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# SM Orchestras, bands, receive superior ratings at contest

By Dawn Timbs  
Staples World reporter

A total of 734 band and orchestra students participated at the Sub-section Instrumental Large Group Contest at Staples-Motley High School Feb. 28.

It's an annual event that provides student musicians the opportunity to perform a few pieces before a panel of band specialists. In addition to being given a rating by the judges, bands and orchestras are offered constructive feedback after their performances.

The ten participating schools at the contest included New York Mills, Verndale, Menahga, Bertha-Hewitt, Wadena-Deer Creek, Pillager, Sebek, Pine River-Backus, Pequot Lakes, and Staples-Motley.

This year's judges included Derek Wickum,

from Bemidji High School; Scott Sater, retired band teacher at Shakopee Middle School; and Dr. Nathaniel Dickey, from Concordia College in Moorhead.

John Koopmann, orchestra director at Staples-Motley, said that his students have been working on their contest music since the beginning of the school year. "They have made incredible progress on what was very difficult music at first," Koopmann said, adding, "They can be very proud of what they have accomplished."

Both the Symphony and Chamber Orchestras received three superior ratings each, as did the Staples-Motley Symphonic Band and Concert Band, under the direction of Jon Crust.

"Our students performed well," Crust said. "We have

been working hard at the music we performed since December. We had the entire Concordia Band come and work on this music with us a few weeks ago and the band director from Bemidji State came the week after that," Crust added.

Koopmann mentioned that this particular contest is a difficult one for the orchestra students because the judges are always band specialists. "However, we truly appreciate the opportunity to participate in this event," he added. Koopmann noted that the younger orchestra at SM has the opportunity to attend a strings-only festival where the judges are all string specialists, but the school's older orchestra does not.



## Getting feedback

Staples-Motley was one of 10 schools that participated at the recent Sub-section Instrumental Large Group Contest held in Staples. Pictured above, Derek Wickum (right), teacher at Bemidji High School, offers suggestions to the Chamber Orchestra, directed by John Koopmann (left) following their performance.

Below, Scott Sater (standing left), retired band teacher at Shakopee Middle School, offers feedback on one of the contest pieces played by the Symphonic Band, directed by Jon Crust (standing right). All four SM groups received three superior ratings each. (Staples World photos by Dawn Timbs)



## Performing their contest pieces

Above: John Koopmann directs the Staples-Motley Chamber Orchestra at the Sub-section Instrumental Large Group Contest held Feb. 27.

Below: Jon Crust directs the SM Symphonic Band at the contest. (Staples World photos by Dawn Timbs)



## Law enforcement reports, Motley area

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

Feb. 22 - 27 - The MPD issued speeding citations to Andrea Grosz, 52; Niall Mcneilus, 40; Charles Boyer, 58; Brent Dschaak, 42; Alan Meyer, 51; and Robert Loerzel, 62.

Feb. 22 - The MPD reported that a party came into Motley City Hall and wanted to leave a bag that they located at the intersection of 75th Ave SW and Warner Rd in Cass Cty. Inside the bag the officer located a driver's license, prescription pills,

as well as finding narcotics and paraphernalia. He left a message for the owner on a cell phone number retrieved from Cass County regarding the finding of the bag and where it could be retrieved. The owner came to city hall to pick up the bag and the officer asked her to look through it to make sure everything was still in there. She stated that it was. He then spoke to her about the items he had confiscated and she stated that they were not hers and that someone else must have put them in there.

Feb. 22 - The MPD responded to an incident at Motley-Staples Middle

School. Subsequently, three juveniles were cited for underage tobacco use (vaping).

Feb. 21 - The MPD issued a stop sign violation to Lonny Killian, 54.

Feb. 22 - The MCSO arrested Shawn Lee Boyd, 28, at his residence at the 33000 block of Birch Ln. in Motley. He was charged with fifth degree possession of controlled substance and transported to the Morrison County Jail. According to the report, Boyd is on probation in Todd County for fourth degree possession and sales.



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Recent reports from the Cass County Sheriff's Office (CCSO) included the following:

- March 1, the CCSO responded to an accident at the 11000 block of Cty 32 in Motley.
- Feb. 28- The CCSO responded to a report of an incorrigible individual at the 6000 block of State Hwy 210 SW in Motley.
- Feb. 25 - The CCSO assisted with a vehicle in the ditch at the 11000 block of 61st Ave. SW in Motley.
- March 2 - The CCSO assisted with a vehicle in the ditch at the 12000 block of 61st Ave. SW in Motley
- March 2 - The CCSO assisted with a vehicle in the ditch at the 12000 block of 25th Ave. SW in Pillager.
- Feb. 26 - The CCSO assisted with a vehicle in the ditch at the 11000 block of

Cty Rd. 1 SW in Pillager.

