sgt. Moen, an aircraft maintenance technician, was cited for his outstanding duty performance while assigned at Pleiku Air Base. He was presented the medal at George AFB, Calif., where he now serves with a unit of the Aerospace Rescue and Recovery Service. The sergeant is a veteran of the Korean War.

25 YEARS Ago - 1994

Sept. 29, 1994 - 'Batchers to close doors after 86 years' was the front-page

Looking back



Mystery photo

Hello readers. This week's archive photo is from our Oct. 17, 1974 edition. Do you know who these people are and perhaps the context of the photo? Email your answers and where you are from

to dtimbs@staplesworld.com by Friday morning. The answers will be published in next week's paper, as well as a new mystery photo.

headline that week. The story, by editor Tom Crawford, goes on to say that, "The curtain is about to close on a chunk of history in Staples with the closing of the Batcher Discount Department Store."

Store officials have announced what many people in Staples have suspected for many months, that the store is closing. A big "Going Out of Business" sale begins Thursday...How long the closing sale will last is uncertain at this time. "As long as it takes," John Nelson, a long time employee, said this week.

When it does close, it will be the first time since 1908 that there has not been a Batcher's retail goods store selling clothing, material and other items to the customers from Staples and many miles around. For years, the store was a drawing card for the community, with people coming here from 25 to 30 miles away to shop at Batcher's and other stores."

Sept. 29, 1994 - Students at Staples Motley High School this past week chose Becky Hinkle and Dominic Hanson as their 1994 Homecoming royalty. The coronation was Monday night at the Centennial Auditorium. Queen candidates include Jenny Germann, Kelly Stevens, Kyla Kelly, Michele Heier, Melanie Willette and Kari Knosalla. King candidates include Blaine Joerger, Adam Judd, Jon Anglin, Paul Erbe, Daryn Lecy, Seth Sams. The crown bearers were Sara Peterson and Jacob Denning.

Sept. 29, 1994 - Nearly 20 schools competed Monday night in the cardinal's Staples Rotary Invita-

tional cross country meet, with excellent running weather providing a beautiful running event at Terrace National Golf Course.

Sixteen teams competed in the boys varsity race, won by St. Cloud Cathedral's Eric Barrett in a time of 16 minutes, 41 seconds. He lead his team to the team title, with a total of 79 team points. Staples finished in 12th place, with 326 points.

Robin Reichel continued to cut his time off the boys 5,000 meters. He finished in 51st place for the best time for the Cards, with an 18 minute, 54 second time. That was a half minute drop from his previous best, last week at the Pierz meet where he ran a 19:33 time. Other Cardinal runners and their times included Mike Vacek, 59th, in 19:08; Aaron Fuller, 66th, 19:30; David Jenkins, 73rd, 19:53; Scott Brever, 77th, 19:59; Chris Rice, 80th, 20:25; and Shawn Dickman, 88th, 21:18.

10 YEARS Ago - 2009

Sept. 24, 2009 - The annual Homecoming coronation program was held Monday night at Centennial Auditorium, with Kelly Reese and Lance Flickinger crowned as the homecoming royalty. They will reign over festivities

this week that include the Friday night football game and dance Saturday night. Kelly is the daughter of Barb and John Reese and Lance is the son of Aletha and LeRoy Flickinger.

Sept. 24, 2009 - The Staples Motley Area Arts Council celebrates its 40th anniversary. The first undertaking of the organization, first known as the Staples Fine Arts Council, was a performance by the Minnesota Orchestra at Dower Lake Park on July 20, 1969. The council is celebrating its 40th Anniversary with a local connection at the first concert in the 2009 - 10 series. Ruby Boots will perform Saturday, Sept. 26, at 7:30 p.m., at Centennial Auditorium. The Schimpp sisters, Dawn, Andrea and Heather, backed by piano man Gary Timbs and other musicians will deliver an edgy blend of contemporary folk, country and gospel.

Sept. 24, 2009 - Jim Christoffersen, Staples Motley School District Buildings and Grounds Supervisor, was honored as the Maintenance Professional of the Year for 2009-2010 at the Minnesota Association of School Maintenance Supervisors (MASMS) Conference in St. Cloud on Sept. 17.

GUNS/ RIFLES AUCTION Collectibles Tractors

Due to the death of my husband, Bill, I will sell the following personal property at auction, located at the Motley Fairgrounds in Motley, MN. Indoor if rain. Follow signs on:

Saturday, Sept. 28, 2019

SALE TIME: 10 A.M. RESTROOMS AVAILABLE LUNCH ON GROUNDS

<p>GUNS</p> <p>36 cal. black powder pistol Glenfield Mod. 60 22 LR auto w/scope Savage Mod. 11 243 bolt action w/scope #312550 "Lethy" Winchester Mod. 71 348 W.C.F. #11918 lever action Ruger Mod. 77 bolt action 22-250 #78-81742 Winchester Mod. 40 12 ga 2-3/4 auto. #2469 Zephyr dtd. barrel shotgun made in Spain No. 10 Slogger Arms. 12 ga. #1360 12 ga. 2-3/4" & 3" pump 26" barrel, adjust choke, Mossberg Mod. 500 ATR Winchester Mod. 1911 SL 12 ga. full choke, nickel steel #69668A 410 bolt action breach load 3" New Haven #2887A Ruger Mod. 10-22 22 long rifle, auto. w/scope #230-39446 22 Winchester LR, lever action (clip) Mod. 69A Remington Mod. 788 308 cal. w/ Weaver scope, #A607567, RH, with clip Misc. Ammunition Shotgun shell reloader</p> <p><i>Must have permit to purchase hand guns. Guns in secure location until day of sale.</i></p>	<p>OUTDOOR/ SPORTING</p> <p>Ice fishing house, 8X12 12 ft. alum. jon boat, Sea King Minnesota bow mount elec. fishing motor Ice auger, gas powered Strikemaster Brown Bear compound bow Harter's compound bow Cabela's commercial meat grinder, 1-1/2 HP Elec. smoker/ turkey fryer Assort. traps Minnow traps Fishing rods, reels, tackle Pick axe Logging chains Karosene heater Camping stoves, lanterns, propane, white gas Steel cables Vintage Hatter's wood hunting arrows, (new in box) Moped, Kinetic John Deere model 832 snowblower Craftsman 26" snowblower</p> <p>TOOLS/MISC.</p> <p>RC Tools impact drill 1/2" Assort. drills Circular, jig and reciprocating saws Black and Decker belt sander 3X21 Schumacher battery starter/ charger Chain hoist 1/2 ton Northern Industrial Nails, screws Air framing nailer Milwaukee lg. grinder Rodac air chisel Craftsman dual action sanders Vises Assort. hand tools Soldering iron Black and Decker planer Comealong Black and Decker portable band saw Chain hoist 1/2 ton Northern Industrial Benchtop compound miter saw Craftsman 10" radial arm saw</p>	<p>FARM EQUIPMENT/ MISC.</p> <p>McCormick 300 tractor w/ Paulson loader, dirt & snow bucket w/ original fast hitch Allis Chalmers WD tractor w/loader and Cambell Hausfield John Deere com planter Vintage 2 bottom plow Vintage disc Vintage cultivator Site mini garden tiller Greenhouse trays, pots</p> <p>COLLECTIBLES</p> <p>Wood burning kitchen stove, American Range Corp Sanico Motorcycle, Kawasaki 500 1975 Levels, mirror bucket, saw Vintage wood water skis, Riviera console Butcher block Stereos Stereos</p> <p>HOUSEHOLD</p> <p>Bathroom fan, new in box Oil lamps Chest freezer (2) Water cooler Coffee tables Bunk bed set Keurig coffee maker Canning jars, including blue jars Many more misc. items</p>
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The right gig

By Morris Pearl

Recently a bill passed in California that could fundamentally redefine gig workers, and the gig economy.

The gig economy has exploded in the last few years. Over one third of American workers, or nearly 60 million people, are in the gig economy. These workers are classified as independent contractors under the law, but this definition comes with consequences. Independent contractors do not get any of the labor protections and benefits that employees get - no overtime pay, no health insurance, no retirement plans, no paid sick leave, no unemployment insurance protection.

With such a large number of American workers now exempt from such basic labor rights, it is no surprise to see state legislatures grappling with the issue. California is currently embroiled in a tense end of session debate over the gig economy. Now that Assembly Bill 5 has passed the state legislature, all eyes are on Governor Newsom, who stands poised to sign the bill. The bill would codify a state Supreme Court ruling that makes it more difficult for companies to categorize their workers as independent contractors.

This would already be landmark legislation, but with the 2020 presidential campaign heating up, AB5 has become even more nationally relevant as Democratic candidates weigh in. Overwhelmingly, the message is simple: legislation like this is necessary to help workers secure labor protections, further strengthening the backbone of our economy.

Our economy has stopped working for lower and middle class workers. One doesn't have to look too far to see examples of how the rich have gotten richer, while workers have grown poorer. Working people have lost their bargaining power. Productivity has consistently increased, but the wages of American workers have not. Laws and institutions have chipped away at worker prosperity. Every day, there is news of a factory being outsourced, an anti-labor law being passed, or a financial regulation being rolled back.

Our economy is 70% consumer driven, and we need workers who earn living wages, no matter what their employment classification. If we want to further boost our economy, it makes the most sense to

put money in the hands of the people who would use it most.

Currently, gig economy companies such as Uber and Lyft do not pay drivers when they are waiting for rides. As a result, drivers are spending approximately 60% of their time working without pay. In addition, these drivers have to pay for gas, car maintenance, health and car insurance expenses, and self-employment taxes. A lot of the money that drivers earn goes towards these extra expenses, and drivers can end up keeping as little as \$4 an hour for themselves. We cannot build businesses in today's economy when so many workers make so little and can not afford their basic needs.

Workers should also have the right to organize. Unions allow workers to coordinate and fight for more labor protections. As union membership in the US has fallen to record lows, the share of income going to the top 1% has skyrocketed. Right now, because gig economy workers are classified as independent contractors, they aren't allowed to unionize under the National Labor Relations Act. Without collective bargaining power, the 60 million American workers participating in the gig economy do not have a protected voice or a seat at the table with executives, all but ensuring wages will remain abhorrently low. It is both morally and economically imperative that all workers be allowed the opportunity to unionize and fight for their rights.

An entire sector of workers are being left out of today's labor laws and protections. It is time that all workers be given the ability to organize and earn livable wages. Legislation like California's AB5 can protect gig workers by classifying them as employees, not as independent contractors. The rest of the US is watching California, because if California passes AB5, other states will likely follow with similar bills. Legislation protecting workers will give them a real voice, one that can reshape our economy.

Morris Pearl is a former managing director at BlackRock, Inc. and Chair of the Patriotic Millionaires, a coalition of high-net worth Americans concerned about the destabilizing concentration of wealth and power in the U.S.

Listen to the children

By Mel Gurtov

The American public is coming around to the view that the climate crisis is real, urgent, and therefore a national priority. The turnout of millions of people on Sept. 20, highlighted by student-led strikes in most of the world's major cities, is evidence of a new consciousness about the threat climate change poses to everyone, everywhere.

Young people are ahead of the curve. They understand the science, the politics, and the future implications of climate change. They worry about their prospects, but just as much about the planet's prospects. And they don't trust the politicians to do their job. Their demand for decisive action is tempered by concern, as a recent House committee hearing showed, about whether there really are any intelligent adults in the room. "I don't want you to listen to me," Greta Thunberg told Congress members. "I want you to listen to the scientists," referencing in particular the latest Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change report that gives us about twelve years in which to halt and begin reversing global warming. How many members of Congress have read it?

