



Fishing season has begun

Joe Hegarty of Brainerd enjoyed fishing the Crow Wing River near Wahoo Valley in Bullard Township May 14, the second day of fishing opener. A Wadena native, Hegarty said he's been fishing the Crow Wing for years and has found it to be a great place for Walleye and Northern Pike. He often fishes by way of canoe; but on this day tried his luck from the bridge. With so many lakes near Brainerd, why does he continue to travel to this area to fish? "You don't see any other people around, do you?" Hegarty answered with a smile. With temperatures nearing 80 degrees throughout Central Minnesota, it was a perfect day to be out on the water. (Staples World photo by Dawn Timbs)

Finalists for interim supt. to be chosen

By Brenda Halvorson
General Manager

Eleven applications were received for the job of interim superintendent of Staples-Motley Schools by the May 15 deadline. The applications will be discussed at a special board meeting Thursday, May 18, at 7 p.m. in the high school media center. Board members were to visit the district office indi-

vidually before the meeting to review the applications. At Thursday's meeting they will be given copies of the resumes with the identifying information redacted. Each resume will be assigned a letter for discussion purposes. The board will decide which candidates they want to call for the first round of interviews. At that time the names become public. No specific number has been chosen for how many people to interview in the first round. At the May 2 special board meeting the representative from MSBA (Minnesota School Boards Association) recommended that they interview at least four, but the board has the final decision. The board will also

develop and finalize interview procedures and questions at Thursday's meeting. The MSBA representative reminded the board at the May 2 meeting that all candidates should be asked the same questions. The first round of interviews are set for Tuesday, May 23 at the high school media center. The start time will be determined by how many candidates will be invited. Each candidate will be given about 55 minutes with about five minutes break between each interview. Following the last interview the board will discuss the candidates and choose the two they would like to come back for a second interview. Those are set for May 30 with May 31 as a backup date.

Memorial Day plans in Staples

The Staples Memorial Day service is planned for Monday, May 29, at Ever Green Hill Cemetery at 9 a.m. The rain location will be at Centennial Auditorium at Staples-Motley High School. Volunteers are welcome to help put flags on veterans graves, starting Monday, May 22 at 5 p.m. The group will meet at the Mausoleum at the north-west corner of the cemetery.

City of Staples approved to purchase tax-forfeited parcels

By Karin Nauber
Todd County reporter

At their regular meeting on May 2, Todd County Commissioners completed a sale of two parcels to the City of Staples. The parcels, which were tax-forfeited, both were condemned by an inspector. Staples City Administrator Jerel Nelsen met with the commissioners during a work session

on April 25 to discuss the city's intention of purchasing these properties. On May 9, the Staples City Council did approve moving forward with a bid to purchase the two properties located at 109 8th St. NE and 808 2nd Ave. Nelsen told the commissioners that the houses posed a nuisance for the city. Both are residential properties located in a commercial zone. Nelsen

felt that both could be developed into commercial areas at some point in the future. These structures will not be available for repurchase by the former owners because of their condemned status. The original costs for the city to purchase these parcels was approximately \$8,116 with the special assessments and sale fees. See **FORFEITED** on page 2a



Optometrist business deal

Brooke and Dr. Seth Dokken, with their daughter Adriane (not pictured, daughter Aleese), with Dr. Jackie McCall and Shannon Ostlund of the Midwest Family Eye Center. The Dokken's business, Staples Eye Clinic, is purchasing McCall's Staples business while she concentrates on her business in Baxter. Ostlund will stay on as an employee. Dr. Dokken said they have decided to see all their patients at the Staples Eye Clinic. (Staples World photo by Mark Anderson)

Staples Eye Clinic expands with purchase

By Mark Anderson
News Editor

Seth and Brooke Dokken are purchasing the Midwest Family Eye Center practice in Staples and merging it with their business, Staples Eye Clinic. "We will be a full-time, fully equipped optometric practice," said Seth Dokken. Dr. Jackie McCall is leaving the Staples office of Midwest Family Eye Center and will concentrate on her business in Baxter.

"It's sad, after 15 years in Staples," said McCall, "I have mixed emotions about leaving." After some initial ideas of switching buildings, Dokken said they are planning to stay in their building at 222 4th St NE, with eye surgeons coming to both locations for appointments. But the set up will be considered temporary, as they are looking for a bigger building to move into or to build a new eye clinic. Dokken said they have several prospective

buildings and lots in different locations of Staples. They hope to have a new location ready in six months to a year, he said. If that plan works out, Dokken said he could envision taking on a partner or associate to help with the growing business and to cover emergencies. "It will be a positive for us, and hopefully a positive for the town," Dokken said about the expansion plans. Dokkens have run their business in Staples for five and a half years, building it into a full time practice.

Russell, Russell, how does your garden grow? Following the Kleinschmidt Farms, from planting to harvest

By Dawn Timbs
Staples World reporter

This is the second in a series of articles about gardening, as the Staples World follows the work of Russell Kleinschmidt, from planting to harvest.

Kleinschmidt Farms CSA members (Community Supported Agriculture) have received their first delivery of the early season, which included spring mixed lettuce, spinach, garlic, kale and radishes. "There are a lot of greens during the early season," said Russell Kleinschmidt, owner/operator of the farm which is located five miles south of Staples. Some of these vegetables were planted by seed as early as March 22; and the lettuce was planted on April 30. That was the day before snow fell in the Staples area, Russell noted. "But, the conditions were right for planting." As was noted in the first article of this series, Rus-



Coming along nicely

Lettuce planted in Russell Kleinschmidt's high tunnel April 30, was ready to be harvested May 9. There are a number of other vegetables in the high tunnel as well, including tomatoes, broccoli, cabbage, kale, mustard, bok choy and carrots. They were planted at various times, with the earliest being March 22; and will be harvested throughout the summer. Some of the plants, like carrots, were planted from seed in the high tunnel; and others were started by seed in Kleinschmidt's basement and transplanted at a later date. (Staples World photos by Dawn Timbs)

sell plants vegetables at various times throughout the growing season. He begins by planting seeds in his basement, which are later transplanted outdoors, either to the 30 x 72 ft. high tunnel, or the raised beds garden. Kleinschmidt Farms may not be a certified organic farm; but they follow many of the same practices and principles. "Our goal is to grow and harvest fresh, healthy, nutritious food for you and your family while improving and protecting our environment," Russell has included in their CSA Member Agreement. Russell uses a 'no till' approach to gardening in keeping with these organic principles. On occasion, he will use a tine weeding rake, colinear hoe or trap-ezoid hoe; but, he tries to use those as little as possible so as to not disturb the soil, Russell said. He (along with the help of his wife, Jessica) also hand-weeds. See **GARDEN** on page 4b

Hello, Readers,
In a major civil rights victory, the U.S. Supreme Court hands down an unanimous decision in Brown v. Board of Education of Topeka, ruling that racial segregation in public educational facilities is unconstitutional. The historic decision, which brought an end to federal tolerance of racial segregation, specifically dealt with Linda Brown, a young African American girl who had been denied admission to her local elementary school in Topeka, Kansas, because of the color of her skin. The Brown v. Board of Education decision served to greatly motivate the civil rights movement of the 1950s and 1960s and ultimately led to the abolishment of racial segregation in all public facilities and accommodations.

Public Notices
Aldrich Township bids: 8A
Obituary
Agnes Johnstone

Thank you for subscribing!



Strategizing about the city

City officials and Comprehensive Plan Steering Committee members discuss different aspects of the city's current needs, strengths, weaknesses and opportunities. (Staples World photo by Mark Anderson)

Public gives first input on comprehensive plan

The City of Staples held its first visioning session for their Comprehensive Plan on May 4 at the Staples Community Center. The purpose of this event was to gain valuable insight of city residents. Participants worked with steering committee members to identify their needs, ideas, strengths, weaknesses, opportunities, and constraints related to a wide range of topics: transportation, housing, economic development, healthy communities, park, trail, and open space, and others. Interactive stations were available for comment.

When asked, "Today, the City of Staples is....," participants wrote the following:

- "Slowly growing and improving"
- "On the edge of dynamic growth"
- "Preparing to take off!"
- "We need to find our niche in business and destination"

When asked, "Tomorrow, the City of Staples will be..." participants wrote the following:

- "Continuing to grow and prosper"
- "Growing, innovating, leading"
- "A place people chose to come to"
- "A place for families to grow, live, and serve"

When asked, "What do you value so much that shouldn't change?" participants wrote the following:

- "Feeling safe anywhere in town"
- "Friendly small town feel"

- "Safety on the streets"
- "Great police department"
- "Small town – knowing your neighbors"

Residents can follow the project's progress by visiting the project page at Gostaples2035.wordpress.com. There, residents can find ways to participate in the process. Feedback from the visioning session will form the basis of the community survey. This online, community wide survey was available for public participation beginning in May.

FORFEITED continued from page 1a

Lots will be prepared for commercial use

for the 8th St. property and \$10,381 for the 2nd Ave. property.

Nelsen said that he hoped to work out a deal with the county to cover the costs of the special assessments because the county would be getting rid of two headaches.

Chairman Rod Erickson said the county was certainly open to getting the properties back on the tax roll.

Assessor Chris Odden said that at this point, the properties were more of a liability to the county than an asset. After the commissioner's meeting, County Coordinator Joe Hatch, Auditor/Treasurer Denise Gaida and Nelsen planned to meet to come up with a recommendation.

At their May 2 meeting, the following motion was approved by the commissioners.

"On August 31, 2016, two parcels forfeited to the State of Minnesota due to non-payment of property taxes which are located within the City of Staples.

"Per Minnesota Statute 282.01, a governmental subdivision may submit a written request to purchase a tax-forfeited parcel prior to public auction sale. The City of Staples has expressed interest in purchasing parcel #38-0028700 and #38-0061200 prior to their release for public auction.

"Recommendation; The Todd County Board of Commissioners approves the following by Motion:

"to approve the sale of tax forfeited parcel # 38-0028700 for \$4,916.02 and #38-0061200 for \$3,462.26 to the City of Staples in which the price includes all applicable administrative fees with the stipulation that the buildings on these parcels be removed within 60 days at the City of Staples's non-transferable expense."

Commissioner Barb Becker asked why there was a difference in the dollar amounts between the work session and today's meeting.

Nelsen said that he had met with Hatch and Gaida and it had been determined that the city would pay all of the delinquent taxes and administrative fees.

"This makes the taxing districts whole. We will tear both buildings down at our own expense" noted Nelsen.

Gaida said, "It takes the liability off the county."

"The goal is to get the property redeveloped as soon as possible," added Nelsen.

Commissioner David Kircher commented that this was "an excellent way to handle this and get these two properties back on the tax rolls."

At the May 9 Staples City Council meeting, Nelsen said asbestos inspections on the homes would be conducted May 12 and demolition will soon follow, depending on the abatement needed. "We won't waste too much time before they're down," said Nelsen.

Region Five is branded having 'The Good Life'

"The Good Life" has been chosen to represent Region Five as a regional brand.

"It states very simply how residents feel about the region. We have a good life - abundant natural resources, small town feel, access to health care, and important amenities such as strong school systems, access to local foods and quality people who care about our communities," according to a press release from Region Five Development Commission.

Region Five serves the counties of Cass, Crow Wing, Morrison, Todd and Wadena.

After meeting with stakeholders, gathering together focus groups and conducting community surveys, a regional brand has been created.

The regional branding project will help the region highlight its assets, allow individual communities to maximize their impact, and build a culture of community collaboration.

The overarching goals of the proposed project are to:

- attract potential workforce, primarily millennials;
- attract businesses, either startups, or relocations;
- build a culture of collaboration



among the municipalities of the region.

This work has resulted in a brand that will build a favorable internal and external image of the region and its small cities; one that builds social capital within the region, is owned by its communities, and which is attractive to those external to the region.

Cities, counties, groups and organizations are invited to use "The Good Life" logo when promoting events,

activities, employment opportunities, new businesses and more, to showcase all the assets and amenities that make our region a desirable place to be. The image can be personalized for each community with different colors and different locations.

Region Five Development Commission's Regional Branding project was a recipient of a 2016 \$100,000 Innovation Grant. The National Joint Powers Alliance (NJPA) Funding Innovation Program engages representatives from cities and counties to rank applications and select awarded projects in Region Five.

To learn more about the regional branding effort, contact Dawn Espe at despe@regionfive.org or 218-894-3233.



Lions help students plant trees

Staples Lions Clubs presented Sacred Heart Area School students with trees from the Fourth Grade Foresters USA program to plant on April 28. Pictured, front row from left, fourth grade teacher Rachel Przybilla, Axel Merten, Lilly Tyrrell, Jade Storry and Joe Zimmerman; back, Principal Jim Opelia, Sophie Albie, Bryan Burrows, Drake Dukowitz, Jacob Becker. Representing the Lions, at right are Joann Schornack of the Staples '93 Club and and Mike Gedde of Staples Host Lions. (Staples World photo by Mark Anderson)

Public's help sought in unsolved church arsons

Thirteen churches in eight Minnesota communities have been intentionally started on fire since 2012.

The Department of Public Safety State Fire Marshal Division (SFMD) and local authorities are renewing a call for the public to come forward with information about the unsolved cases, including last year's blaze that caused millions of dollars in damage at Melrose's St. Mary's Catholic Church, and a 2012 fire where a surveillance camera captured a suspect walking into an Isanti church in the middle of the night and attempting to light on fire part of the building under construction.

"The public's help is critical in solving arsons,"

State Fire Marshal Bruce West said. "Even the smallest detail could break a case wide open. We need people to come forward."

Authorities do not believe any of these church fires are connected.

The public can call the Minnesota Arson Hotline at 800-723-2020 to submit information about any suspicious fire. Callers can remain anonymous and rewards up to \$5,000 are available. Information can also be submitted online at www.mniaai.org

Notable unsolved arsons in places of worship since 2012:

- Darling Historic Church on March 24, 2017, in Little Falls.
- Church of Scientology, 2017 in St. Paul
- St. Mary's Catholic

Church on March 11, 2016, in Melrose.

- Abandoned church on Aug. 22, 2016, in Deer Creek.

- Church, Inc., building on Feb. 15, 2016, in St. Paul.

- Bethany Lutheran Church on June 13, 2014, in Minneapolis.

- Open Arms Assembly of God on Sept. 6, 2014, in St. Paul.

- The Church of the Epiphany, 2014 in Coon Rapids.

- St.Mark's Evangelical Lutheran Church, 2014 in St. Paul.

- Community Covenant Church on July 11, 2013, in Minneapolis.

- Faith Baptist Church on Aug. 26, 2013, in St. Paul.

- St. Elizabeth Catholic Church on May 28, 2012, in Isanti.

- Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 2012 in Morris-town.

National Arson Awareness Week

This week is National Arson Awareness Week and the theme is "Arson Prevention at Houses of Worship." Houses of worship are particularly vulnerable to fire damage because they're often unoccupied for long periods of time, and in many cases, in rural areas. Rural properties will generally sustain more severe damage because discovery and response time may be delayed.

EARLY DEADLINES

Due to Memorila Day the deadline for the June 1 Staples World
Friday, May26 5 p.m.

WELCOMING HOME TO STAPLES...



Reid
Beautiful son of Kari & Todd
Born 3/7/17 in Staples.



Tambree
Beautiful daughter of Krista & Joshua
Born 3/10/17 in Staples.



Keegan
Beautiful son of Kiana
Born 3/19/17 in Staples.



Olivia
Beautiful daughter of Brenda & Rico
Born 3/20/17 in Staples.

WE ARE SO HONORED TO BE A PART OF YOUR CHILD'S BIRTH.



Lakewood
HEALTH SYSTEM
Your Choice. For a lifetime of care.

218-894-1515
lakewoodhealthsystem.com

Spring INTO Savings

And lock into a BETTER RATE!

TERM SHARE CERTIFICATE SPECIALS! Limited time offer!	
7-MONTH TERM RATES UP TO .60% APY \$500 minimum	13-MONTH TERM RATES UP TO .85% APY \$500 minimum
23-MONTH TERM RATES UP TO 1.15% APY \$500 minimum	35-MONTH TERM RATES UP TO 1.25% APY \$500 minimum

 Get your savings **GROWING** by locking into a better rate **TODAY!**
Staples | (218) 894-2463 | mmfcu.org

Federally insured by NCUA. \$500 minimum deposit. Rate varies on new money deposit amount and/or MMFCU relationship. Certain restrictions apply. Rate advertised as of 5/1/2017. A penalty may be imposed for early withdrawal. APY=Annual Percentage Yield.

***England Prairie Pioneer Club* Annual Fundraiser on England Prairie Grounds**

PAKCAKE SUPPER

Friday, May 19, 4:30 - 7:30 p.m.

Phyllis' Famous Pancakes, Jimmy Dean Sausage, Eggs, Hash Browns, Apple-sauce, Beverage. *Gluten Free option available

2017 ENGLAND PRAIRIE PIONEER CLUB EVENTS

*38th Annual Show Days Aug. 25, 26, 27 \$7 admission for the weekend

*Fall Pancake Supper Friday, Sept. 22 From Verndale: 1 mi. S on Co. Hwy 23; 2 mil. W on Co. Rd. 1 From Wadena: 4 mi. S on Hwy. 71; 2.5 mil. E on Co. Rd. 1

BAKE SALE

w19-ssw20c

Early morning appointments!



LakelandDental

We deliver the **care** you need when you need it!

Open 7:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Staples | Clarissa

Dominic Gagnon, D.D.S.
www.lakelanddental.com



Toll free (877) 894-2243

Staples city administrator job reviewed

By Mark Anderson
News Editor

The Staples City Council reported on their April 25 closed meeting to conduct their annual performance review of City Administrator Jerel Nelsen.

At the May 9 meeting, Mayor Chris Etzler said Nelsen was evaluated on 10 behaviors, and was rated between successful and superior on all ten. Etzler said they concluded that the job performance is fully successful and meets all minimum standards,

but that Nelsen should continue to strive for excellence, especially in the areas of communication, problem solving and leadership.

At the end of the meeting, council member Ron Murray thanked Nelsen and his family for fixing the Staples sign at the north entrance to town.

In other news, the council adopted a new personnel policy, with updates in the technology section to provide guidelines for cell phone use.



Central Lakes College holds graduation on campus

Family and friends look to Central Lakes College graduates during their graduation ceremony on May 10. This year for the first time the graduation was held at the CLC campus in Staples, in the newly refurbished commons area. CLC President Hara Charlier said the students chose to sit to the side of the stage so their families and friends could have the front row seats. (Staples World photo by Mark Anderson)

Law enforcement handles pipe bomb

On May 10 the Wadena County Sheriff's Office was notified of an individual thought to have brought a possible pipe bomb into the city offices in Menahga. The individual was asked to leave and was told to call the sheriff's office.

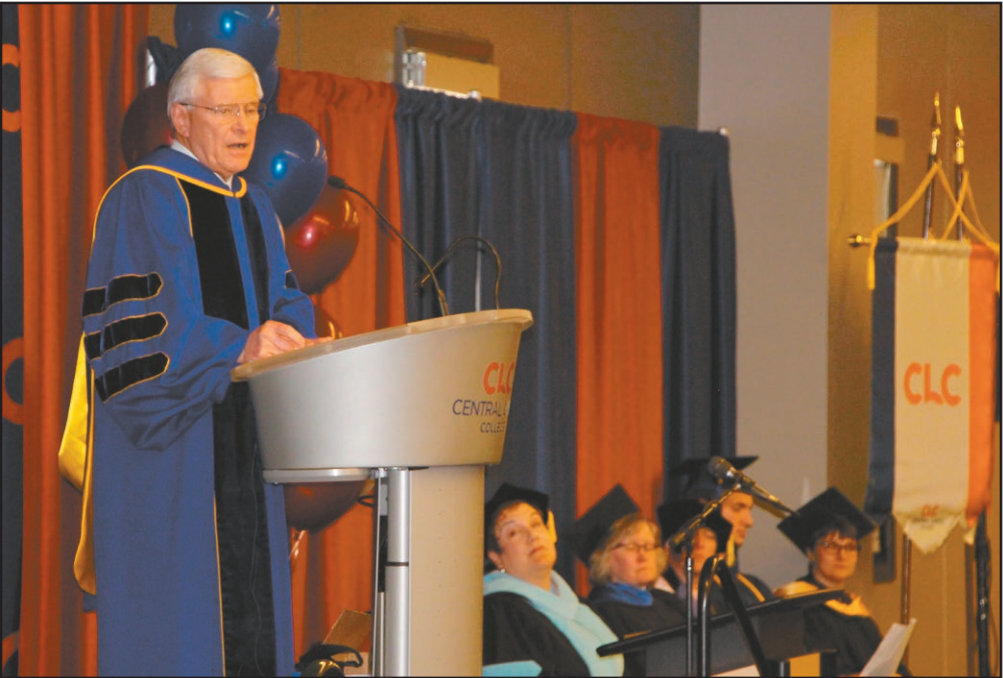
A short time later, the individual contacted the sheriff's office, and gave his location, and that the device was in his possession. The location was in Section 13 of Blueberry Township. The Crow Wing County Bomb Squad was notified and a team responded.