- March 2 - The CCSO assisted a motorist at the 11000 block of State 64 SW in Motley.
- Feb. 25 - The CCSO responded to an incident at the 200 block of River St. N in Pillager.
- Feb. 26 - The CCSO responded to an incident at the 1000 block of Prairiewood in Pillager
- Feb. 25 - The CCSO responded to an incident at the 7000 block of 56th St. SW in Staples.
- March 2 - The CCSO assisted at an incident at the 12000 block of 65th Ave SW in Motley.
- March 1 - The CCSO responded to an incident involving threats at the 500 block of River St. S in Pillager.



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## Ask A Trooper

By Sgt. Jesse Grabow of the Minnesota State Patrol

**Question:** My friend went in the ditch last weekend and was given a citation for Failure to Drive with Due Care. It seems to me that it wasn't his fault because the wind was blowing snow across the road making the roads slippery. Why was he issued a citation?

**Answer:** Speeding or traveling too fast for conditions is one of the top contributing factors in fatal and seriously injury crashes our roadways. In most cases, these tragic crashes are preventable if drivers would just slow down. Losing control of a vehicle is evidence that the driver committed a violation of a traffic or equipment law. When a vehicle loses control and leaves the roadway, a Failure to Drive with Due Care is the most common violation cited.

Many of the fatal and serious injury crashes that I have investigated are one-vehicle rollovers, or a two-vehicle crash where one of the vehicles was traveling

too fast for conditions, lost control and struck another vehicle.

We all have an obligation to drive with due care and adjust our driving skills to the weather, road and traffic conditions. This is especially true in the winter when weather and road conditions can frequently change.

Other excuses for a vehicle losing control on slippery road surfaces are typically:

- Using cruise control on poor road conditions
- Following too close
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# March is Food Share Month

## Food shelves in Staples and Motley accepting donations

The Annual March Food Share Month is around the corner, which means Minnesota food shelves will be conducting their major campaign for funds and food shelf items during the coming weeks.

The Minnesota Food Share March Campaign brings together various community organizations, businesses and faith communities to help stock nearly 300 food shelves statewide. In 2018, over \$8.1 million dollars and 5.5 million pounds of food were raised by Minnesota food shelves and Minnesota FoodShare.

Both the Motley Area Food Shelf and the Staples Area Food Shelf are thankful for the support they have received in the past and are hoping people will give generously again in 2019.

### Staples

A press release from the Staples Area Food Shelf Board notes that the funds and food items collected in March help determine the grant amounts available from Hunger Solutions of Minnesota. The non-donated items are purchased from Second Harvest Heartland Food Bank in St. Paul, Ernie's Market and Jon's Family Foods in Staples.

World wide, it is estimated that over 800 million people go to bed hungry every night. "Our Staples Area Food Shelf has had a dramatic increase in usage. This past year we have had 141 new families; and have served 2,955 individuals and 1,067 families by providing over 60,000 pounds of food items and other

household necessities such as toilet paper, laundry soap, dish soap and personal hygiene items," the board said. "In addition, during Thanksgiving and Christmas we give out turkey and ham vouchers and we provide milk vouchers monthly to be used at local food vendors."

"While March is our major event, we greatly appreciate the support we receive throughout the year. Donations can be made through your church, or monetary donations can be sent to the Staples Area Food Shelf, PO Box 82, Staples, MN 56479 or by calling 218-894-1935."

The board went on to say that without the help of the community, the Staples Area Food Shelf could not possibly survive. They also stressed that workers at the food shelf are all volunteers. "We want to thank everyone for their past support and we respectfully ask for your continued generosity and support. With your assistance and generosity the Staples Area Food Shelf will be able to continue providing for those in need."

*The Staples Area Food Shelf is open Mondays and Tuesdays from 2 - 4 p.m.; and the fourth Thursday of the month from 5 - 7 p.m. For more information, call 218-894-1935.*

### Motley

Board members of the Motley Area Food Shelf sent out letters thanking friends and supporters for their generous support in the past. "We sincerely hope that you will continue supporting us in this huge endeavor, addressing the needs of

our neighbors."

