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End of an era The Morey Fish Co. sign in Motley, a landmark for decades, was taken down July 14. Rich's (Rich Products Corporation) bought the seafood plant in 2020 and is in the process of rebranding. (Photo by Dawn Timbs)

Weather

This Week's Forecast

	High	Low	Cond.
July 20	85	63	M. Sunny
July 21	82	61	M. Sunny
July 22	84	62	Sunny
July 23	85	64	P. Sunny
July 24	83	62	Sunny
July 25	81	61	P. Cloudy
July 26	82	61	P. Cloudy

Last Year, 2021

	High	Low	Cond.
July 20	87°	66	Sunny
July 21	84	65	Sunny
July 22	85	70	Cloudy
July 23	89	71	M. Sunny
July 24	87	70	Sunny
July 25	86	63	Sunny
July 26	87	67	Rain

Average Temps:
H = 83° Low = 61°

Compiled by Dale Hausmann, WCCO's Staples area Weatherwatcher

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Staples Veterans Park receives donation

The Offutt Family Foundation recently awarded a $5,000 Community Builder Grant to the Staples All Veterans and Community Park Association. The money will be used to help families purchase engraved pavers for the park, with name, rank and years of service. The grant application was submitted by R.D. Offutt (RDO) employee Scott Salthe.

In addition to the check presentation at Staples All Veterans Park June 24, two veterans with a connection to the R.D. Offutt company were recognized as being paver recipients, thanks to the grant. They are Retired Master Sgt. Rodger D. Pruitt, who was nominated for the paver by his son, RDO team member William Pruitt; and Army veteran Rodney Anderson, an RDO team member. Pruitt served 30 years in various branches of the Army. Anderson served in the Army National Guard from 1964 - 1979.

Pictured front row from left are Salthe, RDO employee; and Bob Hamann, All Veterans Park board member (receiving the check); paver recipient Retired Master Sgt. Rodger D. Pruitt; his granddaughter Cadence Pruitt and son, William Pruitt. Back row, from left, are Mel Daniels, park board member; paver recipient Rodney Anderson, RDO team member and Army veteran; and Bette Pruitt, wife of Rodger D. Pruitt. (Staples World photo by Dawn Timbs)

Staples to put sales tax on November ballot

By Mark Anderson
Managing Editor

Staples residents will have a chance to vote on whether to use a sales tax to help renovate the Staples Community Center.

At the July 12 Staples City Council meeting, the council approved putting a sales tax question on the November ballot. If approved, the proposal would add a tax of one half of one percent on items that are currently taxed under Minnesota state law. Minnesota's sales tax is now 6.875 percent.

The proposal for the local sales tax in Staples would end after 25 years or after $1.6 million is collected, whichever comes first. The money from the tax can only be used for community center improvements.

The Staples Community Center was originally a project of the City of Staples and the Staples-Motley School District. The center is now entirely run by the city, with the school district using it on a minimal basis.

Mayor Chris Etzler said residents are paying extra sales taxes when they shop in other communities such as Baxter and Brainerd. City Administrator Jerel Nelsen said Little Falls is seeking a sales tax for a community center and Wadena is seeking a sales tax for a library. Other expenditures include snow plowing equipment and replacing the light department's bucket truck.

Capital improvement plan

The council reviewed the city's five year Capital Improvement Plan, which sets out some of the major expenditures for infrastructure and equipment needs for the city.

For 2023, one of the planned equpment purchases is body cameras for local police officers.

For infrastructure, the biggest item for 2023 is a water main replacement on Minnesota and Wisconsin Ave. SE., plus a sewer main.

Some of the items on the list depend on grants, such as the Dower Lake storm shelter construction. Community center improvements will depend on whether the sales tax passes in November.

A plan to expand Dower Lake Recreation Area is

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Collins receives service award, plus hope and fellowship

The Staples Area Men's Chorus (SAMC) recently awarded Robin Collins of Staples the 2022 Presidential Award for Service.

Bill Spar, SAMC President, noted that the recipient of this annual award is chosen by the men's chorus president. "That fell into my hands this year and in my mind Robin was a clear choice," Spar said. He went on to point out some of the words on Collins' plaque that he felt described him well, including 'fortitude', 'courage' and 'overcoming adversity.'

Even after Collins suffered a stroke in August of 2020, Spar said that the chorus didn't see a lot of "down time" from the dedicated first tenor. "He was able to figure out a way to still participate, whereas I'm not sure many others of us would have," Spar said, noting this was a great example of overcoming adversity. Another great example, Spar went on, was when the chorus had an informal golf outing and Collins mentioned he'd like to come along and just ride in the cart. "I was lucky enough to be the one to ride along with him," Spar said. He shared that when he arrived at the course, Collins' clubs were already strapped into the cart. "Thought I'd give it a go," Spar recalled Collins saying to him. Collins then proceeded to figure out a way to hold onto the club with both hands even though he had very limited use of one arm. A great example of courage, Spar said.

"If you look up the definition of fortitude, Robin is a great example of that," Spar said. "He leads by example. He is a well deserving recipient of this year's award."

Collins, who also serves as pastor at Trinity Lutheran Church in Staples, has been a member of the chorus for about 20 years.

"I am rarely speechless, but when Bill Spar said that I was the recipient of the Presidential Service Award,

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Staples Police investigate possible stabbing

On July 6, Staples Police were dispatched to a report of a male claiming to be stabbed at a residence on 6th Street NE. Officers made contact with the victim, who was transported to the hospital by ambulance with wounds on his bicep and thigh. Officers later located the possible suspect, who suggested the subject stabbed himself. The subject was released. Police are investigating.

Other items on the Staples Police report include:

June 27, received a report of an attempted break in at a residence on 8th Street NE.

June 28, Staples Police received a fireworks complaint on the 1200 block of 4th Street NE. Police spoke with some college students and they were warned and advised. Police later received a complaint that a firework was placed in the porta potty at the cemetery. Police spoke with the college students who admitted to placing the firework in there. They were advised to

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Four-year-old dies in ATV accident

A four-year-old boy was killed, and a six-year-old injured as a result of an ATV accident July 12, in Buckman Township.

According to the Morrison County Sheriff's Office, they received a report of the accident at approximately 4:45 p.m. It happened approximately one mile south of Buckman on 83rd St., east of Highway 25.

The press release stated that a four-year-old juvenile male from Pierz was driving a Yamaha ATV east on 83rd St., along with a six-year-old juvenile male passenger. The driver lost control on the gravel road, rolling the ATV. Prior to the ATV rolling, the passenger jumped off the machine. The four-year-old was ejected, and life-saving measures were immediately attempted but he was later pronounced dead at the scene. The six-year-old passenger was treated for minor cuts and bruises. The crash is still under investigation.

Sheriff Shawn Larsen stated, "This is a tragic situation for family and all emergency personnel. Our thoughts and prayers go out to everyone involved."



First place parade float

The 'Pillsbury Players Community Theatre' float captured first place at the annual Pillager Fair Parade July 9. Second place went to 50's Hand Jive Disco Ball - Gary Pilgrim, of Pillager; and third place went to the Pillager Lions Club. (Staples World photo by Dawn Timbs)

Motley City Council appoints new mayor, council member

By Dawn Timbs
Staples World reporter

When the Motley City Council meets again in August, they'll have two new members seated at their table.

Mike Schmidt will be serving as the city's mayor and Nikki Bjerga as a council member. Both will be filling seats vacated following the recent resignations of Mayor Al Yoder and council member Amy Hutchison. Their terms will be up at the end of 2022.

Letters of intent had been received from Schmidt and Bjerga, and at their regular meeting July 11, chaired by Acting Mayor Pat O'Regan, the council approved appointing them both to their desired positions.

In his letter, Schmidt said he was humbled to have been asked about his interest in serving as Motley's mayor by both Police Chief Jason Borash and Public Works Director Bruce Brotherton.

Schmidt, former principal at Staples-Motley High/Middle School, noted that he'd worked with Chief Borash on collaborative efforts within the school district, and also served with him on the Staples Motley Area Community Foundation. He went on to note that Brotherton has afforded him the opportunity to align the city's skatepark in on-going efforts with a non-profit organization out of California, SkateparkRespect.org. "Both gentlemen continually look to serve our community well," Schmidt included in his letter. "I appreciate them both for doing so."

Schmidt noted that he'd been involved in public education for over 20 years as a teacher, coach and administrator, most recently in Menahga as the high school principal. "My approach to education has been one of 'I work to serve everyone else and my efforts are to result in a greater experience and customer service.' I see public service and office, no differently. One needs to be available, listen, communicate, facilitate and lead results," Schmidt said in his letter.

The City of Motley has been his home for six years, Schmidt said. "I look to maintain what you've established and collectively be a part of the governing board that's responsible for the progress and fiscal management that comes with such a role."