When deputies met with the property owner, they learned the device was still in his vehicle near his house. The property owner said he had found the cylindrical device on his property when he was removing debris.

The property owner was asked to move away from the residence until the device could be deemed safe by the bomb squad. When the bomb squad arrived, they removed the device from the vehicle, moved it to a safe area, and disposed of it.

Deputies on scene had a perimeter set around the vehicle and the public was not in danger during this incident.

The Wadena County Sheriff's Dept. was assisted on scene by the Sebeka Police Dept. and the Crow Wing County Sheriff's Office.



CLC graduation speaker

Former politician Roger Moe, now a Minnesota State Board member, was the featured speaker at the CLC graduation. The Minnesota State Board name was recently changed from MNSCU, the body that governs Minnesota's 37 state colleges universities. (Staples World photo by Mark Anderson)



Class speaker

Graduating student Alex Carr gave the student address at the CLC commencement. (Staples World photo by Mark Anderson)

Tax-related identity theft problem

From the Office of Minnesota Attorney General Lori Swanson

Tax-related identity theft occurs when someone uses stolen personal information to file a fraudulent tax return to claim a refund.

IRS statistics show a 148 percent increase in tax-related identity theft incidents between 2014 and 2015. The Federal Trade Commission ("FTC") reports that for several years running, tax-related identity theft has been the most common form of identity theft.

Many people learn that they have been the victim of tax-related identity theft when they file their tax return and are told that a return has already been filed using their Social Security number, or when they receive an IRS notice indicating that a suspicious return has been filed in their name.

Avoid becoming a victim by protecting your personal information:

- Keep paper copies of

your tax returns and financial records locked up.

- Monitor financial statements for unexpected transactions.
- Review credit reports at least once a year for unusual activity.
- Shred paper documents before disposal.
- Protect yourself from phishing and malware. People report receiving calls and e-mails from fraudsters claiming to be tax officials or employers, who instruct them to provide personal and financial information. Do not give your information out without verifying the identity of the party contacting you.

Communicate with the IRS

Victims should immediately contact the IRS and promptly respond to its notices and letters. Victims should also complete and submit to the IRS Form 14039, Identity Theft Affidavit.

The IRS's Identity Protection Specialized Unit ("IRS-IPSU"), which can be contacted at 1-800-908-4490, is available to assist

taxpayers who have not yet received a resolution of their identity theft case. The IRS-IPSU can answer victims' questions about identity theft and help resolve tax account problems.

Because tax-related identity theft can impact many aspects of a person's financial life, it's important that victims notify a broad range of entities following discovery of an incident:

Minnesota Department of Revenue

The Minnesota Department of Revenue Criminal Investigation Division is responsible for investigating and prosecuting the filing of fraudulent state tax returns. It should be notified if a fraudulent federal or state tax return has been filed.

Social Security Administration

Victims of tax-related identity theft should notify the Social Security Administration's Office of Inspector General of the use of their SSN to file a fraudulent

tax return. In some instances, it may issue victims a new SSN.

Credit bureaus

Victims of identity theft may place a "fraud alert" in their file, or they may also "freeze" their credit reports, which blocks credit bureaus from sharing their information with potential creditors. This makes it difficult for identity thieves to open new accounts or take out loans in their name. The credit bureaus may be contacted as follows:

Equifax
www.equifax.com
1-800-525-6285
Experian
www.experian.com
1-888-397-3742
TransUnion
www.transunion.com
1-800-680-7289

State and federal law enforcement

Identity theft is a crime. Victims of tax-related identity theft should report the incident to their county attorney, local law enforcement agency, and the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

EARLY DEADLINES
Due to Memorial Day the deadline for the June 1 Staples World
Friday, May 26 5 p.m.

CLICK!
Reprints of Staples World photos are available for purchase online
CLICK!

<http://staplesworld.dotphoto.com>

WELCOMING HOME
TO MOTLEY...

Elwen
Beautiful son of Kaycia & Ethan
Born 3/2/17 in Staples.

Walker
Beautiful son of Sabrina & Jake
Born 3/14/17 in Staples.

TO PILLAGER...
Azalea
Beautiful daughter of Lorraine & Jason
Born 3/4/17 in Staples.

Jaelyn
Beautiful daughter of Shantel
Born 3/29/17 in Staples.

WE ARE SO HONORED TO BE A PART OF YOUR CHILD'S BIRTH.

Lakewood HEALTH SYSTEM
Your Choice. For a lifetime of care.
218-894-1515
lakewoodhealthsystem.com

When care comes home.

HORIZON HEALTH, INC.

Home Care

Let's face it, there's no place like home. We get it. From making your favorite sandwich to helping you navigate your computer, sharing a cup of coffee to getting your laundry ship shape, Horizon Health Home Care helps simplify your daily life as often or as little as you need us to.

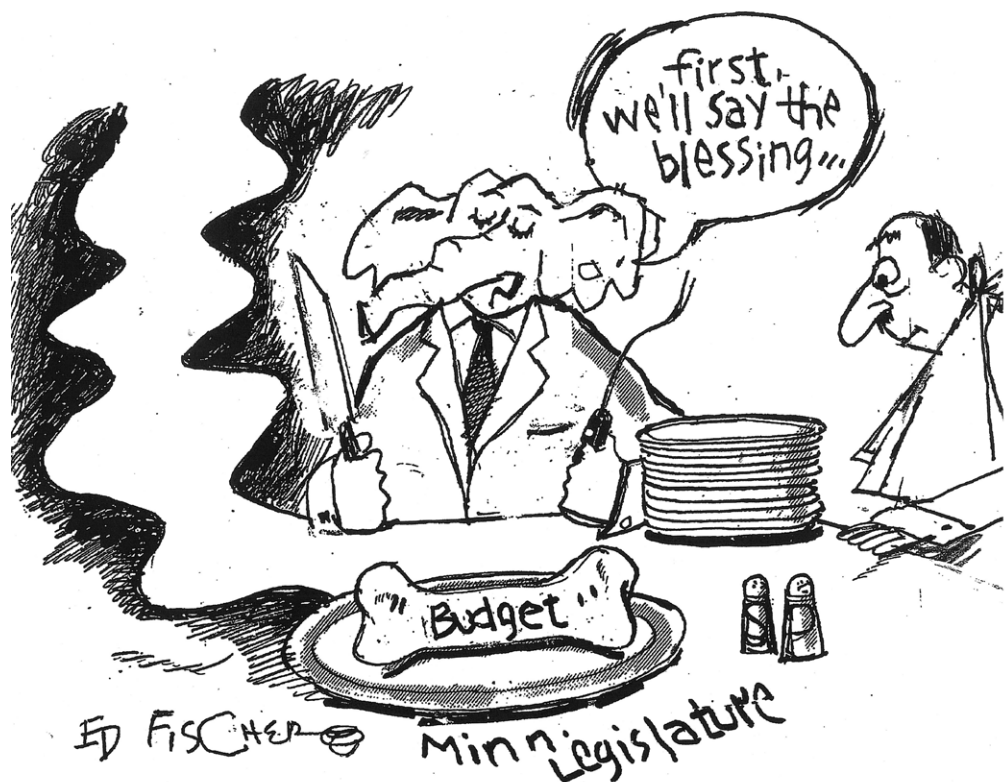
Home Care Services

Skilled Nursing	Homemaking Services
Therapy Services	Medication Reminders
Home Health Aids	Personal Care
Respite Services	Post-Surgical Care

HORIZON HEALTH INC.
We serve where you live.

For more information call 320-468-6451 or 800-224-6451.
www.horizonhealthservices.org

Horizon Health Inc. is an EOE/AA Service Provider.



Several activities celebrate graduates

Graduation 2017 has arrived. On May 26 we welcome and celebrate our newest class of graduates. In my seven years here, I continue to be impressed by the journeys our students take to arrive at this moment. Their growth within themselves and their diverse accomplishments is something we're all proud of at the high school site.

We begin the day Friday with "Cords and Awards" where we honor our graduates academic achievements and other accomplishments. In addition, we recognize our staff throughout the morning's program. Our students have some incredible memories and acknowledgements of their teachers. They're a joy to share with the audience.

Over the years, we've also taken the time to recognize our "Silent Cardinals." These are the people who give so much behind the scenes and make incredible impacts on our campus. Their leadership, time and talents have become relied upon and are necessary in how we operate. They ask for nothing and yet, give so much. On the very day we honor our seniors, I cannot help but think, just how much these Silent

Staples-Motley Schools



By Mike Schmidt
Staples-Motley and Connections High Schools Principal

Cardinals have contributed to their lives behind the scenes. It's always an emotional surprise for the recipients and audience and a thrill to announce.

We'll follow Cords and Awards with a "Graduates Picnic" for the students at Dower Lake, provided by a group of generous parents. Memories and smiles are sure to be had at this. After lunch and back by popular demand: "The Graduate's Tour" of their alma maters (our other three sites) will take place. They'll walk the halls, proudly in Caps and Gowns, offering up their smiles and high fives to their much younger classmates. We finish our day at 7:30 p.m. with the Commencement Ceremony in the main gym. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. and seating is first come, first served for any and all guests. Reading their names and seeing them toss those caps is priceless.

Our programs are more than a ceremony . . . they're a celebration of and for many. Join us! We're proud of what we've done for our students and school communities.

Friday, May 26 is a Great Day To Be A Cardinal.

Letter to the Editor

National Police Week

In recognition of National Police Week May 14-20, 2017, communities across the United States will be honoring and remembering those law enforcement officers who made the ultimate sacrifice, as well as their family members, friends and fellow officers they left behind.

- There are approximately 900,000 law enforcement officers serving in communities across the United States;

- According to the preliminary FBI's Uniform Crime Report; January to June 2015-2016, an estimated 507,792 violent crimes occurred nationwide, an increase of 5.3 percent;

- There've been 51,548 assaults against law enforcement officers in 2015, resulting in approximately 14,453 injuries;

- Since the first recorded death in 1791, more than 20,000 law enforcement officers in the United States have made the ultimate sacrifice and have been killed in the line of duty. Currently, there are 21,183 names engraved on the walls of the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial in Washington, DC;

- Another 394 new names of fallen heroes were formally dedicated during the 29th Annual Candlelight Vigil held May 13, 2017. The names included 143 officers killed in 2016, plus 251 officers killed in previous years but whose stories of sacrifice had been lost to

history until now;

- In tribute to American law enforcement officers, May 15, 2017 was designated as National Peace Officers Memorial Day, one of only two days each year which government agencies, businesses and residents fly their U.S. flags at half-staff.

Don't forget to publicly thank and salute the service and dedication of law enforcement officers in Todd County and in communities across the nation.

For more information about National Police Week, visit www.LawMemorial.org/policeweek.

Barb Dinkel Goodrich
General Crime Services
Coordinator
Hands of Hope Resource Center, Todd County

Children desperately need foster families

By Emily Piper
Commissioner
Minnesota Department of Human Services

Children in need of foster care come from all families, all areas of the state, all socio-economic backgrounds. What they share in common are their struggles.

Most have been abused or neglected; some are dependent on alcohol or drugs; some have mental health concerns; some have had encounters with the juvenile justice system; some have parents who are chemically dependent, cannot cope due to illness or have been incarcerated. All need our help.

The need for foster parents is greater than ever. In the past three years, the number of children in Minnesota's foster care system on an average day has increased by 51 percent, from about 6,200 in 2013 to about 9,400 in 2016. The growing numbers of children in the child protection system due, in part, to increased awareness about child protection issues, changes in how reports are reviewed, a growing opioid crisis, and children staying in care longer, have led to an increased number of foster children.

Some of these children are in group residential set-

tings but most are in family foster care. They need foster parents to welcome them into their homes, recognize their struggles, accept them for who they are and help them move forward.

We need more foster parents who care for children in crisis. We cannot underestimate the power of our foster families who care for children who may be frightened or who have experienced trauma, and give children the structure, nurturing and stability of everyday life. I know foster parents face challenges caring for children who are hurt and angry. I greatly appreciate all they do to help children get the critical care they need until they can safely reunite with their families - which most do - or, when necessary, find permanent families - often through adoption.

For current foster parents and those considering becoming foster parents, help is available. The Minnesota Department of Human Services works with counties and tribes to offer supports to foster families, including:

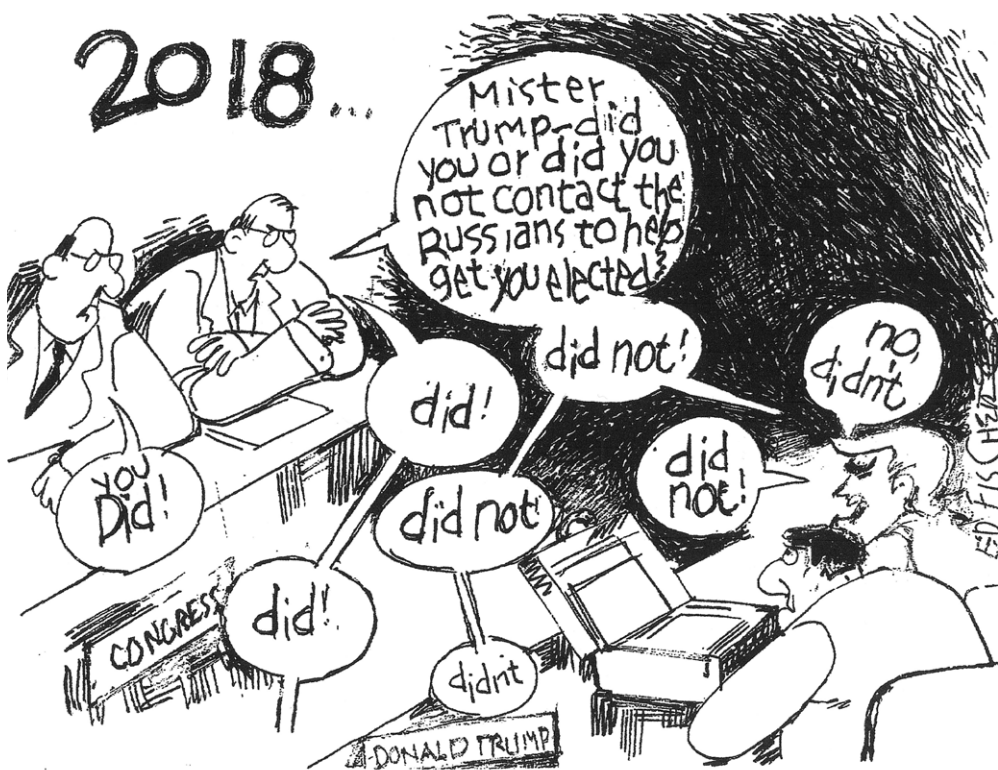
- Training, both online and in person; those considering becoming foster parents can access training through their counties and tribes to learn about be-

coming foster parents, providing culturally responsive services, and building on families' strengths to support children's safety and well-being

- Financial support; financial support to meet foster children's needs is available to eligible families through Northstar Care for Children; beginning July 1, 2017, the basic rate for Northstar Care for Children will increase by 15 percent, which will help foster children; during the final weeks of the 2017 legislative session, we are pushing to ensure children under age six will receive the same benefits at the time of permanency as older children in Northstar Care for Children

- Forgotten Children's Fund; counties and tribes can access this fund on behalf of foster children to cover the costs of bikes, class rings, art supplies, sports equipment, driver's education classes and other one-time special expenses.

The time is now. The need is critical. Children are waiting. I urge Minnesotans to consider becoming foster parents. To learn more, contact county or tribal social service agencies or licensed child placement agencies, and check out the department's website, www.mn.gov/dhs.



Motley City Council

Al Yoder, Mayor 320-630-9315
Jace Carlson 218-330-9408
Amy Hutchison 218-839-0870
Steve Johnson 218-352-6630
Lacey Smieja, City Clerk/Treas.
..... 218-352-6200

PHONE NUMBERS

Staples City Council

Chris Etzler, Mayor 218-894-2894
Doug Case 218-296-1288
Brian Fisher 218-296-5147
Rachel Johnson 218-8820-5421
Roy Miles 218-894-1792
Ron Murray 218-296-0910
Mary Theurer 218-894-3752
Jerel Nelsen, admin. 218-894-2550

Contact State Government:

Gov. Mark Dayton/Lt. Gov. Tina Smith
130 State Capitol
St. Paul, MN 55155
651-201-3400
E-mail: mn.gov/governor/contact-us/form/

Sen. Paul Gazelka (R) District 9
3113 Minnesota Senate Bldg
St. Paul, MN 55155
651-296-4875
E-mail: sen.paul.gazelka@senate.mn

Rep. John Poston (R) District 9A
517 State Office Building
Saint Paul, MN 55155
651-296-4293
E-mail: rep.john.poston@house.mn

Rep. Ron Kresha (R) District 9B
531 State Office Building
Saint Paul, MN 55155
651-296-4247
E-mail: rep.ron.kresha@house.mn

Staples World

Established in 1890. USPS 518-760
©2017 Devlin Newspapers, Inc.
Published Thursdays by Devlin Newspapers, Inc.
Office located at 224 4th Street NE
Periodicals postage paid at Staples, Minnesota 56479.

Mailing Address: P.O. Box 100
Telephone: (218) 894-1112 • Fax: (218) 894-3570
Toll Free: 1-888-894-1112
www.staplesworld.com • E Mail: info@staplesworld.com

Official Newspaper for:
City of Staples, City of Motley
Staples-Motley School District,
Freshwater Education District and Todd County.



Publisher Devlin Newspapers, Inc.
General Manager Brenda Halvorson info@staplesworld.com
News Editor Mark Anderson editor@staplesworld.com
Advertising Representative.... Gary Mueller gmueller@staplesworld.com
Graphics/Photo Tech Janice Winter jwinter@staplesworld.com
Bookkeeping/Circulation
Front Office/Proofreader Kathy Odden kodden@staplesworld.com
CWC Reporter Dawn Timbs dtimbs@staplesworld.com
Front Office office@staplesworld.com
Courier Robert McKimmy

Subscription Rates:

Local: (Todd, Wadena, Morrison, Cass Counties) \$40 per year
Website: \$37 per year
Minnesota: \$45 per year - **Out of State:** \$50 per year
Foreign: \$60 per year **Student Rate:** (Sept. through Apr./in-state) \$29
There is a \$5 charge for address change from local to out of state.

Letters: Readers are encouraged to express their views by writing letters to the editor. Letters are verified for authenticity, so please include a name, address and phone number. Only the author's name and city will be published. Letters may be edited for spelling and grammar errors, libel, length and other factors. Private thanks, solicitations and libelous letters will not be published. Letters are printed on a space available basis. The editor reserves the right to reject letters.

The deadline is 5 p.m. Monday. Opinions expressed on this page do not necessarily represent the views of this newspaper.

Fairness: The Staples World tries conscientiously to report fairly and accurately. If you feel we fall short of this objective at any time, please direct your complaint to the manager whose name appears on this page.

Note to Advertisers: Advertisers should check their ad following first publication. This newspaper shall not be liable for failure to publish an ad or for the typographic error or errors in publication except to the extent of the cost of the ad for the first day's insertion. Adjustment for errors is limited to the cost of that portion of the ad wherein the error occurred. The publisher reserves the right to cancel any advertisement at any time.