They noted that Minnesota Food Share month is a unique opportunity that we have each year to truly stretch our dollars, allowing us to feed more people. The Minneapolis Council of Churches has an allocation fund, which matches, proportionally, the amount of donations received at each local food shelf during the month of March.

Statistics show that one in ten people do not know where their next meal is coming from. Although in the last 10 years the unemployment rate has dropped from 7.8 to 3.4 percent the cost of living has not kept up with the ability for people of lower income to make enough money to provide healthy meals for their families. Many Minnesotans are quietly struggling to put food on the table.

Sherry Frisk, Director of the Motley Area Food Shelf, noted that the cliental has increased by nearly 100 clients this past year. Most clients are single families and senior citizens. In addition to food items and monetary donations, there is a great need for more volunteers at the food shelf.

This year, the food shelf in Motley is hoping "to put more meat and fresh fruits and vegetables in the diets of those in need. With your help, we believe we can reach our goal."

*The Motley Area Food Shelf is located at 697 3rd Ave. So., in Motley. It is open each Thursday from 9 a.m. - noon; and the last Thursday of every month from 6 - 8 p.m. For more information, call 218-352-6344.*

## Looking back

### 75 YEARS Ago - 1944

• March 9, 1944 - Friday, March 17, has been set aside by the officers of the Farmers Cooperative Creamery Association of Staples as the day for their annual meeting, and election of officers for the coming year.

The creamery has had one of the best years in the history of the institution, manufacturing a total of 512,884 pounds of butter during the 1943 year. Of this amount 402,629 pounds were shipped out of Staples, 22,125 pounds were sold to patrons, and 88,943 pounds were sold locally in Staples.

The income from the sale of all butter amounts to \$247,086.-58, or nearly a quarter of a million dollars going into this community through the creamery during the past year.

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Commenting on the business of the creamery, H. J. Harrington, auditor of Minnesota states: "The statement submitted shows that the business is financially sound and is being operated in an efficient manner."

Present officers of the creamery are: Richard N. Gardner, president; George T. Nelson, vice president; Ben Tower, secretary-treasurer; J. W. Hand, Joe Morris, E. W. Thorn, and Fred Wrede, directors; and R. H. Enkhaus operator and manager. Employees of the creamery are Paul Koplin and Ray Hayenga, in the production department, and Miss Florence Carlson as bookkeeper and secretary.

### 50 YEARS Ago - 1969

• March 6, 1969 - Fran Sauer of Coach Doug Johnson's Cardinal basketball quint joined 24 other talented sharp-shooters from around the state in being named to the WCCO All-State basketball Team of the Week Thursday evening, Feb. 27.

His selection was announced on the station's high school sports program, "Prep Parade." The show is conducted weekly by Sports Director Paul Giel and Sid Hartman.

A senior at Staples High School, Sauer is the leading scorer and rebounder for the Cardinals. During the 18-game regular season, Sauer tallied a total of 284 points. He made 97 field goals and 90 free throws. The Cardinal center finished third in District 24 scoring with a 15.0 average. He's the son of Mr. and Mrs. Laurence Sauer of this city.

• March 6, 1969 - Twelve people were winners of nylons in the second weekly drawing of the

Gay Stride Nylon contest at Batcher's Department store in this city.

Last week's winners were Anna Ringler, Mrs. George Bryce and Mabel Johnson of Motley, Mrs. Emma Jasmer of Hewitt, Mrs. Dave Tollagson of Verndale and Russ Dahl, Mrs. William Haugen, Mrs. Lee Flory, Mrs. Joe Jaglo, Mrs. John Weishalla, Mrs. August Lanske and Mrs. Robert Hankey, of Staples.

Mrs. F. C. McGivern's name was drawn to be placed in the grand prize competition from which will be chosen two winners with each to receive 12 pairs of nylons.

• March 6, 1969 - An early morning fire Sunday, March 2, called out the members of the Motley fire department. According to E. L. Morey, fire chief, the department was summoned about 3 a.m. to the home located near the high school which was occupied by Mrs. Phyllis Scheerle and her five children. The home is owned by Charles Gilmore who now resides in the Twin City area.

Mr. Morey further reported that the fire apparently started when an oil stove exploded. The family escaped without apparent injury, however, the home was completely gutted and was classified as a total loss. A vast majority of the family's personal belongings were also lost.