In her letter, Bjerga expressed her interest filling the vacancy on the city council. She noted that she is a native of Motley, has always lived in the Staples-Motley School District, and currently lives in the city limits. Bjerga shared that she has been a licensed realtor for 17 years and is a member of the Scandia Valley Lions Club.

"The reason I am interested in being a member of the city council is because I am passionate about the good of our community," Bjerga said in her letter. "I am a PROUD Motley citizen and intend to offer a positive working relationship with other city council members and the mayor."

Bjerga, who was in attendance at the July 11 meeting, expressed her excitement upon the council's approval of her filling the vacancy. City Clerk/Treasurer Darci Odden said Bjerga will be sworn in on Aug. 1, the effective date of Hutchison's resignation. Mike Schmidt was sworn in as mayor on July 13, Odden said in a later conversation, noting that former Mayor Yoder's resignation was effective on July 1.

Motorcycle stolen near Lake Shamineau

The Morrison County Sheriff's Office is asking for the public's assistance in locating a 2011 Harley Davidson Street Glide Motorcycle.

The motorcycle was taken some time between Saturday evening, July 9, and Tuesday evening, July 12, from a location near Lake Shamineau in northwest Morrison County.

The motorcycle is red and black in color with skulks on it, bearing license plate number 42194MJ.

If you have any knowledge of this motorcycle or where it might be, call the MCSO at 320-632-9233 and ask to speak to an investigator.



'Boondockers' visit Motley

Jay Woods and Jane Sauve, traveling across the United States via their RV camper, have been making stops along the way at various 'Boondocker's Welcome' locations. Over the Fourth of July weekend, they parked their vehicle at a field owned by a family in the Pillager area who welcome Boondockers. The couple, who celebrated their 22nd wedding anniversary July 1, enjoyed exploring the area, which included a visit to the Motley United Methodist Church (above). Woods is a Texas native and Sauve, whose dad worked in the oil company industry, grew up overseas. They were looking forward to heading further north to Ely the following week. (Staples World photo by Dawn Timbs)



Unclogging the lift station pump

Motley Public Works Director Bruce Brotherton worked July 14, to clear debris from the city's main lift station pump which had gotten clogged. Brotherton said he'd received an alarm at around midnight indicating the pump, located at the corner of 1st Ave. So. and Main St. E., was not working correctly and there was an excessive run time. He checked it out the next morning and found a variety of items which had caused the clog…including rags, wet wipes and a syringe.

Brotherton was last called to this lift station in May, but said he has to unclog the lift station #1 pump (on the corner of Curtis St. West and 3rd Ave. South) about once a week. Brotherton noted that everything from the Mill Pond corner of town flows to lift station #1 and that is the one that has the most problems with wet wipes getting caught in it. He encourages residents to visit the city's website (www.cityofmotley.com) and click on the link "Don't Flush That!" to learn what things should not be flushed down the toilet, including wet wipes, diapers, dental floss and food items. (Staples World photo by Dawn Timbs)

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Justin Gunderson, RN, BSN, Hospital Services
Nominated by Quality Committee
"An order for a medication was placed for a pediatric patient. Our Electronic Medical Record auto populated the dose for the patient's medication to the nearest whole number. Justin questioned the dose for the patient and contacted the pharmacy prior to administering for verification. Thank you, Justin, for having great attention to detail and keeping our patients safe. Efforts like Justin's remind us what a difference each person can make to ensure patients at Lakewood Health System are receiving safe and adequate care."



Angie Hartwig, RN-CNOR, Surgical Services Quality/Education Supervisor
Nominated by Quality Committee
"Angie went into a procedure and while she was doing a handoff with another nurse, she took the extra steps to ensure the accurate medications were being given to the patient. Angie has great attention to detail and always has patient safety on her mind. By bringing forward a concern, she demonstrated all of Lakewood Health System's values. Thank you for all you do to keep patients safe.""




Lindsay Kirk, MSW, Social Services / Palliative Care
Paul Johnson, Spiritual Health Chaplain
Nominated by Debbie Foster, Home Care / Hospice Health Unit Coordinator
"Lindsay and Paul are a couple of the key pieces to the Hospice department. It takes a certain amount of compassion and empathy for a hospice social worker and chaplain, and they do it exceptionally well. They have the ability to listen, understand, and share the feelings of others. They are dedicated to their patients. They meet patients in their homes and provide them with hope that no matter what lies ahead of them, they will be right by their side through the journey."



Samantha Otterstetter, Medical Marketplace HME Coordinator
Nominated by Amorette Harne, Medical Marketplace HME Coordinator
"Samantha is such an amazing asset to our team. She goes above and beyond to ensure our patients get the supplies they need. She works primarily out of our Long Prairie location but most recently has been filling in at our main campus store to help with diabetic shoe consults and shoe fittings. She is friendly and caring. She is always willing to step in and help where and when she can. She exemplifies all of Lakewood's core values and I appreciate all she does for this team."

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'Meatballs for Mentors' and 'SPARKS Mentoring Program' are back

Meatballs for Mentors (established to support mentoring youth in our community) and the actual SPARKS Mentoring Program have been re-envisioned and revived to support the youth in our schools. The "SPARKS" Mentoring Program will now become Special People Are Mentoring Kids in School, a program recreated to address today's needs for "building self-awareness through guiding relationships, nurturing character in our youth."

Education officials are reporting a greater number of students falling behind in reading, math and social emotional development due to the disruptive effects of COVID-19. Students who feel confident in reading, math and social skills are more successful. A committed community group who has been mentoring kids for years developed programming to support Staples-Motley students. The long-range plan starts with elementary students and will eventually provide a variety of initiatives to support middle school and high school youth success as well. Board members see this as a great time to focus programming on what our students need today by launching the program this fall.

The community has been faithful in supporting youth mentoring programs and this is another local opportunity to support the program as a mentor, as a board member or as a donor. Support is evident by the generous donations of time by board members and financial giving by individuals, businesses and organizations.

The first public opportunity to support SPARKS Mentoring will be the annual Meatballs for Mentors Fundraiser, which began July 16 and runs through July 27 at five area businesses.

Individuals, organizations or businesses interested in serving on the SPARKS Board, becoming a mentor or donating, may go to StaplesMotleySparks.org, or contact Event Chair, Rosie Blessing at 218-371-7066. You may also contact board members: Gail Honek, 218-296-1957; Cory Lawrence, 320-309-2269; Julie Mertens, 218-296-2625; or Rynell Schock, 218-270-0291. For ticket information for Meatballs for Mentors, contact one of the board members above.

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Staples Police report on happenings in June and July

clean it up.

June 29, Staples Police responded to a report of an assault at a residence on the 200 block of Wisconsin Ave. SE. After investigation, the victim decided that they did not want to press charges after being hit by a pipe and hammer.

June 30, Staples Police received a welfare check on a subject who called a family member and informed them they were being chased by people with guns. The caller was unsure if the incident happened or if the subject was high on a narcotic. Police located the subjects and transported them to a residence.

June 30, Staples Police were informed of an adult female that had been staying at Veterans Park. Police spoke with the female who stated she was currently homeless but didn't need help and had plenty of food. The female appeared to have mental health issues as well.

July 2, Staples Police were dispatched to the 400 block of 6th Street SE on report of a dog bite. The victim and his dog did not need medical attention. The suspect animal has been quarantined pending vaccination paperwork.

July 2, Staples Police observed fireworks being set off at the Mill Townhomes. Police spoke with a subject there regarding the fireworks, and advised them on state and local ordinances.

July 3, Staples Police were dispatched to report of suspicious activity near MidMinnesota Federal Credit Union. The complainant showed officers on scene a phone cable box in the ditch that was open and believed it could have an effect on the ATM nearby. The complainant has been advised.

July 4, Staples Police were dispatched to check the welfare of a male lying in the ditch along Highway 10. The male stated he was walking from Staples to Wadena. He was given a ride by officers to Aldrich where a friend met him.

July 4, Staples Police were called to the 500 block of 5th Street SE for a fireworks complaint. Police observed people at the residence using illegal fireworks. The owner was advised to stop using the illegal fireworks but they could continue using legal fireworks.

July 7, Staples Police responded to a report of a vehicle crash with reported injuries. Police arrived and learned that a SUV was traveling eastbound on the 400 block of 2nd Avenue NE when it hit two parked vehicles and pushed one of the parked vehicles into another parked vehicle. In total four vehicles were damaged and three were towed from the scene by Scott's South Town. The driver of the SUV, Olivia DeGeest, 79, of Cushing, was transported to Lakewood emergency room for unknown injuries. Degeest told police she had been at a medical appointment and was on her way home after eating at Burger King and didn't know what happened to cause the accident. Also assisting was the Todd County Sheriff's Office.

July 7, Staples Police responded to the elementary school for a report that a parent found her kids on the roof and wanted police to speak to them about the incident. Police spoke to the parents and three juveniles and advised them on the situation.