Member: Minnesota Newspaper Association, National Newspaper Association, Heartland Market Group, MCAN Advertising

Your Legislators

The White House

1600 Pennsylvania Ave. NW, Washington, DC 20500
Comments: 202-456-1111 Fax: 202-456-2461
www.whitehouse.gov/contact

Senator Al Franken (D)

320 Hart Senate Office Building, Washington, DC 20510
202-224-5641 • <http://franken.senate.gov>

Senator Amy Klobuchar (D)

302 Hart Senate Office Building, Washington, DC 20510
202-224-3244 • 888-224-9043 • fax 202-228-2186
<http://klobuchar.senate.gov>

Congressman Collin Peterson (D) District 7

2211 Rayburn House Office Bldg., Washington, DC 20515
202-225-2165 • fax 202-225-1593
<http://collinpeterson.house.gov>

Congressman Rick Nolan (D) District 8

2447 Rayburn House Office Bldg., Washington, DC 20515
202-225-6211 • <http://nolan.house.gov>



CAD used Sticker Shock for prom night

Several members of the Citizens Against Drugs coalition met April 28 to place Social Host Ordinance (SHO) stickers on liquor store bags. With the Staples-Motley High School prom being held that weekend, they felt the activity would be timely. Above are Tom and Gail Honek, Marge Lelwica, Kelly Johnson and Linda Michurski placing the stickers on bags as reminders to liquor store patrons of the Todd County Social Host Ordinance (SHO). SHO makes it illegal to knowingly host, permit, provide or allow gatherings where minors consume

alcohol.

The CAD volunteers also helped assemble "Parents Let's Talk" conversation cards, which will soon be placed in restaurants and other public places for students and parents to pick up. The cards have both fun and serious questions they can talk about, helping build family communication skills.

For more information about CAD's projects, contact Connie Burns, Todd County Health Education Coordinator, at 320-732-2221. (Submitted photo)

Summer Recreation registration night set

The "Kickoff to Summer" registration event for summer recreation activities will be Monday, May 22, from 4-7 p.m. at the Staples-Motley High School cafeteria.

The event is organized by Staples-Motley Community Education as an opportunity for parents and guardians to enroll children in summer activities

with just one stop.

Program coordinators, coaches and staff will be available to answer questions and take registrations.

All classes and programs were listed in the Summer Recreation brochure distributed to all households in the area early in April.

Several new classes have been added this year to the traditional annual favorites of baseball, swimming, golf, football, basketball, volleyball, cheerleading and many more.

For more information call 218-894-2497.

Educational Opportunities

May 23

BACKYARD/URBAN CHICKENS 101 CLASS sponsored by Staples-Motley Community Education, Tues., May 23, 6:30 - 8 p.m., Staples-Motley High School, rm. 105. Instructor is Shelli Rau. For info., to register, call 218-894-2497.

June 5 - 16

YOUTH DRIVER EDUCATION sponsored by Staples-Motley Community Education, will be offered Mon., June 5 - Fri., June 16, 8 - 11:15 a.m., SM High School, rm. 408. For info., to register, call 218-894-2497.

June 9

BABYSITTING CLASS offered by Lakewood Health System, Staples, Fri., June 9, 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. For info., to register by June 1, call 218-894-8623. Class limited to 20 students.

June 19

DRIVER IMPROVEMENT '55 ALIVE' REFRESHER COURSE sponsored by Staples-Motley Community Education, will be held at the Staples Community Center Mon., June 19, 5 p.m. To register, or for more information about this and other classes, call 1-888-234-1294, or visit online www.mnsafety-center.org.

School board agenda

The Staples-Motley School Board will meet Monday, May 22, at 7 p.m. in the Staples-Motley High School media center.

Agenda items include:

- Financial items including accept the bid for copy machines.
- Personnel items including accept resignation of Sarah Steinkopf, elementary school; accept retirement requests from Sue Bettis, Motley food service, and Bruce Drone, high school custodian; approve one year leave of absence for Kaycia Ellingsen, early childhood; approve contracts for Eden Tkalcich, Little Cardinals Academy teacher, Emily Hoeschen, high school FACS, Mary Kempton, kindergarten, Craig Waldvogel, technology coordinator and for 2017-18 head varsity football coach.
- Policy items including one on parent volunteers and visitors and one on student surveys.

Other items include approve a commercial purchase agreement from Roach Properties for the Freshwater Education District building for \$70,000; 2017-18 membership in the Minnesota State High School League; 2017-19 swimming/tennis cooperative agreements with Verdale.

Other items include reports from the principals, superintendent, SMEA and school board committees.

Mark Your Calendar

May 23

AMERICAN RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE IN MOTLEY Tues., May 23, noon - 6 p.m., Motley United Methodist Church. Sign up online at www.Redcrossblood.org; or call 1-800-733-2767. Walk-ins welcome.

CARE COMMUNITY MEAL Tues., May 23, 4:30 - 6 p.m., Trinity Lutheran Church, 1000 4th St. NE., Staples. Free. For info, 218-894-2372.

May 25

WADENA WHIRLWAYS SQUARE DANCE CLUB MTG Thurs., May 25, 7:30 - 10 p.m., Wadena VFW. Tom Jacobs, caller; Donna Stone, cuer. For info., 218-894-1542.

Staples City Council agenda

The Staples City Council will meet Tuesday, May 23, at 7 p.m. at the Staples City Hall, 122 6th St NE, Staples.

Preliminary agenda items include:

- Consider approval of liquor licenses for 2017-18.
- Consider Request from Knights of Columbus Council #1803 for permission to conduct a raffle on Aug. 27.
- Committee reports including the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board.
- Open forum.

Comments sought on proposed pipeline

Under the authority of the Minnesota Public Utilities Commission, the State of Minnesota's draft environmental impact statement for Enbridge's proposed Line 3 pipeline project has been issued. A public review and comment period will be held through July 10, including a total of 22 public meetings in the counties through which the proposed pipeline or an alternative route is under consideration.

The draft environmental impact statement and full schedule of public meetings are available at: mn.gov/commerce/energy/facilities/line3

Meetings in the area include:

- Wednesday, June 7, 10 a.m.-1 p.m., Park Rapids High School Cafetorium, 401 Huntsinger Ave., Park Rapids.

- Wednesday, June 7, 6-9 p.m., Palace Casino Hotel, 16599 69th Ave. NW, Cass Lake.

- Thursday, June 8, 6-9 p.m., Central Lakes College Classroom E54, 501 West College Dr, Brainerd.

- Friday, June 9, 11 a.m.-2 p.m., Maslowski Wellness & Research Center, 17 5th St. SW, Wadena.

- Wednesday, June 14, 11 a.m.-2 p.m., Staples Community Center, 425 4th St. NE, Staples.

- Wednesday, June 14, Initiative Foundation, 405 1st St. SE, Little Falls.

The draft will be available at the public information meetings, and may also be viewed at a public library in each county (listed on the Line 3 webpage).

Enbridge Energy has applied for a certificate of need and route permit from the Minnesota Public Utilities Commission to construct its proposed Line 3 pipeline project. A draft environmental impact statement has been prepared by the Minnesota Commerce Department in cooperation with the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources and the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency to evaluate the potential human and environmental impacts.

Enbridge is proposing to construct a new oil pipeline in Minnesota, replacing its existing Line 3. As proposed, the new pipeline would follow the existing Line 3 from the North Dakota border near Hallock to an Enbridge terminal in Clearbrook. From Clearbrook eastward, the

proposed pipeline would follow a new right-of-way, south of the existing Line 3, ending at an existing terminal in Superior, Wisc. As proposed by Enbridge, the existing Line 3 would be abandoned and left in place after the new pipeline is installed, tested and operational.

Development of the draft environmental impact statement is based on the scoping order issued by the Public Utilities Commission in November 2016 that identified key topics and alternative routes for analysis. The scoping process also involved a public review and comment period, including 12 public meetings in April-May 2016.

Twenty-two public meetings in June will provide the opportunity for Minnesotans to learn about the information in the draft environmental impact statement and to provide either oral or written comments for the record. The public comments will be used to prepare the final environmental impact statement, which will inform the Public Utilities Commission's decisions on Enbridge's proposal.

Government-to-government consultations between the State of Minnesota and the tribal gov-

ernments in the state are also ongoing as part of the environmental review process.

After completion of the final environmental impact statement, public hearings will be held by an administrative law judge from the Minnesota Office of Administrative Hearings. At these public hearings, Minnesotans will be able to submit comments, present evidence and ask questions.

The administrative law judge will submit a report to the Public Utilities Commission with findings of facts, conclusions of law and recommendations. The commission is expected to decide on Enbridge's certificate of need and route permit applications in the spring of 2018.

Written comments on the draft environmental impact statement will be accepted through Monday, July 10. Comments may be emailed, mailed or faxed.

- Mail: Minnesota Department of Commerce, Attn: Jamie MacAlister, Environmental Review Manager, 85 7th Place East, Suite 280, St. Paul MN 55101-2198.

- Email: Pipeline.Comments@state.mn.us.

- Fax: 651-539-0109



Field trip to the arboretum

Friday, May 12, the Staples-Motley Elementary first graders visited St. John's Arboretum in Collegeville. While at the arboretum students learned about insects that live in prairies, woodlands and wetlands. Above; first graders Kylee Chenoweth and Mackenzie Ryan dip for insects in the wetland. The trip was made possible through a grant from the Target Corporation and the generosity of the Staples-Motley Elementary Parent-Teacher Connection. (Submitted photo)

80TH Birthday PARTY

for
Jim Ackerson
Saturday, May 27
2-7 p.m. *Bernie's Barn*

West from Motley 1.2 miles, then 1 mile north on Spruce RD (watch for signs).

Join us in celebration!
No cards.
There will be something to sign.

w20p

TEN HI

Motley / 352-6310

Friday, May 19
***FREE Jukebox**
Sat., May 20
***FREE Jukebox**

HAPPY BIRTHDAY, Bucky! Sat., May 27

"Customer Appreciation"
Sat., June 10

MUSIC BY
"October Son"

June Fest Street Dance
Sat., June 17

MUSIC BY
"Kings Ransom"

NO MINORS AFTER 8:00 P.M.

COZY THEATRE

WADENA, MN

Screen 1
Held Over 3rd Week!
Fri. thru Thurs. May 19 - 25
Fri. & Sat. 2 Shows at 7:00 & 9:30
Sun. thru Thurs. 1 Show at 7:00
Matinee Sun. May 21 at 1:15 pm

GUARDIANS OF THE GALAXY 2

Screen 2
Held Over 2nd Week!
Fri. thru WED. May 19 - 24
Fri. & Sat. 2 Shows at 7:10 & 9:30
Sun. thru Wed. 1 Show at 7:10
Matinee Sun. May 14 at 1:25 pm

king arthur

Screen 3
Held Over 2nd Hilarious Week!
Fri. thru Thurs. May 19 - 25
Fri. & Sat. 2 Shows at 7:15 & 9:30
Sun. thru Thurs. 1 Show at 7:15
Matinee Sun. May 21 at 1:30 pm

SNATCHED

Matinees & Tuesday Bargain Night!
All Seats Only \$5.00!
www.cozytheatre.com

352-6310

Call Now: 877-210-2257

Are You Still Paying Too Much For Your Medications?

You can save up to **97%** when you fill your prescriptions with our Canadian and International prescription service.

Their Price Crestor™ \$870.10 Typical US Brand Price for 40mg x 100	Our Price Rosuvastatin™ \$141 Generic equivalent of Crestor™ Generic price for 40mg x 100
---	---

Viagra™ \$2011.91 Typical US Brand Price for 100mg x 40 **VS** **Sildenafil™ \$139.00** Generic Price for 100mg x 40

Get an extra \$15 off plus FREE SHIPPING On Your 1st Order!

Call the number below and save an additional \$15 plus get free shipping on your first prescription order with Canada Drug Center. **Expires June 30, 2017.** Offer is valid for prescription orders only and can not be used in conjunction with any other offers. Valid for new customers only. One time use per household. **Use code 15FREE to receive this special offer.**

Call Toll-free: 877-210-2257
www.canadadrug.us/minnesota

Please note that we do not carry controlled substances and a valid prescription is required for all prescription medication orders.

Canada Drug Center
Your #1 Choice For Affordable International Medications

Use of these services is subject to the Terms of Use and accompanying policies at www.canadadrugcenter.com.

GET OUTTA THE HAMSTER WHEEL

Jump behind the wheel and get your wheels going somewhere

Don't sit back and spin your wheels aimlessly. Drive your truck, your career and your life forward with purpose as a respected member of the Schneider team.

SCHNEIDER

Get traction in your career
schneiderjobs.com 800-44-PRIDE



5K and Kids Fun Run in Staples

The second annual 5K Run and Kids Fun Run, “Sprint into Summer,” was held in Staples May 6, with families from the community and surrounding area participating in the event. There were 52 registered runners in the 5K race; and 35 children who participated in the Kids Fun Run. According to Prin-

cipal Jim Opelia, “This highly anticipated race encourages running in the weeks and months leading up to the race date, helping us live healthier lives. We are grateful to the parents of Sacred Heart Area School who take the time to organize this run, which is becoming more popular each year.” (Submitted photo)



May birthday celebration

The May Birthday celebration was held, May 9, in the Senior Citizen's room at the Staples Community Center. Three members celebrating May birthdays were, left to right: Jim Olson, Judy Petrie and Gene Floistad, who received decorated birthday cakes, cards and everyone singing “Happy Birthday” to them. Carol Olsen read some humorous jokes, drawings for door prizes were held, followed by the meal.

The June birthday/anniversary party will be held Tuesday, June 13 at 11:30 a.m. RSVP by calling 218- 894-2556 weekdays before noon.

Todd County Historical Society

The Todd County Historical Society met May 1, and covered reports on a number of on-going projects. The reports included:

- Thank yous to everyone who helped clean the museum.
- The WWI traveling trunk will be picked up on May 3. It will be here until May 25.
- Our plant/rummage sale will be held at the museum, May 19, from 8:30

a.m.- 4 p.m.

- The Sandstone trip is sold out.
- Ten adult students and teacher toured the museum.
- Ron Shann will drive his car for the museum in the Prairie Days parade.
- When applying for grants, we should also include the need for more archival storage boxes.

If we need to cancel a meeting, there'll be a calling list, each person will call two other people.

Sentence to Serve has agreed to fix the insulation under the ridgecap of the fairgrounds building. There'll be an antiques appraiser at Hats Off Coffee, May 27 from 9 a.m. - until noon. Sign up at the library if you wish to bring in an antique.. The evening's program was a discussion on the Duluth trip which included visiting the Aquarium and touring the Congdon Mansion. Our next meeting will be held June 5, at 7 p.m.

Have You HEARD?

Presented by
Steve Trebil, BC-HIS



DEMONSTRATING IMPULSE CONTROL

Today's digital hearing instruments use “algorithms” (which are sets of step-by-step instructions that are used to accomplish a task) to analyze and categorize incoming sounds. In effect, these sophisticated algorithms can intercept sounds, code them, and cleanse them before they reach the listener's ear. With this in mind, a hearing instrument with the “impulse noise reduction” feature can filter out transient loud noises such as plates clattering and glasses clinking at the dinner table. Without impulse noise reduction, these loud sounds may drive hearing instrument users to go so far as to shut off their instruments. Impulse noise reduction softens these sounds so that the instrument wearer can continue to carry on a conversation without distraction.

Hearing aids are available in many styles. Some styles are better suited for mild to moderate hearing loss, while others will work with any degree of hearing loss. Hearing aids also differ in their ease of use, their battery life and how much wind noise they pick up. To schedule an appointment, please call **PREFERRED HEARING** 1-800-458-0895. Our hearing center is located at 17274 State Highway 371, Brainerd.

PREFERRED Hearing Aid Center

Offices in
Brainerd, MN • Pequot Lakes, MN
Crosby, MN
800-458-0895 • 218-825-7349
218-546-8103

Charles Dwight Esler

Age 86, passed away at the Lakewood Health System Care Center in Staples on Decembe 16, 2016.

Memorial Service will be held
Saturday, May 20, 2017, 11 a.m.
Motley Free Methodist Church
Pastor Jim Johnson officiating

“The Hartley Family”

IN CONCERT



The Hartleys are from Arkadelphia, Arkansas. Don't miss this lively, engaging presentation of old-time Bluegrass and Bluegrass-style gospel.

Sunday, May 21 • 6 p.m.
Motley Free Methodist Church
(behind Mr. Ed's in Motley)
A free will offering will be taken for the Hartleys.

Motorcycle Sunday

...Sunday, May 28...
(Memorial Day weekend)
9:30 a.m. - Coffee, hot chocolate and donuts as you arrive
10:00 a.m. - Worship service (followed by “Blessing For Bikers”)
Noon - Be our guests for a tasty lunch. After lunch we will embark on a ride through our beautiful countryside.
Staples Alliance Church, 1512 8th St. NE
218-894-2891



BIKERS
Please join us for this special day

Tax benefits available to military members

May is National Military Appreciation Month and the Minnesota Department of Revenue reminds members of the military and their families about the many valuable state tax benefits available to them.

“Minnesota offers military service members – past and present – tax benefits as a way to show appreciation for the sacrifices they have made. We want to make sure military members and veterans have all the information they need to claim the credits that are available to them and their families,” said Revenue Commissioner Cynthia Bauerly.

The department has a dedicated webpage for members of the military. This is a centralized spot for members of the military to learn about military tax benefits and find information on claiming the credits they are entitled to:

- New in 2016 - Military Pension Subtraction. Certain military retirement pay (including pensions) can be subtracted from your Minnesota taxable income.
- Credit for Military Service in a Combat Zone. You may qualify for this credit if you served in a combat zone or qualified hazardous duty area on or after January 1, 2013.
- Credit for Past Military Service. If you are a veteran of the U.S. military, including the National Guard and Reserves, you may qualify for a tax credit of up to \$750 for your past service.
- Active-Duty Military Pay Subtraction. Members of the military who are Minnesota residents may subtract federally taxable active-duty military pay when determining their Minnesota tax.

System, University of Minnesota Extension and the Staples Motley FFA to make sure students understand the value of the Fresh, Fruits and Vegetables Grant offered from the Minnesota Department of Education (MDE).

The Summer Food Program, also offered by MDE, will ensure that students have access to healthy food throughout the entire year.

The Summer Food Service Program is a federal program of the Food and Nutrition Services, United States Department of Agriculture.

For more information on Summer Food Service Program or for questions contact the Staples-Motley School District Office at 218-894-5400.

• Filing Extensions. If you are serving in the U.S. military and cannot file or pay your Minnesota income tax by the due date, you may be eligible for an extension.

- Market Value Exclusion on Homesteads of Disabled Veterans. If you are an honorably discharged veteran who has a service-connected disability rating of 70 percent or higher, you may qualify for a property tax exclusion on your homestead.

You can check out our military tax tips video and sign up for our email subscription service to receive up-to-date military information.

If you have questions, contact us by email at individual.incometax@state.mn.us or phone at 651-296-3781 or 1-800-652-9094 (toll-free).

Summer food program offered in school

Staples-Motley Schools Food Service Director Shelly Miller and the Department of Health and Human Services announce their partnership with the Food and Nutrition Services of the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) for the 2017 Summer Food Program.

The school district will provide a healthy breakfast and lunch for students who live in District #2170 at the Staples-Motley Elementary building June 12-Aug. 10. Meals will be served Monday through Thursday from 7:45-9 a.m. and 11:45 a.m.-1 p.m. The site will be closed the week of July 4th.

The Staples-Motley School District has been working in partnership with Lakewood Health

System, University of Minnesota Extension and the Staples Motley FFA to make sure students understand the value of the Fresh, Fruits and Vegetables Grant offered from the Minnesota Department of Education (MDE).

The Summer Food Program, also offered by MDE, will ensure that students have access to healthy food throughout the entire year.

The Summer Food Service Program is a federal program of the Food and Nutrition Services, United States Department of Agriculture.

For more information on Summer Food Service Program or for questions contact the Staples-Motley School District Office at 218-894-5400.

Hello World

BIRTHS REPORTED AT LAKEWOOD HEALTH SYSTEM HOSPITAL INCLUDED:

Born to Isaac and Ashley Ohman of Motley, a baby boy, Henry Marvin weighing seven pounds, 15 ounces on May 4, 2017.

Born to Jessica Davy and Larry Marion of Browerville, a baby boy, Brandon Ardell weighing seven pounds, five ounces on May 5, 2017.

Born to Grady and Lindsay Kirk of Pequot Lakes, a baby boy, Paxton Steven weighing seven pounds, nine ounces on May 8, 2017.

Born to Bianca Goben and Jamie Peters of Pillager, twins, a baby boy, Jensen Wayne weighing six pounds, 12 ounces and a baby girl, Stella Grace weighing five pounds, nine ounces on May 8, 2017.

