

Staples World

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Bountiful harvest

Brayden Granby and Michael Jewison fill the farm to school trailer. See page 10a. (Staples World photo by Mark Anderson)

Wadena County Attorney Ladd appointed to MSGC

Wadena County Attorney, Kyra Ladd, has been appointed to the Minnesota Sentencing Guidelines Commission by Minnesota Governor Tim Walz. Ladd replaces Washington County Attorney Peter Orput, who resigned August 1, 2020, due to medical reasons.

The Minnesota Sentencing Guidelines Commission (MSGC) embodies the goals of the criminal justice system as determined by the citizens of Minnesota through their elected representatives. The MSGC establishes and modifies the Minnesota Sentencing Guidelines, which promote uniform and proportional sentences for convicted felons and help to ensure that sentencing decisions are not influenced by factors such as race, gender, or the exercise of constitutional rights by the defendant. The Guidelines serve as a model for the criminal justice system as a whole to aspire to, as well as provide a standard to measure how well the system is working. The purpose of the Guidelines is to establish rational and consistent sentencing standards that promote public safety, reduce sentencing disparity, ensure that the sanctions imposed for felony convictions are proportional to the severity of the offense and the offender's criminal history. The Guidelines also support the appropriate use of finite correctional resources.



Kyra Ladd

Facts About the Commission:

- In 1978, Minnesota created the nation's first sentencing guidelines commission.
- In 1980, Minnesota became the first state to implement a sentencing guidelines structure.
- The Commission is an 11-member body created by the Legislature to develop and maintain the Guidelines, a set of rules that judges must apply in felony sentencing.
- The Commission employs a full-time staff of six to maintain the Guidelines, train criminal justice professionals, collect and analyze data, and respond to questions about the Guidelines.
- In 1981, when the Guidelines went into effect, 5,500 felons were sentenced. In 2018, 18,284 felons were sentenced.

In addition to more felons being sentenced over the years, sentencing lengths have increased, and the Guidelines have become far more complex, due, in part, to statutory enhancements and mandatory minimums.

- The Minnesota Sentencing Guidelines Commission is comprised of 11 members. As stated in Minn. Stat. §244.09, Subd. 2, these members must include the following:
  - the Chief Justice of the Minnesota Supreme Court or a designee
  - a Judge from the Minnesota Court of Appeals
  - a District Court Judge
  - a Public Defender
  - a County Attorney
  - the Commissioner of Corrections or a designee
  - a Peace Officer
  - a Probation or Parole Officer
  - three members from the general public, one of whom must be the victim of a felony crime
- The three Commission members from the Judiciary are appointed to four-

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Cooperative education partnership

Troy Daniell, Minnesota state conservationist, and Dr. Hara Charlier, president of Central Lakes College, display a memorandum of understanding (MOU) they signed Monday on behalf of nine members of the Community College Alliance for Agriculture Advancement (C2A3) and the Natural Resource Conservation Service (NRCS) The MOU is designed to develop a cooperative framework to enhance and accelerate training and adoption of technologies and best practices for improved agricultural productivity and natural resources stewardship. (Submitted photo)

CLC teams up with USDA for ag education

The United States Department of Agriculture's Natural Resource Conservation Service (USDA-NRCS) is partnering with Central Lakes College and eight Midwest community colleges to support hands-on student learning in the field, to develop future conservation-minded farmers and ranchers, and to cultivate more graduates interested in pursuing careers with NRCS.

On Sept. 21, Representatives of the Community College Alliance for Agriculture Advancement (C2A3) and NRCS held a virtual ceremony to celebrate the formal signing of a national memorandum of understanding (MOU) to develop a cooperative framework to enhance and accelerate training and adoption of technologies and best practices for improved agricultural productivity and natural resources stewardship.

"Agriculture is such a critical part of what we do at Central Lakes College," said Dr. Hara Charlier, President of CLC. "This partnership will strengthen all of the amazing work already happening at CLC and will help both us and the partner colleges advance our work even more. We are honored to be a part of this partnership and look forward to all of the positive initiatives it will bring."

All C2A3 member institutions, including Central Lakes College, have college farms and are able to utilize their land resources for the implementation of conservation practices on the ground to help educate and inform students and producers. The goal of the cooperative agreement is to not only accelerate the adoption of conservation practices through the education of current, two-year agriculture students, but to also disseminate information to the broader community through field days and other college events and partnerships.

In addition, the colleges are utilizing the network to share resources, knowledge and expertise. Collectively, they are working on a grant through USDA's North Central Sustainable Agriculture Research and Education (SARE) program, which seeks to increase awareness, knowledge and skills related to soil health, cover crops and no till agriculture. The development of content such as videos and case studies for the classroom is a critical component to help illustrate concepts of profitability, sustainability and productivity. These assets will be shared across the network for the benefit of all member institutions.

Minnesota Congressman Collin Peterson, who chairs the House Agriculture Committee, said during the signing event, ideas that come from partnerships like C2A3 and NRCS will assist he and his colleagues in Washington make decisions in a time of limited financial resources as they write the next Farm Bill.

"You'd be surprised how many members of the committee don't have any real feedback from the rural world in terms of what we're doing with these programs. And hopefully by doing things like this we can provide more of that to our committee members," Peterson said. "I think we're going to have to change things in agriculture going forward with concerns about climate change and water quality and all of these other issues are going to have to be addressed because our urban and suburban colleagues are demanding it. ... I just want as much information as I can have as we're making these decisions and what (C2A3 colleges) are doing is going to help us get them."

"We are very excited for our partnership with NRCS," said Keith Olander, Director of the CLC Ag & Energy Center and Dean of Agricultural Studies. "Together, we will train students to work in agriculture, where they will assist farmers in balancing economic viability with environmental sustainability tailored for their farm."

The C2A3 collaboration was born out of a mutual desire to provide more ongoing education, training and demonstration projects to future farm producers and agricultural service providers with the goal of improving the health, and therefore the long-term productivity, resilience and sustainability of the soil.

Kevin Norton, acting chief of NRCS, said the partnership demonstrates the power of public and private partnerships. He said it brings together the federal government with community colleges that represent the geography, the landscape and the agriculture where they're located.