July 7, Staples Police responded to the 700 block of 6th Street NE for a report of a domestic. Police arrested Zachary Billman for disorderly conduct and obstructing legal process, and issued Cassy Grunwald a citation for disorderly conduct.

On July 8, Staples Police received a report of a theft of a 32 inch TV from a residence.

July 9, Staples Police were requested to speak with a resident regarding a scam. Police spoke with the resident who reported receiving a phone call from someone stating that they were from Publishers Clearinghouse, and advised them that they had won a prize and requested that they go to the Dollar General and put money on an American Express card in order to get the prize. The resident had put $100 on the card, and had given the caller the card's information. Police advised the reporting party that this was, indeed, a scam and not to communicate with the caller any longer.

July 10, Staples Police were requested to place an emergency hold on an infant at Lakewood Health System, by Cass County child protection.

July 10, Staples Police responded to the Southside Mini Mart, regarding a report of a vehicle leaking gas. The spilled gas was covered with floor dry, and the on duty employee was advised.

Looking back

75 Years Ago - 1947

∘ July 17, 1947 - From the Anchorage, Alaska, newspaper, the following clipping was sent to Staples by Gordon Cross, who is at Anchorage, about the accident which happened to three Staples young men, and a young man from Fort Ripley, who is the owner of the car.

"Three Minnesota youths were receiving treatment for injuries today in Providence hospital after their car crashed through a railing at Caribou creek bridge

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at Mile 106 on the Glenn Highway yesterday.

"The injured are Kenneth Gaddis, 21, Fort Ripley, Minn.' Louis Hanson, 20, and Gerald R. Huff, 20, both of Staples, Minn. A fourth, Martin Kowalski, 19, also of Staples, was uninjured.

"Their Model A Ford had been driven all the way from Minnesota without trouble when the accident occurred just a little more than 100 miles from their destination, Anchorage.

"Crashing through the railing of the steel bridge, the car landed on its roof about 50 feet below the bridge in the creek. The impact was so terrific that the motor of the car was found about 40 feet from the car."

50 Years Ago - 1972

∘ July 20, 1972 - Two escapees from the Stillwater State Prison were apprehended in Staples early Wednesday afternoon, July 12, following a shootout with Minnesota Highway Patrol Officer Floyd Wise of this city.

Prison Associate Warden Don cooper identified the escapees as William Raymond Slipka, 25, and John Andrew Greschner, 20.

Authorities said Slipka and Greschner were among four inmates who escaped Sunday, July 9, while attending a banquet for the Convicts Association for Good Environment, an inmate ecology organization. Six others escaped the preceding evening and to date, eight of the ten have been captured, with the remaining two still at large. Both men captured here are from St. Paul.

Slipka was serving a term for third-degree murder and aggravated robbery. Greschner was serving time for aggravated robbery and aggravated assault.

Patrolman Wise said, "Shortly after 1:30 p.m. Wednesday, I was heading west on Highway No. 10 toward Wadena, and about midway between Aldrich and Verndale, I was receiving a transmission from the Detroit Lakes Highway Patrol radio advising me of a new Cutlass Oldsmobile that had been stolen that day off a parking lot in Park Rapids. At the time, I didn't immediately get the color of the vehicle, but was informed that the vehicle had dealer plates on it.

"While the transmission was coming over the air, I met a white over red new Oldsmobile, with no front license, and as it did go by, I noticed that it did have dealer's license on the back. I called Detroit Lakes radio station and asked them for a rerun on the color of the vehicle and they told me it was white over red. I told them that I thought I had the care in sight and was in pursuit."

Wise also advised them to notify Staples and the first call came to Staples police from Park Rapids at 1:45 p.m.

The article goes on to describe the pursuit which included a high-speed chase into Staples at 100 m.p.h., the subjects losing control of their vehicle by Grant's Station, but continuing on down First Street and Fourth Avenue, past businesses and homes, during which time they opened fire on Wise. The stolen vehicle came to a stop when it hit a tree by the high school. After abandoning the vehicle, the two fleeing men entered the Staples Area Vocational-Technical Institute.

Upon hearing the sirens and firing of bullets, Staples Police Officer Jess Doud headed toward the scene and other state Highway Patrol officers and county officers from both Wadena and Todd were arriving in this city.

Patrolman Wise said that the two men then ran across the yard of the house immediately north of the school and at this point, he used the state riot gun. The two men went northwest from this point out into the tall grass and swamp. At 2 p.m., staples police, who were already in the area (including off-duty police officer Bud Trana who heard the sirens and came to offer his assistance), received a call from Mrs. Margaret Tepley that two men with weapons were hiding in the grassy area behind her place of residence on Third Street North.

The Staples Police were on one end of the area and Patrolman Wise was on the other. Officer Doud fired one shot in the air, it was reported, and then Doud and Trana went through the tall grass and came upon the two men, arresting them without further resistance.

25 Years Ago - 1997

∘ July 17, 1997 - A 1948 model plane that was used to set an endurance record in 1949 is returning to its historic Yuma, Arizona, location - after spending the last several years in a rural Staples hangar.

"We never realized that it had nay historic significance until we started reading the plane's logbook, and found where it had been used to set a flying record," said DeeDee Neal, whose husband Chuck bought it in 1991 with plans to use it as a float plane.

A 1948 Aeronca Sedan, the plane has been housed in a hangar on the Neal's Thomastown Township farm. Their son, Chris, last flew it late last summer when he flew it back to their farm from a hangar at the Wadena airport.

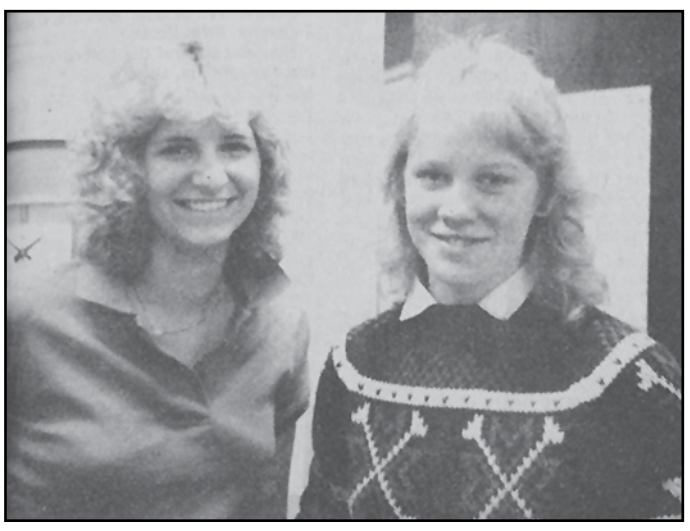
Last week, nearly 48 years after it was used to make the historic record at the Yuma airport, the plane made what could be its last journey. Two men from Yuma arrived at the Neal farm, completed the purchase that had been negotiated several months earlier, and after tearing down the Aeronca, transported it by truck back to where it was first flown.

10 Years Ago - 2012

∘ July 19, 2012 - Windows at the old Staples City Hall building were broken recently, and it was reported that kids had also gotten into the vacant building. The city is exploring options for tearing the building down before it becomes a dangerous liability.

∘ July 19, 2012 - After a hot day, Staples residents cooled off at Northern Pacific Park to listen to the music of Elisa Korenne, the first performer in the summer Music in the Park series.

∘ July 19, 2012 - Jack Wilson, former Staples Mayor and local businessman can cross skydiving off of his bucket list. To celebrate his 80th birthday, Jack jumped out of a plane from 15,000 feet - his first skydiving experience. When asked how the adventure was, Jack replied, "It was awesome, but I don't think I will do it again." Skydiving with Jack was his daughter, Kristy Jedinak and her children, Blair and Bo make the event a three generation jump.



Mystery photo

Hello readers. This week's archive photo is from our Nov. 10, 1983 edition. Do you know who these people are and perhaps the context of the photo? Do you have a memory to share? Email your answers and where you're from to dtimbs@staplesworld.com by Friday, or call 218-894-1112. The answers will be published in next week's paper, as well as a new mystery photo.



Mystery solved

Last week's mystery photo published in the July 13, 1972 edition of the Staples World featured Pete Card, Sr. (far right) and his three sons, Pete Jr., Alan and Ted, in a political ad. *Pete Card, Sr., who had operated the Card Auto Wrecking Service in Staples for 20 years at that time, had announced that he was running for County Commissioner in Todd County District 1.*

Daniel Zimmermann, a student from Motley, correctly identified all, adding that the four appeared to be visiting. Rosemary Petrich of Staples also correctly identified the Cards, adding that she grew up in Staples and remembered the junk yard they owned. Thanks for participating in our Mystery Photo.

SEDA loan approved

The Staples Economic Development Authority approved a loan at a special meeting on July 6. The loan is to William Hansen and Melissa Schulte for purchase of commercial real estate at 117 6th Street NE, Staples. The property will be leased to the Paw Spa for their new location. The SEDA loan was for $9,000 which is 10 percent of the total project with Mid Minnesota Federal Credit Union as the primary lender.