Born to Deanna Barhorst and Jaaye Young of Pillager, a baby boy, Nehemiah Lee weighing seven pounds, 8.5 ounces on May 8, 2017.

Born to Rileigh Morgan and Luke Rudlang of Pequot Lakes, a baby boy, Lane Charles weighing six pounds, 14 ounces on May 10, 2017.

Born to Ava Lee Rife and Daijoun Johnson of Wadena, a baby girl, Delilah Lee Rae weighing eight pounds, 14 ounces on May 10, 2017.

Born to Shawn and Paige Russell of Baxter, a baby boy, Calvin Frost weighing six pounds, nine ounces on May 10, 2017.

Born to Breanna Freeburg and Daniel Cunningham of Breezy Point, a baby boy, Lincoln Oliver weighing eight pounds, nine ounces on May 11, 2017.

Born to Cassandra Pearson and John Twardowski of Eagle Bend, a baby boy, Bowen Tyler weighing eight pounds, seven ounces on May 11, 2017.

Local winners in art display NJPA/ Freshwater show

Area high school students showed over 200 art pieces large and small, bold and soft colors, uniquely textured fabrics, shiny metals, repurposed wood were on display at the Centennial Auditorium lobby in Staples, May 11-12, as part of the Freshwater/National Joint Powers Alliance Student Art Show.

The annual show featured student artwork from;Bertha-Hewitt, Browerville, Crosslake Community School, Pequot Lakes, Pillager, Pine River-Backus, Staples-Motley, Swanville and Verndale school districts. The students participating were from grades 4-12.

Submission categories included: crafts, digital art, drawing, mixed media, painting, photography, pottery/ceramics, print-making, and sculpture. The top three pieces in each category received awards. Pieces that scored near the top three in each category were distinguished with a merit award.

For a complete list of the show results go to; <http://njpa.co/Artshow2017>.

Students from Staples-Motley who placed in the top three included:

Crafts: 3. Aleesha Carlson
Digital Art: 1. Jack Benson, 2. Liz Flansburg
Print-Making 3. Jordan Carlson
Sculpture: 2. Norah Anderson, 3. Kelsie Weite
Elementary: 1. Lily Albertson

Beware of unclaimed property scams

Minnesota Commerce Commissioner Mike Rothman is warning Minnesotans to be on guard against fraudulent phone calls, emails and letters offering unclaimed property that belongs to them.

These scammers typically ask for an upfront payment or personal information. They then take the

money and run, while personal information may be used for identity theft.

“These communications may look or sound official, so it's important to be vigilant,” said Rothman, whose agency administers the State of Minnesota's unclaimed property program. “It's natural for people to be excited if someone offers money that supposedly belongs to them. But for self-protection, never pay in advance or provide personal information. Ask for details about the unclaimed property and, more importantly, check with the Commerce Department.”

Unclaimed property includes forgotten bank accounts, stocks and bonds, insurance benefits, safe deposit box contents, utility or rent deposits and uncashed paychecks.

If the owner of an account or asset cannot be located after a certain period of time, businesses are required to turn the funds over to the state's unclaimed property program

for indefinite safekeeping until claimed by the rightful owner or heirs.

The Commerce Department maintains an online database of unclaimed property in Minnesota. Searching the database is easy, and a claim can be filed free of charge.

In 2015-2016 fiscal year, the Commerce Department's unclaimed property program returned nearly \$50 million in missing money to over 30,000 Minnesotans, both all-time record high figures.

Scammers are exploiting this as an opportunity to cheat people with false promises. They demand upfront payments or personal information, using high-pressure tactics such as insisting there is a deadline to claim the money. Once the scammers get what they want, they are never heard from again.

The Unclaimed Property Program by email at unclaimed.property@state.mn.us or by phone at 651-539-1545.

Card of Thanks

The Family of
Frank Disterhault

would like to thank the Staples Ambulance crew, Motley First Response, Lakewood Health System and Care Center, doctors and all staff for taking such good care of our dad.

We would also like to thank the Brenny Funeral Home, Williams Floral, Pastor Jim Johnson, Pastor Richard Broberg, the ladies group, Jessica Judd and everyone for all the cards, flowers and memorials.

Obituaries

Agnes Johnstone

Agnes Irene Cowell Johnstone, 94, of Ada, passed away May 8, 2017, at the Benedictine Living Community of Ada.

Funeral services were held May 14, at the Stenshoel-Houske Funeral Home in Crookston with Pastor Karen Finnegan officiating.

Interment was at Oakdale Cemetery, Crookston.

Agnes was born October 16, 1922, to Gerrit and Clara (DeYoung) Brolsma at Eldred (near Crookston). She grew up on the family farm and attended country schools near Eldred and Beltrami. Agnes earned her GED from Crookston Central High School. She worked as a housekeeper for farm families in the Crookston area and in 1941, Agnes went to Oakland, CA to work as an electric welder in the naval shipyards in support of the war effort. She returned to Crookston in 1945 and went to work as an operator for Northwestern Bell. On June 1, 1946, Agnes married John Cowell. After their children were in school she worked for Jiffy Fry of Crookston from 1958 to 1972. John passed away on June 21, 1971. On June 8, 1974 Agnes married Sheldon Johnstone of Browerville and the couple eventually settled in Crookston.

Agnes was a member of the First Presbyterian Church in Crookston where she taught Sunday School and sang in the choir. She enjoyed growing vegetables, strawberries and flowers

Agnes is survived by one son, David (Karen) Cowell of Dubuque, IA and one daughter, Coleen (Jerry) Bitker of Halstad; son-in-law, Michael Danielson of Viroqua, WI; four grandchildren; 10 great-grandchildren; stepchildren Alice Harris, Hondo, TX, David (Diane) Johnstone, Browerville, Linda Miller, Alexandria and Donna (Terry) Zimmer of Nelson; seven step-grandchildren; 11 step-great-grandchildren; one brother, John (Margaret) Brolsma of Bloomington; one sister, Charlene Terpstra of Crookston.

She was preceded in death by her two husbands; one daughter, Patricia Danielson; parents; three brothers, George (Jessie), Herman (Lillian) and Allen (Leah) Brolsma; one sister Sady (Ben) Newell; brother-in-law, Ernest Terpstra; son-in-law, Willie Harris, and great-granddaughter Kristin Johnstone.

w20p A00006B2017MY18



Officers and awards

The Staples Host Lions club recently elected board members for their next year and recognized some members with special awards. Above, in front, from left, are Pat Williams, gambling manager; Frank Williams, treasurer; and Ken Christensen, third vice president. In back, from left, are Steve Sing, board member; Bob Mueller, Lion Tail Twister; Mike Gold, first vice president; Chad Miller, Lion Tamer; Dan Shaw, board member; Richard Adamietz, board member; Mike Gedde, incoming president; Paul Kureth, second vice president; Frank Leidenfrost, secretary; and Tom Honek, immediate past president.

At right, special awards were given to, from left, Tom Honek, the Top Dog Award from Can Do Canines; Ken Christensen, the Helen Keller Award; Bob Muel-



ler, the Leader Dogs for the Blind Founders Tribute; and Mike Gedde, the Melvin Jones Award. Huck Holst received the Minnesota Lions Diabetes Foundation Dream Catcher Award, but was unavailable for the photo. (Submitted photos)

Staples Area Church Directory

Staples

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

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

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

Congregational Church, UCC
404 5th St. NE, Staples 218-894-2571
Pastor Tony Romaine
Worship.....9:30 a.m.
Fellowship, refreshments following service

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Leader

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

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

Motley

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

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

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

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

Oylen

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

Pillager

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

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

wk20

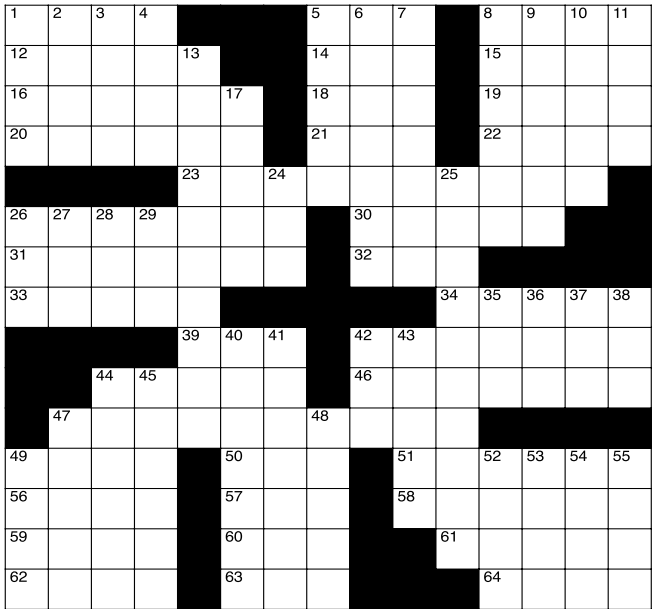
Student Achievement



JESSICA TOMANN, daughter of Deb and Jon Miller, Staples; and the late Pat Tomann, graduated Cum Laude from Drake University in Des Moines, Iowa, with a double major in Psychology and Sociology. She also received the Psychology National Honors award. Jessica plans on teaching English in China for one year and then pursuing her graduate degree. She is a 2013 graduate of Staples-Motley High School.

Crossword Puzzle

Week20



CLUES ACROSS

- 1. Baby's first words
- 5. Expression of creative skill
- 8. Reddish-brown coating
- 12. Spanish province
- 14. Stinging insect
- 15. Greek temple pillars
- 16. Refurbish
- 18. Cave-dwelling amphibian
- 19. Millisecond
- 20. Removes something
- 21. Trendy
- 22. The Buckeye State
- 23. "Taken" actor
- 26. Of the skull
- 30. Made a mistake
- 31. Malignant tumor
- 32. Not night
- 33. German heavy-weight boxer
- 34. Indicates weight
- 39. Businessman
- 42. Charged negatively
- 44. Indian instrument

- 46. Helps you know where you're going
- 47. Written works
- 49. Kate and Rooney's last name
- 50. Fast, flightless Aussie bird
- 51. Jerry, George, Kramer and
- 56. Dodger great
- 57. Where wine ferments (abbr.)
- 58. Supreme Allied Cmdr. Europe
- 59. Vedic god of fire
- 60. Not well
- 61. They grow into plants
- 62. Variety of pear
- 63. Where golfers start
- 64. Posterior

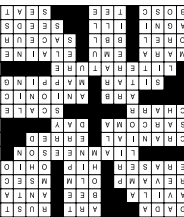
CLUES DOWN

- 1. Challenge
- 2. Assert
- 3. A female operatic star
- 4. Expression of sorrow or pity
- 5. Resistance unit
- 6. Attached a new backing canvas
- 7. Method painting
- 8. Branched
- 9. Barefooted
- 10. Beer mug

- 11. Beloved Mexican dish
- 13. Make better
- 17. One-time king of Troy
- 24. Pie ____ mode
- 25. St. Anthony's fire
- 26. Reciprocal of a sine
- 27. ____rah skirt
- 28. Notre Dame coach
- 29. Computer hardware company
- 35. Policeman
- 36. Black tropical American cuckoo
- 37. Popular basketball player Jeremy
- 38. Electrocardiogram
- 40. Cheese dish
- 41. Prickly shrub
- 42. Atomic mass unit
- 43. Nostrils
- 44. Enchantresses
- 45. Emphatic typeface
- 47. One of the Florida Keys
- 48. Soft, fine material
- 49. Mountainous tract in Jordan
- 52. Breezes through
- 53. Professional assn. for tech pros
- 54. Class of comb jellies
- 55. Formerly (archaic)

CW175410

Answers



Thank you... for reading the Staples World

Being with Jesus

Pastor Nathan Hillman, Thomastown Covenant Church, Staples

As Jesus and His disciples were on their way, He came to a village where a woman named Martha opened her home to Him. She had a sister called Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet listening to what He said. But Martha was distracted by all the preparations that had to be made. She came to Him and asked, "Lord, don't You care that my sister has left me to do the work by myself? Tell her to help me."

"Martha, Martha," the Lord answered, "you are worried and upset about many things, but few things are needed - or indeed only one. Mary has chosen what is better, and it will not be taken away from her." (Luke 10:38-42)

In this story, Martha is distracted, complaining and worried. Jesus gently and lovingly corrects her. Jesus defends Mary because she chose the better, lasting thing. It's a great example of "good" some-

times being the enemy of the "best." Martha was doing good - serving and offering hospitality. But those activities paled in comparison with the reason she was created - to be with Jesus, her Maker. Being with our Maker is our most basic task as humans.

One of my pastor friends tells the story of how he became so occupied with growing a church and "working for God" that he was neglecting his own family and his own soul. He became a distracted, complaining and worried person. He finally woke up and rearranged his life to put first things first.

Do you and I have time for Jesus? Do we set aside our other tasks just to be with Him? Let's commit ourselves to the best - being with Jesus. After all, He gave His life to be with you and me.

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

Todd County Commissioners

MINUTES TODD COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APRIL 18, 2017

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 18th day of April, 2017 at 9:00 a.m. The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Erickson. The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance. All Commissioners were present except Commissioner Kirchner.

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 with the deletion of 8.1 Blonigen Abatement and addition of 14.2 Mooring Site at Battle Point Park and 14.3 Request to Waive Shoreland Alteration Fees.

Consent Agenda

On motion by Kneisl and seconded by Neumann, the following motions and resolutions were introduced and adopted by unanimous vote:

To approve the Commissioner's Meeting Minutes for April 4, 2017 as presented.

GAMBLING PERMIT - NWTF (STRUTTING BLACK BEARDS)

WHEREAS, the Todd County Board of Commissioners are establishing their approval for a Gambling Permit for the NWTF (Strutting Black Beards) through this resolution;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Todd County Board of Commissioners approve a Gambling Permit for the NWTF (Strutting Black Beards) to hold a raffle at Thunder Lodge in Long Prairie Township at the address 22056 US 71, Long Prairie, MN on August 3, 2017.

GAMBLING PERMIT - SAUK CENTRE COUNTRY CLUB

WHEREAS, the Todd County Board of Commissioners are establishing their approval for a Gambling Permit for the Sauk Centre Country Club dba Greystone Golf Club through this resolution;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Todd County Board of Commissioners approve a Gambling Permit for the Sauk Centre Country Club dba Greystone Golf Club to hold a raffle at Greystone Golf Club in Kandota Township at the address 10548 Andrews Drive, Sauk Centre, MN on October 22, 2017.

Auditor-Treasurer

On motion by Becker and seconded by Kneisl, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To approve the Commissioner Warrants number 45816 through 45941 in the amount of \$85,367.91.

On motion by Neumann and seconded by Becker, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To approve the Health & Human Services Warrants number 512422 through 512511 in the amount of \$139,427.72.

ISD 2759 - Eagle Valley Public Schools Dissolution

On motion by Kneisl and seconded by Becker, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To acknowledge receipts of the ISD #2759 (Eagle Valley Public Schools) Dissolution Resolution.

Discussion of the ISD 2759 Dissolution impending proceedings was held.

Region V Development Commission

Cheryl Hills, Executive Director of Region V, provided an update of the Region V Development Commission's projects and activities.

MIS

On motion by Becker and seconded by Neumann, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To approve the promotion of Doug Thom as GIS Special

ist effective April 19, 2017, Grade 10 Step B, \$22.36 per hour.

On motion by Kneisl and seconded by Becker, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To approve waiving the 90-day waiting period and allow Human Resources to begin the process of recruiting, interviewing and recommending hire to fill the GIS Technician vacancy.

Sheriff's Office

On motion by Becker and seconded by Kneisl, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To approve the development of the E-911 Committee.

On motion by Neumann and seconded by Kneisl, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To approve the renewal of the Motorola Services Contract #S00001024941.

Solid Waste

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

A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE A NEW HOOK TRUCK

WHEREAS, Todd County Solid Waste is in the process of trying to replace one of the hook trucks, from state bids;

WHEREAS, the lowest bid came from Northland Truck Sales for \$144,780 and highest trade in for \$25,000 for the 2013 International from Northland Truck Sales.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Todd County Board of Commissioners hereby approves the following purchase for a new 2018 Freightliner and hook from Northland Truck Sales for a total \$144,780.

Veteran's Service

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

RESOLUTION OF TODD COUNTY

WHEREAS, The Minnesota Department of Veterans Affairs is again conducting the County Veterans Service Office Operational Enhancement Grant and;

WHEREAS, The Todd County Veteran Service Office is eligible for the County Veterans Service Office Operational Enhancement Grant.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Todd County MN Board, that the County enter into the attached Grant Contract with the Minnesota Department of Veterans Affairs (MDVA) to conduct the following Program: County Veterans Service Office Operational Enhancement Grant Program. The grant must be used to provide outreach to the county's veterans; to assist in the reintegration of combat veterans into society; to collaborate with other social service agencies, educational institutions, and other community organizations for the purposes of enhancing services offered to veterans; to reduce homelessness among veterans; and to enhance the operations of the county veterans service office, as specified in Minnesota Laws 2015 Chapter 77, Article 1, Section 37, Subdivision 2. This Grant should not be used to supplant or replace other funding.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, by the Todd County Board, that Pete Berscheid, the Todd County Veteran Service Officer, be authorized to execute the attached Grant Contract for the above-mentioned Program on behalf of the County.

Planning & Zoning

On motion by Becker and seconded by Kneisl, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To approve Danny Peyton as a regular Board of Adjustment member for District 3 and also Mike Soukup and Russell Vandenheuvel as alternate Board of Adjustment members for District 1 and District 2.

On motion by Kneisl

and seconded by Neumann, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To grant the CUP for parcel #16-0009100 for Troy Larson with the following conditions: 1.) Prefer a set route for truck traffic: from business S on 315th Ave. then use 310th Ave. to County Road 14. 2.) Post at least 2 signs indicating truck use of the road at landowner expense. 3.) Have business user adopt a 25 mph maximum speed limit for trucks. 4.) Donate \$4,600 per year to be used for gravel to build up 310th annually or as needed as determined by the township. 5.) Review CUP annually to ensure conditions are followed. 6.) Only empty trucks allowed to business site during road restriction periods.

On motion by Becker and seconded by Kneisl, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To approve the request for expanding existing CUP on parcel 22-0013700 without conditions for Kobliska Ideal Construction.

On motion by Neumann and seconded by Kneisl, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To approve the request by Central Specialties Inc. for granting CUP to operate a hot mix plant on parcel 06-0008200 with the following conditions: 1. Maintain dust control on Fitz Road and in the pit area 2. Maintain Fitz Road in Burnhamville and Bruce townships.

On motion by Becker and seconded by Neumann, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To approve a request by Central Specialties Inc for granting a CUP to operate a hot mix plant and a sand and gravel mine on parcel 17-0036800 with the following conditions: 1. Maintain dust control 2. Install signage along CR 96 while working this site 3. Maintain County Road 96 if impacted.

On motion by Kneisl and seconded by Becker, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To approve a request by Tri-City Paving for granting a CUP for temporary hot mix plant on parcel 06-0007100 with the following conditions: 1. Maintain dust control on Fitz Road and in pit area 2. Maintain Fitz Road in Burnhamville and Bruce townships.

On motion by Neumann and seconded by Kneisl, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To approve a request by Advanced Recovery Solutions Auto Sales for granting a CUP for retail auto sales on parcel 18-0050900 with the following conditions: 1. Proper signage related to customer parking to assure no drives are blocked or that people park along Highway 71 or in the 20' easement along front of lot 2. Number of vehicles limited to maximum of 20 3. Observed Side lot setback of 10 feet for parking lot and parking of vehicles 4. Lot not to extend past front face of existing building as indicated in sketch in staff report 5. Obtain permit for existing shed.

On motion by Kneisl and seconded by Becker, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To approve the request by Willard Borntrager for granting a CUP to establish a sawmill operation on parcel 13-0016200 without conditions.

Soil & Water

On motion by Kneisl and seconded by Neumann, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To authorize the board chair to sign the 2016 County Feedlot Officer Report.

On motion by Neumann and seconded by Becker, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To direct Board Chair signing of letter to SRWD from Todd County Commissioner's outlining project to impact 168 sq feet of project

under SRWD contract and willingness to replace area impacted with a pollinator garden elsewhere in the park. Request is for SRWD concurrence of project to allow project to be completed prior to fishing season opener.