Jamie Margolin, founder of Zero Hour and one of the panelists at

the House hearing, puts her fight against climate change, which she began as a high school student, in a larger political context. She calls it "decolonization":

Why do I do this? I am striking for a decolonized future. A decolonized world is one in which the wealthiest nations and industries do not continue to exploit communities in the global south, and instead support them in dealing with the effects of the climate crisis, like droughts, hurricanes and floods. A decolonized world is one where those most affected by the climate crisis — poor and indigenous communities and those in the global south — are heard and have a seat at the table where decisions are made. I am fighting for a decolonized future, because a decolonized world is the only one that will be able to turn the tide on the climate crisis.

In short, stopping and reversing climate change is part of the larger struggle against corporate greed, governmental neglect, and social injustice.

Back in 2015, 21 Oregon students launched a lawsuit, *Juliana v. United States*, against the Obama administration based on the unprecedented claim to a right to a clean environment, specifically addressing climate

change. Among the students' demands is that the government stop issuing leases for coal, oil, and gas extraction. In November 2018 the Supreme Court rejected several attempts by the Trump administration to quash the suit. The government's argument is that climate change is properly dealt with by government agencies, and that (imagine!) it would have to undertake wholesale policy changes. As a solicitor-general put it, the plaintiffs "seek nothing less than a complete transformation of the American energy system — including the abandonment of fossil fuels — ordered by a single district court at the behest of 'twenty-one children and youth.'" Well, we certainly don't want a few kids getting in the way of business as usual.

The 9th Circuit Court of Appeals in Portland, OR began hearing the case last June. Whether or not the case will come to trial remains uncertain. But here again, the children have spoken, and they are persistent. Listen to them: They know how to speak truth to power, and they're on the right track.

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Why we call it 'Public Notice'

From the Public Notice Resource Center Newsletter

Statutorily required notice goes by a number of different names. There's "public notice", of course. "Legal notice" is a big one. "Legal ads" is also used quite often. And then there's plain old "legals", as in "the legals".

Ask someone in the newspaper business what they're called and you may get any one of those answers. Ask someone outside the newspaper business the same question and the response is likely to be, "Huh?"

There are a number of reasons for the public confusion over public notice advertising, including the fact that we in the newspaper industry can't agree on a name for them. Branding 101 would suggest that's a problem.

Of course, it's not all our fault. Legislators have played a role in this. The general statutes of Arkansas, Colorado, Kentucky and many other states refer to them as "legal notices." The laws in California, South Dakota and Oregon call them "public notices". Some state statutes, like Massachusetts,

refer to them as both.

Our policy at the Public Notice Resource Center is as follows:

1. For the sake of clarity, the newspaper business should settle on one name; and
2. For branding purposes, that name should be "public notice"

Why is "public notice" preferable to "legal notice" or "legal ads"? Because the word "public" has positive connotations. The word "legal", on the other hand, is a mixed bag.

"Public notices" sound like a civic good. They're about notifying the public. Who can be against notifying the public?

By contrast, "legal notices" sound kind of scary. Like someone did something wrong and needs to be told about it.

Consider the advertisement posted to the right. Despite what it says at the top, it is not a public notice. It's a used-car ad. But the words "public notice" are so powerful that this auto dealer decided to use them to get people to pay attention to his used-car sale. Aside perhaps from that Nigerian prince who keeps emailing all of us, it's impossible to imagine

someone doing the same thing with the words "legal notice".

From an advocacy and framing perspective, the words "public notice" are a gift. Let's use them precisely as they have been gifted to us. So: When you talk about them. When you publish them in your newspaper. When you post a link to them on your website. Please call them "public notices".

By Lee H. Hamilton

A wave of protests is roiling Moscow. Millions of people, young and old, have been crowding the streets in Hong Kong. In Britain, members of the Conservative Party took to open revolt over Prime Minister Boris Johnson's move to sideline Parliament on Brexit. If democracy is dysfunctional and on the ropes worldwide, as many voices currently insist, you'd have a hard time making the case from these headlines.

In fact, at a time of concern and, in many quarters, cynicism about democracy and its prospects, they remind us of a basic truth: people want a say in how they're governed. As Winston Churchill put it back in 1944, "At the bottom of all the tributes paid to democracy is the little man, walking into the little booth, with a little pencil, making a little cross on a little bit of paper—no amount of rhetoric or voluminous discussion can possibly diminish the overwhelming importance of that point."

To be sure, "democracy" is hard to define. The UN says that democracies are where "the will of the people is the source of legitimacy of sovereign states," but that's a broad definition. Our representative democracy, the various

parliamentary democracies, the town-meeting democracy of New England — these are all forms of democracy. What they have in common are mechanisms for the people to express their will; characteristics such as free speech, the ability to associate freely, fair and free elections, and universal suffrage; and such values as equality before the law, political responsiveness, transparency, and accountability.

I'd argue there's one other characteristic you also find in the world's democracies: people prefer living in them. And when they don't feel the popular will can find expression, at some point conditions ripen to the point where, as in Russia and Hong Kong, they take to the streets.

Why is this? What do people value about living in a democratic system? Most of us who support democracy would argue that its key characteristics — openness, accountability, transparency, media freedom, responsiveness — actually improve the nation's overall well-being. On the whole, democratic nations have stronger economies. They tend to be less corrupt, because free and fair elections and their systems' checks and balances impose accountability on their leaders. They make it possible for citizens to know where they stand, because the rules of the road are set up to apply to everyone. At their core, they recognize the value and dignity of each individual.

There are clearly signs of stress in the world's democracies. A Pew poll last year found sometimes marked increases in dissatisfaction with how democracy is working in such countries as Germany, the Netherlands, Sweden, Canada, and the US. It was a warning sign that all is not well.

Even in the best of times,

democracies are imperfect. They too often wallow in political stagnation or gridlock. Issues that need resolution get batted back and forth for years, and even when they're addressed the remedies fall short. It's far easier for opponents of a given approach to block it than for its proponents to enact it. Elections may give the people a voice, but they also serve as a de facto horizon, inclining political leaders to short-term fixes rather than investing in people, infrastructure, or other long-term goals. And far too often, the voices of those with resources are louder in the halls of power than those of people who lack money or access.

Yet even people who complain about their governments or their representatives rarely argue that they need a different system. That Pew survey I cited above measured unhappiness with how democracies are functioning, not with democracy itself. Most citizens of democracies believe that their countries are wealthier, less corrupt, more resilient, and more responsive than the alternatives, and that their deficiencies are correctable. They count themselves happier, healthier, and freer than they would be in any alternative.

This is why in the end, the discussion in the world's traditional democracies is about how to make them stronger. It's about fear of slipping into autocracy, not about the desire for autocracy. Among those who understand what it is like to live in a free society, democracy remains the system of choice.

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Women, and men, invited to Leadercast Women 2019

Gaining courage and confidence in your daily life



Nearly 100 leaders participated in Leadercast Women 2018 at Sourcewell. (Submitted photo)

Leaders of all backgrounds will discover the power of taking courage in their daily lives when attending Leadercast Women 2019 - October 18, at Sourcewell in Staples.

Nationally known female leaders share stories of inspiration at this one-day leadership event. While the event features an all-woman cast, the experts deliver actionable leadership insights for all - male and female. Broadcast live from Atlanta each October, the event is simulcast and reaches an international audience at host sites around the world.

This year, attendees will be inspired by bold leaders whose stories will show what courage looks like. Speakers include:

- Luvvie Ajayi - Best-selling author and digital strategist
- Deshauna Barber - Miss

USA 2016 and U.S. Army Reserve captain

Glennon Doyle - Best-selling author, activist and founder of Together Rising

Kate Delaney - Emmy award-winning journalist and host of The Kate Delaney Show

Francesca Gino - Researcher and professor at Harvard Business School

Laura Ling - Award-winning journalist and TV host

Kendra Scott - Jewelry designer and founder of Kendra Scott

Susan Packard - Co-founder of Scripps Networks Interactive and former COO at HGTV

Priya Parker - Author and founder of Thrive Labs

To learn more, visit sourcewell.co/LW2019. Registration deadline is Oct. 11.

'40 Days for Life' prayer vigil in Staples

A local 40 Days for Life Prayer Vigil will be held on four Tuesdays during October, from 7 a.m. - 7 p.m., at the following locations:

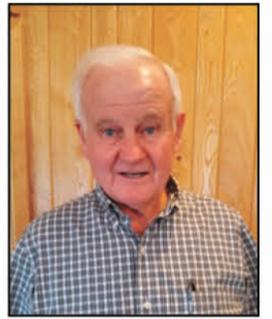
- Oct. 1 - Staples Alliance Church. For more information, call Janet Anderson, 218-839-3900.
- Oct. 15 - Staples Assembly of God Church. For more information call Candice Miles, 218-296-0316.
- Oct. 22 - Staples Alliance Church. For more information, call Janet Anderson, 218-839-3900.
- Oct. 29 - Sacred Heart Catholic Church. For more information, call Rosie Blessing, 218-371-7066.

If interested in signing up for an hour of prayer, either at the participating church or at your home, call the corresponding phone number. All denominations are welcome to participate.

According to information at their website, 40 Days for Life is an internationally coordinated campaign that aims to end abortion locally through prayer and fasting, community outreach and a peaceful all-day vigil. The current campaign runs from Sept. 25 - Nov. 3. For more online information, visit www.40daysforlife.com.

Newest Staples All Veterans Park board member

Milt Peterson has joined the Staples All Veterans Park Board. He grew up on a small farm near Plummer, Minn., graduating there in 1966. He then joined the Navy and was stationed in San Diego, Calif. and Charleston, S.C. His last year was spent in the Central Highlands of Vietnam with a medical advisory team. After discharge in 1970 he married his wife Janice. He then attended UND and attained a Bachelor of Science degree in Business Administration. Milt worked 40 years in the Farm Coop System covering Minnesota and Wisconsin.



Milt Peterson

He retired in 2015 and moved to Staples. Milt says, "We have always been attracted to the Staples area and are happy to live here."

Mark Your Calendar

Weekly events

ONGOING EVENTS POSTED LAST THURSDAY OF THE MONTH:

AA MTGS AT LAKEWOOD HEALTH SYSTEM HOSPITAL MAIN CAMPUS, STAPLES, CLASSROOM A: Tuesdays, 8 p.m.; Thursdays, 8 p.m.; Saturdays, 7 p.m. For info., 218-371-0573.

AA MTGS AT FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH, PILLAGER: Tuesdays, 8 p.m. For info., 218-839-1804.

AA MTGS AT MOTLEY FREE METHODIST CHURCH: Wednesdays, noon; Fridays, noon. For more info., 218-296-1512.

AA MTG AT MOTLEY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH: Mondays, 8 p.m. For info., 218-639-9743.

AA MTGS IN VERDALE: Tuesdays, 9:30 p.m.; Fridays, 8 p.m., 106 S. Thompson. For info., 218-640-1365 and 218-640-6644.

CHRISTIANS IN RECOVERY MTG Thursdays, 7 p.m., Staples Alliance Church. For info., 720-308-8700.

DUAL RECOVERY ANONYMOUS MEETING Fridays, 4 p.m., Northern Pines, 11 2nd St. SW, Wadena. For info., 218-631-1714.