### 25 YEARS Ago - 1994

• March 10, 1994 - Burlington Northern's remaining train crews will no longer be based in Staples as of March 21.

Burlington Northern is moving the crews to Dilworth. The action will

mean the run-through or elimination of Staples as a crew changing location along BN's main line. Immediately, the action will mean changes for about 46 workers, with another 31 to eventually be affected as well. Eventually, as crews and their families relocated, the run-through will mean the loss of a \$3 to 4 million annual payroll for the Staples and surrounding communities.

• March 10, 1994 - The Cardinal girls won the Sub Section 4 (basketball) tournament Friday night with a 72-55 victory over Pequot Lakes. The win was the first sub section title for the Cards in nine years.

• March 10, 1994 - The two Cardinal entrants in the state wrestling tournament individual competition fared very well, each coming home with medals.

Senior Jason Sowers finished fourth at 160 pounds, losing the third place match Saturday night by a 10-6 decision.

A few minutes earlier, Jason's step brother, Erik Kramer, finished fifth at 112 pounds when he won the fifth place match, in a 1-0 decision. "Things went very well for us on the first day. Both of them wrestled very well," Coach Don Dravis said.

In other tournament notes, former Cardinal wrestler Neil Jennissen, who is now head coach for Cambridge, was named the Class AA Coach of the Year. Jennissen is one of 11 former wrestlers for Dravis' Cardinals who have joined the coaching ranks. Dravis, who was Minnesota Coach of the Year in 1980, commented that he believes this is the first

time a Minnesota coach has had a student go on to share that same honor.

### 10 YEARS Ago - 2009

• March 5, 2009 - Staples Motley Area Chamber of Commerce welcomed a business, Kuhn Insurance Agency L.L.C. Dan Orth is the new owner.

• March 5, 2009 - Ryan Bart, sophomore at Staples Motley High School; and Staples resident Bruce Tollefson picked up some tips in bluegrass technique from Matt Thompson, mandolin/fiddle player with the bluegrass band Monroe Crossing. In addition to performing at Centennial Auditorium in Staples Feb. 27, Monroe Crossing held free master classes for students and members of the public, through a grant provided by the Staples Community Foundation. A third-place winner at the Pillager Bluegrass Festival last year, Ryan also plays violin in the SMHS orchestra.

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## Email data incident detected

their data stolen.

Lakewood Privacy Officer Lynn Rice said if customers ask, they will be able to let them know exactly what data may have been exposed, although they can not determine whether the data was viewed or not.

Lakewood Technical Officer Jim Roeder explained how the breach happened: an email impersonating an official Lakewood email was sent to employees asking them to change passwords. When some of the passwords were entered, the hackers used them to redirect four automatic deposits to a different bank account. The scheme was traced to computers in 43 different countries, so although it will be reported to the FBI and the federal Office for Civil Rights, they will not be likely to find the perpetrators.

Rice said even though it seems that the main purpose of the scam was to go after payroll, they are proceeding as if the patient data was also exposed.

Roeder said they are confident the access was limited to those twelve mailboxes, so if a Lakewood patient is not contacted, they can feel safe their data is not compromised by this attack. Roeder also said the 1,946 patients is a small percentage of the people Lakewood serves.

Lakewood had already been doing security training for employees, such as phishing testing in which the IT department would send test emails to see if they got responses. "It may have helped minimize how many got caught in this one," said Roeder.

Since the phishing attack, Lakewood has redoubled their efforts. They have cyber insurance, which has directed them to a company that helped strengthen their security. Now every email from outside the system has a special header added so employees know at a glance. They also reset the log-in for their entire system, and passwords will be reset every 90 days.

Roeder called it a "multi-factor" response to strengthen security.

What can you do?

For customers who were potentially affected by this incident, the Lakewood press release had suggestions on how to protect personal information:

- Contact the nationwide credit-reporting agencies as soon as possible to add a fraud alert statement to your credit file at all three national credit-reporting agencies;

- Remove your name from mailing lists of pre-approved offers of credit for approximately six months;

- Request and carefully review a free copy of your credit report by going to [www.annualcreditreport.com](http://www.annualcreditreport.com);

- Carefully review all bills and credit card statements you receive to see if there are items you did not contract for or purchase;

- Carefully review all your bank account statements frequently for checks, purchases, or deductions not made by you;

- If you suspect or know you are the victim of identity theft, contact local police and report the theft to the Fraud Department of the Federal Trade Commission.