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Street reconstruction in 2025

in place for 2024, which includes increasing acreage of the park and adding camp sites. Nelsen said the expansion would qualify the park as a regional park, which would open up new grant possiblities.

The biggest item on the list is the $5.5 million reconstruction of 4th Street NE, which is scheduled for 2025 and will be done in conjunction with Todd County's repaving of the road.

Council member Mary Theurer asked why a drainage issue project for 2nd Street NE keeps getting pushed back to later years. Nelsen said it takes time to get funding for the project and that one has been alleviated somewhat by adjacent projects.

Council member Doug Case noted several places on the south side of town that have drainage issues and water issues.

Energy peak

Public Works Director Scott Grabe said the city recorded a record energy peak for the second year in a row. For about 30 minutes in June, the city reached 4.86 megawatts, after reaching 5.80 for a time last year.



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In acting on CWD, county commissioners show courage our state legislators lack

The county commissioners of another county—this time Carlton County, southwest of Duluth—have voted unanimously to impose a one-year moratorium on establishing new captive deer and elk farms within county borders. It's a clear indication that these commissioners share the widespread concern that such livestock operations are a potential threat to our wild whitetail deer.

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Inside the Outdoors



Mike Rahn
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The spread of the fatal ailment known as chronic wasting disease, or CWD, to wild Minnesota whitetails has consistently correlated with CWD's presence on captive deer and elk farms, and with farm-to-farm movement of infected animals across the state. Such farms raise these animals both for meat and for trophy antlers, the latter obtained under pay-to-hunt circumstances within fenced farm boundaries. There are currently some 250 such operations in Minnesota.

CWD is a degenerative disease of the brain and nervous system that gradually weakens and eventually kills all deer that become infected. CWD is typically spread by direct contact between deer, or when deer come into contact with residues left on the ground by infected animals.

Carlton County now joins St. Louis County, which includes Duluth, in restricting new captive deer and elk farms. Aitkin County and Itasca County are also considering similar moratoriums. These counties share the characteristic of being popular destinations for deer hunters, who pump substantial revenue into local businesses in pursuit of their sport.

Carlton County's Land Commissioner, quoted this week in Minnesota Outdoor News, noted that roughly one-third of the properties in his county are owned for the purpose of deer hunting, and that if CWD becomes prevalent in wild deer there, then hunter interest—and consequently land ownership demand—will decline.

These counties have taken on the issue because state legislators have failed to meaningfully address the spread of CWD, despite a number of counties requesting that the Legislature enact a temporary moratorium on new captive deer and elk farms, so that a statewide solution—with statewide uniformity—can be reached.

The urgency is apparent not only to those who hunt deer, but to those who benefit from the economic engine that Minnesota deer hunting is, an engine that generates some $500 million in equipment, lodging, meals, fuel and other related purchases. Once restricted to a very few wild deer, mostly in the Southeast, CWD has now been found in wild deer in seven counties that stretch from south to north, the most recent discovery being near Grand Rapids. The appearance of CWD in wild deer has been a close match in state geography with its presence in captive deer and elk farms, which is unlikely to be coincidence.

Many believed a statewide moratorium on new captive deer and elk farms was about to happen in May of this year, when the GOP-controlled Minnesota Senate was set to approve it as part of a broader agriculture bill. Five Senate Republicans had cast preliminary votes for the moratorium, enough to ensure passage. But an eleventh-hour recess was called by Senate Majority Leader Jeremy Miller of Winona, after which four of the five Republicans switched their votes, enough to remove the moratorium from the bill.

Winona, Miller's political base, is in the heart of captive deer and elk farming in Minnesota. And Senator Miller's brother owns and operates a captive deer farm. It's hard to imagine a more direct conflict of interest for Senator Miller.

The lone Republican to maintain her vote in support of the moratorium was Senator Carrie Ruud of Breezy Point, near Brainerd. Ruud has been one of most consistently pro-conservation, pro-sportsman Minnesota legislators, but has retired from the Senate after her party failed to endorse her as their candidate in a newly-realigned Senate district. Many saw this as a retaliatory payback for her willingness to buck party leadership when her values conflicted with the party line on issues. Ruud was quoted as saying that there is currently "no place in the Minnesota Republican Party for anybody who cares about the environment."

A statewide solution for attacking the spread of CWD would be the best solution, whether it is a temporary moratorium, a permanent ban on new captive deer and elk farms, or—as some feel is our only hope to contain CWD—a buyout and an end to such farming altogether in Minnesota. Deer do not recognize county boundaries, so—as positive as county moratoriums are—a statewide solution is really what is needed.

These county commissioners deserve a big "thank you." We can only hope that their courage is contagious, and that it eventually infects state legislators of both parties.

Always leave them with hope

By Lee H. Hamilton

Many years ago, I was in the audience when the Rev. Jesse Jackson, the legendary civil rights activist and election mobilizer, gave a speech. He often used the catchphrase, "Keep hope alive!" when he spoke, and he did so that time. The audience picked it up as a chant. "Keep hope alive!" they called. "Keep hope alive!" It was a memorable bit of political showmanship.

A few years later, I gave a speech at a small college in Iowa. I used it to analyze all the challenges our country faced, domestic and foreign, and finished thinking I'd done a pretty good job of laying out our problems. Afterward, a young student came up to me. "That was a marvelous speech, Congressman," she said. "I've just got one question: Is there any hope?"

I realized then that, far from rising to the occasion, I'd failed. Jesse Jackson was right: You always have to leave your listeners with hope, and I had not done that.

This is very hard to pull off, of course—possibly harder now than it was then. We face a long list of seemingly intractable problems, from climate change to mass shootings to threats to our democratic processes to overseas rivals willing to test us at every turn. It's easy to get discouraged and to believe that we cannot solve or manage those problems—and then to give in to despair. But Jackson and that student were right. We constantly need reminding that we can change things for the better.

The reason, actually, is straightforward. The backbone of our system of representative democracy is its faith in ordinary Americans to step up to their responsibility as citizens to improve their corner of the world—by their own direct actions as well as by making discriminating judgments about politicians and policies. If you rob people of hope, then you rob them of a reason to be involved.

In decades of talking to people all over the country, I've been repeatedly impressed by the strength of citizens' desire to improve their communities. This often reflected itself in specific projects—a bridge or a road or renovations to a local school—but it also applied to supporting quality leaders who could get things done for their communities.

To be sure, people were often wary of politics: they thought it was filled with messiness and noise. But at the end of the day, they saw the need for deal-making, compromise, and negotiation. I think this is still true for the majority of Americans, though an alarming number these days want to elect political leaders who will brook no compromise—and, indeed, seem to take an almost punitive approach to fellow citizens and politicians who disagree with them. They want to extinguish hope.

Still, I believe that most Americans are solidly pragmatic. They recognize the complexities of the challenges we face, see the limitations on what can be accomplished at any given moment, and believe that even in the face of division there's much that unites us, especially the urge to improve our own lives and those of our neighbors and fellow community members. They're very aware of differences of opinion and operate out of a basic sense of decency and fairness—they want the process to reflect fairly where people stand. I think that, without articulating it, they understand instinctively that keeping the process fair is crucial to keeping hope alive.

I've worked in this system a long time, and I believe it can do just that—if it's allowed to work, and if citizens are allowed to fulfill the basic responsibility of being involved. That's why the hope of changing things for the better is so crucial. We may face serious, difficult problems, but if we allow ourselves to become discouraged—or even worse, to be discouraged from tackling them—then progress really will be impossible.

Lee Hamilton is a Senior Advisor for the Indiana University Center on Representative Government

Letters to the Editor

National Pretrial, Probation and Parole Supervision Week July 17-23

This year's theme is "Restoring Trust, Creating Hope." This is a time for us to recognize the men and women at Todd-Wadena Community Corrections who work each and every day to restore trust, create hope for clients and keeping our communities safe. Corrections professionals play an integral role in delivering direct service to clients and connecting stakeholders at all levels, including the courts, attorneys, law enforcement, human services and community-based agencies. The work done by Todd-Wadena Community Corrections professionals keeps communities safe and transforms the lives of justice-involved clients.

If you would like information about the services and programming we provide, check out our page on the Todd and Wadena counties' websites, or contact Kathy Langer, Director, at 320-732-6165, Kathy.langer@co.todd.mn.us.

Katherine M. Langer, Director
Todd-Wadena Community Corrections
Long Prairie, Minn.

Quote of the week

We must all face the choice between what is right and what is easy.
– J.K. Rowling, Harry Potter and the Goblet of Fire

Breastfeeding benefits both baby and mom

From Todd County Health and Human Services

Breastfeeding has health benefits for both babies and mothers. Breast milk provides a baby with ideal nutrition and supports growth and development. Breastfeeding can also help protect baby and mom against certain illnesses and diseases.