TOPS (TAKING OFF POUNDS SENSIBLY) CHAPTER #1077 OF STAPLES Tuesdays, Faith Lutheran Church, 430 12th St. NE, Staples. Weigh-in, 5 p.m., meeting follows. For info., 218-639-0544.

WEIGHT WATCHERS MTG Mondays, Lakewood Health System main campus, Staples. Weigh-in, 5 p.m.; Mtg., 5:30 p.m. For info., 218-639-4888.

Monthly events

'ADULT SURVIVORS OF SUICIDE LOSS' SUPPORT GROUP MTG third Tuesday, 6:30 - 8 p.m., Wesley Conference Rm. at Tri-County Health Care, Wadena. For info., 218-631-5228.

ALZHEIMER'S ASSOC. CAREGIVER SUPPORT

GROUP MTG first and third Thursday, 3 - 4 p.m., Reflections Intensive Outpatient (IOP) rm., Lakewood Health System's senior campus, Staples. For info., 218-894-8288 or 218-894-8195.

FOOT CARE CLINICS sponsored by Lakewood Health System, first Tuesday, 8 a.m. - 4 p.m., LHS, Staples clinic; third Tuesday, 8 a.m. - 4 p.m., Scandia Valley Town Hall. For appt. and price information, 218-894-8080.

GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP MTG first Tuesday, 4:30 - 5:30 p.m., Wesley Conference Rm. at Tri-County Health Care, Wadena. For info., 218-631-5228.

MEMORY LOSS SUPPORT GROUP FOR CAREGIVERS MTG second Thursday, 2:30 p.m., Wesley Conference Rm. at Tri-County Health Care, Wadena. For info., 218-631-5228.

MOTLEY AREA HISTORICAL SOCIETY MTG second Tuesday, 1 p.m., Motley City Hall (except Jan. and Feb.). For more info., 218-352-6137 or 218-352-6699.

'PARENTS WHO HAVE LOST A CHILD' SUPPORT GROUP MTG second Monday, 5:30 p.m., Wesley Conference Rm. at Tri-County Health Care, Wadena. For info., 218-631-5228.

PARKINSON'S DISEASE SUPPORT GROUP first Monday, 1:30 p.m., Edgewood Vista dining room, 14211 Firewood Dr., Baxter. For info., 218-829-4017.

SENIOR HEALTH CLINIC sponsored by Wadena County Public Health, second Wednesday, 8:30 - 11:30 a.m., at Wadena County Public Health, 22 Dayton Ave. SE, Wadena. Health screenings include blood pressure, foot care, health info. and referrals. For info., 218-631-7629.

TODD COUNTY REPUBLICANS MTG third Thursday, 7 p.m., St. Matthew's Church, Clarissa. For info., 320-533-1119.

WADENA COUNTY DEMOCRATIC PARTY

COMMITTEE MTG third Monday, 6:30 p.m., The Hub 71 in Sebeka. Anyone interested in joining, welcome. For info., email DFLWadenaCoChair@yahoo.com.

WAHOO VALLEY AREA MN DEER HUNTER'S ASSOCIATION MTG second Tuesday, 7 p.m., Wahoo Valley (except Nov. and Jan.). For info., 218-640-5423.

WOMEN OF TODAY MTG first Tuesday, 6:30 p.m., Landmark Inn, Staples.

September 26

WADENA WHIRLAWAYS SQUARE DANCE CLUB MTG Thurs., Sept. 26, 7:30 - 9:45 p.m., Wadena VFW. Roger McNeil, caller; Bernadette, cuer. For info., 320-760-6043.

September 28

COMMUNITY BREAKFAST Sat., Sept. 28, 8 - 10 a.m., Motley United Methodist Church, 847 3rd Ave. S. Free. For info., 218-352-6466.

September 30

BOSOM BUDDIES BREAST CANCER SUPPORT GROUP MTG Mon., Sept. 30, 5 p.m., in the activities room at Lakewood Health System Care Center in Staples. If desired, come at 4:30 p.m. to eat together in the cafeteria. Guest speaker is Marian Farenbaucher, breast cancer navigator. All breast cancer survivors welcome. Reminder to respond to our invitation to the survivor celebration dinner (Oct. 4) by Sept. 27. For info., call 218-894-2627.

MORRISON COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY ANNUAL BUSINESS MTG Monday, Sept. 30, 7 p.m. The nominating committee will present a slate of three candidates to be elected to serve on the Board of Directors.

Cardinal Calendar Staples-Motley School events

September

◦ **HOMECOMING WEEK** Sept. 23 - 27

October

- **PROSTART DINNER AT CRAGUNS** Oct. 2, 6 p.m.
- **BRFFEST** Oct. 4, 5 p.m.
- **MS/HS CHOIR CONCERT** Oct. 28; Grades 5 - 8, 7 p.m.; Grades 9 - 12, 8 p.m.

All Staples-Motley Upcoming Events are subject to change. Go to www.lsd2170.k12.mn.us for up to the minute information.

Tri-County Health Care to sponsor Mobile Food Drop

A Mobile Food Drop will be held for families and people in need on Friday, Oct. 4, at the Maslowski Wellness and Research Center in Wadena.

This event is for residents of Wadena County. Registration begins at 9 a.m. with food distribution starting at 11 a.m. There is no cost for the food; bring boxes or baskets with which to carry food home. In addition to food distribution, various services and programs will be available to those attending.

Volunteers are needed for three shifts to set up,

unload the truck, distribute food and clean up. If you are interested in volunteering for this event, contact Mary Phillippe at 218-736-5147.

This food drop is sponsored by Tri-County Health Care, United Way of Otter Tail and Wadena Counties and North Country Food Bank of Crookston.

For a listing of programs and initiatives funded by United Way of Otter Tail and Wadena Counties or to donate, call United Way at 218-736-5147 or visit www.uwotw.org.

Minnesota Voices program at Wadena Museum

The Minnesota Voices program for September will feature discussions about archaeology in Wadena County. It will be held Thur., Sept. 26 from noon to 1:00 p.m. at the Wadena County Museum.

For decades, Wadena County has been studied by

archaeologists because of its important fur trade era sites. At this program you will hear stories that have been written about these excavations and learn why they are important to our knowledge of the past.

Special guest, John Crandall, will talk about his

latest efforts to renew the signage for the Red River Trail, or Woods Trail, the first traveled route through the county.

Minnesota Voices is a free series from the Wadena County Historical Society featuring programs with

ists and scientists, usually held the third Thursday of the month at the Wadena County Museum (unless otherwise noted).

For more information call 218 631-9079 or email 603wchs@arvig.net.

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FALL TURKEY SUPPER

Turkey & dressing, potatoes & gravy, squash, veggie, homemade pies, coffee, bev.

Swan Valley Lutheran Church, Leader, MN

Sat., Sept. 28

FREE WILL OFFERING
Serving 4:00 to 6:30 p.m.

COZY THEATRE
WADENA, MN

Screen **'ABOMINABLE'** PG
Fri. thru Thurs. Sept. 27 - Oct. 10
Fri. & Sat. 2 Shows at 7:00 & 9:15
Sun. thru Thurs. 1 Show at 7:00
Matinee Sun. Sept. 29 at 1:15 pm

Screen **'AD ASTRA'** PG-13
Held Over 2nd Week!
Fri. thru Thurs. Sept. 27 - Oct. 3
Fri. & Sat. 2 Shows at 7:10 & 9:30
Sun. thru Thurs. 1 Show at 7:10
Matinee Sun. Sept. 29 at 1:25 pm

Screen **'RAMBO: LAST BLOOD'**
Held Over 2nd Week!
Fri. thru Thurs. Sept. 27 - Oct. 3
Fri. & Sat. 2 Shows at 7:15 & 9:30
Sun. thru Thurs. 1 Show at 7:15
Matinee Sun. Sept. 29 at 1:30 pm

Tuesday Bargain Night - All Seats \$5.00
Matinee Admission All Seats \$6.00
www.cozytheatre.com



Diving dig

Heidi Lombard keeps her eye on the ball as she dives for a dig during the game against Park Rapids. (Staples World photo by Mark Anderson)

Cardinals pick up more volleyball wins

The Staples-Motley volleyball team traveled to Bagley for a win on Sept. 16, lost to a good Park Rapids team on Sept. 19, then placed third in their home tournament on Sept. 21.

The Park Rapids game was a chance for Staples-Motley to see how they stack up against one of the top teams in the area. The Cardinals didn't give themselves a chance in the first set by hitting a lot of serves out. They got off to a lead in the second set, but PR came back strong to lead at 18-17. Bella Martin then served seven straight points, with Tabettha Allen scoring on spikes, tips and blocks, along with Aubrey Brandt getting one kill. Another Allen tip finished off the set. For the next two sets, Staples-Motley couldn't keep up with the power or the consistency of PR, and although they kept fighting hard, they allowed a few runs that they couldn't get back.

In the home tournament, the Cardinals were 2-1 in pool play, then lost to Royalton in the playoff round.

Team results

Staples-Motley 3, Bagley 1 - 24-26, 25-14, 25-22, 25-10
Alix Peterson; dig-1, kills-8
Mackenna Bjerga; aces-4, digs-9, assists-41, kill-1
Tabetha Allen; digs-4, kills-18, block-1
Aubrey Brandt; aces-6, digs-12, assist-1, kills-6
Morgan Becker; digs-2, kills-12
Bella Martin; aces-2, digs-17
Ava Schneider; digs-7, assists-2, kills-6, block-1

Libby O'Neil; Ace-1, digs-5, assist-1
Heidi Lombard; digs-23, assists-3, kill-1
Brooke Heldman; Ace-1, dig-1

Staples-Motley 1, Park Rapids 3 - 14-25, 25-23, 16-25, 13-25

Bjerga; digs-2, assists-16, block-1
Peterson; dig-1, kills-3
Allen; digs-5, kills-14, blocks-5
Brandt; Ace-3, digs-11, kills-2

Becker; dig-1, kill-1
Martin; aces-2, digs-7
Schneider; digs-4, assists-2
Lombard; digs-12
Bo Erholtz; kills-2, blocks-2
Leah Bestland; Ace-1

Staples-Motley Volleyball Tournament

S-M 2, Isle 0 - 25-15, 25-15
Bjerga; digs-10, assists-14
Peterson; digs-4, block-1
Allen; Ace-1, digs-3, kills-13, blocks-2

Brandt; digs-5, kills-3
Becker; dig-1, kills-2
Martin; aces-4, digs-7
Schneider; digs-3, assists-2
Lombard; digs-7
O'Neil; digs-2
Bestland; Ace-1, dig-1
Heldman; block-1, dig-1

S-M 2, Swanville 0 - 25-10, 25-15

Bjerga; aces-2, digs-3, assists-13
Peterson; kills-5
Allen; kills-7, blocks-3
Brandt; Ace-1, digs-10, kills-2

Martin; digs-9
Schneider; dig-1
Lombard; Ace-1, digs-15
O'Neil; digs-2
Bestland; aces-2, dig-1
Heldman; dig-1
Erholtz; kill-1

S-M 1, St. Cloud Apollo 1 - 25-19, 11-25

Bjerga; digs-10, assists-13, kills-2
Peterson; digs-3, kills-5
Allen; kills-4
Brandt; digs-11, kill-1

Tennis team unbeaten in conference play

The Staples-Motley girls tennis team ran their conference record to 4-0 with a 6-1 win over Wadena-Deer Creek and 5-2 over Crosby-Ironton on Sept. 17. They were scheduled to play a tournament on Sept. 21, but rain forced them to schedule an indoor match with Annandale, where they lost a close match, 5-2.