On motion by Kneisl and seconded by Becker, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To allow Planning and Zoning to waive the shoreland alteration fee for repairing annual ridges within the parameters listed for the 2017 season.

Health & Human Services

On motion by Becker and seconded by Kneisl, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To accept the resignation of Janel Toppari effective April 7, 2017.

On motion by Kneisl and seconded by Becker, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To approve the request for Todd County Health & Human Services to recruit and hire an Eligibility Worker to fill the position left vacant by the resignation of Janel Toppari.

On motion by Kneisl and seconded by Becker, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To approve Teri Kuehne to fill the open Care Coordinator position.

On motion by Kneisl and seconded by Neumann, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To approve the request for Health & Human Services to recruit and hire a registered nurse to fill the position left vacant by Teri Kuehne.

On motion by Kneisl and seconded by Becker, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To write off a total amount of \$1,920.78 for uncollectable debts for years 2014 thru 2016.

Auditor-Treasurer's Report

CliftonLarsenAllen audit was completed last week with the exit interview anticipated to be scheduled for a May board meeting. State Election Audit Review will be conducted this week. A work-session has been scheduled for April 25, 2017 to discuss the ISD 2759 Dissolution.

Commissioner's Report

The Commissioners reported on the meetings that they had attended.

Coordinator's Report
The Coordinator reported on the meetings attended and shared a reminder of the Severe Weather Awareness week and planned tornado drill.

Adjourn

On motion by Neumann and seconded by Kneisl, the meeting was adjourned for the month of April, 2017.

COMMISSIONER WARRANTS	
Vendor Name	\$ Amount
BLUETARP FINANCIAL INC.....	\$2,149.98
BRAATEN SAND & GRAVEL.....	17,396.14
FAUST/MARK.....	2,287.00
FRIEDRICH'S TIRE & OIL CO.....	4,279.95
MN DEPT OF TRANS.....	3,366.20
NOV MICRO INC.....	2,901.00
OLSON'S TRUCK & TRACTOR SER.....	4,606.72
SHI CORP.....	3,355.00
STAPLES WORLD.....	10,714.23
TURNKEY/THREE SQ. MARKET.....	3,226.54
WIDSETH SMITH NOLTING INC.....	2,719.50
WOLTERS BODY SHOP.....	4,048.52
114 PAYMENTS LESS THAN \$2,000.....	24,317.13
Total.....	85,367.91

HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES WARRANTS	
Vendor Name	\$ Amount
CARLSON/ BARBARA J.....	\$3,500.00
#4453.....	2,790.00
#14593.....	2,207.04
GERARD TREATMENT PROGRAMS.....	3,877.48
GREATER MN FAMILY SRVS INC.....	4,886.49
HOLISTIC FAMILY EDUCATION SRVS.....	7,059.36
#1911.....	2,578.58
#12512.....	2,383.40
KINDRED FAMILY FOCUS.....	2,854.74
LUNSER/ROBERT.....	2,108.45
LUTHERAN SOCIAL SERV. OF MN-ST PAUL..	5,360.45
#10746.....	4,030.05
MID MN DRUG TESTING INC.....	2,295.00
NORTHERN PINES	

MENTAL HLTH CTR.....	2,842.00
NORTHWOOD CHILD. SERVICES.....	6,624.08
PORT OF CROW WING BOYS HOME.....	5,035.62
PORT OF CROW WING GIRLS HOME.....	3,721.98
STEP.....	7,857.66
VILLAGE RANCH INC.....	17,199.73
#14618.....	3,113.99
WEST CENTRAL REG JUVENILE CTR.....	3,479.17
#14480.....	2,140.55
PAYMENTS LESS THAN \$2,000.....	41,481.90
Total.....	\$139,427.72

On a motion by Becker and seconded by Kneisl, the preceding minutes of the County Board meeting held April 18, 2017 were duly approved by unanimous vote at the Todd County Board of Commissioners at the Regular Board Meeting held on May 2, 2017.

Witness my hand and seal:

Randy Neumann,
Todd County Board
Vice-Chairperson

Denise Gaida, Todd County
Auditor-Treasurer

20pnc

Public Notices

BID NOTICE ALDRICH TOWNSHIP

Aldrich Township is seeking bids to replace all windows (8) in the town hall plus weather stripping the door.

Send bid with the amount for all the materials and labor to Aldrich Township, Barb Johnson, Clerk, 13153 County 23, Verndale, MN 56481.

Bids must be received by Monday, July 10, 2017. Bids will be opened at the July 10 meeting.

Barb Johnson,
Clerk

20-21pnc

PUBLIC
NOTICES:
Your Right
to Know

Public Notices

NOTICE TODD COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION

215 1st Ave. S, Ste. 103
Long Prairie,
MN 56347
320-732-4420

Notice is hereby given that on **Thursday, June 1, 2017 at 6:00 p.m.** the Todd County Planning Commission will hold a public hearing in the Commissioners Meeting Room, 215 First Ave. South, Long Prairie to consider the following applications.

1) **Shades Golden Eagle of Mound Lake LLC - ShipWrex:** Lot-1 Blk-1 of Ehler Division (3-127-32)

PIN: 11-0087700
Site Address: 13218 County 103

Request to re-open and operate a bar and restaurant.

2) **Bryon and Amy Karjala:** Sec-01 Twp-128 Rng-32 Part of S2 NW4 AND Part of W2 SW4

PIN: 06-0001002
Site Address: 33996 County 12

Request to establish a truck maintenance shop for owner's trucking business, not for retail commercial purposes.

3) **Jerry Kobliska:** Sec-14 Twp-133 Rng-33 SE4 NW4

PIN: 22-0014000
Site Address: 48727 County 21

Request to amend the zoning district for this parcel and change from R-2 Zoning to Commercial Zoning.

4) **Jerry Kobliska:** Sect-14 Twp-133 Rng-33 SE4 NW4

PIN: 22-0014000
Site Address: 48727 County 21

Request to establish a loafing shed and feeding area for up to 50 animal units.

5) **Verizon Wireless - Lambrecht:** Sec-14 Twp-133 Rng-33 Part of SE4 NW4 AND SW4 NW4

PIN: 06-0010600
Site Address: 29790 County 13

Request to establish a 199 foot telecommunication tower and associated ground equipment for Verizon Wireless.

All persons interested are invited to attend said hearing and be heard on these matters.

Todd County Planning
Commission
Michael Wiener,
Chairperson

20pnc

NOTICE TODD COUNTY PUBLIC HEARING

Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes Section 123A.46, subdivision 6, **NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** by the Todd County Board of Commissioners, Todd County, Minnesota, of a public hearing to be held as follows:

Date: May 23, 2017

Place: Commissioner's Board Room of the Historic Courthouse, 215 1st Ave. S, Long Prairie, MN 56347

Time: 7:00 p.m.

Said hearing will be conducted by the Todd County Board of Commissioners, regarding the dissolution of Independent School District No. 2759 (Eagle Valley Public Schools) ("EVPS") and the attachment of its territory to one or more adjoining school district(s).

EVPS will not be able to maintain a PK-12 education program as of July 1, 2017, for the following reasons:

1. The Secondary Tuition Agreement with Independent School District No. 787 (Browerville) will expire on June 30, 2017 and will not be renewed;

2. EVPS has been unable to secure a Secondary Tuition Agreement with an adjoining school district to educate its students in grades 7-12 and EVPS does not have the staff, revenue or facilities to provide its students with a secondary education;

3. The Minnesota Department of Education is withholding EVPS's State aid;

4. EVPS has been experiencing declining student enrollment over five consecutive years;

5. EVPS is unable to repay Aid Anticipation Certificates of Indebtedness, Series 2016A; and

6. Other good and sufficient reasons.

Interested individuals are invited to attend and will be offered the opportunity to present information at the public hearing, and the Board of Commissioners, at a subsequent regular or special meeting, will make a final decision regarding the dissolution of EVPS and the attachment of its territory to one or more adjoining school district(s).

By: /s/ on file
Denise Gaida, Todd
County Auditor-Treasurer
Clerk to the Board

19-20pnc

Are you behind on your mortgage payments?

Are you being threatened with foreclosure?

Have you been denied a loan modification?



Call Homeowner's Relief Line:
855-756-2904

Homeowner Relief Line is NOT a Mortgage Modification or Loss Mitigation or Foreclosure Defense company. We are not attorneys but rather a third party referral source that connects homeowners with mortgage specialists. Calls may be answered by companies other than Homeowner Relief Line.

Top 10 things to do when hiring a contractor

The arrival of spring has many people thinking about home improvement projects; a remodel, a build-on or new construction, some consumers are handy or brave enough to do things on their own. But many people look to professional contractors for the job. Better Business Bureau of Minnesota and North Dakota ® (BBB) offers a ‘Top Ten’ list of things to do before hiring a contractor.

“There’s no better way to ensure a successful construction project than by ensuring you’re dealing with a reliable contractor,” said Susan Adams Loyd, President and CEO of BBB of Minnesota and North Dakota. “It’s worth every second of the time it takes to find one that will stand behind their work.”

Here’s the ‘top ten’ things everyone should do before hiring a contractor:

- 1) **Research their track record.** Contact BBB to obtain free Business Profiles on any companies you are considering hiring. Visit bbb.org or, in Minnesota and North Dakota, call toll-free at 1-800-646-6222.
- 2) **Solicit multiple estimates.** Shop around and get at least three estimates in writing. Use BBB’s Online Directory of Accredited Businesses to find reliable firms.
- 3) **Verify license and insurance.** Ensure that companies are properly licensed. In Minnesota, contractors should be licensed or registered with the Minnesota Department of Labor (doli.state.mn.us); in North Dakota, with the ND Secretary of State’s Office (sos.nd.gov/). It’s also important to verify that they are fully insured.
- 4) **Ask for references.** Get references from three recent projects and verify them before signing a contract.
- 5) **Inquire about a lien waiver.** A lien waiver is a statement from the contractor

that all suppliers and subcontractors have been paid for their work. Be sure to ask whether the contractor will provide you with a lien waiver upon completion of the work.

- 6) **Don’t forget building permits.** Permits are for your protection and help ensure that work will meet local building codes. Check with your contractor before starting your project. Homeowners bear the cost of building permits, but companies should be responsible for obtaining any necessary permits.
- 7) **Consider future service issues.** If you choose to do business with a company that isn’t local, keep in mind you might have difficulty resolving any warranty or service needs that may arise after the project is completed.
- 8) **Get everything in writing.** Never allow work to begin without a signed contract that includes: start and completion dates; a detailed description of services to be provided; any costs or allowances; a payment schedule and warranty information. Be aware that anything you sign is a contract.
- 9) **Don’t rely on verbal promises.** Any promises made orally should be written into the contract, including warranty information.
- 10) **Arrange a payment schedule.** Never pay in full in advance of a project. Stagger your payments according to agreed-upon stages of work completion and make a final payment only when work is finished.

BBB advises consumers to exercise caution with salespeople going door-to-door claiming to be doing work in your neighborhood. Know who you’re dealing with; always verify the company’s track record with BBB.



Ducklings deal with depression

Plays were performed for Staples-Motley Elementary and Motley-Staples Middle School students, May 5 at Centennial Auditorium. Following each performance, students engaged with the actors and had questions and comments about the play and about mental health.

At right, the Ugly Duckling is being bullied for being different and having a mental health disorder. Above; the other ducklings learn how to support and help the Ugly Duckling with her depression caused by the bullying. (Staples World photos by Mark Anderson)



Ask A Trooper

Question: What are the seat belt law exemptions in Minnesota?

Answer: Law enforcement is focused on educating the public on the dangers of not wearing a seatbelt in a motor vehicle. Working as a state trooper for the last 18 years, I have seen the tragic outcomes that result all too often when not wearing a seatbelt. I encourage everyone to use a seatbelt if possible.

With that said, there are some exemptions (MN state statute 169.686 Sub2):

- A person driving a passenger vehicle in reverse.
- When all belts are occupied by other persons.
- A person who is in possession of a written certifi-

cate from a licensed physician verifying that because of medical unfitness or physical disability the person is unable to wear a seat belt.

- A person who is actually engaged in work that requires the person to alight from and re-enter a motor vehicle at frequent intervals and who, while engaged in that work, does not drive or travel in that vehicle at a speed exceeding 25 mph.
- A rural mail carrier of the U. S. Postal Service or a newspaper delivery person while in the performance of duties.
- A person driving or riding in a passenger vehicle manufactured before

January 1, 1965.

- A person driving or riding in a pickup truck while engaged in normal farming work or activity.

In 2015, 91 unbelted motorists lost their lives on Minnesota roads.

Wearing your seat belt will help keep you from:

- Crashing into the windshield.
- Slamming into and injuring other passengers.
- Being ejected from the vehicle

Please buckle up, every seat, every time; it could end up saving your life.

by Trp. Jesse Grabow – Minnesota State Patrol Twitter @MSPPIO_NW or reach him at jesse.grabow@state.mn.us



Fairytales focus on mental health issues

Humpty Dumpty struggles with behavioral problems, triggered by the trauma of his great fall off the wall. In this scene, the King’s Horses and King’s Men learn how to de-escalate Humpty Dumpty’s situation of acting out. In an-

other example shown, the Three Little Pigs learn how to deal with anxiety. These scenes were from the Fidgety Fairytales a musical, focusing on mental health, produced by the Minnesota Association for Children’s Mental Health.

Freshwater Education District Minutes

MINUTES

REGULAR BOARD MEETING FRESHWATER EDUCATION DISTRICT # 6004 WADENA, MN 4/26/17

CALLED TO ORDER at 5:30 p.m. by C. Wolf, Chair Board Present: C. Wolf-Long Prairie-Grey Eagle, V. Hinojos-Wadena-Deer Creek, S. Veronen-Vernadale, A. Bailey-Eagle Valley, R. VanDenheuvel-Bertha-Hewitt, R. Thalmann-Henning, J. Kangas-Menahga, B. Lund-Staples-Motley, C. Funk-Sebeka, Others: D. Fjeldheim-Sebeka, J. Nesland, L. Murdock, C. Carter, C. Greiner, M. M. Mathers and S. Thiel.

STAFF PRESENTATION- C. Carter, C. Greiner and M. M. Mathers SpEd Program Specialists.

APPROVAL OF THE PAST BOARD MINUTES- MOTION BY Thalmann, seconded by VanDenheuvel to approve the 1/25/17 minutes as presented VOTE-UC

ADOPTION OF AGENDA- MOTION BY Lund, seconded by Veronen, to approve the Agenda as presented. VOTE-UC

OLD BUSINESS

REVIEWED the previous Supt meeting summaries.

MOTION BY Funk, seconded by Kangas, to revise the current year Leaf River/White Pines/Elm Tree, Student Calendar. VOTE-UC

MOTION BY VanDenheuvel, seconded by Thalmann, to authorize the Freshwater Ed. Dist. to be the fiscal host of the Central Minnesota Vocational Rehab Program, effective 7/1/17. VOTE-UC

MOTION BY Funk, seconded by Veronen, to amend the Freshwater Health Reimbursement

Plan Document, effective 1/1/17. VOTE-UC

NEW BUSINESS.

ECFE REPORT MOTION BY Hinojos, seconded by Funk, to accept donation of \$100 ~ First International Bank & Trust, Staples, MN for the RFF Program. VOTE-UC

MOTION BY Thalmann, seconded by VanDenheuvel, to approve the Initiative Foundation Grant of \$3460 for the project RFF Program. VOTE-UC

REVIEWED ECFE & School Readiness Enrollment as of 1.10.17.

REVIEWED Early Childhood Advisory 1/27/17 Committee Minutes

SPECIAL EDUCATION REPORT MOTION BY Lund, seconded by Kangas, to adopt the Level IV 17-18 School calendar of 180 Teacher days and 170 student days as presented. VOTE-UC

MOTION BY Hinojos, seconded by Funk, to authorize the Casey’s Donut Partnership Program Fundraiser for the Level IV Program. VOTE-UC

MOTION BY Veronen, seconded by Hinojos, to authorize the Level IV Program to host an Annual Spring Carnival and Rummage Sale. VOTE-UC

MOTION BY VanDenheuvel, seconded by Thalmann, to authorize the Level IV Program to apply for an Ed MN Tech Grant of \$2,560 to purchase walkie

talkies. VOTE-UC

ALC/TARGETED SERVICES REPORT REVIEWED TS/CR Training Session Agenda and ALC Summer School Credit Recovery Schedule.

MOTION BY VanDenheuvel, seconded by Kangas, to adopt the Freshwater ALC 17-18 School calendar of 180 Teacher days and 170 student days as presented. VOTE-UC

MOTION BY Lund, seconded by Hinojos, to approve the successful WE Volunteer Grant request of \$250 for the Wadena ALC site. VOTE-UC

MOTION BY Thalmann, seconded by VanDenheuvel, to approve the donation from Wal-Mart in the amount of \$525 for the Wadena ALC site. VOTE-UC

MOTION BY Funk, seconded by Hinojos, to approve the 17-18 School Year agreement with Interquest Detection Canines for the sites of Wadena ALC, Staples ALC and Deer Creek Level IV. VOTE-UC

MOTION BY VanDenheuvel, seconded by Veronen, to approve the donation of lumber from the Oberg Family with the estimated value of \$200 for the Wadena ALC Ind. Tech Class. VOTE-UC

TECHNOLOGY REPORT: REVIEWED the Lakewood Health System notice to Opt-Out effective 3/15/18 and the Federal E-

Rate Changes for next year.

MEMBER SERVICES: REVIEWED the FED Member Salary Matrix; 2.28.17 Freshwater Principals Advisory Mtg Agenda/Eval; 4.5.17 Health Benefits Advisory Committee Mtg Minutes and Todd Cty Collaborative 3.27.17 Mtg Minutes.

CONDOLENCES to the Henning School District, with the loss of life of one of their students.

MOTION BY Lund, seconded by Thalmann, to modify the current year contract for M. Ward, Carl Perkins Cord. by adding 10 days. VOTE-UC

REVIEWED Carl Perkins Consortium Update; Funk recognized the importance of the Carl Perkins Program in the local school districts.

MOTION BY Funk, seconded by Hinojos, to approve the FY18 consulting contract with M. Ward per terms and conditions of the 80 day contract as presented. VOTE-UC

MOTION BY Kangas, seconded by Thalmann, to approve the FY18 consulting agreement with A. Hunter per terms and conditions of the contract presented. VOTE-UC

MOTION BY Veronen, seconded by VanDenheuvel, to approve the annual ABE Membership Agreement for FY18 with the Central MN ABE Consortium. VOTE-UC

BUSINESS, FINANCE, AND NEW BUSINESS.

MOTION BY Veronen, seconded by VanDenheuvel, to approve the 1/26/17 through 4/24/17 cash reports and payments of checks numbered 119187 thru 119461. VOTE-UC

MOTION BY Thalmann, seconded by Hinojos, to approve the proposed Freshwater Health Reimbursement Plan Document, effective 1/1/17. VOTE-UC

MOTION BY Hinojos, seconded by Funk, to approve the 17-18 SY MDE/ Federal Food Service purchase agreements with ISD’s 2155, 2170 and 2753. VOTE-UC

MOTION BY VanDenheuvel, seconded by Kangas, to approve the first reading of Policy 791L, Service Animals used in schools by Students, Employees and Visitors. VOTE-UC

MOTION BY Kangas, seconded by Hinojos, to approve and authorize an excess inventory sale, 8/25/17. VOTE-UC

MOTION BY Hinojos, seconded by Kangas, to approve the current year Revision II Budget as follows.

FUND: 01 General - Revenue: \$9,227,801; Expenditures: \$9,500,447

FUND: 04 Community Service - Revenue: \$611,395; Expenditures: \$601,074

VOTE-UC

MOTION BY Thalmann, seconded by VanDenheu-

vel, to approve the 17-18 agreement with Voc. Rehab. Services. VOTE-UC

MOTION BY VanDenheuvel, seconded by Hinojos, to approve a 3 year leave of absence from 7/1/17 -6/30/20, for H.Kalina, B-3/SLP/ Autism Specialist.

Roll Call Vote- Those in favor: Lund, Thalmann, VanDenheuvel, Hinojos; Those against: Funk, Bailey, Wolf, Kangas, Veronen. Motion Failed.