"NRCS recognizes the unique niche that these colleges play across rural landscapes all over the country, particularly those colleges that have actual working farms."

Over the course of the next five-years, NRCS will develop a conservation plan for each member college that has land and address their resource concerns. After the plans are developed, the agency will assist the colleges in installing conservation practices, in addition to hosting field days, which Norton said

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Area counties seeing highest COVID-19 numbers

The COVID-19 surge is strengthening in central Minnesota, as most area counties recorded their highest weekly infection total of the past three months.

Todd County had 30 new COVID-19 cases during the week ending Oct. 4. Wadena County had 17, the highest recorded in that county. Morrison County had 65 new cases. Cass County was the only one to lower their number of new cases, with 31, after seeing 48 the week before.

North of Wadena County, Hubbard County (the Park Rapids area) was one of the last counties in the state to record multiple cases. But in the past two weeks, the county has seen a surge, with 51 new cases this week.

Nationally, about 2.3 percent of the country has been infected by COVID-19. In Minnesota, 1.8 percent of the state has received a positive test. In Todd County, 2.2 percent of citizens have recorded a positive test for the virus. Morrison and Crow Wing are at one percent, while Cass and Wadena are less than one percent, at .7 and .6 percent, respectively. The highest percentage in the area is Stearns County, with 2.7 percent of the population recording a positive test.

The number of COVID-19 related deaths is starting to rise in Minnesota, with an average of 10 per day over the past week.

Weather

This Week's Forecast

	High	Low	Cond.
Oct. 7	63°	37°	Sunny
Oct. 8	66	53	Sunny
Oct. 9	75	43	M. Sunny
Oct. 10	62	46	Sunny
Oct. 11	68	52	P. Cloudy
Oct. 12	66	49	M. Cloudy
Oct. 13	58	38	P. Cloudy

Last Year, 2019

	High	Low	Cond.
Oct. 7	62°	37°	Sunny
Oct. 8	71	46	Sunny
Oct. 9	69	50	M. Sunny
Oct. 10	54	52	Cloudy
Oct. 11	36	33	Rain
Oct. 12	33	30	SNOW
Oct. 13	37	30	Cloudy

Average Temps: H = 57° Low = 39°

Rain for Week: .43"
Year total rain: 19.60"

Compiled by Dale Hausmann, WCCO's Staples area Weatherwatcher

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Obituaries

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Cardinal Pride sign coming along



Progress is being made on the Cardinal Pride sign located at the SE corner of the Hwys 10/210 intersection in Staples. The sign's message relates to the 28 athletic team state championships and the 62 individual state champions to date.

Construction for the project is provided by DHC (Derek Holst Construction), Staples. Pictured in lower photo, from left, are Derek Holst and Danny Otteson, of DHC.

In center photo, Steve Statema from the City of Staples crew levels off the black dirt provided by Ideal Construction, which shows how Cardinal Pride directly transforms to Community Pride.

At top are concept views of the three views of the sign. A digital messaging board is being projected but funds are still needed to make this a reality. A mid-November completion and installation of the sign is anticipated.

"Time fades everything except what you choose to value and recall," says Mike Hajek, project organizer. "The Cardinal Pride message will be a positive icon message in our community. Our message will clearly leave no doubt to travelers through our community how we feel about our school and our rich athletic legacy." (Submitted photos)





Great day for fishing the Leaf River

Gary Schimpp (left) and his nephew Doug Schimpp, both of Bullard Township, caught some nice northern pike and walleye while fishing the Leaf River Sept. 26, northwest of Staples. "The DNR says there are no fish in the Leaf. Don't tell anybody," Gary said. (Submitted photo)

Vaccine is a strong defense against flu

From Todd County Health and Human Services

Even healthy people need a flu vaccine. Influenza (flu) is a contagious disease which can lead to serious illness, including pneumonia. Even healthy people can get sick enough to miss work or school for a significant amount of time or even be hospitalized.

An annual flu vaccine is recommended for everyone six months of age and older. Pregnant women, young children, older people, and people with certain chronic medical conditions like asthma, diabetes and heart disease are at increased risk of serious flu-related complications, so getting a yearly flu vaccine is especially important for them.

When and Where to get vaccinated?

You should get a flu vaccine by the end of October. However, as long as flu viruses are circulating, vaccination should continue throughout flu season, even in January or later. Flu vaccines are offered in many doctors' offices and clinics. Flu vaccine is available in many other locations, including health departments, pharmacies, urgent care clinics, health centers, and travel clinics. Vaccines may also be offered at your school, college health center, or workplace. Visit: www.vaccinefinder.org to find a flu vaccination clinic near you.

Todd County Health and Human Services will have flu and immunization clinics by appointment only on the following dates:

- Monday, Oct. 26
- Tuesday, Nov. 3
- Monday, Nov. 23
- Tuesday, Dec. 1
- Monday, Dec. 28

For more information, questions or to make an appointment, please call Todd County Health and Human Services at 320-732-4500.

Information provided from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)

Law enforcement reports, Motley area

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

Sept. 29 - The MPD issued a citation to Meghan Leigh Seger, 22, for possession of over 1.4 grams of marijuana and drug paraphernalia in a motor vehicle. Seger was also arrested on a Dakota County warrant.

Sept. 26 - The MPD responded to a report of a possible domestic at the 400 block of Pine Ave., Motley.

Sept. 25 - The MPD executed a search warrant at the 49000 block of 305th Ave., Staples, looking for stolen tools related to a burglary. A DeWalt grinder was located and seized. Todd County deputies and members of the Central MN Violent Offenders Task Force assisted in executing the warrant.

Sept. 30 - The MCSO responded to a downed power line at Lake Shore Dr., Motley. They blocked traffic until the township and Crow Wing Power arrived to take care of the situation.

Sept. 28 - The MCSO issued a speeding citation to Carter Scharber, 19.

Sept. 27 - The MCSO responded to a report of an unwanted subject at the Landing in Cushing. Subject was trespassed from the restaurant per the owner's request.