"Great job all around by our girls," said Doll. "Lauren Rutten and Rose Han won some tough matches."

Rutten also won against

a player who had beaten her earlier in the season.

One more conference opponent, Pequot Lakes, is ranked in the state. Staples-Motley played there on Sept. 23.

Team results

Staples-Motley 6, WDC 1
Singles: Lauren Rutten W 6-4, 7-6 (7-5); Haley Cichos W 6-1, 6-4; Tasha Achermann W 6-1, 6-1; Allison Knosalla W 6-1, 6-1

Doubles: Jenna Dvorak/Keara Kern W 6-0, 6-1; Rose Han/Georgia Kruchten W 6-2, 7-5; Amy Rollins/Katie Smith

L 7-5, 7-6 (7-3)

Staples-Motley 5, Crosby-Ironton 2

Singles: Rutten W 6-0, 6-1; Dvorak W 6-0, 6-1; Han W 6-0, 6-1; Knosalla W 6-4, 6-2

Doubles: Achermann/Cichos W 6-1, 7-5; Kern/Kruchten L 6-4, 6-4; Smith/Rollins L 6-0, 6-1

Staples-Motley 2, Annandale 5

Singles: Rutten W 6-3, 6-2; Dvorak L 6-2, 6-3; Han W 6-1, 3-6, (10-6); Knosalla L 6-1, 6-4

Doubles: Achermann/Cichos L 6-3, 2-6, (10-5); Smith/Kruchten L 6-3, 6-2; Rollins/Kenzie Erickson L 6-3, 6-0



The thrill of winning

The Staples-Motley tennis team celebrates two conference wins after beating Wadena-Deer Creek and Crosby-Ironton. (Submitted photo)



Steady bump

Aubrey Brandt passes to the setter.

Martin; Ace-1, digs-3
Schneider; digs-3, kill-1
Lombard; digs-6, kill-1
O'Neil; Ace-1, digs-6
Erholtz; dig-1, assist-1, kill-1

Bestland; digs-2
Heldman; digs-3
S-M vs Royalton

S-M 0, Royalton 2 - 16-25, 19-25

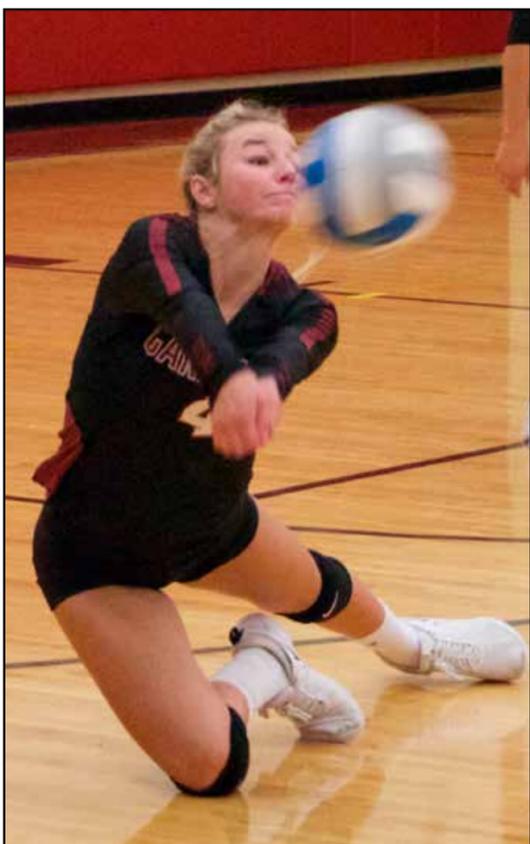
Bjerga; dig-1, assists-15
Peterson; kills-4
Allen; digs-2, kills-8
Brandt; Ace-1, digs-7, kills-3
Martin; Ace-1, digs-4
Schneider; aces-2, digs-7, kill-1, block-1

Lombard; digs-4
O'Neil; dig-1
Erholtz; kill-1, block-1
Bestland; dig-1



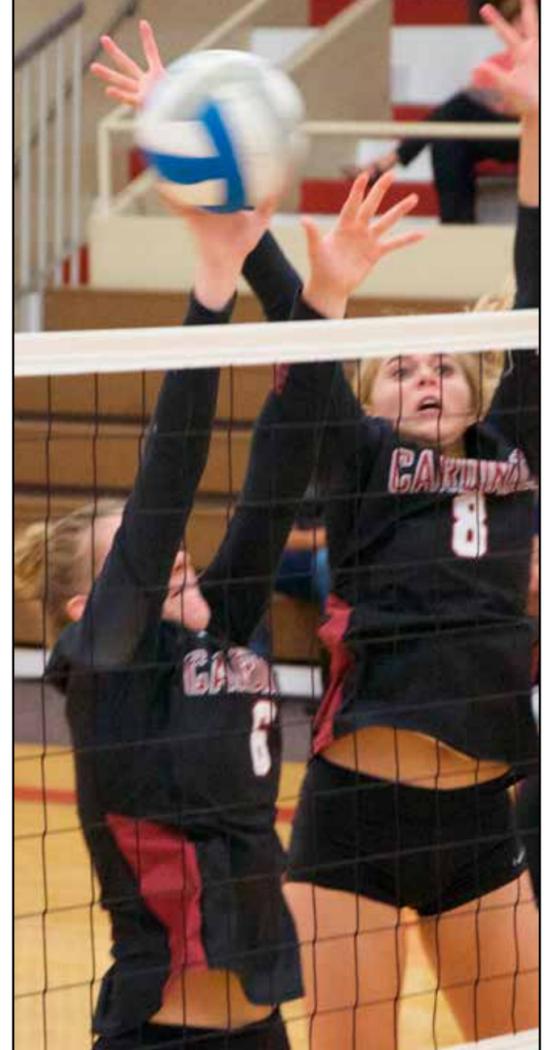
Big play at the net

Mackenna Bjerga, Morgan Becker and Bo Erholtz celebrate an ace block by Erholtz.



Volleyball action

Above, Ava Schneider hits the floor while making a service return. Right, Morgan Becker whips a spike over the net. Far right, Alix Peterson gets the block while Bo Erholtz backs her up. (Staples World photos by Mark Anderson)



Swim team continues to improve

The Staples-Motley girls swim team faced Holdingford on Sept. 28, with many of the swimmers making big improvements. The Cardinals lost 91-47, but with this young team it is more about improvement and putting on a good show for the swim fans.

"It was a grand night for the Cardinal ladies," said Coach Amanda Toft. "These girls are so positive and fun that meet nights are evenings to look forward to. Each meet we have been able to see this team's hard work pay off with more time drops every meet. We are in a tough point in the season where everyone is getting tired, but the fact they can still keep drop time is incredible."

Top finishers and time drops included:

- In the JV 200 freestyle, Madi Snyder took 2nd with a 27 second time drop, and Destiny Dukowitz took 3rd with a 22 second time drop.
- In the varsity heat, Adriana Dickey took 3rd place with a new best time. Mandy Carter and Evelyn Gonzalez both swam personal bests as well.
- In the JV 50 freestyle, Sabina Moe took 2nd with a new personal best. Mazie Hopp also swam a personal best in the heat.



Racing for the team

Sabina Moe takes a breath while swimming the breaststroke portion of the medley relay. (Staples World photo by Mark Anderson)

- In the varsity heat, Dukowitz, Nicole Hess, and Mia Arroyo all swam personal bests as well.
- In the varsity heat of the 100 butterfly, Gonzalez and Hopp each swam personal bests.
- In the JV heat of the 100 freestyle, Mia Arroyo dropped 8 seconds to take 2nd place.
- Dickey took 3rd in the varsity 500 freestyle with another best time.
- The varsity 200 free-

style relay of Carter, Gonzalez, Dukowitz, and Dickey had a best time to take 2nd place. The relay of Snyder, Hess, Moe, and Arroyo took 3rd with a relay best as well.

- Both Snyder and Hess both had an over 20 second drop in their 100 backstroke in the varsity heat.

- Moe and Carter both swam best times in the varsity 100 breaststroke. Moe also took 3rd place in the heat.



Madi Snyder sets a personal record in the 200 freestyle. (Staples World photo by Mark Anderson)



Mud run team

Alex Brings navigates the Milaca course with the help of his guide runner Keith Ferdon. Brings is sight impaired and Ferdon has volunteered to be his guide.

Cross country runners are top mudders

The Staples-Motley cross country teams came through on an extremely tough course, and again on a muddy course in two meets over the past week, proving that they are among the top runners in the state no matter what type of course they run on or what Mother Nature can throw at them.

On Sept. 16, the Cardinals ran at the hilly Pierz Pioneer Stampede in hot weather. The girls team placed first and the boys were second.

On Sept. 21, the teams took part in the Milaca Mega Meet, where the girls were again champions and the boys were second, both moving up a class to run with the medium sized schools, out of the four varsity races. A heavy downpour before the meet and rain throughout the day forced the teams to run through puddles and mud.

Emmet Anderson won both boys races, while Hunter Klimek was close behind, coming in 3rd at Pierz and 2nd at Milaca. Throughout the season they have been the top duo of all the teams in the state.

Kyanna Burton was second in each race for the girls, with the next four teammates moving up to shorten the gap between runners, which improves the team score.

Team results

Boys results

Pierz Pioneer Stampede

West Central 72, Staples-Motley 74, Heritage Christian 133, Brainerd 138, Annandale 166, Foley 228, Litchfield 229, Albany 249, Mora 266, Maple Lake 350 ... 17 more teams

1. Emmet Anderson 15:58, 3. Hunter Klimek 16:51, 12. Tanner Robben 18:03, 26. Isaac Christoffersen 18:43, 32. Jack Tyrrell 19:02, 33. Luke Brownell 19:03, 35. Logan Robben 19:05

JV: 7. Issiah Tabatt 19:44, 10. Sam Jennissen 20:33, 29. Connor Judd 21:30, 32. Grant Johnson 21:42, 54. Levi Danilyuk 22:39, 72. Will Dolezal 23:12, 96. Dillan Robben 24:05, 185. Evan Allen 28:21, 188. Alex Brings 28:49

Jr. high (3,200 meters): 41. Axel Mertens 14:42, 115. Gabe Kroll 16:44, 159. Reid Judd 19:06

Milaca Mega Meet

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Conquering the course

Many runners at the Milaca Mega Meet had trouble with their footing in the mud. Addison Lorber took a slip but got right back up and had a great race. (Staples World photo by Mark Anderson)

son-Boyd 85, Staples-Motley 98, St. Croix Central 164, Greenway-Nashwauk-Keewatin 177, Lake City 202, Pequot Lakes 230 ... 24 more teams

1. Anderson 16:22, 2. Klimek 16:49, 22. T. Robben 18:31, 36. Christoffersen 18:51, 41. Tabatt 19:07, 51. Tyrrell 19:15, 89. L. Robben 20:03

JV: 175. Gabe Misner 21:30, 230. Judd 21:56, 231. Jacob Schmitz 21:56, 393. Danilyuk 23:33, 403. D. Robben 23:38, 692. Brings 28:27, 734. Dustin Converse 31:12, 738. Caden Mrazek 31:34

Girls Results

Pierz Pioneer Stampede

Staples-Motley 53, Albany 98, Annandale 142, Howard Lake-Waverly 144, Maple Lake 152, Brainerd 155, Zimmerman 174, West Central 180, Mora 227, Eden Valley-Watkins-Kimball 281 ... 11 more teams

Varsity (5,000 meters) 2.