PERSONNEL TOPICS AND CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

MOTION BY VanDenheuvel, seconded by Lund, to approve the following personnel items as follows; Increase in hours for Karen Dornbusch for the current 16/17 SY; Voluntary contract reduction for 17/18 SY of Abby Campbell, Karen Dornbusch; Resignation of Mary Margaret Mathers, Michele Spar; Hiring of Alissa Braukmann; Authorization to advertise and fill a Regular Van Route Driver, Speech Language Pathologist, Special Education Program Specialist; Retirement of Danny Triebenbach. VOTE-UC

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION BY Thalmann, seconded by Lund, to adjourn the meeting at 6:56 p.m. VOTE-UC

20pnc

Established certified public accounting firm with 20+ offices across the Midwest is searching for a



DANA F. COLE & COMPANY LLP
CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS
www.danacole.com

Senior Level CPA
in our Montevideo, MN location

Requirements: 5-10 years experience • strong analytical skills • ability to manage multiple engagements • project management • build and maintain client relationships • clearly articulate complex financial data • supervisory experience desired.

To apply, send cover letter & resume to hr@danacole.com



Brenny
FUNERAL CHAPEL & CREMATION SPECIALISTS
800.824.5050

When someone we love becomes a memory; that memory becomes a treasure.



Bike Rodeo

New bike

One of the fifteen bike drawing winners walks away with a smile and a new bike. (Staples World photos by Mark Anderson)



Bicycle drawing winners at Bike Rodeo

Thirteen of the fifteen kids who won new bicycles at the Staples Bike Rodeo on May 11 line up for a photo.



Bike skills, bike style

Kids practice their bike skills by weaving through cones on a marked course.



Learning the rules of the bicycle trail

Kids ride the bike trail during the Staples Bike Rodeo on May 11. Participants learned to move to the right side when approaching an oncoming bicycle, learned to let other bikers know when coming up behind them, and learned not to block the trail during the Bike Rodeo.

Drivers focus on distractions over driving

From Snapchatting to shopping for cars while behind the wheel, more than a thousand drivers made the choice to focus on activities other than driving during the statewide extra distracted enforcement period April 10-23.

Police officers, sheriff deputies and MN State Patrol participated in the campaign, handing out 1,017 citations to drivers for texting while driving and 1,517 seat belt violations.

Driving home the message

More than 300 agencies took part in the extra enforcement wave over 14 days. There were 1,017

(72.6 per day) citations during the two-week campaign compared with 972 tickets written last year during the seven-day extra enforcement period. Overall in 2016, law enforcement cited nearly 6,000 drivers for texting while driving, a 251 percent increase in five years (2012). The Minnesota Department of Public Safety Office of Traffic Safety (DPS-OTS) coordinates the extra enforcement and awareness campaign to influence driving choices and prevent tragedy.

“The numbers during our two-week campaign show some people are get-

ting the message, especially when looking at the numbers from the previous year,” said Donna Berger, Office of Traffic Safety director. “However, one person distracted on the road is one too many. Just one person taking their eyes off the road can change their lives and the lives of others forever. Now is the time to make a commitment to put the phones down and the distractions away when behind the wheel.”

Area agencies participating and their citations issued April 10-23:

Baxter Police Dept: 3 texting citations; 8 seatbelt

citations

Brainerd Police Dept: 2 texting; 3 seatbelt

Crow Wing County Sheriff: 0 texting; 1 seatbelt
Long Prairie Police Dept: 0 texting; 0 seatbelt

MN State Patrol - District 2900 (Detroit Lakes): 18 texting; 63 seatbelt

MN State Patrol - District 2800 (Brainerd): 10 texting; 44 seatbelt

Morrison County Sheriff: 1 texting; 0 seatbelt
Motley Police Dept: 1 texting; 1 seatbelt

Staples Police Dept: 0 texting; 0 seatbelt

Todd County Sheriff: 0 texting; 2 seatbelt

Verndale Police Dept: 0

texting; 0 seatbelt

Wadena County Sheriff: 0 texting; 0 seatbelt

Wadena Police Dept: 0 texting; 0 seatbelt

Traffic stops, stop dangerous behavior

Drivers choosing texting over safety jeopardize the lives of others on the road, but any potential distraction can lead to dangerous results. Violations observed included:

•Elk River, police stopped three juveniles for reading text messages from their parents.

•Many stopped for Snap-chatting.

•A driver who failed to stop for a pedestrian admitted to being distracted by a chicken he was holding in his lap.

•A trooper stopped a person near Eveleth for shopping for cars on his phone while driving.

•A trooper near Lengby found a driver making an NBA fantasy draft list on his phone while driving.

A family's plea

During a recent news conference, 17-year-old Sylvie Tikalsky tearfully spoke about her grandfather's death caused by a distracted driver. “I miss him so much and it's hard for me to think about him not being at my graduation next year or other family events,” said Tikalsky. “He was a family oriented person and I miss him so much. Please do not commit a crime as bad as this. Texting and driving is dangerous and you need to make the decision not to text and drive.”

Sylvie and the Tikalsky family are handing out 500 CELLslips to high school drivers and others with a message: “Hands on the Wheel, Eyes on the Road: In memory of Joe Tikalsky 10-28-15.” The goal is for drivers to place their phones inside the CELLslip, which blocks the cell phone signal.

Disturbing distraction numbers

Minnesotans need to commit to keeping their eyes on the road to reduce distractions and the heartache that can result.

Texting and driving citations continue to climb statewide.

2012 — 1,707
2013 — 2,177
2014 — 3,498

2015 — 4,115

2016 — 5,988

In 2015, distracted driving contributed to 7,666 injuries and 74 deaths.

When a crash occurs in Minnesota, the driver behavior that law enforcement agencies cite most often as a contributing factor is attention or distraction.

Minnesota's “No Texting” law

In Minnesota, it is illegal for drivers to read, compose or send texts and emails and go online while the vehicle is in motion or a part of traffic. This includes sitting at a stoplight, stop sign or stopped in traffic. It's also illegal for drivers with a permit or provisional driver's license to use a cell phone while driving, except for emergencies to call 911. Minnesota law states drivers face a \$50 fine, plus court fees, for a first offense. They'll pay an additional \$225 fine (total; \$275), plus court fees, for second and subsequent violations of the texting-while-driving law.

About the Minnesota Department Public Safety

The Minnesota Department of Public Safety (DPS) comprises 11 divisions where 2,100 employees operate programs in the areas of law enforcement, crime victim assistance, traffic safety, alcohol and gambling, emergency communications, fire safety, pipeline safety, driver licensing, vehicle registration and emergency management. DPS activity is anchored by three core principles: education, enforcement and prevention.

About the Office of Traffic Safety

The Minnesota Department of Public Safety Office of Traffic Safety (DPS-OTS) designs, implements and coordinates federally funded traffic safety enforcement and education programs to improve driver behaviors and reduce the deaths and serious injuries that occur on Minnesota roads. DPS-OTS also administers state funds for the motorcycle safety program and child seats for needy families program.

DPS-OTS is an anchoring partner of the state's Toward Zero Deaths (TZD) traffic safety program. A primary vision of the TZD program is to create a safe driving culture in Minnesota in which motorists support a goal of zero road fatalities by practicing and promoting safe and smart driving behavior. TZD focuses on the application of four strategic areas to reduce crashes - education, enforcement, engineering, and emergency medical and trauma response.

HOOKED?



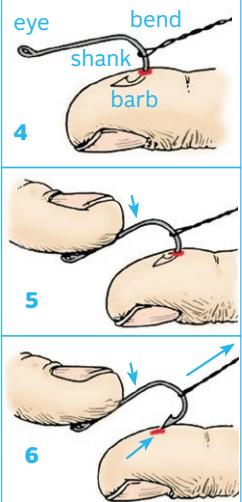
DO NOT try to remove a fish hook that is deeply embedded in the skin, lodged within a joint or tendon, or located in or near an eye or artery. If you are at all unsure, it is best to **seek medical attention immediately.**

DO NOT CUT THE HOOK. DO NOT ATTEMPT TO PUSH THROUGH TO CUT OFF BARB.

String Yank Technique

How to remove a fish hook from your finger

1. Remove hook from lure by cutting at attachment ring; DO NOT cut the hook itself.
2. Tape any additional free hooks to prevent other hooks from also getting embedded.
3. First, wash your hands with soap and water, or disinfecting solution, and then wash the area surrounding the hook.
4. Tie off a loop with some fishing line. Place the loop over the hook's shank and lightly pull it against the bend of the hook.
5. With your other hand, press down and back on the hook's eye.
6. Continue pressing down on the hook's eye. Quickly and firmly jerk the fishing line backward, ensuring that the line is parallel to the shank. *Don't worry; only a tiny bit of flesh is behind the barb.*
7. Wash the wound thoroughly with soap and water and apply a bandage.
8. Watch the area for signs of infection such as redness, swelling, pain, or drainage.



Be prepared

- Keep electrician's pliers with a wire-cutting blade and disinfecting solution in your fishing tackle box.
- Tetanus immunization (vaccine) should occur every 10 years. If needed, it may be done any time in the 72 hours following the injury.

Walk Right In.

When the unexpected happens, we're here with you **7 days-a-week**

Urgent Care

Essentia Health St. Joseph's - Baxter Clinic, 13060 Isle Drive, Baxter

Convenient Care at two locations

Essentia Health - Convenient Care at Baxter Cub Foods, 14133 Edgewood Drive, Baxter
Essentia Health - Convenient Care at Brainerd Cub Foods, 417 8th Avenue NE, Brainerd

Emergency Medicine

Essentia Health St. Joseph's Hospital
523 North Third Street, Brainerd

Wait Times at **EssentiaHealth.org**



Essentia Health

Here with you

EARLY DEADLINES

Due to Memorial Day the deadline for the June 1 Staples World **Friday, May 26 5 p.m.**



Giving their best for the team

In the true team track and field meet, every athlete's performance is important, since each place contributes to the team score. Pictured at the true team meet on May 9 at Pelican Rapids, from left, Matthew Fisher, Tabetha Allen and Aleeah Halverson. (Submitted photos)

Cardinals just short of state for true team track & field

By Mark Anderson
News Editor

For the second year in a row, the Staples-Motley boys track and field team narrowly missed a trip to state by finishing a close second in the Section 6A True Team meet, placing second by 10 points. Also for the second year in a row, it wasn't for lack of effort, as many of the athletes had their best performance of the year. Last year the team was in second place by nine points.

In the true team meet, each team can run two people in each event. Every place is scored, with 30 points for 1st place and one point for 30th place. Relays score 45 points for first place.

"Max Giza delivered a stellar performance in each of his events, but really stood out during the pole vault," said Coach Bruce Fuhrman. "As did the performances by our 3200 meter duo of Hunter Klimek and Emmet Anderson, each running personal bests of the season. The throwing group of Scout Strickland, Hunter Carlson, and Hunter Berggren also had best performances of the season."

Fuhrman also pointed to extra points gained by first year runners, including Cael Sams, Jeff Sundstrom, Jordon Carlson, Josh Lombard, Chase Davis, and Garrett Carlson. "They have become key players on the team," said Fuhrman.

The girls team was without some of their key athletes due to injury and absence, but still managed to place eighth out of 15 teams at the true team meet.

"Kelsie Weite had a great morning in the shotput throwing a personal best and emerging as a top competitor heading towards the conference meet," said Fuhrman. He also said Kira Sweeney and Addison Lorber scored well while doubling on both long distance races. Other key performers were Weite

and Kiera Dumpprope in the 800. "The sprinters competed well for a young team, including Heidi Lombard, Camryn Banaka, Ashley Vasquez, Amber Robben, and Jordan DeChaine," said Fuhrman. He added that Brooke Ferdon and Jenna Dvorak ran fast splits to keep the relay teams competitive.

The Cardinals also competed at the Melrose Invitational on May 11. The highlight of that meet was Giza winning both hurdle events and the pole vault.

Team results

Boys results

Section 6A True Team

Wadena-Deer Creek 799.5, Staples-Motley 789, Breckenridge 693.5, Frazee 687, Bertha-Hewitt/Verndale 651, Hawley/Ulen-Hitterdal 651, West Central 571, Ashby/Brandon/Evansville 448, Browerville 439, Prairie Valley 408, Barnesville 345, Pelican Rapids 339, Wheaton/Herman-Norcross 337, New York Mills 236, United North Central 195
100 - 5. Matt Miller 11.51, 15. Josh Lombard 12.32
200 - 4. Miller 23.69, 11. Chase Davis 24.87
400 - 7. Cael Sams 56.11, 11. Mason Rychner 56.54
800 - 10. Jeff Sundstrom 2:22, 17. Coleman Klimek 2:29
1,600 - 3. Emmet Anderson 4:59, 6. Hunter Klimek 5:04
3,200 - 3. Anderson 10:23, 6. H. Klimek 10:57
110 hurdles - 1. Max Giza 16.07, 15. Scout Strickland 21.00
300 hurdles - 1. Giza 42.45, 5. Matthew Fisher 45.27
4x100 - 2. (J. Carlson, Sams, Z. Carlson, Lombard) 47.09
4x200 - 3. (J. Carlson, Z. Carlson, Davis, Fisher) 1:39
4x400 - 1. (Miller, Fisher, Sams, Giza) 3:35
4x800 - 6. (Sundstrom, Garrett Carlson, C. Klimek, Christensen) 9:41
High jump - 15. Logen Weite 5'0", 17. Derek Kennedy 4'10"
Pole vault - 1. Giza 14'0", 10. Strickland 8'6"
Long jump - 7. Noah Han 18'5", 10. Miller 17'9"
Triple jump - 3. Han 38'10", 12. Fisher 35'4"
Shot put - 8. Hunter Carlson 40'4", 17. Hunter Berggren 35'2"
Discus - 8. Berggren 115'7", 16. Strickland 100'4"

Girls results

Section 6A True Team

Frazee 764, Pelican Rapids 756, Barnesville 715, Wadena-Deer Creek 646, Ashby/Brandon/Evansville 594, Hawley/Ulen-Hitterdal 593, Breckenridge 568, Staples-Motley 558, West Central 545, Bertha-Hewitt/Verndale 529, United North Central 466, Wheaton/Herman-Norcross 399, Prairie Valley 182, Browerville 111, New York Mills 100
100 - 10. Amber Robben 13.83, 12. Jordan DeChaine 13.96
200 - 8. Robben 28.41, 17. Heidi Lombard 30.68
400 - 19. Camryn Banaka 1:10, 26. Sydney Wallace 1:20
800 - 8. Kiera Dumpprope 2:44, 11. Kelsie Weite 2:49
1,600 - 5. Addison Lorber 5:51, 7. Kira Sweeney 5:53
3,200 - 5. Sweeney 12:49, 18. Abby Brown 15:25
100 hurdles - 8. Addison

Hirschey 18.68, 19. Ashley Vasquez 21.50
300 hurdles - 18. Hirschey 1:01, 21. Isabelle Mikel 1:03
4x100 - 4. (Robben, Vasquez, Lombard, DeChaine) 55.37
4x200 - 11. (Brooke Ferdon, Aleeah Halverson, Jenna Dvorak, Banaka) 2:02
4x400 - 8. (Banaka, Lorber, Vasquez, Dumpprope) 4:40
4x800 - 7. (Mikel, Brown, Dumpprope, Weite) 11:25
High jump - 9. Weite 4'6", 13. Halverson 4'6"
Long jump - 12. Robben 14'3", 17. Brooke Ferdon 13'8"
Triple jump - 11. DeChaine 28'2", 15. Lombard 26'2"
Shot put - 4. Weite 31'1", 23. Tabetha Allen 24'11"
Discus - 8. Toni Brings 83'7", 25. Allen 54'2"



Ashley Vasquez

Vulture is under-appreciated but important in nature's recycling

One of the most acclaimed places to watch the northward spring migration of birds is Duluth, anchor city of Minnesota's North Shore of Lake Superior. Thanks to that vast body of water, this area is a funnel or choke-point through which many species pass on their way to breeding grounds farther north. The area is especially well-known for the number and variety of raptors – hawks and eagles – that pass through. A popular observation point there is aptly named "hawk ridge."

But a lot of other birds migrate along this route, including waterfowl, songbirds and such unusual species as the migratory upland bird we know as the woodcock. A writer and acquaintance of mine who lives up the Shore a good distance from Duluth recently wrote about a spell of unseasonable weather – ice and snow – that put the migratory brakes on for several days, until the return of sun and warmth put the process back into high gear.

One migrant he wrote of seeing in big numbers after the storm broke was the turkey vulture, which he said was "everywhere along Highway 61," the route that follows the North Shore from Duluth to Thunder Bay, Ontario, on the U.S.-Canada border. He speculated that either the turkey vultures' migration had been held up temporarily by the weather, or there might be a bonanza of carrion – corpses of wild creatures that were casualties of the storm – that might draw them as surely as a lion kill draws African vultures on the plains of the Dark Continent.

I've seen turkey vultures for several weeks here in North Central

Minnesota. They soar on wings that are wide and long in proportion to their body. At a distance one might mistake a turkey vulture for an eagle or an osprey, simply due to its large size. But at closer range this notably larger wing area – with its finger-like separation of primary feathers at their wing tips – gives them away.

When this misidentification happens, my reaction – and probably that of many others – has typically been: "Not an eagle, or a hawk; it's just a vulture." This, of course, is unvarnished prejudice. If it's an eagle we see a creature that's majestic and handsome, the proud symbol of our country. But if it's a vulture, we might see an unsavory creature that profits from the misfortune – the death – of other creatures.

For many of my generation, the first glimpse of a vulture probably came in a cartoon, where symbols are used to sketch out a plot or story line. A scary tale, with the threat of danger or death to a hero or heroine, would be a likely scenario to introduce the vulture, with bulging, treacherous eyes, the full effect made complete by a dark and deathly music score.

Prejudices are hard to shake, and sometimes become enduring terms in our communications. If someone takes advantage of the misfortune of others, or does harm to the vulnerable, we often characterize them as "a vulture." Then there is "scavenger," also used in a derogatory way, to describe someone who takes advantage of others' generosity; the kind of person who lets the other guy pick up the tab, or can be counted on to say "I'll buy next time."

There's also the matter of what we define as good looks. We have arbitrary standards of handsome and beautiful. One need look no farther than the advertising that drives our purchasing of goods and services. From automobiles to fashion, phar-

All Erholtzes are all-conference in golf

The Staples-Motley boys and girls golf teams had three Mid State all-conference performers at Park Rapids on May 15, all named Erholtz.

In the boys meet, Beck Erholtz shot 76 to place third in the meet and earn an all-conference certificate, while his brother Finn shot 80, to place eighth for a spot on the all-conference honorable mention. Other boys scores were Jack Benson 84, Alex Giza 101 and Jack Adamietz 107.

In the girls meet, Bo Erholtz shot 83 to place fifth for all-conference honors. Alix Peterson was just one stroke off the all-conference honorable mention team, shooting 89 to place 13th. The other Cardinals also shot well, with Adriana Dickey at 95 and Ava Schneider at 96.

The girls team finished third and the boys were fourth in the very competitive conference.

The boys also competed in the Mid-Minnesota Conference tournament. The Cardinals placed fourth in the competition, which was scored by each team's first golfer ranked against each other, the second golfers ranked against each other, and so on.

Beck Erholtz shot 81 for third place among the first golfers. Finn Erholtz shot 85 and tied for the top score of all the number two golfers. Other team scores were Jack Benson 99, Alex Giza 98 and Jack Adamietz 119. The Cardinals only had five golfers in the competition, where all six of the varsity players count

in the team score.

Team results

The girls team had a very busy week with the following results:

May 10 at Rutgers Bay Lake, 2nd place behind Pequot Lakes, 389-374

Adriana Dickey 46-48 - 94, Alix Peterson 52-48 - 100, Bo Erholtz 49-46 - 95, Leah Bestland 50-50 - 100, Ava Schneider 107

May 12 at Fergus Falls invitational: Staples-Motley 6th out of 9 teams

Peterson 90, Bestland 92 Erholtz 96, Dickey 98

May 13, Cardinal Invitational at the Vintage in Staples

Detroit Lakes 327, Alexandria 331, Visitation 335, Eden Prairie 344, Bemidji 359, Elk River 371, Park Rapids 374, Staples-Motley 375, Wadena-Deer Creek 401, Princeton 402, Osakis inc.

18. Peterson 89; 30. Dickey 93; 38. Schneider 96; 41. Erholtz 97

Holub comes through in extra innings

Brady Holub hit the game winning single in the eighth inning as the Staples-Motley baseball team came back from a 6-1 deficit to beat Lake Park-Audubon 9-7 on May 15.