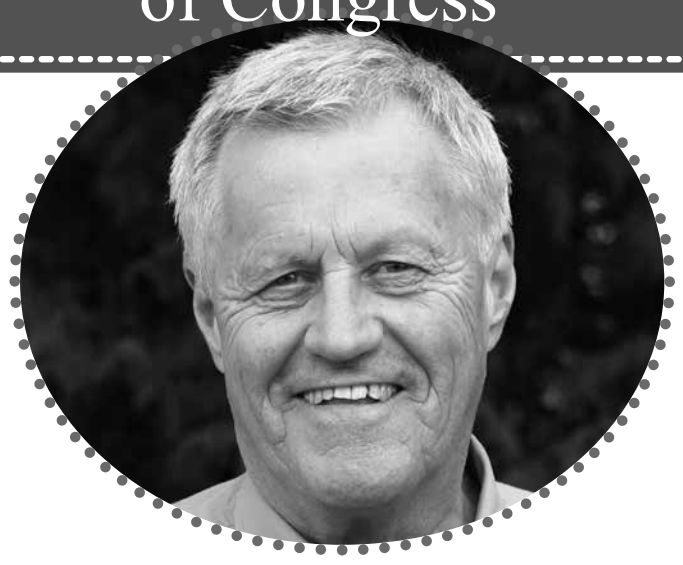
Sept. 26 - The MCSO responded to a report of a dispute at the 200 block of Morrison St. E., Motley.

Sept. 25 - The MCSO received a request to do a stand by at a funeral in Cushing, due to family issues.

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Looking back



Mystery photo

Hello readers. This week's archive photo is from our April 9, 1981 edition. Do you know who these people are and perhaps the context of the photos? Email your answers and where you are from to dtimbs@staplesworld.com by Friday morning, or call 218-894-1112. The answers will be published in next week's paper, as well as a new mystery photo.

75 Years Ago - 1945

• Oct. 11, 1945 - Dr. Ed Olermann, who has gained notoriety as an expert in science and who was one of the "main cogs" in the perfecting of the atomic bomb, is known in Staples.

Dr. Olermann is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Olermann, who were both known in Staples before their marriage. Mrs. Olermann is the former Clara Pepin.

Many of the old timers in the city will recall the family, as they have visited friends in Staples upon many occasions.

• Oct. 11, 1945 - With the enrollment of several students from the sixth grade in both public schools, the total band enrollment in the Staples schools passed the 100 mark. It is expected that many more will enroll, as the seventh and eighth grades are checked at the school by Erling Lian, the new band instructor.

• Oct. 11, 1945 - Rev. Elmer G. Nienaber, of Duluth, will be installed as the pastor of Trinity Lutheran Church in Staples at services Sunday afternoon at 2:00, with the Rev. Frinke of Bartlett acting as the installing pastor.

Rev. and Mrs. Nienaber arrived in Staples Wednesday of this week and are at their home at the parsonage at 310 Dakota Avenue in Staples.

• Oct. 11, 1945 - The World this week recognized Mrs. Emil Perisian, Aldrich correspondent, as having one of the most enviable records for writing news of any of the seventeen rural writers in the columns of The World.

In almost 10 years of writing, Mrs. Perisian has missed only one week of sending in her budget of news from the Aldrich community. She has sent in news for a total of 463 weeks. Her news averages 13 inches weekly.

Mrs. Perisian states that she has various ways of getting her news items, but the easiest way is for her to visit her friends and neighbors, and listen with alertness to all of the talk that goes on. She has worked at a store in Aldrich, and there was able to get many items of real interest.

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50 Years Ago - 1970

• Oct. 15, 1970 - An announcement was today made by Dr. Donald S. Eddy, chairman of the board of the Staples State Bank, to the effect that the bank will be closed for several hours on Friday, Oct. 23.

On that date, the Staples State Bank will be open from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. They will be closed from 11 a.m. - 3 p.m. and then will reopen for business as usual from 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.

The above hours are necessary in order for the bank to convert their checking accounts to an electronic computer system.

• Oct. 15, 1970 - Two young people from Staples died Saturday, apparently from carbon monoxide poisoning, in a garage in this city. Dead are Judith Ann Gilbertson, 22, and Blair Michael Fahnlander, 27.

According to the reports of the Staples police department and the Todd County sheriff's office, the couple were last seen about 4 a.m. They had been up town earlier with other young people and had left a Staples cafe.

Miss Gilbertson and Fahnlander were dropped off by another party at the home of his mother about 3 a.m. Fahnlander's car was parked in the front of his mother's residence at that time.

When the couple did not return to their homes, a search was conducted by their families throughout the area. About 2:30 p.m. Saturday, the bodies were found in the garage at Fahnlander's home by his brother, James.

Sheriff Bain reported that the door of the garage apparently swung shut accidentally while they sat in the car with the engine running. The radio of the vehicle was running, the ignition was on' however, the gas tank was empty.

Fahnlander's body was recovered near the door of the garage, whereas Miss Gilberton was in the front seat, the officers advised.

25 Years Ago - 1995

• Oct. 12, 1995 - Staples Dollars for Scholars President Linda Heier and Secretary Jeanette Evans last week received a plaque from Alan Judd, acting chair of the Staples Motley Area Community Fund, and Kathy Gaalswyk, CMIF (Central Minnesota Initiative Fund) executive director. Staples Dollars for Scholars contributed $20,000 to the Staples Motley Area Community Fund to provide post secondary scholarships for Staples Area youth.

• Oct. 12, 1995 - Two area Dairy Queen stores were recipients of awards from the International Dairy Queen, Inc. recently.

The Staples Dairy Queen, owned by Doyle and Deb Yoder, received a Dairy Queen Golden Brazier Full Award for 1994.

The Motley Dairy Queen, owned by David and Kathy Doll, was awarded a Dairy Queen Golden Cone and Golden Brazier Full Award for 1994.

• Oct. 12, 1995 - The opening ceremony for the Minnesota AIDS Memorial Quilt began at 9 a.m. Friday, Oct. 6, at the Staples Centennial Auditorium. Approximately 2,500 people viewed the Quilt in Staples, the smallest city ever to host a portion of the Quilt.