Five great benefits of breastfeeding:

1. Breast milk is the best source of nutrition for most babies. As the baby grows, the mother's breast milk will change to meet her baby's nutritional needs.

2. Breastfeeding can help protect babies against some short- and long-term illnesses and diseases. Breastfed babies have a lower risk of asthma, obesity, type 1 diabetes, and sudden infant death syndrome (SIDS). Breastfed babies are also less likely to have ear infections and stomach bugs.

3. Breast milk shares antibodies from the mother with her baby. These antibodies help babies develop a strong immune system and protect them from illnesses.

4. Mothers can breastfeed anytime and anywhere. Mothers can feed their babies on the go without worrying about having to mix formula or prepare bottles. When traveling, breastfeeding can also provide a source of comfort for babies whose normal routine is disrupted.

5. Breastfeeding can reduce the mother's risk of breast and ovarian cancer, type 2 diabetes, and high blood pressure. Breastfeeding has health benefits for the mother too! Some cancers, type 2 diabetes, and high blood pressure are less common among women who breastfeed.

The American Academy of Pediatrics recommends exclusive breastfeeding for about six months, and then continuing breastfeeding while introducing complementary foods until a child is 12 months old or older.

Source: Centers for Disease Control & Prevention, Division of Nutrition, Physical Activity, and Obesity, National Center for Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion

Self-serve grocery in Minnesota town

By Heather Chapman
The Rural Blog

Rural grocery stores continue to become scarcer, leaving many small-town residents without a nearby source of fresh, reasonably priced foods. Some towns have responded by opening cooperative groceries. Another innovative solution? The self-serve grocery store in Evansville, Minn., a community of about 600.

It's the brainchild of Alex and Caileen Ostenson, who moved from the Twin Cities five years ago to be closer to family. The local grocery store closed just before they got to town, so locals had to go 20 miles away to get to the nearest supermarket, Dan Gunderson reports for NPR.

In 2020 the couple got some local donations and remodeled a vacant downtown storefront into the self-serve Main Street Market. "They believed the concept would save on staff costs, provide round the clock access, and convince the community to invest in a local grocery store," Gunderson reports.

It works like this: The store is manned three days a week, and anyone in town can shop there, but locals can also buy a $75 annual membership (or a shorter-term one) that allows them to access the store at any time. "Those members can use a phone app to open the door, scan grocery items and pay. There's also a key fob option and a scanner on a counter for those who aren't comfortable using their phone," Gunderson reports. "The technology logs everyone who comes to the store and tracks their purchases. The store also has security cameras, and theft has not been an issue, said Alex." The Ostensons hoped to sign up 50 members in the first year but got more than that in the first week.

The couple isn't taking a salary, but last year "Alex was awarded a fellowship through the West Central Initiative Foundation, and the accompanying $30,000 annual stipend allowed him to quit his full-time job to focus on developing and expanding the self-serve grocery model," Gunderson reports. "Alex has a vision for this concept. By next year he intends to be ready to open a second store in a nearby town, and he wants to create a way to share what he's learned, convincing others this idea can help a small town save or replace the local grocery store.

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Hartley Family bluegrass concerts at Motley Free Methodist; Central Methodist

The Hartley Family bluegrass/gospel band will be performing at two area churches the week of July 31. These include:

- Motley Free Methodist Church on Sunday, July 31, 6 p.m. The church is located at 33 Wellwood St. E in Motley.
- Central Methodist Church on Wednesday, Aug. 3, 7 p.m. The church is located on Cty Rd. 26, six miles north of Hwy 10.

Hailing from Arkansas, the band will offer a mix of traditional bluegrass, gospel and original music. Expect to hear a variety of instruments and family vocal harmonies.

The Hartleys have been performing for several years at a variety of venues including bluegrass festivals, churches, state parks, schools and special events. Their goals are to honor God, bring joy to people; and encourage others.

The concerts are free, with a free will donation for the family taken at both churches.



Sweet family harmonies

The Harley Family Gospel/Bluegrass band from Arkansas will present a concert at Motley Free Methodist Church Sunday, July 31, at 6 p.m.; and at Central Methodist Church on Wednesday, Aug. 3, at 7 p.m. (Submitted photo)

Mark Your Calendar

July 21

Staples Serenity AA group Mtgs are held at the Staples Assembly of God Church on Tuesday and Thursday evenings beginning at 7 p.m. Masks required. For more info., 320-874-0979.

'Walk With A Doc' Thursdays at 5:15 p.m., at Lakewood Health System's main campus in Staples. Meet at the main entrance. For more information about this free program, visit https://walkwithadoc.org/join-a-walk/locations/staples-minnesota

Gary Timbs, Eric Neznik and Jason Franzen to perform in Staples July 24

Gary Timbs, Eric Neznik and Jason Franzen will be combining their talents at the Music in the Park Series in Staples Sunday, July 24, at 7 p.m.

Expect to hear a variety of music at the free event, including country, gospel and classic rock. Gary Timbs will do a set, as will the duo Neznik and Franzen, with the trio performing a few songs together to close the show.

Atlanta born and Tennessee raised, Timbs' "Southern-fried" piano playing and rich baritone voice have been nominated for both Grammy and Dove awards. He has performed and recorded as a solo artist, and with various country and gospel groups, including the legendary Statesmen Quartet and Country Music Hall of Fame's Sonny James. Since moving to Minnesota, Timbs has performed on occasion with his wife, Dawn, and her family, The Schimpps. A self-taught musician, Timbs has been playing the piano and B3 organ since he was a kid; and continues to entertain audiences with his one-of-a-kind musical style which he considers to be a gift from God.

Timbs was recently featured on the Prairie Public TV show, "Prairie Musicians" out of Fargo. The show, now available on YouTube, includes several of Timbs' original songs, featuring blues, country and gospel.

Neznik and Franzen first teamed up in the early 2000s, when they performed together in October Son. The band played clubs and festivals throughout Minnesota, gaining a large following and a reputation for performing tight-knit versions of contemporary country and classic rock tunes.

Neznik, who was the lead vocalist and rhythm guitar player for October Son during those years, left the band in 2004, when he moved to Texas to pursue a career in country music.

For the next 20 years, Neznik worked as a full-time musician in the renowned music cities of Austin, Texas; and Nashville, Tenn. During that time he recorded five albums which include a mix of original and cover songs.

Neznik is now back in Minnesota (he and his wife Alissa own Tower Pizza in Staples) and is excited for the opportunity to play music with Franzen once again.

"Jason is the best lead guitarist I've played with outside of Nashville," Neznik said of his former bandmate, a Brainerd native who's made his mark on the area music scene. In addition to his work with October Son (the band is still together), Franzen is known for being a part of a very musical family. "His dad, Jack Franzen, plays with Muddy Water; and his half-brother, Chris Dobson is also a great musician in the Brainerd area," Neznik said.

The Music in the Park Concerts are held in the Northern Pacific (NP) Park on Sunday evenings at 7 p.m. and will run through August 7. Bring your lawn chair. For more information on the Music in the Park Series, check out www.staplesmotleyarts.org.

Northern Pacific (NP) Park is located at 625 6th St. NE. At the junction of Hwys 10 and 210, go six blocks north on 6th St. NE. In case of rain, the concerts will be moved to Faith Lutheran Church in Staples.

The Music in the Park Series is funded by the Staples Host Lions Club. The series is organized by the Staples Motley Area Arts Council, with the assistance of the City of Staples.





A night of country, gospel and blues

Piano man Gary Timbs, far left, and duo Eric Neznik (center) and Jason Franzen will join together to perform at Music in the Park Series in Staples on Sunday, July 24, at 7 p.m. (Submitted photos)



Playing the National Anthem

The Meire Grove Community Band kicked off the summer 'Music in the Park' series July 10, with a rousing rendition of "The National Anthem." Due to rain that day, the concert was held at Faith Lutheran Church in Staples. (Staples World photo by Dawn Timbs)

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Hello World

Births reported at Lakewood Health System Hospital in Staples included:

Born to Katelyn Schmaltz and David Goerges of Pequot Lakes, twins, a baby boy, Bennett Andrew weighing five pounds, 11 ounces and a baby girl, Analise Charlotte weighing five pounds, four ounces on July 10, 2022.

Born to Alicia and Brent Nelson of Sebeka, a baby girl, Lainey Jean weighing seven pounds, 12 ounces on July 10, 2022.

Born to Alexandra Kestner and Jesse Parsons, of Cushing, a baby boy, Kyler Ray weighing seven pounds, seven ounces on July 11, 2022.

Born to Rosa and Andrew Prill of Long Prairie, a baby girl, Ava Jean weighing seven pounds, 13 ounces on July 11, 2022.

Born to Lonna and Nick Dille of Staples, a baby boy, Jordan Arlo weighing eight pounds, eight ounces on July 12, 2022.