For questions or concerns about this incident, or to find out whether you were among those whose information was potentially affected, call (877) 239-1254 between the hours of 8 a.m. and 8 p.m., Monday through Friday.

The Lakewood press release also contained a statement from CEO Tim Rice:

"Lakewood deeply values its patient and employee relationships and is devoted to safeguarding the privacy and security of its patients' information," said Tim Rice, Lakewood President & CEO. "Unfortunately, what we are learning is the number of these cyber-attacks nationwide continues to grow each year. As a result, we have taken immediate steps to minimize the chances of this sort of thing happening again. Patient and employee data security has been, and continues to be, our top priority. We sincerely regret any inconvenience this incident may cause."

# Hard Hat Luncheon

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Letters to the Editor

Disgusted by dog abuse

What's being done in your community to arrest the immoral little b\_\_\_\_\_s in your community that beat, then shot, killed and finally threw an innocent dog in the river. Then posted their 'accomplishment' on Facebook. How sick. What kind of children are you raising in your little town. I've known people from Staples and I've even done business there. (But won't ever again). I didn't see any of this mental illness from the people I dealt with, but these young people are serial killers in the making. We contacted the local police who basically said 'it wasn't their jurisdiction'; since it happened in the county it was the Sheriffs problem. Well, I'll be waiting to see if you fine folks do what's right and seek justice for these criminals or sweep in under the rug.

Mike Cleland  
St. Cloud, Minn.

Stop all abuse and violence

Stop All Abuse and Violence Everywhere " SAAVE " Now!  
The fact is abuse and violence are wholly wrong in every way. The truth is the heartlessness and badly twisted reasons need to change immediately for this should not be allowed to happen under any circumstances towards any sentient beings whether you're a human being or an animal being.  
Nothing should be a victim of such disrespect and cruel behavior such is abuse and violence of any kind.  
No one has the right to abuse, and All Living Sentient Beings has the right not to be abused or be a victim of abuse and violence.  
The fact and truth is very clear... abuse and violence of any kind toward any kind is wholly wrong and entirely cruel. The solution is very clear also that all must be done and everyone must help in all ways to Stop All Abuse and Violence Everywhere. " SAAVE " Now!

LoriJayne M. Grahm  
Pelican Rapids, Minn

Dog crime

In reference to the people who tortured and shot their dog and videoed it:  
First, I hope they have been caught and charged with a crime.  
Second, I hope their guns (and any other weapons they have including sharp sticks!) have been taken away from them.  
Third, I hope they have been referred to a mental health facility before their behavior escalates to a school or work place shooting, or harm to any other vulnerable person or creature. It is well documented, people who treat animals inhumanely are likely to treat people inhumanely as well.

Norma Elvine  
Staples, Minn.

CLC meets career needs for tech students

February is Career and Technical Education Month. Of course, as a community and technical college, Central Lakes College is passionate about career and technical education. As residents of Central Minnesota, we all are dependent on technical fields, which fuel our economy and impact our lives every day. This month is the perfect time to remind ourselves of the high skilled, high demand and highly paid technical careers that require a certificate, diploma or Associates degree. In fact, CLC has more than 60 of these opportunities for our students, and graduates are employed in their field at a rate of 90 percent.



By Dr. Hara Charlier  
President

nerships to get you there. If you choose a technical career, our certificates, diplomas or Associate degrees offer rapid entry, cutting-edge, hands-on experiences, and great opportunities right here at home. And while public perception is still catching up, we know that technical careers have great opportunities for advancement and pathways to future education. What's more, according to the Association for Career and Technical Education, 27 percent of people with a certificate, diploma, or associates degrees, earn more than the average bachelor's degree holder. So, keep your options and eyes open and take the time to find the right career for you!  
Of course, regardless of your path, the end-goal is to enter the workforce in a career that meets your needs. In many of our CTE programs, our students have jobs waiting for them when they graduate. Some even start those jobs while completing their degree. That transition is made easily thanks to our workforce partners and program advisory boards, which are staffed with industry experts. Working with our faculty, they ensure our students are learning the most relevant skills with the most up-to-date equipment and procedures.  
By working together with our area businesses and secondary school partners, CLC is proud to work toward meeting Central Minnesota's need for talent. You need only to visit our campuses to see that talent for yourself. Thank you to our industry leaders who pour their heart into our CTE programs. We appreciate everything they do for the college and for the future of our communities.