The NAMES Project - Twin Cities Chapter brought nine complete blocks and a portion of a tenth block. Speakers included Bob Jenkins, Central MN Rural AIDS Action Network; Alan Judd, Staples Motley Community Education; Ken Scarbrough, superintendent of Staples Motley School; Pastor Steve Sveom, Faith Lutheran Church; Carol Goble, Central Minnesota RAAN; Pat Crawford, City of Motley; Loree Brenna, Greater Staples Hospital and Care Center; Dallas Sams, State Senator; Ken Otremba, State Representative; Kay Putman, parent of an AIDS victim; Charity Carner, granddaughter of AIDS victims; Bruce Pederson, high school principal; Brenda Halvorson, general manager of the Staples World; and Pastor Randy Taber, United Methodist Church.

10 Years Ago - 2010

• Oct. 14, 2010 - Mark Giza piloted Neil Armstrong on a flight to mark the American hero's 80th birthday. The experience gave Armstrong, the first man on the moon, a chance to feel the freedom of flying around in the wild blue yonder once again.

Giza flies airplanes for Jim Hayes, a Minneapolis insurance broker. Hayes and Armstrong have become friends and that is why Giza was there for Armstrong's birthday.

The group met in the airplane hangar, and Giza was immediately in awe. "When he leaned over and said, 'Hi, I'm Neil Armstrong,' I thought I was going to tip over," said Giza.

Giza lives in Brainerd, but when he is not flying he often works at his family's business, Giza Plumbing in Staples.



Mystery solved

Last week's mystery photo, published in the Oct. 1, 1970 edition of the Staples World, had to do with the city of Motley receiving a check for $43,925 toward the completion of their sewer system from Motley School District 483. Pictured from left are Mrs. Albert Irwin, Supt. R. G. Berg, Mayor Carr and Mrs. Herb Jordahl.

Leader native Kelly Boldan, now of Willmar, correctly identified Mrs. Irwin and Superintendent Berg. He noted that Mrs. Irwin was Brad Irwin's grandmother and a long-time Motley Teacher. Boldan went on to say that he "should have recognized Becky Finn, Coach Bill Finn's daughter, and Julie Miller, a Leader girl, from last week's 1970 Staples Homecoming court photo." Thanks for participating in our Mystery Photo.

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Four year commission term

year terms by the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court. The remaining members are appointed by the Governor to four-year terms that coincide with the Governor's term in office. The Governor is also responsible for designating a Commission member as the Chair of the Commission.

County Attorney Ladd

County Attorney Ladd serves on the Board of the Minnesota County Attorney's Association (MCAA), which is an independent, voluntary organization of County Attorneys dedicated to improving the quality of justice in the State of Minnesota. The Association is a not-for-profit corporation governed by a Board of Directors, comprised of 29 County Attorneys, elected annually by the membership. The members of the Association are dedicated to the accomplishment of this Mission by developing consensus on legal and public policy issues of statewide significance to County Attorneys. The Mission will be implemented competently and professionally while adhering to the highest ethical standards of the legal profession. It is the mission of the Minnesota County Attorneys Association to improve the quality of justice in the State of Minnesota.

At the June MCAA Board of Director's meeting, Washington County Attorney Orput announced his resignation on the MSGC, and the Board of Director's voted to have Wadena County Attorney Ladd replace Orput on the MSGC. Upon said recommendation, Ladd submitted a series of documents over several months for the Governor's consideration to make the appointment. On September 23, 2020, County Attorney Ladd was contacted by the Governor's Office indicating that Governor Walz was appointing her to MSGC.

County Attorney Ladd stated that she is "humbled that my colleagues at MCAA recommended me to replace Pete Orput – Pete is a long serving and hard-working County Attorney with a brilliant legal mind." Ladd went on to say that she is honored to be selected for this important role by Gov. Walz and recognizes the hard work that lies ahead for the MSGC. Ladd said she welcomes this new challenge and hopes to continue the excellent work of past County Attorneys on this important commission.

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Time to reconsider wearing masks

By Mark Anderson
Managing Editor

COVID-19 is expanding into our area in larger numbers. In the name of slowing the pandemic, we have to keep limiting large gatherings and wearing masks. In light of recent events, those who have refused to wear a mask must start to rethink their reasons for it.

Some people claim it is unconstitutional to force people to wear masks. I don't think that's true, since we have laws that regulate clothing, or more specifically prevent people from walking around town without clothing. I, for one, am very happy for the clothing laws, even though there are some people who feel it infringes on their right to bare body parts. I won't be writing a story about their grievances, first because there is no chance the law will change, and second because I'm terrified of the photo shoot.

I am not happy with the mask law, I hate wearing masks just like everyone else hates it. But I wear them because not a single day goes by where I can be assured I haven't crossed paths with someone who crossed paths with someone else who crossed paths with someone else ...

I have traveled to places that have experienced a coronavirus surge. In those communities, every person wears a mask while in public. A mask has become their ticket to freedom, they are welcome in any building if they wear a mask. Those who refuse to wear masks are not welcome, they look and feel out of place. They limit their own freedom by deciding not to wear a mask.

When we had low numbers in this area, I didn't mind people not wearing masks. But those numbers are starting to change. The real choice here is between health and contagion, not between freedom and oppression. Wearing a mask puts you on the side of health. Not wearing a mask puts you on the side of contagion.

The places around the world that did the best at wearing masks and limiting gatherings are now mostly back to normal, although they still aren't holding large gatherings. But here in the USA, partly because of the people who refused to wear masks, we are still closing businesses, cutting programs and cancelling activities. Our failure to control the virus is hurting everyone, not just those who have gotten sick.

A mask is still our main tool to fight the disease. Even if we get a vaccine soon, we will still have to pair it with wearing masks for several more months, so the mask rule is here to stay. Even though it is awful, we now know that things will get much worse without it.

Quote of the week

"Always let your conscience be your guide."
— The Blue Fairy (Pinocchio)

Fall in Minnesota

By Sarah Strommen
Minnesota DNR Commissioner

Minnesota's seasons can change quickly. It often seems that just when you get settled into a summer routine, summer ends. That was doubly true this year.

COVID kept me closer to home this summer. My family and I got to know the parks, trails, and waters near our house. And instead of our usual out-of-state summer trip, we opted for a Minnesota staycation this year. We spent time biking, fishing and walking dogs on Minnesota public lands and waters—and we weren't alone. It seems the pandemic encouraged Minnesotans everywhere to get outside. We waived to neighbors on normally vacant trails, watched families exploring Minnesota parks, and swapped quick fishing reports with other anglers on the lake.