Born to Allison and Mitchell Robinson of Little Falls, a baby boy, Daxton Ray weighing seven pounds 10 ounces on July 13, 2022.

Born to Molly and Luke Mertens of Staples, a baby boy, Oliver Creig weighing seven pounds, 13 ounces on July 14, 2022.

Born to Kristi Lowers and Jason Keith of Bertha, a baby girl, Halo Love weighing seven pounds, four ounces on July 15, 2022.

Student Achievements

St. Cloud State University recently released its 2022 Spring Semester Graduates. Local students named include:

- Kaitlyn Bartlett, Motley, Bachelor of Science, Biomedical Sciences
- Melissa Watson, Pillager, Bachelor of Science, Social Work, magna cum laude
- Rose Johnson, Staples, Bachelor of Arts, History, magna cum laude; Bachelor of Science, Social Studies Education, magna cum laude

Grace Nagel, Pillager, recently graduated summa cum laude from the University of Wisconsin-River Falls, with a Bachelor of Science degree in Communication Sciences and Disorders.

St. Cloud State University recently announced its 2022 Spring Semester Dean's List. To qualify, students must have a grade point average of 3.75 or higher. Local students named include:

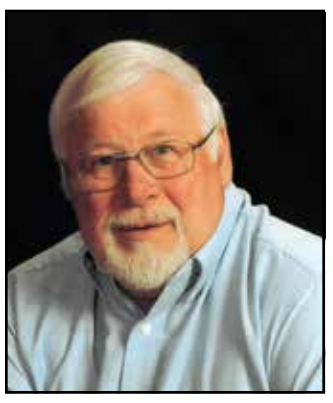
- Dylan Christensen, Pillager
- Kaleb Sundquist, Pillager

Gustavus Adolphus College, St. Peter recently announced its 2022 Spring Semester Dean's List. To qualify, students must have earned a 3.7 grade point average or higher for the semester. Local students named include:

- Torii Nienow, Motley
- Rose Han, Staples

Obituaries

Gary Rohr



Gary Michael Rohr, 73, of Staples, peacefully passed away July 15, 2022, at the St. Cloud Hospital.

Mass of Christian Burial will be held Saturday, July 23, 2022 at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Staples at 11:00 a.m. with Father Gabriel Walz officiating. There will be lunch and fellowship following the service. Visitation for family and friends will be held Friday, July 22 at the Brenny Family Funeral Chapel in Staples from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. and also one hour prior to the services at the church on Saturday.

Gary was born June 1, 1949 to Herman, Jr. and Betty (Worden) Rohr in Wadena. On December 11, 1971, Gary married Jeanne Dalen and together they had four sons. He held a number of jobs during his career including head cook for the Motley Schools, designing trusses and retired from Central Lakes College as a custodian.

He enjoyed a quiet, peaceful lake to go fishing, venturing into the woods to go hunting and a good round of golf with friends. Gary was known for his excellent pie baking skills, love of cooking and was great at canning. He was skilled on the guitar and enjoyed playing for friends and family.

Gary is survived by his wife of 50 years, Jeanne; three son, Jeremy (Cynthia), Chad (Jolene) and Michael; five grandchildren, Lindsay, Laura, Lucas, Jason and Zachary. He will be missed by many friends, especially his neighbors Berkley and Brixton.

His is preceded in death by one son, Jason; parents; two brothers, Larry and Greg and his step-dad, Clair Theisen.

Arrangements are by the Brenny Family Funeral Chapel, Staples.

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Ebbie Stone

Ebbie Stone, 88, of Verndale passed away July 10, 2022, with family by his side at the St. Cloud hospital.

Funeral services will be held at 3:00 p.m. Thursday, July 21, at the Verndale Chapel (Schuller Family Funeral Homes) with Pastor Ken Uhren presiding. A gathering of family and friends will be held at the chapel in Verndale on Thursday from 1:30 p.m. until the time of services.

Burial will be in Green Lawn Cemetery, Verndale.

Ebbie was born to Clyde and Adeline (Hosner) Stone on November 30, 1933, in Aldrich Township, Wadena County. He grew up on the family farm and attended school in Verndale. He later completed a machinist course in Staples.

In October 1957, Ebbie joined the U.S. Army and served his country until his honorable discharge in September 1959. On October 15, 1955, he was united in marriage to Gloria Marie Johnson. They made their home and worked in the Twin Cities area. In retirement, they moved to his farm in rural Verndale where he lived until his passing.

Remembering Ebbie will be his wife, Gloria; one daughter, Joelle (Nelson/Stone) Alvord; two step-children, Jacquelyn Nelson and Scott Nelson; two grandchildren, Jonathan and Jiliane Hartfiel; one great-grandson, Jon Hartfiel; one sister, Lois Brummer of Wadena and a host of family and friends.

Serving as casket bearers will be Kory Stave, Jiliane Hartfiel, Jon Hartfiel, Steve Maxfield, Jonathan Hartfiel, Kyle Stone and Wayne Stave.

Preceding Ebbie in death were his parents; one grandson, Jarvis Hartfiel and one brother, Ralph Stone.

In lieu of flowers memorials may be directed to www.commerce.cashnet.com/MC_Endowments (Click on "select endowment" drop-down box and select the Jarvis Hartfiel Memorial Endowment), or to the Shriners Hospital for Children (www.lovetotherescue.org).

Arrangements with the Schuller Family Funeral Homes & Cremation Services, Verndale. (www.SchullerFamilyFH.com).

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Steve Roden



Steve P. Roden, 60, of Brainerd, joined the love of his life, Melina on July 10, 2022.

Details of services will be forthcoming.

Steve was born in Minneapolis on June 24, 1962. He worked as a cook in the Brainerd area for over 30 years. Steve enlisted in the U.S. Military and worked as a trucker during that time. He enjoyed fishing, grilling and collecting many things. Above all else, he enjoyed spending time with his family, especially his grandchildren.

Steve is survived by three children, Dylan, Spring and Star and three grandchildren.

He is preceded in death by his wife, Melina and his father-in-law, Swede.

Arrangements are by the Brenny Family Funeral Chapel, Baxter.

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Staples Area Church Directory

Staples

Staples Alliance
1512 8th St. NE, Staples 218-894-2891
Pastor Zach Jones
Sunday Worship.....9:30 a.m.
Sunday School .....11:00 a.m.
WEDNESDAY
AWANA.....6:00 p.m.

Assembly of God
914 3rd Ave. NE, Staples 218-894-1081
Pastor Roy Miles
Small Groups (Bible classes for all ages) .....9:30 a.m.
Morning Worship Service.....10:30 a.m.
Children's Church (Kids start in main worship service) ..... 11 a.m.
Prayer Meeting..... 5 p.m.
WEDNESDAY
Sonlight (kids ages 4 yrs.-6th grade) ..... After school to 5:30 p.m.
Youth Group (Teens, 7th-12th grade) ..... After school to 5:30 p.m.

Church of Christ
27343 490th St., Staples.....218-894-2609
Pastor Barry Klein
Facebook Live
Bible School (youth and adult).....9:30 a.m.
Sunday Worship.....10:30 a.m.
WEDNESDAY:
Teen Youth/Adults Bible Study .....7-8 p.m.

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

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

Sacred Heart Church
310 4th St. NE, Staples
Church.....218-894-2296
Pastor Fr. Aaron Kuhn
Parochial Vicar, Fr. Gabriel Walz
MASS:
Thursday and Friday.....8:30 a.m..
Sunday.....8:30 a.m.

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

Thomastown Covenant
15940 251st Ave., Staples.....218-894-3923
Pastor Scott Jorgenson
Sunday Worship.....10:30 a.m.
WEDNESDAY NIGHT YOUTH .....6:30 p.m.

Trinity Lutheran
1000 4th St., NE, Staples 218-894-2372
Rev. Robin Collins
Sunday Divine Service .....9:00 a.m.
Sunday School & Bible Class.....10:30 a.m.

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

Aldrich

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

Cushing

Bethany Lutheran
25430 Bison Rd.Cushing, MN
320-749-2140
Pastor Carl Larson
Pastor Chris Mathiason
www.bethanylutherancushing.org
Sunday Worship.....9:00 a.m.
Communion .....1st and 2nd Sunday of each month

Lincoln Evangelical Free
1354 320th Street, Cushing, MN 56443
Phone: 218- 575-2449
www.lincolnefree.org
Facebook Lincoln E Free
Office Hours: Tues. - Thurs., 9 a.m. - 12 p.m.
Senior Pastor: Don Reigstad
Community Life Pastor: Jim Brown
Associate Pastor: Joe Reigstad
SUNDAY
Church Worship Gathering.....10:00 a.m.
YouTube Channel .....10:00 a.m.
WEDNESDAY
Community Meal.....5:30 p.m.
Family Night.....6:00 p.m.