Kyanna Burton 20:23, 5. Aften Robinson 20:53, 15. Ashley Robben 21:49, 18. Addison Lorber 21:57, 20. Addisyn Cichos 22:16, 42. Elizabeth Danilyuk 23:36, 126. Madsyen Hull 27:10

JV: 4. Naila Mikhaeil 24:17, 101. Abby Brown 33:05, 109. CJ Koval 34:36

Jr. high (3,200 meters): 1. Audrey Brownell 13:12, 112. Adelaide Toepper 22:16

Milaca Mega Meet

Staples-Motley 82, Perham 89, Fairmont 160, Lake City 172, Pequot Lakes 190, Waterville-Elysian-M/JWP 234 ... 19 more teams

2. Burton 19:53, 13. Robinson 21:00, 21. Robben 21:30, 22. Lorber 21:34, 24. Cichos 21:36, 39. Danilyuk 22:30, 165. Mikhaeil 26:29

JV: 168. Mackenzie Wilds 26:38, 173. Hull 26:42, 462. Koval 34:26



Final kick

Ashley Robben finishes strong.



Racing teamwork

Isaac Christoffersen and Jack Tyrrell run together at the Milaca meet. (Staples World photo by Mark Anderson)

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Easy win for FB team

The Staples-Motley football team faced an undermanned Red Lake team on Sept. 20, winning 57-0. The Cardinals scored early and had a chance to play their junior varsity for much of the game.

Scoring for Staples-Motley included: Cade Schmidt 2 yard run, Sivert Klefsaas 35 yard run, Alex Giza 23 yard fumble return, Garrett Carlson 8 yard run, Logen Weite 5 yard run, Tristan Helstrom 3 yard run, Will Danilyuk 8 yard run and Isaiah Schultz 15 yard run.

Team results

Staples-Motley 57, Red Lake 0

Rushing: SM 157, RL 59
SM: Garrett Carlson 4-41.; Sivert Klefsaas 1-35, Isaiah Schultz 4-26, Taylor Serich 3-11, Tristan Helstrom 4-10, Connor Dobson 3-8, Logen Weite 1-5, Cade Schmidt 1-2, Jack Storry 7(-12), rest of team 6-31

Receiving: C. Mikel 2-47, Helstrom 1-31



Opportunistic

Dayton Anderson intercepts a pass in front of the receiver and teammate Cade Schmidt. (Staples World photos by Mark Anderson)



Senior Open at Vintage

The Vintage Golf Course hosted the Fall Senior Open on Sept. 6. Tournament results in age categories were as follows:

50-59

1st Gross Randy Siemers, Becker, 77
2nd Gross Curt Howard, Bemidji, 78
3rd Gross Scott Hinners, Bemidji, 79
1st Net Blaine Quast, Staples, 70
2nd Net Tim O'Brien, Mpls, 71
3rd Net Andy Ogren, Gull Lake 72

60-69

1st Gross David Gunderson, Mpls, 73
2nd Gross Doug Taylor, Williston, ND.

77
3rd Gross Tim Maaske, Ottertail, 80
1st Net Greg Hagen, Fergus Falls, 69
2nd Net Warren Matson, New London 70
3rd Net Tom Peterka, St Cloud, 72
4th Net Bill Borken, Gull Lake 73

70+

1st Gross David Haugan, Mpls, 74
2nd Gross Joe Sauer, St Cloud 75
3rd Gross Ray Sauer, St Cloud 77
1st Net Jose Mendoza, Mpls 65
2nd Net Gary Prevost, Mpls 68
3rd Net Dick Dornbusch, Battle Lake 69

Practice duck call to be perfect, or to be silent

As duck and goose hunters were getting ready for the start of the 2019 waterfowl hunting season, be assured that quite a few saw their duck and goose calls for the first time in 10 months or so. Nevertheless, it's highly probable that one or more of these calls completed their opening day wardrobe, hung from a lanyard looped around the neck.

Playing seductive notes on a duck or goose call may not take the experience or precision the likes of Wynton Marsalis blowing his trumpet. But it's a safe bet that neither he nor any other successful musician would let their instrument sit idle for many months and expect to play it well when needed.

Enough hunters blow poorly to have spawned expressions like "The most effective duck preservation tool is the average hunter blowing on his call." Or, as the owner of a goose hunting guide service—whose clients expected virtuoso calling from the guides—told them in his good-humored way: "Call just enough so the birds don't hear you."

The idea here is that if you have done your scouting in advance, and your blind and decoys are where the birds want to be, then calling is less necessary, if at all. Bad calling can give your deception away, especially with experienced birds that have been shot at a time or two.

The other school of

thought is that duck or goose calling—good calling, anyway—can be the difference between having few opportunities with birds hovering over your decoys, and having greater chances for success. For these folks, calling is icing on the "cake" of that good location.

The "right place" school is correct that a location where birds want to be is more important than anything else. At the risk of oversimplifying, with geese it's a matter of determining where they will be feeding, and either being there when they arrive, or being on their flight path; in the latter case hoping they will be flying low enough for a reasonable shot as they pass by.

Ducks, especially locally raised birds, know where the feed is, and unless hunting pressure is too intense, will favor those areas. Arriving migrants, especially young of the year that have not made the migratory journey before, may take a while to discover where the best feeding locations are; but they will. Being there, or on a flight path leading there, are the best places to be.

Unfortunately, one undeniable fact is that there are only so many locations on a marsh or shallow game lake to locate your blind and set out your duck decoys. Only so many opportunities—especially when private farm land is involved—to intercept feeding geese. Competition in duck hunting is not what it used to be in Minnesota, with hunter numbers having dropped by roughly one-third from the high-water mark. But prime places are in limited supply, and competition can be stiff at the most popular destinations. A hunter may not have the option of being in the perfect spot.

Which returns us to the potential benefits of good calling. Sometimes passing birds that may be headed elsewhere can be enticed to come in; if not for a landing, then close enough for a reasonable shot. But good calling won't happen if a hunter blows the cookie crumbs, cattail chaff, or pipe tobacco flakes from his calls the morning of opening day, hangs them around his neck, and calls it "good."

I'm not a good caller, but I begin hanging a couple of calls from my SUV's rear view mirror in June or July, and blowing them on the 30-minute drive both to, and from, work. My practice may not make it perfect, but doing so makes it much better than the alternative.

But what should you practice? Many makers of duck and goose calls also sell CDs that provide instruction and examples of the sounds a student can imitate. There's nothing wrong with learning to make the full range of sounds that a good duck or goose call can make. These will probably include the "vocabulary"—the varied sounds and cadence—that are part of duck and goose calling contests. These are sounds you could find useful in the field.

But some good callers—much more expert than I am—may tell you it's important to remember who the judges are when you're in a duck blind or goose pit. Ducks feeding on the water, or geese feeding in a field, may call to passing flocks. But they're more intent on feeding than attracting competition, their flocking instincts notwithstanding. Calling too much, too loud, or too complicated a routine—like you're in a calling contest—can alarm birds as well as attract them.

Some recommend that a duck caller concentrate more on what could be called "mutter and chatter;" the quieter, constant sounds ducks make when they're feeding and secure. Single notes, short cadences of several notes, and the feeding "chuckle," as it's sometimes called, send that message of contentment.

There's every reason to do this almost constantly, rather than waiting to see a flock that is clearly heading elsewhere, and trying to turn it with a loud "hail" cadence. Anyone who has hunted ducks regularly knows how often a single, a pair, or a small flock will suddenly materialize out of nowhere and take you by surprise. Full-time advertising to birds that could be nearby—telling them your spot is safe and lush with food—is one way to make that happen more often.

The goose guide mentioned earlier described what he called the constant "murmur" made by a comfortable flock of feeding geese. So when you're not blowing a loud appeal to passing geese to change their flight plan and visit your decoys, it's a good idea to keep that background noise going to draw attention, and to sell the promise of food plenty.

What do you do when ducks or geese are clearly headed toward your decoys? Some say "keep calling." Others say "silence is golden; don't risk a false note that spooks the birds." As you might expect, there's no surefire answer. As always, the birds will be the final authority.



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Obituaries

Glen Larson



Glen W. Larson, 80, of Staples died Saturday, September 21, 2019, at his residence in Staples.

Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 11 a.m. on Fri., Sept. 27, 2019 at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Staples with Rev. Loren Germann officiating. Visitation will be held from 4 to 7 p.m. Thurs, Sept. 26 at the Brenny Family Funeral Chapel in Staples and one hour prior to services at the church.

Burial will be in Evergreen Hill Cemetery, Staples.

Glen was born June 24, 1939 in Staples on the family farm to Elmer and Mary (Mertens) Larson. He graduated from Staples High School in 1958. Glen proudly served his country in the United States Army from 1962 until his honorable discharge in 1964. He married Julie Weishalla

on June 15, 1968 at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Staples. The couple had two children together and were later divorced. Glen farmed all of his life; he owned and operated The Spot Café for several years; Glen also worked as a Brakeman for Burlington Northern Railroad from 1960 until his retirement in 1995. He enjoyed fishing, hunting (he was known for wearing his blaze orange all year long) and he was passionate about his farm. Glen was opinionated, stubborn and if he had his mind set on something he was bound and determined to get it done. He had a heart of gold and enjoyed sharing his sense of humor with those who knew him best. Home is where Glen loved to be; he will be dearly missed by all who knew him.

Glen is survived by one daughter, Debra (Jim) of Staples and one son, James of Staples; sisters, Donna Duevel, Evelyn (Jim) Nurnberger and Renee Olds; brother-in-law, Don Pavek; five grandchildren, Kynlee, Carson, Tasha, Amanda, Lacey; and great-grandson, Landon.

He was preceded in death by his parents; sister, Irene Pavek; brothers-in-law, Joe Duevel and Don Olds.

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Lynn Lenk

Lynn Lenk, 76, of Staples, passed away Saturday, September 21, 2019, at the Central Todd County Care Center in Clarissa.

Mass of Christian Burial will be held Saturday, Sept. 28 at 11 a.m. at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Staples. Visitation will be on Fri., Sept. 27 from 4 to 7 p.m. at Taylor Funeral Home in Staples and one hour prior to Mass, Saturday at the church.

Interment will be at Evergreen Hill Cemetery in Staples.

Lynn was born on October 2, 1942 in Michigan to James C. and Katherine (Greenwood) Kelly. She married the love of her life, Edward Lenk on February 17, 1962 and together they had six children. They moved to Staples in 1970, where they worked a hobby farm. Lynn owned and operated the Hair Hut and the Wash Shed in Motley. She enjoyed spending her free time in her flower gardens, bowling, fishing, crocheting and quilting. She especially loved her softball team, "Ma's Boys". She was a Girl Scout leader and a past president of the VFW Auxilliary.



Left to cherish her memory are her husband of 57 years, Ed; three daughters, Michelle Ludovissie of Chaska, Karen Lenk (Bud Peterson) of Williston, ND and Gidget (Kevin) Rustad of Pengilly; two sons, John (Jackie) of Princeton and Scott (Robin) of Staples; one brother, John (Linda) Kelly of Ellsworth, WI; one sister, Sue (Steve) Wilder of Victoria; 14 grandchildren and 27 great-grandchildren.

Lynn is preceded in death by her parents; and one daughter, Kathy Nelson.

Arrangements were by Taylor Funeral Home, Staples.

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Dorothy Kyllingstad

Dorothy Mae (Kurpius) Kyllingstad joined her sister, Betty (Odden) and brother, Robert on Saturday, September 14, at 95 years of age after a 24-hour stay at Leesberg, Florida Regional Medical Hospital.