I'd like to think so many of us turned to the outdoors because celebrating Minnesota's natural beauty is an innate part of who we are. It's where we instinctively go to recharge and revive ourselves. And if ever we needed a recharge, this summer certainly was it.

As summer's days grow shorter and cooler, it's clear we're not ready to head indoors—unless, of course, "indoors" is a tent or a camper cabin. Campgrounds are still buzzing with activity, fishing license sales are up, and trails continue to draw hikers, bikers, and bird watchers.

That's probably because fall may be Minnesota's best season, offering its own unique options for outdoor activities.

With the summer crowds gone, fall fishing is hard to beat. In my house, fall is time to bring out the big gear and search for muskies. We enjoy fishing the quiet lakes and watching the loons prepare for their upcoming journey. Crisp fall nights also are wonderful for camping. This is the perfect time of year to stay in one of the many camper cabins the DNR has available at state parks throughout Minnesota—they're warm on chilly nights, but still offer a great camping adventure. If a more rustic camping experience is your thing, our state forest campgrounds have first-come, first-serve sites. Download a geo-PDF map of the forest to your cell phone and you can roam to your heart's content and never get lost.

Of course, you might want to get a little lost in the splendor of fall color. Hiking, biking and bird watching amongst trees dressed in reds, golds and yellows is a great way to spend a fall day. If you're looking for new places to watch the fall color show, the DNR's webpage (mndnr.gov/fallcolor) has you covered with a Fall Color Finder Map, updates from each state park (including suggestions for things to do in addition to looking at leaves), fall color forest drives, and even a fall color email alert.

And then there's hunting. I'm always cautious about promising good hunting—I don't want to jinx anyone, especially myself—but I'm encouraged with prospects for deer hunting in many parts of the state. The same goes for pheasants: spring nesting conditions were good and August roadside counts were up. For most hunters, even the slightest positive sign is enough to get us planning our next outing in the woods and fields. If you've never been hunting, but have an inkling to try, I encourage you to get some training, perhaps find a mentor and give it go this year. The DNR's Learn to Hunt web page (mndnr.gov/gohunting) has how-to guides and even virtual hunting classes to get you started. The site can also connect you with hunting opportunities for youth, women, and those with physical challenges.

No matter how you choose to get outdoors as the summer slips into fall, I would encourage you to #BeGoodNATUREd. As more people connect with and enjoy the outdoors through hiking, ATV riding, hunting, camping, fishing and other outdoor activities, let's celebrate the fact that we have more people loving Minnesota's great outdoors and make room for everyone. Model good outdoors etiquette. Lend a hand. Leave no trace. Show that Minnesota's public lands are open and welcoming to all—and all of us must care for them.

The pandemic has changed many things for most of us. But what it hasn't changed—in fact, what it has highlighted—is our love of the outdoors and our need to connect with nature. So let's not mourn the passing of summer. Instead, let's be thankful that in Minnesota we get to experience all four seasons and the outdoor opportunities each offers. Get out your flannel and your blaze orange, it's time for fall....and save a little time to plan for the exciting outdoor activities yet to come this winter.

Letters to the Editor

Paid political advertisement

Heppner for school board

Many people will vote for a school board candidate simply because of name recognition, or maybe you know them professionally. Maybe they live in your neighborhood, go to school with your children or attend your church. These are all good things.

All the candidates are good people. But what makes a good school board member would be a person who has a passion for education, community and is engaged in leadership.

For these reasons, I believe Erich Heppner would be an excellent choice for the Staples-Motley School Board.

I have worked with Erich in several different capacities over the years and I can with certainty say that he is committed individual. Erich uses his head to make sound decisions, his hearing to listen to all sides, his voice to communicate effectively, his vision to see paths ahead, his heart to love and advocate for students, his arms to embrace new ideas, his hands to reach out to others, and his feet to stand for education.

If you do not know Erich, get to know him. You will know what I am talking about. You can find Erich on Facebook at Erich Heppner for Staples-Motley School Board.

Chris Etzler
Staples, Minn.

An honest talk about 'fake news'

By Rob Curley
Spokesman-Review
(Washington)

Many of us likely remember what it was like as we waited in the checkout lane at the local grocery store when we were younger. It took forever. We remember that never-ending line, and we know its truth.

Speaking of the truth, that also was the first time most of us saw those crazy, oddly shaped, newspapers right next to all of the good candy and gum. Their headlines were fantastic and as soon as we mentioned we should get one, we'd be told that none of it was real. "That's fake news," Mom would say.

Then we'd go to school and be taught the history of country at war. World War II was always so hard to understand because there is no way a nation would do things that were that evil. How could so many people be talked into thinking that was okay?

Teachers explained how it happened using one word, "propaganda." What's that? "It's fake news," we'd be told in class. "Citizens were told things that weren't true, that—because of the times and their own hardships—they wanted to believe." Seemed like crazy talk to us back in the fifth grade.

For most people of a certain age, these are the first examples we remember of being told that something less than honest was being sold as the truth. This is when most of us began to understand what "fake news" really was. Today, we hear the phrase all the time, but it's oddly been turned into something that seems charged and political.

As the Spokesman-Review editor, I get asked to speak to groups. There is always one question asked: "How do you feel about fake news?" That's easy: I hate it. It goes against everything our newspaper's journalists believe in and everything our newsroom stands for. "No, that's not what I mean. What do you think about there being so much fake news now?" This is when I get to explain what local newspapers really do.

When we print a story about a road closing on Monday for construction, that's true. When we say the previous day's high temperature was 22 degrees and that it snowed 2.7 inches out at the airport, we all know it's true...even if we don't want either to be true. If we run a story that says Gonzaga scored more than 100 points and beat Santa Clara by 50 points, we know that's true.

People generally like this answer. More importantly, they agree with it. Then ... "Well, what about what the president said and about the media being fake?"

There's a long history of U.S. presidents hating the media.

Nixon couldn't stand the Washington Post and swore he wasn't a crook. The Obama White House was called "the least transparent and the most antagonistic toward the media since the Nixon administration" by a significant Southern California newspaper. A president trying to discredit the media isn't all that new.