Nurse group wants more from adverse event reports

From the Minnesota Nurses Association

Minnesota nurses are expressing concerns about Minnesota's 2019 Adverse Event report. In addition to a reporting process that relies solely on facilities self-reporting and conducting their own, internal investigations, the annual report does not include all incidents of patient harm, just those where a patient has died or was seriously injured. The Minnesota Nurses Association continues to warn patients that these hospital incident reporting numbers do not tell the full story about hospital safety.  
"This report only focuses on catching the worst of the worst," said Carrie Mortrud RN, MNA Policy Specialist. "The level of harm that must happen to qualify to be included in this report is horrific. Meanwhile, there may be hundreds of patient injuries or illness due to facility error that go unreported."  
Hospitals are required to report medical errors that

result in death or serious injury, but injuries that still require extended hospitalization, such as a hospital-acquired infection or pressure ulcer would not need to be reported.  
"The law says only a stage 3 or 4 pressure ulcer qualifies as an adverse event, but a patient with an open sore related to their immobility would not qualify as a reportable incident," Mortrud said, "and stage 2 sores can be serious enough to expose human tissue."  
Each hospital is required to report what it considers an "adverse event," and those that hospitals feel do not qualify remain a secret within each facility. However, even with this very limited scope of reportable incidents, Minnesota law does not allow for any corrective action to address even a growing number of these incidents.  
"There's nothing to hold the hospitals accountable when these numbers go up," Mortrud said. "The numbers of patients harmed has steadily increased, but there's no enforcement mechanism in statute to penalize hospitals."

After years of concern about the shortcomings of the annual Adverse Health Events Report, MNA is pleased to see Minnesota Department of Health Commissioner Jan Malcom acknowledge that the approach to reporting on and improving patient safety needs to evolve.  
"MNA looks forward to working with the department and other stakeholders to address the shortcomings of the report and ensure that unnecessary and preventable hospital injuries are avoided," said Shannon M. Cunningham, MNA Director of Governmental and Community Affairs.  
Minnesota nurses know that one of the biggest causes of adverse events is a lack of appropriate staff to ensure that patients are cared for appropriately. Because of that, Minnesota nurses urge patients to question hospital staffing levels, which could lead to increased adverse events or non-reported events.



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## Adult & Teen Challenge Choir at Motley Free Methodist Church Mar. 10

The Central Minnesota Adult & Teen Challenge Choir will present a concert at Motley Free Methodist Church on Sunday, March 10, at the 9 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. services.

For more than 25 years, Minnesota Adult & Teen Challenge has been restoring hope to teens and adults struggling

with drug and alcohol addiction.

The choir will be singing songs of hope and telling stories of redemption and healing at their concert at Motley Free Methodist Church, which is located at 33 Wellwood St. For more information, call 218-352-6888.



## A thousand books.....times two

The Staples Motley Early Childhood Coalition and the Staples Public Library announce the two newest 1,000 Book Readers.

Tucker son of Lou and Lisa Champagne and Koralie, daughter of Korisa

Champagne, each select a book and a stuffed animal as their award for having read 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten. Making the presentation are Mary Sperley and Beth Fabian. (Submitted photo)

## Adverse health events reported by Lakewood

By Mark Anderson  
News Editor

Lakewood Health System reported three adverse health events in 2018, which appeared on the statewide report that came out recently.

Corrine Neissess, VP of Nursing at Lakewood, said one of the incidents was a fall that resulted in a death. Statewide, there were 76 falls in Minnesota hospitals in 2018, with five resulting in deaths.

"We work hard to get the best practices in place and make quality improvements," said Neissess.

"When it comes to falls, there are multiple road maps that we are working with."

Lakewood CEO Tim Rice said their focus is always on safety, and the adverse health event reporting is a helpful tool to improve safety statewide. As part of the report, hospitals share corrective action plans on what they are doing to make sure their adverse health events don't happen again.

"As hospitals are more comfortable reporting and being engaged in public safety, we will see safety improvement increase," said Rice. "This is how we

make sure Minnesota is the safest place in the country."

Minnesota was the first state to pass a law requiring hospitals to report adverse health events, and since 2003, more than a dozen states have followed.

Rice also said one reason the overall statewide adverse health event number rose this year could be that hospitals are getting more comfortable with transparency and reporting events.