The team had also started coming back from a 4-0 deficit against Long Prairie-Grey Eagle on May 11, but fell short in a 16-6 loss.

Against Lake Park-Audubon, the Cardinals tied the game at one in the third inning. They gave up five unearned runs in the fourth but started chipping away until they eventually had a one run lead in the seventh. But with two outs, LPA scored one to force extra innings. Holub hit a two run single to win the game.

Holub had three hits in the game, and Trey Skeesick had two hits, including a triple. Reid Busker had one hit, scored twice and had two RBI.

Skeesick pitched four innings, allowing two earned runs and striking out six. James Ehresman pitched two scoreless innings and

Busker pitched the final two, getting two strikeouts.

Against Long-Prairie, the Cardinals fell behind 4-0, made it 4-3, but then committed six errors to let the game get out of hand.

Tommy Kossan had a double, a walk, one RBI and scored twice. Skeesick had a double, a single and scored once Ehresman had two hits and scored once.



Brandon Sobkowiak

Cardinals snap losing streak with big game

The Staples-Motley softball team struggled through four straight losses but came back strong with a big win to end their streak.

On May 5, the Cardinals lost 14-3 to Sauk Centre, where Lisa Kossan had two hits and one RBI.

May 8; the team had four hits in a 10-0 loss to Royalton.

May 9; the Cards played two games at Detroit Lakes, losing the first game 7-0, as Sam Schimpp and Allison Cushing were the only two batters to get hits. The offense was better in game two, but the defense had five errors in the 23-4 loss. Kossan had two hits, including a double while Cushing also had two hits and two RBIs.

The girls finally put everything together at Verndale, on May 11, coming home with a 17-6 win. Jenna Trantina led a 16 hit performance with five hits, five runs scored; Schimpp had three hits, scored four runs, sacrifice bunt. The highlight of the game was Kossan's three run homer.



EARLY DEADLINES

Due to Memorial Day Observance
the deadline for the

June 1 edition of the Staples World

Friday, May 26, 5 p.m.

Classifications

NOTICES	FOR SALE	WANTED TO BUY
100 Events/Announcements	300 Antiques/Collectibles	501 Miscellaneous
101 Card of Thanks	301 Good Things to Eat	502 Livestock
102 In Memory	302 Lawn/Garden	REAL ESTATE
103 Lost & Found	303 Hay/Straw/Feed/Seed	601 Wanted to Rent
104 Give Away	304 Livestock	602 Apartments for Rent
106 Personals	305 Pets	603 Houses for Rent
107 Notices	306 Sporting Goods	604 Commercial for Rent
SERVICES & EMPLOYMENT	307 Household	605 Mobile Homes for Rent
201 Business Opportunities	308 Musical	606 Land for Rent
202 Childcare Providers	309 Miscellaneous	607 Houses for Sale
203 Childcare Wanted	310 Health/Beauty	608 Farms for Sale
205 Help Wanted	311 Firewood	609 Mobile Homes for Sale
206 Positions Wanted	312 Christmas Trees	610 Land for Sale
207 Equipment for Rent	313 Computers/Office Equip.	611 Business Property for Sale
208 Storage	314 Farm Services	612 Real Estate Wanted
209 Business Services	315 Camper Trailer	
210 Animal Care/Supplies	VEHICLES	
211 Work Wanted	401 Automobiles	GARAGE SALES
	402 Trucks/Vans	701 Garage Sales
	403 Recreational	702 Flea Market/Crafts
	404 Farm Equipment	
	405 Heavy Equipment	
	406 Parts/Repair	

Classified Ad Order Form

Name _____ Phone _____
Address _____
City _____ State _____ Zip _____
Classification # _____

Cost of Ad

First 15 words for one week \$9.70
Add for number of words over 15 _____ x 25¢ = _____
OR First 15 words for three weeks \$25.00
Add for number of words over 15 _____ x 25¢ = _____
Add \$5 for **bold type** and/or CAPITALIZED
indicate which word(s) is/are to be bold or capitalized
Add \$10 for Blind Box _____
TOTAL enclosed _____

"Card of Thanks" and "In Memoriam" are 20¢ per word with no minimum. Number of words _____ x 20¢ = _____
TOTAL enclosed _____

Please check your ad the first day.

Refunds or credit will not be given for errors brought to our attention after the second publication. We are not responsible for errors due to illegible copy or missing punctuation.

Your ad will be printed as you write it.
Please print clearly, one word per space.

Use additional paper if necessary.
Thank you for your order!

Please mail completed form and payment to:
Staples World, Box 100, Staples, MN 56479

HEARTLAND MARKET

Display ads: \$12.00 (per col. inch)

Classified Reader \$9.30 first 25 words;
additional 35¢ each word (one week)

Auction Directory =
\$3 per line; \$15 minimum.
Inserts = \$65 per thousand
*** Color rates available.**

Heartland Market deadline: 5 p.m. Wednesday.
Reaching over 20,585 homes;

DISTRIBUTED in these paid NEWSPAPERS: Staples World;
Barnesville Record-Review; Battle Lake Review;
Clay County Union of Ulen; Northwoods Press, Nevis;
Eagle Bend/ Bertha/ Clarissa Independent News Herald;
Hawley Herald; Henning Citizens Advocate;
Long Prairie Leader; Parkers Prairie Independent News Herald;
Sebekka/Menahga Review Messenger; Verndale Sun.

The Fine Print

The publishers liability for errors in an advertisement or for failure to publish the ad shall be limited to publishing the ad in a subsequent issue or for the refund of any monies paid for an ad not run (and out of date for subsequent issues) providing the advertiser reports the error or omission immediately after it occurs.

All advertising copy is subject to the approval of the general manager. We will not accept ads from anyone with a past due account.

Regarding sex or age preference in help wanted advertising in accordance with the rules adopted by the Civil Rights Commission, the Staples World, Sunday Square Shooter and Heartland Market cannot accept help wanted advertising copy which in any way expresses a sex or age preference on the basis of a bonafide occupational requirement unless the advertiser files an affidavit with the newspaper justifying the sex or age preference on the basis of a bonafide occupational requirement.

All real estate and rental advertising in these publications is subject to the Federal Fair Housing Act of 1968 which made it illegal to advertise any preference, limitation or discrimination based on race, color, religion, sex or national origin or any intention to make any such preference limitation or discrimination." These publications will not knowingly accept any advertising for real estate or rental which is in violation of the law. Our readers are hereby informed that all dwellings advertised in this newspaper are available on an equal opportunity basis.

Monuments Contact
Diane M Hahn
Verndale, MN.
218-445-5685
Cell 218-640-2341
email twoofakind@wcta.net

"Serving you for 22 years!"
Fergus Falls Monument Company

NOTICES

101

Card of Thanks

The Family of Harold Shinabarger would like to thank; Pastor Barry Klein, Kelly Taylor, Taylor Funeral Home, Staples, Motley American Legion for the military honors at the Motley Cemetery, ladies of the Staples Church of Christ for the lunch, for all the prayers, cards and support from family, friends and neighbors.

Catherine and Don Hansen
Carol and Abner Miller
Hope and Ed Lucus
Tony and Dani Kelly Taylor
Shannon Shinabarger
Shane Shinabarger
and their families
20p

107

Notices

St. Jude's Novena:
May the most Sacred Heart of Jesus be adored, glorified, loved and preserved throughout the world now and forever. Sacred Heart of Jesus, pray for us. St. Jude, help of the hopeless pray for us. Say this prayer nine times a day for nine days. On the eighth day your prayer will be answered. Publication must be promised. Thank you. Sacred Heart and St. Jude
JH 20p

SERVICES & EMPLOYMENT

PROGRAM ASSISTANT

Freshwater Education District is seeking a Program Assistant for our Staples office. Duties would include: performing a variety of clerical duties, entering data for the student record system, general office work, and assisting staff and administration. This will be a 200 day contract working August through June. The preferred candidate will have experience and/or relevant training, excellent problem solving skills, and the ability and desire to work in a team environment. Candidate must be skilled in organizational, time management, computer and data entry skills and proficient in Microsoft Office programs, including Excel. This is a 35 hour per week/11 month position, to start August 1, 2017.

Application deadline: Open Until Filled

Send Letter of Application, Resumé and

Three (3) letters of Reference to:

Sharon Thiel, Administrative Assistant
Freshwater Education District, 1100 5th St. NE
Staples, MN 56479, Phone: 218-894-2439 Ext 1002, Fax: 218-894-2295
sthiel@fed.k12.mn.us

Freshwater Education District 6004 is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

Full-time Employment Todd-Wadena Community Corrections

Todd-Wadena Community Corrections seeks one full-time Administrative Specialist for our Long Prairie Office. Travel between both counties may be required. Current responsibilities include, but are not limited to, serving as general agency office manager, serving as computer and systems administrator for our database systems, maintaining all bookkeeping/accounting functions for agency, coordinating employee payroll and insurance benefits, maintaining employment and financial records, assisting Director with budget preparation and administration, and providing administrative support and assistance to Director as needed. Successful applicant must be highly organized and efficient and demonstrate strong written and verbal communication skills.

Minimum qualifications include an Associate degree or vocational/technical diploma in general business, secretarial, office administration, accounting or related field with a minimum of two years experience in office functions, computer operations, financial or records management, data entry, data base management, or related field; or any equivalent combination.

Must have valid MN driver's license and auto insurance, and reliable transportation. Must pass agency background check requirements prior to employment. Convictions, continuances or stays for crimes other than minor traffic offenses may disqualify the applicant from being hired.

Salary range is \$21.16 - \$31.97 per hour.
Contact Kathy Langer, Director, at 320-732-6165, kathy.langer@co.todd.mn.us for an application packet. Submit cover letter, resumé and completed application to: Todd-Wadena Community Corrections, 221 First Avenue South, Suite 200, Long Prairie, MN 56347.

Position will remain open until filled.

First round of application reviews scheduled for May 24, 2017

"EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER"

PETRO PLUS Convenience Stores

NOW HIRING!

\$11/HOUR

PT Sales Associate

Limited Benefits • Employee Discount • Paid Training

Pillager Location

Two Night Shifts 16-24 hours/week
One Day Shift 12-22 hours/week

Randall Location

One Night Shift 16-28 hours/week

Apply Online: www.petroplusstores.com

Or in Person:

746 Pillsbury St N, Pillager
832 Superior Ave, Randall

Have you considered Lakewood

- Amazing Culture
- Meaningful Work
- Personal & Professional Growth

Visit our website to see our current opportunities.
The right job might be closer than you think!

800-525-1033 218-894-1515 lakewoodhealthsystem.com



MOREY'S
Fine Fish and Seafood

NEW PAY SCALE!

1ST SHIFT: \$11.50/HR 2ND SHIFT: \$12.00/HR 3RD SHIFT: \$12.25/HR

HIRING BONUS!

1ST SHIFT: \$350 2ND SHIFT: \$500 3RD SHIFT: \$500

Employment

APPLY online at erstaffing.com or in person at 607 Washington St. Brainerd OR 307 S Jefferson St. Wadena. 218-824-WORK

Motley Area

Lawn care & handyman.

Competitive wages depending upon experience.

Call Scott:
218-639-5922

Could possibly become year-around job.

208

Storage

STORAGE
Get your winter toys
INSIDE and out of the
hot summer sun!
Bob Sorenson, Staples
(218) 838-1341

FOR RENT

Japke's North 8th Street
Mini Storage, 894-1551
6x20, 10x12, 10x20, 10x24

Approximately 10,000
square feet of secure

WAREHOUSE

in Wadena, Mn
Cold storage
20' ceiling height
Loading docks
Easy Semi truck access
CALL 218-631-3570
AND ASK FOR JASON

209

Business Services

Permit to Carry Class

Ed Jose
New: \$75 Renewal \$50
Multi-State
Call 218-371-2151

Your major appliance parts source. Parts for all major brands. One day service, Staples True Value, Staples. 218-894-3263.
26tfc

FOR SALE

306

Sporting Goods
LAKE REGION GUN SHOP: Gun repair, sales of new & used firearms. 218-820-4543 or 218-822-3193.
20-22p



EBD Teacher

Freshwater Education District is seeking a Full-Time EBD Teacher for our Level IV Setting. Position includes: Working in a small structured environment, using a variety of positive behavior strategies in a team format. MN Licensure in EBD and experience working with students with behavior needs is preferred.

Send Letter of Application, Resumé and References to:

Lori Murdock, Director of Special Education
Freshwater Special Education
910 Ash Ave. NE, Wadena, MN 56482.

Phone: 218-631-2281, Ext. 1042

Fax: 218-631-3588. lmurdock@fed.k12.mn.us

Freshwater Education District 6004 is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

SPEECH LANGUAGE PATHOLOGIST

Freshwater Education District is seeking a full-time Speech Language Pathologist to work as a part of our team. We work together to provide services based on strengths and interests of our professionals. Developing models of B-3 home-visits, ASD programming, direct service or assessments could be included. If this type of environment interests you, we'd like to talk.

Send Letter of Application Resumé and References to:

Lori Murdock, Director of Special Education
Freshwater Special Education, 910 Ash Ave. NE, Wadena, MN 56482
Phone: 218-631-2281 Ext. 1042, Fax: 218-631-3588
lmurdock@fed.k12.mn.us

Freshwater Education District 6004 is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

307**Household**

Like new tan & rust sofa \$250, full size roll-a-way \$20, rust colored occasional chair \$15. 218-445-5340.

18-20p

309**Miscellaneous**

Like new 2013 Stealth enclosed trailer, 7'x12', V-nose, rear drop door and side walk door. New 8 ply tires. \$2,850. 612-817-9150.

20-22p

Lazy Boy recliner, several 2x4x8's, oak 8 gun-cabinet, large drawer on bottom for ammo storage, 218-397-2487.

19-20p

PLAT BOOKS AVAILABLE: Crow Wing, Morrison, Todd and Wadena counties, \$27 plus tax. Staples World Office.

38tfx

WANTED TO BUY**501**

Miscellaneous WANTED TO BUY: JUNK CARS & TRUCKS. 218-639-5509.

18-23p

• Farmers •

Buying field stone boulders

218-575-3344

Devin

21-24p

FREE DROP OFF: Microwaves, Air Conditioners, Water Heaters, Gas Grills, Propane Tanks, Furnaces, Lawn Mowers, Refrigerators, Freezers, Washers, Dryers, Misc. Iron and Scrap. Christmas Tree Lights. **WE BUY CANS AND BATTERIES.** NO: TV's, Electronics, Mattress, Tires, Household trash. Call for information: 218-639-0150. Card Auto, 27593 Todd Line Rd, Staples.

36tfc

REAL ESTATE**601****Wanted To Rent**

PASTURE for beef cattle. 218-837-5282 or evenings 218-837-5505.

18-20p

602**Apartments for Rent**

STAPLES: Downtown, 1 - 2 bdrm., recently remodeled, NO pets, non smoking. 218-894-3108.

6tfc

Pinecrest Townhomes

Staples

• 2 bedroom**Unit**

Very Spacious! Certain income restrictions apply. Section 8 welcome. For more information contact Rhea at

D. W. Jones

Management, Inc.

218-824-8403 or email

Rheap@dwjonesmanagement.com

Minnesota Relay

System 711, or (800)627-3529

Equal Housing opportunity

Prairie View Apartments

Staples

1&2 bedrooms available

Fireplaces, dishwashers, A/C, garages available, controlled entry.

Starting at \$580.00

Call Today for

more information

218-894-0120

please leave message

if no answer

www.GraniteCityApts.com

EHO

NEW IN STAPLES**The Pullman Townhomes**

2 & 3 bedroom, 2 bath Townhomes one level,

no steps, attached

2 car garage.

Available June 2017

For more info please

call Courtyard Property

Management

320-632-5918**EARLY DEADLINES**

Due to Memorila Day the deadline for the

June 1 Staples World

Friday, May 26**5p.m.****ADVERTISING SPECIALTIES****"BUSINESS BUILDING IDEAS"**

*Pens and Pencils * Calendars * Banners * Mugs

* Key Tags * Letter Openers * Rulers

*Rain Gauges * Can Insulators

And Lots Lots More

For all the Details call Gary or Brenda at,
The Staples World 218-894-1112

**MCAN**

Minnesota Classified Advertising Network

**EMPLOYMENT****DEDICATED DRIVING JOB**

Guaranteed weekly pay & home most weekends! Need 3 years Class A/flatted experience preferred. Call 540/514-8576

KMS PUBLIC SCHOOLS

seeking Special Education Teacher beginning fall 2017. Apply: www.kms.k12.mn.us or send letter of interest, resume, license, transcripts and three letters of recommendation to KMS District Office, Box 168, Kerkhoven, MN 56252.

HELP WANTED - DRIVERS**CDL-A DRIVERS**

\$7,500 sign-on-bonus. Medical benefits day 1 & earn \$65k+ in your first year!!! Guaranteed pay. Profit sharing. 401k with company match & more! Call Jim Robbins 253/512-1887 or go to www.McLaneMNDrivers.com

SAVE MONEY!

Call your local newspaper or MNA 800-279-2979 to find out how you can save money by placing your advertisement here!

FOR SALE**KILL BED BUGS**

& their eggs! Buy Harris Bed Bug Killers/Kit complete treatment system. Available: hardware stores, the Home Depot, homedepot.com

WANTED TO BUY**MOTORCYCLES WANTED**

1960S & 1970S - All makes! Running & not-running. Cash paid & trailer pickup. Dan: 612/720-2142

MISCELLANEOUS**DONATE YOUR CAR**

truck or boat to Heritage For The Blind. Free 3-day vacation, tax deductible, free towing, all paperwork taken care of 800/439-1735

THINKING OF BUYING A NEW OR USED CAR?

Call to get current promotional pricing and local dealer incentives for free. No hassle. No obligation. Call: 844/617-9515

DISH TV - BEST DEAL EVER!

Only \$39.99/mo. Plus \$14.99/mo Internet (where avail). Free Streaming. Free Install (up to 6 rooms). Free HD-DVR. Call 800/297-8706

MISCELLANEOUS**STOP OVERPAYING FOR YOUR PRESCRIPTIONS!**

Save! Call our licensed Canadian & International pharmacy, compare prices & get \$25.00 OFF your first prescription! Call 877/210-2257 Promo Code: CDC201725

DIAGNOSED WITH MESOTHELIOMA

or Asbestos Lung Cancer? If so, you and your family may be entitled to a substantial financial award. We can help you get cash quick! Call 24/7: 855/999-9458

YOUR AD HERE!

One phone call & only \$279 to reach a statewide audience of 3 million readers!!!

1-800-279-2979

GOT KNEE PAIN?

Back Pain? Shoulder Pain? Get a pain-relieving brace - little or no cost to you. Medicare patients call health hotline now! 800/755-6807

STOP PAYING FOR SURPRISE HOME REPAIRS!

With Nations Home Warranty, we pay 100% of covered home repairs! Call for a free quote today 844/343-5815

*SERVICE DIRECTORY*SERVICE DIRECTORY*SERVICE DIRECTORY*SERVICE DIRECTORY*SERVICE DIRECTORY*SERVICE DIRECTORY*SERVICE DIRECTORY*SERVICE DIRECTORY

SERVICE DIRECTORY

WAYNE'S ELECTRIC OF STAPLES, INC.
For All Your Electrical Needs
218-894-4383
or 218-820-1883 (cell)

Small Engine Repair
Authorized.....
Stihl, MTD, Murray, Scag, Briggs & Stratton, Poulan
Sales-Service-Repair
Staples Ace Hardware
218-894-1080

PAUL DRAKE TREE SERVICE
•General •Lot Clearing
•Storm Damage Clean Up
•Stump Grinding •Brushing
•55 ft. Bucket Truck
218-894-2871

ALBIE ELECTRIC LLC
Cell 838-0581 Home Office 894-0151
RESIDENTIAL AND LIGHT COMMERCIAL ELECTRICAL INSTALLATIONS

GIZA EST 1934
PLUMBING & HEATING
• PLUMBING
• HEATING
• AIR CONDITIONING
• GEOTHERMAL
• NEW CONSTRUCTION
• REMODEL
• SERVICE
MN LIC. #PC644417
218-894-2284
WWW.CALLGIZA.COM

Septic Tank Pumping & Cleaning
Altrichter Excavation & Septic Service
•Compliance Inspections •Septic Installation & Design
6685 330th St., Cushing, MN. 56443, **218-575-2222 or 218-746-4154**

Staples True Value
Just Ask **RENTAL**
Open 7 Days A Week
Staples, MN. **218-894-3263**

Long Prairie Sanitary Service
Residential, Commercial and Roll-Off Service in the City of Staples and surrounding area, including the Motley and Lincoln Lakes area.
1-320-732-6464 or 1-888-878-5578

Northern Tree & Landscape
Ted Sullivan • Pillager, MN • **218-746-3551 • 218-820-8575**
Serving Central Minnesota for Almost 40 Years
Specializing in high risk and difficult tree removal.
•Tree Trimming •Boom Truck Available •Tree Removal
•Storm Damage •Stump Removal •Landscaping •Sod & Shrubbery
ONE OF CENTRAL MINNESOTA'S FOREMOST TREE AND LANDSCAPING SERVICE.