"Nothing can now be believed which is seen in a newspaper. Truth itself becomes suspicious by being put into that polluted vehicle." That was Thomas Jefferson in 1807. Well, except that Jefferson also understood more than most the role journalism played in a well-informed democracy. "Were it left to me to decide whether we should have a government without newspapers, or newspapers without a government, I should not hesitate a moment to prefer the latter," Jefferson wrote.

Democracy isn't easy. It takes work by "we the people."

After a while, it became obvious to the editors at this newspaper that half of our readers didn't trust stories out of the nation's capital. We did two things. We began inviting people to our news meetings so they could hear what we talked about as we built our newspaper, and probably more impactful, what we didn't talk about. Then we changed how a rare front-page national news would be handled. We didn't care what the president said or what the Speaker of the House said. We would write our own versions of these national stories to focus on our D.C. delegation and what this might actually mean to us here in Eastern Washington.

These things largely worked on several different levels, yet I still remember the first time I heard a local elected official complain that a local story we had written was "fake news." At first, I was enraged. Those are fighting words.

Then I started to wonder if maybe there was a part of the story that was incorrect. I searched our archives and pored over every word of the article this politician had called "fake." I talked with our reporter for the story and our other editors, not letting on why I was asking. I called the sources in the story to make sure they hadn't been misquoted.

They hadn't. And nothing else was wrong in the story. All of it was true. That's when I went back to my initial instinct and got angry. This is called gaslighting, when someone says things that make others begin to doubt themselves, often making them question their own memories of things they have seen or heard themselves.

None of this is being said to try to tell anyone that what they believe is wrong. Beliefs and truths aren't the same. The truth is based on facts.

In my last four years at the Spokesman-Review, there isn't a single instance when we have knowingly published something wrong. When we have made mistakes, we have corrected them. Because the truth matters. We recently stopped the presses when a wire story about the coronavirus dramatically changed after our print deadline—which is already later than most newspapers across the country. We did that because none of us wanted something that was incorrect to go to our readers.

It used to bother me that our newspapers weren't sold at the checkout counters at our local grocery stores. Then I see those tabloids at the registers and realize it's way better that they set our newspaper racks at the front of the store.

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The deadline is 12 noon, Friday. 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.
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Election policies 2020

Letters to the Editor

Letters to the editor in support of or in opposition to a specific candidate, political party or ballot question may be paid for and placed on the opinion page under the heading of "Paid Political Letter."

The rate will be $30 for the first 100 words plus 30¢ per word over 100 words. Payment must be made in advance of publication.

These letters must contain the signature and city residence of the writer. Please in clude a phone number for verication purposes. If a letter cannot be verified, it will nto be published.

Letters regarding campaign practices and issues that do not contain statements of support or opposition regarding a candidate or ballot question may be considered for publication without charge, subject to review and editing.

The Staples World reserves the right to edit, condense or refuse letters and will not publish libelous statements. The final decision about how letters tot he editor are handled will rest withthe Staples World.

Political ads

Political ads will be accepted at the regular Staples World advertising rates.

Deadlines

The regular deadline for letters to the editor, advertisments and news releases in the Staples World is noon on Friday.

For the general election, the Staples World will not accept letters or advertisements raising new issues after Friday, Oct. 23.

Region Five hosting online event for veterans

Region Five Development Commission is hosting a Regional Military & Veteran Exchange (RMVE) event with a physical fitness focus online Oct. 14 from 10-11:30 a.m.

Learn more and register for the event at: https://rmve.eventbrite.com. At the time of the event, you may join the webinar portion at https://connect.apan.org/mnbhmc/. Audio portion of the event must be joined by calling 425-436-6200 ext 727-017.

The goal of the RMVE is to connect existing resources to enhance collaborations in the military connected community. The RMVE is a result of partnerships of the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs, Minnesota National Guard, Minnesota Military & Veteran Exchange, Building Healthy Military Communities, Regional Beyond the Yellow Ribbon and Region Five Development Commission.

For more information on this event and other Region Five military connected programs, contact Staci Headley; at sheadley@regionfive.org or 218-831-0137.

Keller to be featured by Wadena County Historical Society

Fred Keller will be a featured guest at the Wadena County Historical Society's annual meeting, held this year via ZOOM on Oct. 13. The business meeting will begin at 6:30 p.m. with a 'State of the Museum' address by director, Lina Belar.

Fred Keller has a passion for Minnesota history and local stories. He is also a professional musician, steeped in the traditions of Irish, Early American, blues, Tin Pan Alley and ragtime music. His songs will connect you to a Minnesota long past, but not entirely lost.

Entertainment by Fred Keller and his mandolin will follow at 7 p.m. This year's annual meeting will not be exactly like meeting in person and you will have to provide your own refreshment, but it will still be fun.

To receive an invitation to the ZOOM meeting, email 603wchs@arvig.net.

Staples and Motley Food Shelves offer free food distribution

COVID-19 Assistance Program, Oct. 15

A free food distribution for those in need of food or those newly struggling to make ends meet due to the COVID-19 crises will be held Thursday, Oct. 15, from 4 - 6 p.m. at the Staples-Motley Elementary School parking lot in Staples.

The event is hosted by the Staples and Motley Area Food Shelves, along with Second Harvest Heartland, with foods provided from the COVID Food Assistance Program (CFAP). CFAP is an assistance program for farmers, ranchers and other food producers managed by the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

Pre-packed boxes of produce, dairy and meat will be distributed safely through a drive-up model. Food items will be loaded into trunks by volunteers who will maintain social distance. Guests are asked to have the trunk of their vehicle open.

Each household will receive:

- 1 box of produce
- 1 box of mixed dairy
- 1 box of meat (chicken and pork)

Up to two households served per vehicle.

No registration or paperwork is necessary and only basic demographic information will be asked of participants. No names, addresses or personal information will be required.

To pick up food items, enter at Third Avenue and 2nd St. NE in Staples. Line up on 2nd Street NE.