For the past few years her residence was with her brother, Terry, in Wildwood, Florida. "She always had my back and will be everlastingly missed," said Terry. Dorothy (Dot) had been a resident of Staples for many years, caring for her mother, then became a resident of The Pines Assisted Living Center, before leaving to live in the sunshine.

There will be a view-



ing in Florida which will be followed by internment in the Staples Evergreen Cemetery near her husband of 66 years, Donald, who passed in 2011.

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Teddy bear sleepover at the Staples Library

Children stuffed new teddy bears and decorated a t-shirt for the newly born bears to wear during the teddy bear sleepover event held at the Staples Library. Each teddy bear was given a name and children filled out a birth certificate. The new bears then spent the night in the library - check our Facebook page and see what they did after hours.

Funds were used from the "Locally Grown" Campaign with donations from the Motley Lions Club, Staples Lions Club and many patrons.

Remember to keep current on upcoming events by visiting www.griver.org or follow us on Facebook. (Submitted photo)

CLC Foundation scholarship recipients

The Central Lakes College Foundation announced recently that more than 325 scholarship awards were made to students for fall semester, totaling more than \$160,000. The Foundation expects at least an additional \$200,000 will be awarded for spring semester. Students can begin applying for spring semester scholarships on Oct. 1, with the deadline being Nov. 1.

Local students receiving scholarships include:

- Motley: Kali Mamenga, Rebecca Nemitz, Dominic Nistler, Ashlee Novotny, Katie Philipsek, Tiffany Ryan, Penny Sebring, Gavin Smith, Tiffany Sykes, Kelsie Weite, MacKenzie Zetah.

- Staples: Daniella Carpenter, Tyler Davidson, Dale Davis, Lauren Fleming, Chelsea Hofmann, Jared Manuel, Claire Mayhew, Jacob O'Rourke, Hope Ratajczak, Julie Rosenthal, Shelby Smith, Braden Tyrrell.

Minnesota State adds rural mental health specialist

AgCentric, Minnesota State's Northern Center of Excellence announces the addition of farmer mental health services through Monica McConkey. McConkey comes to AgCentric with a strong agricultural background and a wealth of behavioral health experience.

McConkey grew up on a farm in northwest Minnesota and remembers well the challenge agriculture faced in the 1980s and seeing similar challenges today. Additionally, McConkey has worked in the mental health sector for the past 25 years, both in direct service and administration. Her background includes work with youth and adults, covering a wide range of human emotional challenges that will be a real asset to her new position. In the past two years, McConkey has been sharing more publicly on topics of emotional stress with farmers and ag industry groups through her consulting business Eyes on the Horizon. Most recently, McConkey participated in the MDA-sponsored project TransFARMation with her father.

This additional resource for farm families is being funded by the 2019 legislature's actions to grow mental health resources in Minnesota. McConkey

will work collaboratively with current specialist Ted Mathews, the Minnesota Agricultural Centers of Excellence, Minnesota Department of Agriculture, and farm industry groups to reach farmers and their families to support them in these times of economic stress.

AgCentric, along with the Southern Agriculture Center of Excellence, leads the Minnesota Farm Business Management Program that will work closely with both McConkey and Mathews. Farmers enrolled in this program have direct access to these resources. Farm Business Management instructors work with farmers on financials, as well as identify signs of unhealthy stress, depression, and often serve as a catalyst for connecting farm families and these two professionals.

McConkey will join the team at AgCentric on October 1. She resides in Detroit Lakes and will focus serving farmers in the northern half of the state, but will work closely with Mathews to cover farmer need despite location on a case-by-case basis.

McConkey can be contacted at 218-280-7785 or through her website www.eyesonthorizon.org.

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Born to Autumn and Jake Heppner of Wadena, twin boys, Ezekiel Daniel weighing six pounds, 14 ounces and Boaz Emmanuel weighing seven pounds, 13 ounces on September 16, 2019.

Born to Tara and Joe Stang of Backus, a baby boy, Wyatt Henry weighing seven pounds, 15 ounces on September 16, 2019.

Born to Sadiey Caruso of Bertha, a baby boy, Sebastian Travis weighing five pounds, 12 ounces on September 16, 2019.

Born to Abra and Tim Hawley of Emily, a baby boy, Charles Reid weighing seven pounds, three ounces on September 18, 2019.

Born to Nicole and Michael Kevelin of Pine River, a baby boy, Charles Jeffrey weighing eight pounds on September 17, 2019.

Born to Heather and Chris Kimball of Park Rapids, a baby girl, Scarlett LaVonne weighing seven pounds, two ounces on September 19, 2019.

Born to Darby and Philip Martin of Pillager, a baby boy, Theodore Anthony weighing seven pounds, five ounces on September 19, 2019.

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Dower Lake improvements

Campers at the Dower Lake Recreation Area now have a new dock as part of the Dower Lake Beach Restoration Project. The new dock has a platform at the end for a future bench. The existing dock has been placed at the beach area. Pictured above, Joe Roline bolts dock sections together. Below, Roline and Mike Gold with the completed dock.

More improvements are planned, including adding sand during the winter.

The Project is sponsored by the Staples Motley Area Community Foundation with funds from local individuals and businesses. Fund-raising is ongoing and you can be part of this project by donating online at the Foundation website or by mail at P.O. Box 101 in Staples. If you have a question about the project, contact a member of the Foundation or call Mike Gold at 218-296-2355.

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Sunday Worship 10:30 a.m.
WEDNESDAY:
Teen Youth/Adults Bible Study 6:30 p.m.

First Congregational Church, UCC

firstcongouccstaples@gmail.com
204 5th St. NE, Staples 218-894-2571
Worship 9:30 a.m.
Fellowship, refreshments following service

Faith Lutheran

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

Sacred Heart Church

310 4th St. NE, Staples 218-894-2296
Church 218-894-2296
Pastor Fr. Gabriel Walz
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
Sunday School 9:15 a.m.
Sunday Worship 10:30 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 10:30 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

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
Pastor Carl Larson
www.bethanylutherancushing.org
Sunday Worship 10:45 a.m.
Sunday School and
Coffee Fellowship 9:30 a.m.
Pancake Breakfast 11:45 a.m.
2nd Sunday, each month

Lincoln Evangelical Free

1354 320th St., Cushing 218-575-2449
www.lincolnefree.org Facebook Lincoln E Free
Office Hours: Mon.-Thurs. 9 a.m.-2 p.m.
Senior Pastor: Donald Reigstad
Pastor: Jim Brown
Youth Coordinator: Joe Reigstad
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
Pastor Dan Holmes 320-749-2583
Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
Worship 10:30 a.m.
WEDNESDAY
Bible study 7:30 p.m.

Leader

Swan Valley Lutheran
Leader 218-397-2470
Sandy Knight, Synodically Authorized Minister
of Word and Sacrament
Sunday Worship 11:00 a.m.

Maple Hill Lutheran

Sandy Knight, Synodically Authorized Minister
of Word and Sacrament
Leader 218-397-2470 (Rural Pine River)
Worship and Sunday School 9:00 a.m.

Leaf River Township

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

Motley

Motley Free Methodist
33 Wellwood St. E
Motley 56466 218-352-6888
Pastor Jim Johnson
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. Gabriel Walz
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.net
Sunday Worship Service 9:00 a.m.
Monday AA meeting 8:00 p.m.

Oylen

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

Pillager

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

Casino Assembly of God

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

First Baptist

903 River Street South, Pillager
Pastor Jake Anderson
218-746-3768
curious@fbcpillager.com
Worship Gathering 10:00 a.m.
Connection Point 9:30 a.m.
(serving coffee and donuts)

Hewitt

Church of the Nazarene
114 Front Street, P.O. Box 146 Hewitt, MN
218-924-2028
Pastor Wayne Haffert
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.

United Methodist Church

Hwy. 210, Hewitt, MN
Pastor Kenneth Uhren
Sunday Services 10:30 a.m.
Sunday School 9:30 a.m.

Verndale

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

Family Life Church

402 NE Clark Drive, Verndale 218-445-5568
VerndaleFLC@gmail.com
Pastor Amos Self 218-371-7189
Childrens' Pastor Kenneth Kjeldergaard
SUNDAY
Discipleship Classes 9:00 a.m.
Prayer 9:20 a.m.
Coffee / Fellowship 9:30 a.m.
Worship Service 10:00 a.m.
WEDNESDAY
6:00 p.m. Meal 6:30 p.m. ..Groups

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.



New beach access

Renovations at the Dower Lake Recreation Area started with the addition of new ADA compliant walkways. The wide walkways connect the parking lot to the restrooms, existing concrete patio, and link to a new concrete apron at the pavilion. Walkways were installed by Busker Concrete. Jim Kurpius, Staples Class of '56 provided major funding for the walkway project.

The Dower Lake Restoration project is sponsored by the Staples Motley Area Community Foundation with funds donated by local businesses and individuals. The Foundation is still seeking donations. Approximately \$10,000 is needed to complete the project. The public can help by donating online at the Foundation's website, or mail a donation to P.O. Box 101 in Staples. Donations over \$100 will receive recognition as part of the project. Questions can be directed to Mike Gold at 218-296-2355

"A Tale of Rescue"

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, 9 not a result of works, so that no one may boast. -Ephesians 2:8-9 ESV

On Sunday, Sept. 8, a Korean cargo ship capsize while leaving port near St. Simons, Georgia. Of the 24 crewmen, 20 were rescued quickly. But four were trapped in lower decks near the engine room. On Monday night these four were brought to safety by Coastguard rescuers who had cut through the ship's hull to reach them.

I know, it sounds like the "The Poseidon Adventure" movies (1972/2005) without the tidal wave.

In sharing this with you I ask you to think about those four trapped men. They were in grave danger. The ship was unstable. The interior temperatures were estimated at 120 to 140 degrees. And

there was nothing they could do to save themselves. Their salvation lay in the hands of others who would risk their own lives in order to deliver them from the dark bowels of the ship.

This is not unlike the situation we are all in. Trapped in the darkness of sin and death we too are helpless. There is nothing that we can do to save ourselves, not one thing. Our eternal salvation is entirely in the hands of another, Jesus Christ.

But Jesus did more than simply risk His life for us. He gave His life for us. He suffered and died to bear the cost of our sin. He did this so that by God's grace, through faith in Him, we would be rescued and redeemed, from sin, from death and from the devil's power.

I'm sure that the Korean sailors thanked their rescuers. May we also be eternally thankful to the ONE who saved us.

The Staples area Church Directory is sponsored by these businesses:

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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



NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

THE RIGHT TO VERIFICATION OF THE DEBT AND IDENTITY OF THE ORIGINAL CREDITOR WITHIN THE TIME PROVIDED BY LAW IS NOT AFFECTED BY THIS ACTION.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: That default has occurred in the conditions of the following described mortgage:

DATE OF MORTGAGE: May 31, 2016

ORIGINAL PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF MORTGAGE: \$122,637.00

MORTGAGOR(S): Alejandra Aguilar, a married person

MORTGAGEE: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for HomeServices Lending, LLC d/b/a Edina Realty Mortgage

DATE AND PLACE OF FILING: Recorded on June 1, 2016 as Document Number 499251 in the Office of the County Recorder of Todd County, Minnesota.

ASSIGNMENTS OF MORTGAGE: Assigned to: Freedom Mortgage Corporation by assignment recorded on August 15, 2019 as Document Number A515581 in the Office of the County Recorder of Todd County, Minnesota.