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

Leader

Swan Valley Lutheran
Leader 218-397-2470
Sandy Knight, Synodically Authorized Minister of Word and Sacrament
Sunday Worship
January - July ..... 9 a.m.
July - January..... 11 a.m.

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

Motley

Motley Free Methodist
33 Wellwood St. E
Motley 56466.....218-352-6888
Jim Johnson, Senior Pastor
Sunday Worship..... 9:00 and 10:30 a.m.
facebook live..... 9 a.m.
WEDNESDAY
Youth Group ..... 6:00-8:00 p.m.

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

St. Michael
1st St. and Birch, Motley 218-894-2296
Pastor Fr. Aaron Kuhn
Parochial Vicar, Fr. Gabriel Walz
MASS:
Tuesday.....6:30 p.m,
Sunday.....10:30 a.m.

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

Oylen

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

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

First Baptist
903 River Street South, Pillager
Pastor Jake Anderson
218-746-3768
curious@fbcpillager.com
Worship Gathering .....10:00 a.m.
Connection Point.....9:30 a.m.

Hewitt

Church of the Nazarene
114 Front Street, P.O. Box 146 Hewitt, MN
218-924-2028
Jim and Linda McGaffey, Pastor
Sunday School .....9:30 a.m
Sunday Worship.....10:45 a.m.
WEDNESDAY PRAYER .....7:00 p.m.

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

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

Verndale

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

Family Life Church
402 NE Clark Drive, Verndale 218-445-5568
VerndaleFLC@gmail.com
Pastor Amos Self 218-371-7189
Childrens' Pastor Kenneth Kjeldergaard
SUNDAY
Sunday School .....8:30 a.m.
Worship Service .....10:00 a.m.
Prayer Meeting..... 5 p.m.
WEDNESDAY
Night Life Groups .....6:30-8 p.m.

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

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

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

Central United Methodist
5 miles N on Cty Rd 26 (Nimrod tar)
Pastor James Middendorf, 320-260-4950
Sunday Service ..... 9:00 a.m.
Bible Study ..... 10:30 a.m.
WEDNESDAY
Seeds of Hope..... 7:00 p.m.

Leaf River Township

The Old Country Church
Leaf River Twp., Wadena County Rd. 6
Info. 218-837-5690
Sunday Service ..... 10 a.m.

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"Satan has desired to have you…" --Luke 22:31

I think the young loons on our lake will make it this year. Last year they didn't. Periodically, we hear the parent loon's "distress call". Glancing out our window we may see the familiar form of a bald eagle, eying the young loons. Danger.

A friend of mine watched one day as an eagle swooped down upon a flock of young ducklings. Again, and again the eagle swooped - until at last it had isolated one of the ducklings. A final swoop and baby duck was in its talons.

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In everything I am and everything
I do, I see a path to you.
I see the leaves rustle, flying up,
swirling around and around in the
wind. I see them taking me up to you.
I sit at the lake at the eve of night.
For the moment the moon shines so
bright and illuminates the path
on the water. The path I believe,
if I follow, will lead me to you.
In the silence of the night I hear
wooden chimes, gently tapping,
telling me you are calm and
when they clang wildly, you are
calling to me to stop the pain.
When I anguish at the thought that
everything I knew to be true
defies me, I feel your arms around me
to hold me together. I search
my presence for you,
for your essence is all I have.
My foreseen destiny to be with you
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Alumni basketball

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Undefeated baseball champions

The Cardinal 10U team with their gold medals: front row from left, Leiten Rychner, Camrik Tappe, Bennett Sonenstahl, Maxx Carlson, Andrea Phillippi, Grace Halverson; back row, Coach Cole Winkels, Kade Potter, Jack Norris, Liam Jennissen, Owen Roline, Tayden Weishair, Coach Bryan Winkels. Not pictured, Aiven Sullivan. (Submitted photo)

10U Cardinals win Minor League baseball championship

The 10U Staples-Motley Cardinals baseball team finished the season a perfect 11-0 with their championship victory on July 14.

After an 8-0 regular season, the Cardinals entered the tournament as the top seed and advanced to the semi-finals with a 1-0 walk off win against a tough Sebeka team. Coach Cole Winkels said, "Fantastic pitching, great defensive play, and timely hitting was the difference in this game."

Owen Roline pitched five shutout innings followed by one shutout inning by Camrik Tappe. Maxx Carlson was able to get on base with a two out single with Tappe ending the game the next at bat with a walk off triple.

The Cardinals faced a good Frazee team in the semifinals. Kade Potter threw four solid innings only allowing one run. The scoreless game was broken in the top of the fourth when the Cardinals scored four runs. They followed this with a six run fifth inning with key hits by Grace Halverson, Liam Jennissen, Andrea Phillippi and Jack Norris. Jennissen then took the mound and finished the game with two shutout innings for a 10-1 victory.

In the championship, it was the Cardinals versus Perham Yellow. The Cardinals had the bats going early with a three run first inning. They then had a six run third inning capped off with a hit by Tayden Weishair. "Our defense was solid all day today", said Winkels. "Bennett Sonenstahl and Leiten Rychner had a great defensive plays in the outfield. It was plays like this that limited Perham to one run."

Tappe pitched four scoreless innings and Potter cosed the game in the fifth inning for the victory. The Cardinals were without one of their teammates, Aiven Sullivan, who was out of town.

"It was great seeing this team having fun playing the game. The cool thing about this season, is that we started it as a baseball team; we ended the season as a baseball family," said Winkels.















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CITY OF STAPLES FILING NOTICE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL

Notice is hereby given that filings for the biennial election for the City of Staples will open at 8:00 a.m. on Tuesday, August 2, 2022 and will close at 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, August 16, 2022.

Offices to be filled are the Mayor and three City Council Members. The Mayor shall serve for a term of two years. The three City Council Members shall serve for terms of four years.

File with the City Clerk at Staples City Hall, 122 6th St NE. A filing fee of $2.00 is required.

The biennial election for the City of Staples will be held Tuesday, November 8, 2022.

Tara Greer, Clerk
City of Staples
30&32pnc

MOOSE LAKE TOWNSHIP, MINNESOTA NOTICE OF CANDIDATE FILING DATES

The following township offices will be voted for at the state general election to be held Tuesday, November 8, 2022. Candidates may begin filing for these offices on Tuesday, August 2, 2022 until Tuesday, August 16, 2022. The office of the clerk will be open from 1:00 - 5:00 p.m. on August 16, 2022 for candidates to file.

Candidates must file at the Office of the Moose Lake Township Clerk, 5335 51st Ave. SW, Pine River MN 56474. Candidates must complete an affidavit of candidacy and pay $2.00 filing fee at time of filing.

Candidates who will be absent from the state during the filing period may arrange to file in person with the Clerk within seven days prior to departure by giving written affidavit of reasons for absence and completing all other filing requirements.

Filings will be accepted during the filing period for the following offices to be elected on November 8, 2022:

•Township Clerk (four (4) year regular term)
•Township Supervisor Seat 1 (four (4) year regular term)

Karen Roubal, Clerk
Moose Lake Township
29-30pnc

BECKER TOWNSHIP NOTICE OF CANDIDATE FILING DATES

The following township offices will be voted for at the State General Election to be held Tuesday, November 8, 2022. Candidates may begin filing for these offices on Tuesday, August 2, 2022 through Tuesday, August 16, 2022. You may call Mary Fitcher @ 218-352-6498 for an appointment OR the office of the clerk will be open Tuesday, August 16, 2022 from 1:00 - 5:00 p.m. located at 10999 75th Ave. SW, Motley, MN 56466. Candidates must complete an Affidavit of Candidacy and pay a $2.00 filing fee at the time of filing.

Filings will be accepted during the filing period for the following offices to be elected on November 8, 2022:

•One (1) Treasurer - four (4) year term
•One (1) Supervisors - four (4) year term (seat 1)
•One (1) Supervisors - four (4) year term (seat 3).

Mary Fitcher, Clerk
Becker Township
30-31pnc

POPLAR TOWNSHIP CASS COUNTY, MINNESOTA NOTICE OF CANDIDATE FILING DATES

The following township offices will be voted for at the state general election to be held Tuesday, November 8, 2022. Candidates may begin filing for these offices on Tuesday August 2, 2022 until Tuesday, August 16, 2022. The office of the Poplar clerk will be open by appointment from 3:00 to 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday August 16, 2022 for candidates to file. Call the Poplar Clerk at 218-851-8692 for an appointment.

Candidates must file with the Poplar Township Clerk at the Leader Community Hall, 7430 State 64 SW Motley, MN 56466. Candidates must complete an affidavit of candidacy and pay a $2.00 filing fee at the time of filing.

Candidates who will be absent from the state during the filing period may arrange to file in person with the Clerk within seven days prior to departure by presenting a written affidavit of reasons for absence and completing all other filing requirements.

Filings will be accepted during the filing period for the following offices to be elected on November 8, 2022.