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914 3rd Ave. NE, Staples, MN
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Come for a time of refreshing, healing, and learning from God's Word!
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Staples-Motley School District is taking applications to be placed on our SUBSTITUTE calling lists:

FOOD SERVICE – requires standing for long periods of time

BUS ROUTE DRIVERS – Must have valid MN license and a clean driving record; Will train and help work toward proper endorsements

CUSTODIANS – Evening shifts / requires some lifting/ hours can be flexible

Call 218-894-5400 for more information or visit our website www.isd2170.k12.mn.us
Submit applications to: Staples-Motley ISD #2170, District Office, 905 4th ST NE Staples, MN 56479.
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TODD COUNTY TAX REMINDER

The **second half** of **Real Estate Taxes** are due on or before October 15, 2020. Except for property classified as **Agricultural. (Be sure to look at the due dates on your statement, some classifications changes per State Laws, may affect when taxes are due).** State law requires that the penalty be applied to the unpaid balance on October 16. These taxes are payable at the **Todd County Auditor-Treasurer's Office,** or by mail to: 215 1st Ave. S., Suite 201, Long Prairie, MN 56347 with the envelope being postmarked October 15, 2020. Call our office at 320-732-4469 for details on internet payment or paying by credit card thru Point and Pay 1-844-368-2607.

PLEASE BRING YOUR STATEMENTS IN WHEN PAYING YOUR TAXES.

The drop off box is still available and located outside the tunnel entry of the historical courthouse on the street level at 215 1st Ave. South. Available for convenient 24 hour access.

DENISE GAIDA
TODD COUNTY AUDITOR-TREASURER
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Small Business and Non-Profit Relief Grant Program
--TODD COUNTY--

Sept. 15 2020: The Todd County Board of Commissioners approved a Small Business and Non-Profit Relief Grant Program funded through the CARES CRF (Coronavirus Relief Fund).
The grant program is for small businesses and non-profits directly affected by the COVID-19 pandemic. The program is designed to reimburse the costs of business interruption caused by the pandemic.
Application forms have been developed and posted on the Todd County website under the Business Resources page, located at
https://www.co.todd.mn.us/business-resources.
The application explains the required documentation and where to send the applications. The grants awarded will be up to $10,000 for eligible businesses, both for-profit and non-profit, who meet the criteria of the application and provide supporting documentation.
The application period is from September 21, 2020 through October 16, 2020.
Applications will be reviewed, with grant awards approved on or after November 2. Applicants will be notified of their status after Nov. 2, 2020.

For questions regarding the grant program or grant application, contact Rick Utech, Todd County Economic Development Corporation, at 320-732-2128 or by email at rick.utech@co.todd.mn.us.
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MONDAY 11 a.m.-8 p.m.
GRILLED CHEESE
Served with tomato soup & fries
Pattymelt Grilled Cheese $8
Dbl. Bacon Grilled Cheese $8
Mac 'N Cheese $8
Philly Cheese $8
Sloppy Joe Grilled Cheese $8

TUESDAY 11 a.m.-8 p.m.
ASIAN
Served with fried rice or yakisoba noodles
Pork Potstickers $9
Kicken' Shrimp $9
Sweet & Sour Chicken $9

TUESDAY Continued
Orange Chicken $9
Pepper Steak $9
Korean BBQ Chicken Skewers $9

THURSDAY
11 a.m.-8 p.m.
DAILY SPECIALS

FRIDAY 5-8 p.m.
FISH FRY $13
ALL YOU CAN EAT fish & chips

SUNDAY 11 a.m.-close
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Friday & Saturday, 11 a.m.-1 a.m.; Sunday 11 a.m.-Close

HOW TO VOTE ABSENTEE FOR STATE GENERAL ELECTION November 3, 2020

Absentee voting is currently available for all eligible Todd County Voters at the Todd County Auditor-Treasurer's office for the upcoming State General Election on November 3, 2020.

Regular office hours are Monday through Friday 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. at the address of 215 1st Avenue S, Long Prairie, MN.
There will be *additional* hours available on:
Saturday, October 31, 2020, 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.
Monday, November 2, 2, 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

If visiting us in-person, park on the courthouse hill lot and enter through the north door (nearest the statue and flag). Curbside service is available by calling 320-732-4469 when you arrive. In accordance with the state order, masks are required for persons inside our public building.

To absentee vote by mail, persons are welcome to mail, fax, or e-mail us an image of their Absentee Ballot Application form and our office will mail the absentee ballot materials as promptly as possible.

An Online Absentee Ballot Application Portal and/or printable Absentee Ballot Application form can be found on our County Website at **www.co.todd.mn.us or at mnvotes.org**

Note: If you are currently a member of the Uniformed Services (or spouse/dependent) or temporarily or indefinitely overseas please use the websites named above for alternate UOCAVA Application procedures.

Completed Absentee Ballot Envelopes can be returned by in-person delivery or mail delivery to the Todd County Auditor-Treasurer's Office at 215 1st Avenue S #201, Long Prairie, MN 56347 located at the Todd County Historic Courthouse.

Contact the County Auditor's Office at 320-732-4469 or elections@co.todd.mn.us with any questions.

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Sacred Heart Area School WORKATHON
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SHAS families working together to benefit their school and community!
PROJECTS INCLUDE:
Raking leaves, picking up debris and carefully uncovering grave markers at Evergreen Hill Cemetery.
To learn more or to make a donation: 894-2077 or sacredheartareaschool.org

PAST ZONE WadenaCountyHistory.org
Wadena County Historical Society
ANNUAL MEETING
Tuesday, October 13, 2020 by Zoom
6:30 p.m. Business meeting
7:00 p.m. Program

FRED KELLER, MANDOLIN
Fred Keller has a passion for Minnesota history and local stories. He is also a professional musician whose songs will connect you to a Minnesota long past, but not entirely lost.
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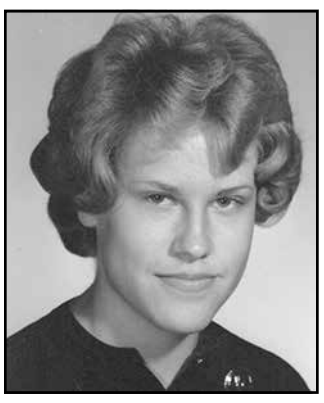
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Pick up Thursday or Friday, Oct. 22 or 23
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Your purchase supports local scholarships, youth leadership camp and school, civic and international projects for all ages.