Lakewood VP of Support Services Lynn Rice said "Our staff is heartbroken any time there is an event."

### March 6

**FREE TAX-AIDE** Wednesdays, 1 - 4 p.m., through April 10, Staples Community Center. No appt. needed. For low to moderate income taxpayers. For info., 218-894-5772.

### March 13

**STAPLES ALL VETERANS AND COMMUNITY PARK ASSOCIATION MTG** Wed., March 13, 5:30 p.m., Timbers Restaurant in Staples. Public invited.

### March 14

**FRIENDS OF THE STAPLES PUBLIC LIBRARY ANNUAL MTG** Thurs., March 14, 5:30 p.m., at the library at 122 6th St. NE, Staples. Regular mtg to follow. Public welcome.

**WADENA WHIRLWAYS SQUARE DANCE CLUB MTG** Thurs., March 14, 7:30 - 9:45 p.m., Wadena VFW. Larry Fruetel, caller. For info., 320-760-6043.

### March 16

**PAWS ANNUAL CAT SHOW** Sat., March 16, 11 a.m., Verndale Lions Building. Pick your hero, decorate your cat's cage, you and your cat wear a costume, write a story about your hero cat. For info., 218-352-6886.

### March 19 - 20

**IMMUNIZATION CLINIC - WALK IN** Tues., March 19, 10 a.m. - noon and 1 - 2:30 p.m., Pillager Family Resource Center. For info., 218-547-1340. Sponsored by Cass County Public Health.

**WIC NUTRITION PROGRAM** Tues., March 19, 10 a.m. - noon and 1 - 2:30 p.m.; and Wed., March 20, 9:30 a.m. - noon and 12:30 - 2 p.m., Pillager Family Resource Center. For info., 218-547-1340. Sponsored by Cass County Public Health.

## Staples City Council agenda

Items on the Staples City Council agenda for the Tuesday, March 12 meeting, at 7 p.m. at Staples City Hall:

- Consider approval of On Sale, Sunday and 3.2% on sale liquor licenses for Los Corrales Restaurant at 304 2nd Avenue NE.
- Consider approval of Facilities Use Agreement with Minnesota State Colleges and Universities on behalf of Central Lakes College Ag and Energy Center for growing agricultural crops and conducting agricultural research from April 1, 2019 to March 31, 2020 in an amount of \$2,052.
- Consider Resolution 1764 awarding the sale of General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2019A
- Committee Reports:
  - a. Staples Economic Development Authority
  - b. Tourism Marketing Board



## Northern Pacific snow plow

A photo of a Northern Pacific RR 1970s.

Russell Plow 651, clearing snow from the Staples Yard, late 1960s, early

Photo taken by Switchman, Peter Card, Jr.

**COZY THEATRE**  
WADENA, MN

Screen 1: **CAPTAIN MARVEL** PG-13  
Fri. thru Thurs. March 8 - 28  
Fri. & Sat. 2 Shows at 7:00 & 9:30  
Sun. thru Thurs. 1 Show at 7:00  
Matinees Sat. & Sun. March 9 & 10 at 1:15 pm  
Special Advance Screening Thurs. March 7 at 9:15 pm

Screen 2: **FIGHTING WITH MY FAMILY** PG-13  
Fri. thru Thurs. March 8 - 14  
Fri. & Sat. 2 Shows at 7:10 & 9:30  
Sun. thru Thurs. 1 Show at 7:10  
Matinees Sat. & Sun. March 9 & 10 at 1:15 pm

Screen 3: **HELD OVER 3RD WEEK**  
**HOW TO TRAIN YOUR DRAGON: THE HIDDEN WORLD** PG  
Fri. thru Thurs. March 8 - 14  
Fri. & Sat. 2 Shows at 7:15 & 9:30  
Sun. thru Thurs. 1 Show at 7:15  
Matinees Sat. & Sun. March 9 & 10 at 1:30 pm

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www.cozytheatre.com

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Daylight Saving Time  
March 10

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For publication in Saturday's  
Staples Square Scooper  
the deadline is  
**5 p.m. Wed.**

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Dinner Served from 4:30 - 7 p.m.  
At Sacred Heart Church, Staples

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**March 8, 15, 22, 29; April 5, 12**

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Community Park Association  
**FUNDRAISER**  
**MARCH 14, 2019**  
5:30 - 8:00 p.m.

**Bob Hamann**  
218-296-0677  
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**Live/Silent Auction, Games/Raffles**

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