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY: Lots 4 and 5, Block 2, Original Township (now City) of Long Prairie, according to the plat, thereof, Todd County, Minnesota.

STREET ADDRESS OF PROPERTY: 509 1ST AVE NE, LONG PRAIRIE, MN 56347

COUNTY IN WHICH PROPERTY IS LOCATED: Todd County, Minnesota.

THE AMOUNT CLAIMED TO BE DUE ON THE MORTGAGE ON THE DATE OF THE NOTICE: \$118,470.13

TRANSACTION AGENT: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc.

NAME OF MORTGAGE ORIGINATOR: HomeServices Lending, LLC d/b/a Edina Realty Mortgage

RESIDENTIAL SERVICER: Freedom Mortgage Corporation

TAX PARCEL IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: 36-0011300 and 36-0011200

TRANSACTION AGENT'S MORTGAGE IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: 1012742-0000041077-0

THAT no action or proceeding has been instituted at law to recover the debt then remaining secured by such mortgage, or any part thereof, or, if the action or proceeding has been instituted, that the same has been discontinued, or that an execution upon the judgment rendered therein has been returned unsatisfied, in whole or in part.

PURSUANT, to the power of sale contained in said mortgage, the above described property will be sold by the Sheriff of said county as follows:

DATE AND TIME OF SALE: October 31, 2019 at 10:00 a.m.

PLACE OF SALE: Todd County Sheriff's Office, County Detention Center, 115 Third Street South, Long Prairie, MN 56347.

to pay the debt then secured by said mortgage and taxes, if any actually paid by the mortgagee, on the premises and the costs and disbursements allowed by law. The time allowed by law for redemption by said mortgagor(s), their personal representatives or assigns is six (6) months from the date of sale.

TIME AND DATE TO VACATE PROPERTY: Unless said mortgage is reinstated or the property redeemed, or unless the time for redemption is reduced by judicial order, you must vacate the premises by 11:59 p.m. on April 30, 2020.

THE TIME ALLOWED BY LAW FOR REDEMPTION BY THE

MORTGAGOR, THE MORTGAGOR'S PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVES OR ASSIGNS, MAY BE REDUCED TO FIVE WEEKS IF A JUDICIAL ORDER IS ENTERED UNDER MINNESOTA STATUTES, SECTION 582.032, DETERMINING, AMONG OTHER THINGS, THAT THE MORTGAGED PREMISES ARE IMPROVED WITH A RESIDENTIAL DWELLING OF LESS THAN FIVE UNITS, ARE NOT PROPERTY USED IN AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTION, AND ARE ABANDONED.

MORTGAGOR(S) RELEASED FROM FINANCIAL OBLIGATION ON MORTGAGE: None

Dated: September 4, 2019

FREEDOM MORTGAGE CORPORATION
Mortgagee

TROTT LAW, P.C.
N. Kibongni Fondungallah, Esq.
Samuel R. Coleman, Esq.
Michael van Muelken, Esq.
Attorneys for Mortgagee

25 Dale Street North
St. Paul, MN 55102
(651) 209-9760
(19-0998-FC01)

THIS IS A COMMUNICATION FROM A DEBT COLLECTOR.

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NOTICE EVERGREEN HILL CEMETERY, STAPLES, MN

Evergreen Hill Cemetery would like to remind everyone that flowers should be removed by October 1. There will be a clean-up scheduled on Oct. 16.

Also remember that holiday decorations must be removed 10 days after the holiday.

Bob Reeck, Sec./Treas.

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NOTICE LEADER COMMUNITY HALL BOARD

The Leader Community Hall Board will meet on Thurs., Oct. 10, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. at the hall to discuss the kitchen

Mark Strom, Secretary.

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NOTICE LAKE SHORE AERATION WARNING LAKE SHAMINEAU

Beware open water and thin ice. Aeration to occur on south shore along Lakeshore Drive beginning November 1, 2019 until April, 2020. For inquiries call 612-810-4200.

38-39pnp

NOTICE LAKE SHORE AERATION WARNING LAKE SHAMINEAU

Beware open water and thin ice. Aeration to occur on south shore along Lakeshore Drive beginning November 1, 2019 until April, 2020. For inquiries call 763-516-2514.

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NOTICE SOURCEWELL REQUEST FOR SNOWPLOWING/ SNOW REMOVAL PROPOSALS

Sourcwell, a State of Minnesota local government agency and service cooperative, is requesting proposals to result in a contract for Snowplowing and Snow Removal Services in Staples, MN.

A complete copy of the RFP and supporting documents can be found on the Sourcwell Procurement Portal [https://portal.sourcwell-mn.gov]. Only proposals submitted through the Sourcwell Procurement Portal will be considered. Proposals are due no later than October 7, 2019, at 4:30 p.m. Central Time, and late proposals will not be considered.

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MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE TODD COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AUGUST 20, 2019

Call to Order

The Todd County Board of Commissioners met in the Commissioner's Board Room in the City of Long Prairie, MN on the 20th day of August, 2019 at 9:00 a.m. The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Kneisl. The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance. All Commissioners were present.

Approval of Agenda

On motion by Neumann and seconded by Becker, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To approve the agenda as presented with the removal of item 12.1 Change to County Coordinator Job Description.

Consent Agenda

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

To approve the Commissioner's Meeting Minutes for August 6, 2019 as presented.

Auditor-Treasurer

On motion by Becker and seconded by Erickson, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous Roll Call vote: To approve the Commissioner Warrants number (ACH) 400321 through 400338 in the amount of \$13,900.02 and (Regular) 52022 through 52097 in the amount of \$104,244.11 for a total of \$118,144.13.

On motion by E and seconded by Neumann, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous Roll Call vote: To approve the Health & Human Services Commissioner Warrants number (ACH) 800028 through 800077 and (Regular) 705550 through 705657 for a total amount of \$106,445.15.

On motion by Erickson and seconded by Becker, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous Roll Call vote: To approve the Health & Human Services SSIS Warrants number (ACH) 600015 through 600026 and (Regular) 515320 through 515361 in the amount of \$92,669.80.

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

TRANSFER OF FUNDS FROM COUNTY DITCH FUND TO GENERAL REVENUE FUND

WHEREAS, The County Ditch Authority has approved to have the hours worked by the County Ditch Inspector charged back to that ditch, and;

WHEREAS, the calculations have been made for the County Ditch Inspector's time for the period of July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019 per attached copy;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Todd County Board of Commissioners approve the transfer of \$5,145 from the Fund 40-County Ditch Fund to the Fund 01-General Revenue Fund per the attached list. On motion by Neumann and seconded by Becker, the following resolution was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote:

2018 TODD COUNTY LOCAL ELECTION EQUIPMENT PLAN REVISION

WHEREAS, the Federal Government passed the Help America Vote Act (HAVA) to provide for equality and uniformity in the elective process, and;

WHEREAS, in 2006, Todd County drafted a Local Election Equipment Plan alongside its Cities

and Townships which was approved by the Secretary of State's Office and adopted by the Todd County Board of Commissioners, which depicted the relationships and responsibilities between the Cities/Townships and Todd County for the electronic voting equipment and its associated costs and;

WHEREAS, the County Board of Commissioners approved the 2018 Todd County Local Election Equipment Plan after presentations to the Municipalities and County Board which utilized grant dollars provided through the Office of the Secretary of State and provided a three year phase in schedule for equipment purchases, and;

WHEREAS, due to the lack of action regarding the Equipment Choice Bill at the State Legislature, the current plan's equipment purchase scheduled for 2019 would not meet State Certification requirements, and;

WHEREAS, the County Auditor-Treasurer has researched all election equipment options certified in the State of Minnesota and has conveyed a revision recommendation to the County Board at its August 6, 2019 Work Session and Municipalities on August 8, 2019, and;

WHEREAS, the County's committed goal is to prepare its election system for future advancements in technology, and;

WHEREAS, in order for any changes in voting equipment technology to be implemented within Todd County, the Local Election Equipment Plan must be updated to reflect the equipment needs being utilized.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Todd County Board of Commissioners hereby adopt the attached 2018 Local Election Equipment Plan which outlines the implementation and procedures regarding the use of Assistive Voting Devices, Precinct Count Tabulators and Electronic Roster Devices within Todd County Election Precincts and will be effective upon plan adoption.

On motion by Becker and seconded by Erickson, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To approve the 2018 Elections Budget Carryover per the attached Budget Request Form details in the amount of \$7,000.

Public Works

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

Final Payment Authorization - 2019 Pavement Marking Maintenance Contract

WHEREAS, the contract with AAA Striping Service Co. for the 2019 Pavement Marking Maintenance Contract known as CP 77-19-03 located on various routes in Todd County, has in all things been completed, and;

WHEREAS, construction work on this contract was scheduled and completed in 2019 with the value of the total work certified being \$62,326.09, and;

WHEREAS, partial payments amounting to \$45,896.79 have been previously made to the contractor as work progressed, and;

WHEREAS, it has been determined that \$16,429.30 still remains to be paid to AAA Striping Service Co.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners does here accept said completed project for and in behalf of the County of

Todd and authorize final payment as specified.

On motion by Erickson and seconded by Becker, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To set the 2019 Fall Road Meeting for October 31, 2019 at 9:00 a.m. at the Long Prairie Public Works Shop.

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

Final Payment Authorization - 2019 HSIP Striping Contract

WHEREAS, the contract with Traffic Marking Service, Inc. for the 2019 HSIP Striping Contract known as SP 077-070-011 located on various routes in Todd County, has in all things been completed, and;

WHEREAS, construction work on this contract was scheduled and completed in 2019 with the value of the total work certified being \$209,753.94, and;

WHEREAS, partial payments amounting to \$164,632.99, have been previously made to the contractor as work progressed, and;

WHEREAS, it has been determined that \$45,120.95 still remains to be paid to Traffic Marking Service, Inc.

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

County Commissioners

On motion by Kircher and seconded by Becker, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To approve the use of the Spanish Long Prairie Leader as a publication media for Todd County communications at County Department discretion excluding County Board minutes.

County Sheriff

On motion by Kircher and seconded by Becker, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To approve the Policing Contract with the City of Bertha.

Central Minnesota Council On Aging

Lori Vrolson, Executive Director from CMCOA provided the board with a report and update of activities for persons served in Todd County.

Health & Human Services

Rick Hest from the Hilltop Regional Kitchen presented the board with an update to their programming and operations for persons served in Todd County and regionally.

On motion by Kircher and seconded by Neumann, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To approve the 2020 Hilltop Regional Kitchen donation in the amount of \$6,400 from the HHS fund.

The HHS department has updated its Environmental Health Ordinance to incorporate new state regulations and will be presented for public hearing in September/October 2019 for proposed adoption.

The HHS department has updated its Environmental Health 2020 fee schedule with a proposed 2 percent (%) and 3 percent (%) increase provided for review. This will be presented for public hearing amongst the 2020 County Fee Schedule proposal in October 2019.

On motion by Becker and seconded by Erickson, the following motion was

introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To approve the 2020-2022 Sanitarian Services Contract with Morrison County Public Health.

Solid Waste

On motion by Kircher and seconded by Erickson, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To approve the Solid Waste Management Level Service Agreement with Otter Tail County.

Administration

The Commissioners held discussion regarding altering the board schedule for the September 3, 2019 meeting. After discussion, the consensus is that no action was necessary.