D & B Mosquito Control
Licensed/Insured
218-296-0979
218-296-3908
Brian & Dorothy, owners
25642 County Rd. 7, Staples, MN 56479

Anderson Septic Service, LLC
Staples • Motley • Pillager
Local Service • Local Pricing
Light Truck • Yard Friendly
218-296-2835 andersonsepticsevice@gmail.com

Rudy Bjerga SEWER SERVICE
•Design •Black Dirt
•Water Lines
218-640-1549

PRO CARPET CARE
(218) 894-1441
*No mileage charges
*Free estimates
*Staples & surrounding area
*Residential *Professional
*Commercial Carpet
*Upholstery Cleaning
*Floor Stripping and Waxing
*Vehicle Detailing
JAKE ROSENTHAL

loni **218-513-8706**
136 4th St. NE Staples, MN
Sewing Services **Loni Kay**
loni_kay@gmail.com To serve you better, by appointment
Walk-ins Welcome
M-F 10:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m.

*SERVICE DIRECTORY*SERVICE DIRECTORY*SERVICE DIRECTORY*SERVICE DIRECTORY*SERVICE DIRECTORY*SERVICE DIRECTORY*SERVICE DIRECTORY*SERVICE DIRECTORY

PROFESSIONAL

Why cut corners on **CAR INSURANCE?**
Get the right coverage at the right price for you
Daniel Douts, Ins. Agency • Daniel Douts, Agent
LIKE A GOOD NEIGHBOR STATE FARM IS THERE®
State Farm
218-894-1717 Providing Insurance and Financial Staples, MN
P040029 02/04 State Farm Mutual Automobile Insurance Company (Not in NJ) Bloomington, IL

Dr. Peter Brenny Dentist
•Staples only
resident Dentist!
•Staples most experienced Dentist!
218-894-2755
212 4th St. NE, Staples

THRIVENT FINANCIAL
Robert M Mueller, FIC
Financial Associate
209 4th St. NE
Staples, MN. 56479
218-894-2161
Toll-Free 888-602-4942
Registered Representatives for securities and investment advisory services offered through Thrivent Investment Management Inc. Member FINRA and SIPC.
27193 N10.11

Sellnow Law Office, P.A.
Thomas H. Sellnow*
sellnowt@sellnowlaw.com
Jason R. Sellnow
sellnowj@sellnowlaw.com
218-894-4618 • 133 4th St. NE, Staples
229 Central Ave., Long Prairie
320-732-1919 • Toll free: 877-297-1125
*Thomas Sellnow is a Real Property Law Specialist certified by Real Property Section of Minnesota State Bar Association.
• Probate and Trusts
• Estate Planning • Family Law
• Real Estate • Business Law
• Title Insurance • Elder Law
• Personal Injury • Auto Accidents
www.sellnowlaw.com

*SERVICE DIRECTORY*SERVICE DIRECTORY*SERVICE DIRECTORY*SERVICE DIRECTORY*SERVICE DIRECTORY*SERVICE DIRECTORY*SERVICE DIRECTORY*SERVICE DIRECTORY

CONSTRUCTION

IDEAL CONSTRUCTION LLC
Paying the Way for You!
Staples, MN 56479
218-894-3105 **SINCE 1958**
Asphalt Paving • Seal Coating • Excavating • Driveways
Roads • Parking Lots • Site Prep • Gravel • Rock • Black Dirt
Fill • Peat • Ponds • Demolition • Hauling • Landscaping
Recycled Concrete and Asphalt

Statema Backhoe Service, LLC
MPCA CERTIFIED SEPTIC SYSTEMS
• FREE ESTIMATE FROM DESIGN TO INSTALLATION
• COMPLIANCE INSPECTIONS
• Site Prep • Basements • Waterlines • Driveways • Landscaping
• Black Dirt • Gravel • Fill Dirt • Clearing & Grading • Construction & Abandonment of Manure Pits • Ditch Cleaning • Snow Plowing: Commercial & Residential
• Andy Statema 320-594-2912 • Toll Free 888-594-6347

PHB Excavating Inc.
Phil Bjerga
218-639-5007
Licensed / Bonded / Insured
Septics • Waterlines • Trenching • Basements • Retaining Walls
Landscaping & Site Preparation • Backhoe & Skid Loader Work
Sewer Pipe Cleaning and Steaming • Custom Pressure Washing
Equipment, Buildings, Driveways, etc. • Snow Plowing & Removal

*SERVICE DIRECTORY*SERVICE DIRECTORY*SERVICE DIRECTORY*SERVICE DIRECTORY*SERVICE DIRECTORY*SERVICE DIRECTORY*SERVICE DIRECTORY*SERVICE DIRECTORY

GARDEN continued from page 1a

Kleinschmidt uses organic methods in maintaining his gardens

on occasion, making sure to remove the entire weed so it won't grow back. To help keep the quack grass at bay, Russell uses a straw mulch in his garden beds. He also plants 'cover crops' each year which helps suppress weeds, as well as manage soil erosion and quality. Because cover crops are not harvested,

this means Russell will have less space in which to grow marketable vegetables. "I'll have to forgo two rows in the high tunnel this year, to kill off the quack grass," he said. Thanks to the straw mulch and cover crops, Russell's gardens have increased 2.6 percent in organic matter over the past

five years. Russell also utilizes the drip tape system for watering his plants, which helps manage the water application. With this system, water soaks into the ground and leaves the top surface dry, so weeds don't grow. This year, Russell has also chosen to 'cover' one of his outdoor raised garden beds with a tarp, which will help to control the weeds/quack grass. However, it means a loss of harvested vegetables he could be selling this season. "You learn from making mistakes," Russell said. "Sometimes it costs you by having to take a step back." Diversity is important when planting a garden, Russell said. He noted that every year there seems to be something that causes a surprise set-back, whether it be insects, or a certain vegetable that didn't grow as expected. "This year it's the cucumbers," he said. By planting a diverse selection of vegetables, there is always something to fall back on. The main harvest season runs from Early June - September; and CSA members should be able to expect to

see a number of vegetables during that time, including beets, bok choy, broccoli, cauliflower, carrots, peas, peppers, radishes, rhubarb, summer squash, green beans, lettuce, among other vegetables and a few herbs. Some vegetables and fruits, including sweet corn, tomatoes and watermelon, won't be ready for harvest until August or September. Russell is still growing vegetables from seed in his basement and will transplant them at the appropriate time. "Once the kohlrabi is harvested, then there will be more room for the carrots; and more light for the tomatoes," he said. Every year he tries to do things a bit better than he did the previous year. He attempts to increase efficiency and production instead of acreage. This means utilizing all of the space available in his gardens and not leaving unnecessary voids or gaps between rows. In addition to vegetables, Kleinschmidt Farms offers brown eggs and chickens (Cornish Cross broilers and Red Rangers) for sale. Pick-up locations for



Keeping the weeds at bay

Russell Kleinschmidt, rural Staples, checks the status of the garlic growing in his south garden. Planted last fall, the garlic comes up on its own in the spring. Kleinschmidt utilizes a 'no till' method of maintaining his gardens, including using straw to help keep the weeds at bay. (Staples World photo by Dawn Timbs)



Covering the plants

Russell Kleinschmidt uses row covers to protect plants in his high tunnel. The covers help to keep heat in; and also help to keep disease and insects away. (Staples World photo by Dawn Timbs)

Motley City Council approves results of Compensation Study

By Dawn Timbs
Staples World reporter

The Motley City Council approved the final report from Human Resources consultant Paul Ness of Rosemount, regarding the city's Compensation Study. As part of the study, Ness reviewed and updated job descriptions, job evaluation points; and the city's pay/step structure. The following items, based on Ness's study and proposals, were approved at the council meeting:

- Upgrading the title of

the maintenance department head to be Public Works Director to reflect the current duties and responsibilities of the position.

- Adopting the 2017 Step Structure, effective Jan. 1, 2017. This will result in retroactive pay for all full-time regular employees. It was noted that employees haven't had a raise in a few years.
- The only employees who are eligible for a step increase in 2017 are those newly-promoted or newly-hired employees who be-

gan on the Minimum Step of their pay grade.

- The Implementation Schedule which included: Clerk/Treasurer, Pay Grade 10, Step 3; Public Works Director, Pay Grade 10, Minimum Step; Police Chief, Pay Grade 10, Step 4; Maintenance Worker, Pay Grade 5, Step 3; Part-time Police Officer, Pay Grade 7, 6-month step.

Subsequently, the council re-approved promoting MPD Officer Jason Borash to a full-time position with a Pay Grade 7 and Step 2. In other matters the

council:

- ACCEPTED the resignation of council member Nate Douglas, effective April 22, 2017; and declared a vacancy on the council. Subsequently, the council approved accepting letters of interest (for the vacant council seat) until Friday, June 2, at noon.
- HEARD from Lyle Grossinger of New Germany, an insurance agent, regarding an accident that occurred in Motley which involved his RV vehicle and the city's skid steer, driven by Bruce Brotherton, Public Works Director. Grossinger was requesting action on an auto claim that was denied by LMCIT (League of Minnesota Cities Insurance Trust). The damage estimate to his vehicle is \$1,346; and Grossinger did not feel the insurance adjuster received all of the correct information regarding the accident. Mayor Yoder said that he could understand Grossinger's frustration, but that this was something that needed to be worked out between the two insurance agents. Grossinger acknowledged that he only has liability insurance on his RV. Grossinger said he would have to take the city to court.
- APPROVED the following requests from Barb Cline, Staples-Motley Area Chamber of Commerce Executive Director in regard to the city's support of the upcoming June Fest, June 15-17: 1) Providing in-kind services for the event. 2) Allowing street closures during the parade. 3) Approving a street dance and permit for a beer garden. 4) Use of Converter Park.
- APPROVED donating \$3,000 to be used for June Fest activities which coincide with Motley's 130th Anniversary.

- APPROVED hiring Darci McGillivray as a full-time Administrative/Accounting Assistant pending acceptable background check. Her salary will begin at a minimum step of Grade 4 and she will work 32 - 40 hours per week, depending on workload. Benefits include medical/dental/life insurance and short-term disability insurance. McGillivray's probation period is six months, after which time her performance will be reviewed and she will be eligible for a step increase. Previously, she worked part-time as an intern at city hall.
- HEARD from City Clerk/Treasurer Lacey Smieja that she and McGillivray are working on extending hours at city hall.
- APPROVED renewing the following liquor licenses, pending acceptable license background checks and receipt of Liability Insurance Certificates: Motley Discount Liquor; Y-Knot Package Liquor; Bremer's Bar, Inc.; H & R Ten-Hi.
- APPROVED dance permit for June Fest and waived the fee.
- HEARD monthly fire report from Chief Todd Judd, which included 18 calls during April.
- MET new firefighters Nathan Thiede and Brandon Mertens.
- HEARD compliments from Police Chief Ron Smith regarding the fire department and the outstanding job they did in sponsoring the recent controlled burn/training at the Motley Motel.
- HEARD monthly police report from Chief Ron Smith, which included 151 calls for service during April. Smith noted that he was called out from home twice.
- APPROVED using a

\$1,500 donation that the police department received last year for a new rifle for one of the squad vehicles.

- APPROVED the police department participating in upcoming parades at various area towns, including Pillager, Staples, Randall.
- HEARD maintenance department report for April from Brotherton. The department did not receive any violations from the MPCA, but, "it is way too close," Brotherton noted in his report.
- LEARNED that there is a lot of sludge in the wastewater ponds. Brotherton suggested they may need to be dredged but he is looking at other lower-cost options first. This was last done in 1988 and it should be done every 30 years. Brotherton said this dredging procedure could cost around \$100,000.
- ACCEPTED the bid from Pro Sweep, Inc., to sweep the city streets. Brotherton noted that he would like to have the streets swept before June Fest.
- ACCEPTED the estimate of \$1,250 from Wayne's Electric for getting power set up in Converse Park.
- APPROVED moving ahead with getting bids for the well project.
- APPROVED implementing the GovPayNet system which will allow residents to pay their utility bills with a credit or debit card. There is no cost to the city.
- LEARNED that Steve Barrows, from the Office of Congressman Richard Nolan, will be at city hall Wednesday, June 14, 9:30 a.m., as part of 'Congress Comes to You.'
- SET next regular meeting for Monday, June 12, 6:30 p.m.

CLASSIFIEDS CON'T.

GARAGE SALES 701

ASSEMBLY OF GOD YOUTH GARAGE SALE: 914 3rd Ave NE., Staples. **Thurs., May 25, 8 a.m.-7 p.m., Fri., May 26, 8 a.m.-7 p.m., Sat., May 27, 8 a.m.-12 noon.** Selection of antiques, many cookie jars, crystal water pitcher, complete Avon chess set, wrought iron wedding candleabras, canning jars (quart, pints, jelly), lift chair, rockers, glider rocker, tables, entertainment centers, snow blower, lawn mower, 4 red boat seats, clothing: men & women's (some 3XL), teen girls, girls 6-14; misc. for all. **PROCEEDS GO FOR MISSIONS.** ssw20

Staples Assembly of God Church Brats, Hot Dogs, Chips & Pop **Thurs., May 25 Fri., May 26 Sat., May 27** **11 a.m. to 6 p.m.** **"ALL PROCEEDS GO TO HABITAT FOR HUMANITY!"**

HUGE PERENNIAL PLANT SALE: 49430 305th Ave. S, Staples. 3 mi. east of Staples on Hwy. 10. Watch for signs. **Sat., May 27-Mon., May 29 AND Fri., June 2-Sat., June 3, 8 a.m.-?** Yvonne Dickman and Sue Gosse. Many varieties of perennials: Hostas, Day Lilies, Bleeding Hearts, Lilacs, more. w20-ssw21-ss22p

MULTI-FAMILY SALE: Fri., May 19-Sat., May 20, 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Congregational Church basement, 204 5th St. NE, Staples. A lot of treasures. w20p

DOWNSIZING SALE: Fishing, yard, garden, household, furniture, quilts, men's items, smoker, variety of misc. **Fri., May 19, Sat., May 20, 8 a.m.-?** 1502 3rd St. NE, Staples, 2 blks. north of True Value. ssw20p

4-FAMILY SALE: Fri., May 19, 8 a.m.-? Staples 1516 4th St. NE (5th house N of Cemetery) R. Odden's. A lot of quality miscellaneous stuff. •Young adult/ladies clothing/shoes/purses •Costume jewelry •Vintage sewing bench •Curtains •Rugs

A lot of great boy's clothing/shoes; like new youth size football, basketball, golf shoes (Under Armour/Nike)

•Blankets/throws •Fabric •Table runners •Baskets •Dishes •Glassware •Antique wooden dining rm. chairs •Granite bathroom sink/vanity top •Old screen doors/ window screens (for art projects) •Misc decorations. w20p

GARAGE SALE - 3 FAMILIES: 5 mi. S. of Motley on Hwy. 10 between golf course & Lincoln gas station. Watch for signs (Marlene Finck). Girl's clothes: infant-5T; Peavey sound equip./speakers, kid's toys, home decor, more misc., furniture items. **Thurs., May 18, 1-6 p.m., Fri., May 19, 8 a.m.-5 p.m., Sat., May 20, 8 a.m.-noonish.** ssw20p

ANNUAL GARAGE SALE •Earlier this year/not to be missed• High quality kid's stuff, furniture, Harley apparel, much more! Ron and Mary Peterson's, 502 Oak Ave. S., Staples. Follow signs. **Thurs., May 18, 8 a.m.-4p.m.; Fri., May 19, 8 a.m.-5 p.m., Sat., May 20, 9 a.m.-noon.** ssw20p

RUMMAGE SALE: Home décor, accessories, glassware, milk glass, bedding, blankets, photo frames, pictures, frames, craft supplies, TV, Queen bed frame, rugs, vintage rocker, jelly jars, some clothing, seasonal items, many more items. 1520 4th St. NE, Staples. **Fri., May 19, 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Sat., May 20, 9 a.m.-noon.** No early sales. ssw20p

ESTATE SALE: ALL MUST GO! Fri., May 19, 8 a.m.-5 p.m., Sat., May 20, 8 a.m.-noon. 424 6th St. NE, Staples. Some antiques, furniture, more. w20p

GARAGE SALE: Stone corks, kitchen items, furniture, games, toys, antiques and much more. **Fri., May 19, 7 a.m.-4 p.m., Sat., May 20, 7 a.m.-?** From Staples 3/4 mi. east of Warner Rd bridge - 3/4 mi. south on 83rd Ave. SW. Millers. ssw20p

RED BARN ANTIQUES & COLLECTIBLES: 6039 Azalea Rd., Motley. Open every 3rd wknd. May-Oct.. **Fri., Sat., Sun., 9 a.m.-5 p.m.** or by app't. **May 19-May 21; June 16-June 18; July 21 - July 23; Aug. 18-Aug. 20; Sept. 15-Sept. 17; Oct. 20-Oct. 22.** www.etsy.com/HaberAntiques; email: ehaber@brainerd.net. 218-640-6475. ssw20p

TWO-FAMILY SALE: **Fri., May 19-Sat., May 20, 10 a.m.-5 p.m.** Cat trees, wide variety household items. 41962 239th Ave., Browerville. From Staples Cty. Rd. 21 to #74. Follow signs. Cancelled if rain. ssw20p

GARAGES SALES - TWO LOCATIONS: 8446 120th St. SW and 8360 120th St. SW. Approx. 3-1/2 mi. east of Staples on Warner Rd. **Thurs., May 18-Sat., May 20, 8 a.m.-5:30 p.m.** Clothes, household items, furniture, treadmill, various other items. ssw20p

GARAGE SALE: **Thurs., May 18, Fri., May 19, Sat., May 20, 8 a.m.-6 p.m.** 16-ft. boat, 35 hp motor and trailer; Burr Mill yard art, antique Easy Loader for bees, Snapper lawn mower, misc. elec./ hand tools including Craftsmen table saw, household items & more. 11763 231st Ave., Staples. ssw20p

Break-in at 2 Tall Tavern, Cushing

An attempted break-in took place at 2 Tall Tavern in Cushing shortly after 7 a.m. on May 16, reports the Morrison County Sheriff's Office. Deputies responded to the area after receiving the report and noticed the business had been broken into. It appeared that the suspect(s) broke a window to gain entry into the business. According to Sheriff Shawn Larsen, it

is believed the suspect(s) left on foot just prior to the deputies arriving. If you saw anything suspicious or have any information regarding this break-in, call the Morrison County Sheriff's Office at 320-632-9233. 2 Tall Tavern, previously known as the Hitchin' Rail, is located on Azure Road, south of 320th Street, in Scandia Valley Township.

Toddler injured in lawn mower accident

A three-year-old boy was airlifted to North Memorial Hospital in Robbinsdale after being run over by a lawn mower in Swan River Township May 10.

The incident occurred at a residence on Great River Road at approximately 5:26 p.m.

According to the Morrison County Sheriff's Office,

Alex Warzecha, 32, of Little Falls, was mowing the lawn with a zero-turn riding lawn mower and his three-year-old son was riding on the back of the mower. The child fell off while the father was making a turn and was accidentally run over by the lawn mower while the PTO (Power Take Off) was engaged. The child was airlifted to the hospital with a severe leg injury. Others assisting at the scene included the MN State Patrol, Bowlus First Response Team, Gold Cross Ambulance and North Air Care.

EARLY DEADLINES
Due to Memorial Day Observance
the deadline for the
June 1 edition of the Staples World is
Friday, May 26, 5 p.m.