•Township Supervisor, Seat 2, (four (4) year Term)

Susan Peet, Clerk
Poplar Township
29-30pnc

NOTICE OF ELECTION OF UNITED HOSPITAL DISTRICT BOARD MEMBERS

Notice is hereby given, that the Regular Election of the United Hospital District, Staples, Minnesota, will be held on Tuesday, November 8, 2022 to elect members to serve on the District Board of Directors.

Any person desiring to be a candidate for member of the District Board shall file with the clerk of the city or the township in which he resides, an application to be placed on the ballot as a candidate for election as a member representing such city or township that is included in the Hospital District.

Filing opens Tuesday, August 2, 2022 and closes Tuesday, August 16, 2022.

Members will be elected as follows: The election of one member of District Board for a term expiring December 31, 2026 representing and from each of the following cities and townships:

City of Staples
Motley Township
Byron Township.
Becker Township
Thomastown Township
Moran Township

By Order of the District Board of Directors
United Hospital District
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Lana Hansen,
District Clerk
30-31pnc

VILLARD TOWNSHIP TODD COUNTY NOTICE OF CANDIDATE FILING DATES

The following township offices will be voted for at the state general election to be held Tuesday, November 8, 2022. Candidates may begin filing for these offices on Tuesday, August 2, 2022, until Tuesday August 16, 2022. Call the Deputy Clerk, Connie Mosack, at 218-414-0323 for an appointment.

Candidates must file at the office of the Township Clerk, Villard Township Hall, County Road 28, Philbrook, MN. Candidates must complete an affidavit of candidacy and pay a $2.00 filing fee at the time of filing.

Candidates who will be absent from the state during the filing period may arrange to file in person with the Clerk within seven (7) days prior to departure by giving written reasons for absence and completing all other filling requirements.

Filings will be accepted during the filing period for the following offices to be elected November 8, 2022:

**Township Supervisor A - four (4) year regular term
**Township Supervisor B - four (4) year regular term
**Treasurer - four (4) year regular term

Mary Trantina Koenig, Clerk
Villard Township
30-31pnc

CITY OF STAPLES COUNTIES OF WADENA AND TODD

NOTICE OF PRIMARY ELECTION

To the Electors of the City of Staples, in the Counties of Todd and Wadena, State of Minnesota:

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: That a Primary Election will be held at the Community Center located at 425 4th St NE, Staples, MN 56479 on Tuesday, the 9th of August 2022. The polls will be open from the hour of seven (7) o'clock a.m. to the hour of eight (8) o'clock p.m. for the purpose of nominating candidates for Federal, State and County offices, which are to be voted for in the General Election to be held on Tuesday, the 8th day of November 2022.

Tara Greer, Clerk
City of Staples
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New owners of Lefty's appreciate iconic bar

By Mark Anderson
Managing Editor

The history of Lefty's Bar in Staples makes it a sought after place, according to the new owners, Leo Carlson and Kristi Ziegler.

"I always wanted to own this bar, just this bar," said Carlson.

Lefty's will celebrate with a grand opening on Saturday, July 23, with food and drink specials all day, a beanbag tournament at noon and Katie Ziegler performing at 7 p.m.

Carlson said he has been a patron and participated in the Lefty's Softball Tournaments.

"It's iconic, everybody knows about Lefty's," said Carlson. When he worked out of town, it was the first place he would visit after returning home.

Carlson said a lot of people have talked about their dream of buying Lefty's. Ziegler said her former husband was one of those who had a dream of owning Lefty's before he passed away.

Since they both had dreamed about it, it became perfect timing when the business came up for sale.

Since taking over this spring, Carlson and Ziegler have made a number of improvements, including creating a new outdoor patio with deck chairs, couches and a new fire pit for colder weather. Ziegler said she wanted to make the outdoor patio more family friendly. The bar has had beanbag toss out there for several years, but Ziegler said she is going to bring in more yard games.

Carlson said there is still a lot he wants to do to improve the building, including refurbishing the Lefty's neon sign in front of the building. "I want the neon back, I don't want to change it," he said.

Carlson and Ziegler said they want to continue to be a part of the community by sponsoring events. They hired Bobby Dickman to coordinate all the activities. They currently host a beanbag league every other Thursday, along with B&B's bar hosting it the other Thursdays. They will continue with darts and pool leagues. Another new event is trivia every other Tuesday.

Lefty's hosted a night golf tournament at The Vintage in Staples on July 15 and will help sponsor the Ziegler 5K in August, which Kristi has been a part of in the past.

They will also continue the Lefty's Softball Tournament, this year to be held in September. It will the the 49th year, which they believe is the longest running yearly softball tournament in Minnesota.

Ziegler said the food menu will be similar but they did add broasted chicken. She said there will be different daily specials, some of which are not on the regular menu.

Carlson and Ziegler said the first few weeks of running Lefty's has been appreciated by the community. With the new outdoor space they are seeing more families coming in to eat and play games.

The venture has kept them both very busy.

"I've bartended before but there's so much more behind the scenes," said Carlson.

They are committed to keeping Lefty's as an iconic place in Staples.

"You want this thing to be here forever," said Carlson.



New owners, new outdoor space at Lefty's

Leo Carlson cuts a ribbon to celebrate the new ownership at Lefty's in Staples, at their newly refurbished outdoor patio area. Carlson has purchased the business along with his fiancé Kristi Ziegeler. The Staples Area Chamber of Commerce hosted the ribbon cutting. Pictured, from left, Gabriel Kroll, Corey and Tammy Woodwick, Sarah Kroll, Korrie Angevine, Brialla Stewart, Rene Kroll, Liam Kroll, Eric Neznik, Jaime Carlson, Kathleen Farrell, Carlson, Ziegler, Ava Kroll, Jordan Goodwater, Elizabeth Kroll, Jamie D'Ambrogio, Melissa Wyman and Shyla Radermacher. If you have a new business or new owners and would like to participate in a ribbon-cutting, call the chamber at 218-894-3974 or the Staples World at 218-894-1112. (Staples World photo by Mark Anderson)

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Chorus give back more in fellowship and music

I was dumbfounded," Collins said. "It didn't make any sense then and I'm not sure it does yet." He went on to say that there were years in the past when he was much more involved in serving the choir, including as board of directors chair, and helping out with various tasks and events. "For the past year and a half, about all I've done is show up and sing," Collins shared, adding, "I know that people look at what I've dealt with over the past two years and have told me how it has inspired them...but in my mind, this has mostly been doing what I needed to do to have some sense of normalcy in my life."

Collins went on to say that, "while many people may applaud or praise me for the progress I've made since my stroke, I have to say I did not do this alone. I have had the tremendous support of my wife Pam, I've worked with a number of really wonderful therapists, I've had the loving prayers and support of the people at Trinity Lutheran Church, not to mention the prayers and support of countless other Christians. And I've had the support and encouragement of my brothers in song."

As he reflected on the award and his fellow chorus members, Collins said, "I think singing in the choir these past two years has given me much more than I've given...for it has given me hope, it has given me fellowship with this great group of men and it has given me the opportunity to participate in music."

It's difficult for him to say which aspect of the men's chorus is more important to him...the music, or the fellowship of men. It was the great music that first drew him into the choir, Collins said. Making great music is still a major part of that, "but I think there is something special about the camaraderie and fellowship of being in a men's singing group. I think it's unlike any other kind of organization that you can be a part of. There are men from all different walks of life, ranging in age from mid-teens into their 80s.

"There are men (in the chorus) who hunt, men who fish, men who cough, men who do all of the above and men who do none of the above, but we all love to sing," Collins said. "And singing is something you can do your entire life," he went on. "Virtually everything that I did for activities in my teens, 20s, 30s and even 40s I no longer do. But I can sing. Even after having had a stroke, I can sing."



Honored choir member

Robin Collins (left) recently received the Presidential Award for Service to the Staples Area Men's Chorus (SAMC). He is pictured with Bill Spar, SAMC President. Submitted photo)

School staff exit surveys

Exit surveys for Staples-Motley staff was mentioned in a recent school board story in the newspaper. Following are the numbers from that survey, in which all existing staff are interviewed.

Results include:

80% felt their relationship with their supervisor was excellent or good

95% felt their relationships with coworkers were excellent or good

75% felt they were properly trained

55% felt the salary was appropriate

60% felt the benefits were appropriate

60% felt the facility was up to date and safe

55% felt the supplies and equipment were adequate

75% felt the evaluation procedure was fair

65% felt that there were opportunities for advancement

70% felt that they had support from their supervisor

80% felt that the employment experience was excellent or good

75% felt they were treated fairly

85% felt that they were treated with respect always or almost always

75% felt they were recognized for good work

60% felt encouraged through cooperation and teamwork

75% felt encouraged or listened to

60% felt the district responded to complaints or addressed problems

50% felt employee issues were managed appropriately

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