Closed Session

On motion by Neumann and seconded by Becker, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To enter into closed session to discuss pending litigation pursuant to MN Statute 13D.05 subd 3(b) at 10:42 a.m.

On motion by Kircher and seconded by Erickson, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To reopen the meeting at 10:54 a.m.

Auditor-Treasurer's Report

The County Auditor-Treasurer reported on meetings attended and projects in progress including finance committee recap and ditch.

Commissioner's Report

The Commissioners reported on meetings attended.

Adjourn

On motion by Neumann and seconded by Becker, the meeting was adjourned for the month of August 2019.

Vendor Name	\$ Amount
CENTRAL APPS INC.....	\$31,615.86
CLIFTON LARSON	
ALLEN, LLP	2,000.00
HERDERING INC	13,514.94
IVERSON REUVERS LLC ..	5,917.80
STAPLES WORLD	3,112.18
SUMMIT COMPANIES	4,249.50
TODD CO AUD-TREAS	2,929.48
WORMS LUMBER & READY-MIX INC.....	13,525.00
ZIEGLER INC	7,496.73
85 PAYMENTS LESS	
THAN \$2,000.....	33,782.64
Total.....	\$118,144.13

Vendor Name	\$ Amount
BRENNY FUNERAL CHAPEL - STAPLES (2 BURIALS)	7,000.00
DHS - SWIFT	7,175.73
FRESHWATER ED. DIST ..	15,136.00
V #15726 - COST EFF	
HEALTH INS.....	2,482.83
RURAL MN CEP.....	15,794.77
153 PAYMENTS LESS	
THAN \$2,000.....	58,855.92
Total.....	106,445.15

Vendor Name	\$ Amount
BRAZA HOME INC.....	5,579.38
# 15877	3,283.83
# 11326	2,430.54
HOLISTIC FAMILY ED. SERVICES.....	7,246.86
LITTLE SAND GROUP HOME.....	7,431.01
LUTHERAN SOCIAL SERV. OF MN-ST PAUL.....	12,865.57
#15891	3,137.52
NORTHERN PINES MENTAL HLTH CTR INC.....	4,496.00
#15286	2,464.61
#15615	2,989.95
STEP	7,416.85
WEST CENTRAL REG JUVENILE CTR.....	5,431.00
PAYMENTS LESS	
THAN \$2,000.....	27,896.68
Total.....	\$92,669.80

On a motion by Becker and seconded by Erickson, the preceding minutes of the County Board meeting held August 20, 2019 were duly approved by unanimous vote at the Todd County Board of Commissioners at the Regular Board Meeting held on September 3, 2019.

Witness my hand and seal:

Gary Kneisl,
County Board Chairperson

Denise Gaida, Todd County Auditor-Treasurer

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MOTLEY, MN. Call Rosie Talberg, Manager at: **320-468-2303**

EEO/AA

Sourcewell is only Minnesota organization to earn 2019 AEP Award

Sourcewell members and vendors can take pride in knowing their best interests and needs are put first throughout the procurement process.

For the fourth year in a row, Sourcewell has been awarded the Achievement of Excellence (AEP) Award by the National Procurement Institute, Inc. Sourcewell was the only organization in the state of Minnesota to achieve this honor in 2019.

Public and nonprofit agencies earn the AEP Award by demonstrating a commitment to procurement excellence. This annual program recognizes procurement organizations that embrace innovation, professionalism, productivity, leadership, and e-Procurement.

Sourcewell Lead Procurement Analyst Kim Austin explains, the AEP Award validates that organizations have held themselves to the highest standards in public procurement. The overall criteria throughout the AEP application measures qualities important to a successful procurement department.

To earn the award each year, the AEP program encourages not only the development of excellence,



Team achievement

Sourcewell's procurement team accepted the 2019 Achievement of Excellence in Procurement Award® for the fourth consecutive year earlier this month. Pictured from left, Brandon Town, Craig West, Sheila

Christoffersen, Steff Haataja, Kim Austin, Jeremy Schwartz, Jill Park, Carol Jackson, Chris Robinson, Michael Munoz and Greg Grunig. (Submitted photo)

but also the push for continued improvement.

"Our procurement team works each day to improve our processes," Austin says. "Receiving the AEP Award is confirmation that our efforts are going in the right direction, and we are excited to see what we can do next."

This year, 202 organizations were recognized for excellence in procurement, including:

- Forty-two counties
- Sixty-seven cities
- Twenty-five higher education agencies
- Twenty-three school districts
- Four state agencies

•Two miscellaneous organizations

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101 Card of Thanks
Many heartfelt thanks to everyone that showed their support for our family at the Railroad Days pancake breakfast sponsored by Trinity Lutheran Church. It is greatly appreciated.
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Vibrant colors of fall

Weather temperatures have been very pleasant, including highs of 76 degrees. Recently saturated with an all day rain trees and shrubs are readying themselves for a fall color rally. These sumac trees located along the road in Aldrich were dressed in red Sept. 16. (Staples World photo by Janice Winter)

...And now that you know that information, the bear and two cubs have hung out in the same spot - literally - all summer. They are wooden cutouts, that definitely makes passers-by take a second look. (Staples World photo by Janice Winter)



Lovely fall plumage

A pair of cranes wander the grounds at Faith Lutheran Church in Staples, with their feathers turning grey as they prepare to migrate. (Staples World photo by Mark Anderson)

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Bear-ly there....

A bear was sited across a ditch walking on all fours through the colorful fall foliage. If you look closely a small black spot located in front of the larger silhouette is a cub. The siting occurred just outside of Aldrich heading south.

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Increased workload for sheriff's office

County Sheriff's Office for law enforcement services. This is a two year policing contract providing 15 hours per week at a rate of \$42 per hour. It was approved by the board.

- The City of Burtrum has likewise approved an agreement with the Todd County Sheriff's Office for law enforcement services. This is a two year policing contract providing for 12 hours per month at a rate of \$42 per hour.
- The City of Grey Eagle has approved an agreement with the Todd County Sheriff's Office for law enforcement services.

This is a two year policing contract providing for 44 hours per month at a rate of \$42 per hour.

- Gave authorization to sign grant agreements for planning and zoning to Director Adam Ossefoort.
- Approved the Energy Assistance Program (EAP) contract and internal controls documentation for 2020.

There were 1,322 households served by the program last year, plus 700 that qualified for crisis help.

Additionally, 125 households qualified for repair or replacement of their heating systems. They have received 209 applications already this year.

- The existing bond market and analysis by financial advisors has indicated that the Prairie Lakes Municipal Solid Waste Authority (PLMSWA) 2011 bond can be refunded for a cost savings to PLMSWA and its member counties, including Todd County.

The board approved the amendment to PLMSWA financing agreement.

Commissioner David Kircher noted that when they can save money, they should.

The savings must meet a minimum of at least 4 percent to be approved.

- Todd County requested a user study be completed on the Expo Building. The user study included input from the county, the Long Prairie Hockey Association and the Todd County Ag Society. The outcome of the user study is a phased approach to repair the building.

The Facilities Committee reviewed the options and made a recommendation of completing Phase 1 and Phase 2.

These two phases include removing and replacing the roof with the option to remove and replace walls. The cost is expected to run between \$434,525 to \$1,066,945.

There are funds available to do this work. With the actual decision made as to what work will be done, the county can obtain bids and have a better idea of the cost.

- Quotes for professional services were received

for the renovation work of the Expo Building. The services requested were design, construction documents, bidding process and construction administration.

The proposal from Ringdahl Architects includes these services and is the lowest quote and was approved. Their fees will run approximately \$38,000 for this work.

- Region Five is seeking a nomination for a representative of the Todd County Board to serve a four year term on the Regional Transportation Coordinating Council (RTCC). The goal of the RTCC is to fill transportation gaps, streamline access to transportation and provide individuals more options for travel throughout the region.

The board approved Commissioner Barb Becker to serve on this board.

- The board approved the preliminary levy with utilization of the fund balance to minimize the levy burden of the 27th pay period (reduction of \$500,000) with the local levy at \$16,499,672 which is a 2.37 percent increase.

There will be \$1,430,089 in program aids that will reduce the levy by that amount.

Commissioner Rod Erickson noted that they could lower the levy if they find other reductions or savings that could be made before the final levy is set in December.

- Approved setting the Truth in Taxation Hearing on Dec. 3 at 6 p.m. in the commissioner's board room.

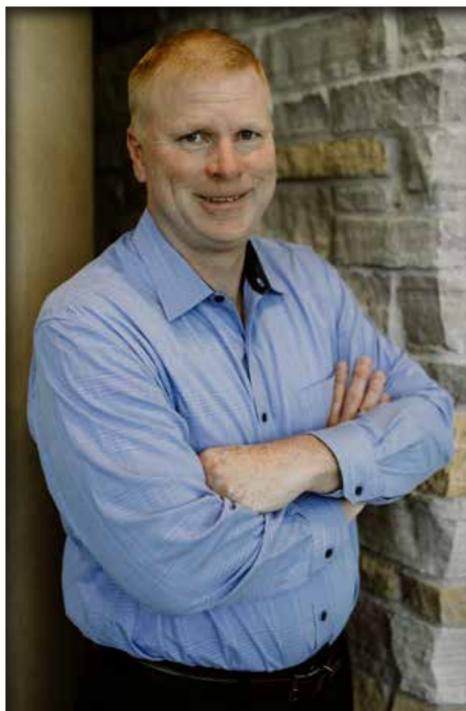
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Lurking in our soils

Submitted by Sarah Katterhagen
Todd Soil and Water

When looking up the word "phosphorus", what comes up? Fertilizer?

Phosphorous only reaches surface waters due to farming and fertilizer, right? NO. Let's dig up the dirt on phosphorous. Phosphorous is a naturally occurring element in our soils (from phosphate rock). Todd County soils, particularly in the NE and SE parts of the county are naturally very high in natural phosphorous - in the forests, in places where no man has disturbed and where land disturbance has occurred. Phosphorous is found in nearly every organic thing and is a necessary component to life. What does this mean for water quality?

Generally phosphorous attaches itself to organic particulates. In areas where disturbance takes place either man-made or natural, phosphorous can travel with organic particulates by wind or water. The faster water moves across a surface, the more likely phosphorous will reach surface waters such as lakes and streams. Impervious surfaces such as well-manicured lawns, roofs, roads and even vertical surfaces can increase phosphorous run-off. Phosphorous is transported via urban areas, street drains and in residential and lake-shore cabins at the great-

est rates. Farm fields and adding additional fertilizers to fields, lawns and gardens can contribute. And then there are the geese - geese scat are total phosphorous bombs. Lakes turn green; wildlife is altered; organics sink; the fill process begins.

Natural processes add phosphorous to water bodies - it's called eutrophication in which, over thousands of years, lakes fill to transition to bogs, then forests. But let not our actions increase the rate of eutrophication. What to do? Allow ditch grasses to reach a height of six to eight inches minimum to trap soil particulates before reaching the water body. Raise the height of your lawn mower - a nice trim lawn isn't required to be one inch tall. Vegetation absorbs nutrients and slows runoff. Change definitions of well landscaped yards. Plant wide natural buffers and shrubs along shores. Plant rye or oats as a cover after harvest or leave organics/corn stover on the field to prevent soil blow. Grumble but acknowledge the buffer law. Construct buildings, parking lots, and roads back from lakes, rivers and streams, vegetation and widen road shoulders. Take soil tests to match fertilizer to the needs of your yard, garden or farm soils. Appreciate wetlands as absorption sponges. Let nature run its course without expedition.