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Enclosed is cash / check (circle one) for $_____.
Rotarian initials _____ _____ I'll pay with credit card when I pick up my order.

Obituaries

Andrea Erlacher



Andrea "Andy" Lee Erlacher passed away Saturday, September 26, 2020 at Northern Lakes Senior Living.

Funeral Services will be held at a later date.

Andrea was born in Staples to Russell and Meredith (Hankey) Dahl on December 6, 1946 and raised in Staples. She loved to find, collect antiques and enjoyed spending time with her family. She will be deeply missed by all who knew her.

She is survived by three children Joe Erlacher of Brainerd, Mitchell Erlacher of Fargo, ND and Greg Brown of Dallas, TX; two brothers, Clark (Julie) Dahl of Staples and Thomas (Michelle) Dahl of Big Lake.

She was preceded in death by her parents; one brother, Robert Dahl and one sister, Deborah "Deb" Weber.

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Richard Schlegel



Richard Schlegel, 67, passed peacefully to heaven September 30, 2020.

Mass of Christian burial was held October 7 at Church of St. Charles Borromeo, St. Anthony.

Richard was born To Chris and Grace Schlegal at Ft. Benning, GA and lived most of his life in St. Anthony Village. He graduated from St. Anthony High School and attended 916 Vocational College. He retired after working 29 years for TCF Bank.

Dick had a life well lived and will be missed. He approached each day with a courageous and generous heart. He enjoyed time with his family and friends, reading the Bible, traveling, camping, hunting, watching Hallmark movies and playing Cribbage. He was a fan of all Minnesota sports, but as a 36-year season ticket holder, his true sports love was Gopher football; "Go Gophers!"

He loved and was loved by family and friends. He is survived by parents; one sister, Elizabeth (Don) Niemi; two nieces, Jenny (Keith) Jensen and Angela Niemi; two grand-nieces, Grace and Abby Jensen; many aunts, uncles, cousins and friends.

Memorials are preferred to the donor's favorite charity or to St. Charles Borromeo.

Arrangements by www.Washburn-McReavy.com, Northeast Chapel 612-781-6828.

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Alberta Dague



Alberta Henrietta "Bertie" Dague, 90 of Staples (formerly of Bertha), passed away September 23, 2020, at the Lakewood Care Center in Staples after a two month battle with pancreatic cancer.

A celebration of life will be held Oct. 11, at 2:30 p.m. at the Staples Alliance Church. A gathering of family and friends will begin at 1:30 p.m. at the church. Bertie was born Dec. 2, 1929 in Merced, CA to Albert H. and K. Margaret (Beyer) Penner. She married Donald Dague Sept. 5, 1949 in Oakland, CA. Together they raised three children in Bertha. The family moved to Staples in 2005.

Bertie is survived by and will be deeply missed by one son, Larry (Debbie) Dague of Wadena; one daughter, Carolyn (Ron) Kaylor of Coon Rapids; daughter-in-law, Nancy Dague of Galesburg, KS; four grandchildren, Stacy (Dwight) Parker of Lignum, VA, Chris (Cari) Dague of Glen Rose, TX, Haven (Paul) Habermann of Coon Rapids and Beau Kaylor of Minneapolis; eight great-grandchildren, Allie, Christian and Caleb Parker, Madison, Morgan and Makenzie Dague, Nicole and Elsie Kaylor; one sister, Eleanor (Joe) Dague of CA; a host of brothers and sisters-in-law and many loving nieces and nephews.

She is preceded in death by her husband, Don (09/2018); one son, Don (07/2020); parents and one sister, Lois (Doug) Horton.

She will also be greatly missed by the many, many people covered by prayer throughout the years by this "prayer warrior": family, missionaries, pastors, neighbors, friends, Sunday School students and the list goes on; it is so far reaching.

Memorials are suggested to the Gideons International.

Arragnements were by Halvorson Taylor Funeral Home.

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Arlene Ludovissie



Arlene E. Ludovissie, 75, of Staples, passed away peacefully and went to be with the Lord on Friday morning, October 2, 2020 at the St. Cloud Hospital, with her loving family at her side.

A Celebration of Life will be held from 5 to 7 p.m., Thursday, October 8 at Ted & Gen's in Aldrich.

Interment will be at Evergreen Hill Cemetery in Staples.

Arlene Elizabeth Bonifas was born on June 2, 1945 in St. Paul, to Arnold and Elizabeth (Heier) Bonifas. Arlene grew up and received her education at Columbia Heights, graduating from high school there in 1963. She was united in marriage to David Ludovissie on February 22, 1967 in Staples. They spent one year in Germany and then lived in the Staples and Wadena areas.

Arlene worked as a receptionist at Resch Tile and Carpet in Staples for many years and also owned and operated her own cleaning business, A Helping Hand, in Staples. Arlene loved socializing, watching movies, decorating and watching her grandkids' events. She was a nurturing mother and a supportive friend.

She is survived by four children, Dawn (Brian) Meech of Fergus Falls, Paul (Stephanie) Ludovissie of Paducah, KY, Raye (Rebecca) Ludovissie of Verndale, and Lynn (Kurt) Radmacher of Albertville; 13 grandchildren, Jordan, Chantel, Alexis, Matthew, Ceri, Hallie, Austin, Reagen, Megan, Nolan, Jaxon, Cole and Zoe; two great-grandchildren, Dax and Brooks and one brother, Ray (Linda) Bonifas of Ramsey.

Arlene was preceded in death by her parents.

Arrangements have been entrusted to the Brenny Family Funeral Chapel of Staples, www.brenny.com.

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Raymond Gorder

Raymond Gorder, 79, of Lamberton, died September 26, 2020, at Valley View Manor Care Center in Lamberton.

Services were held Oct. 2 at the Our Savior's Lutheran Church in Lamberton with Chaplain Noel Wetter and Pastor Todd Mathison officiating.

Interment was at the Lamberton Cemetery.

Raymond "Ray" Harold Gorder was born March 14, 1941, to Orven and Dorothea Gorder. He grew up in Staples and graduated in 1959. Ray attended Concordia College in Moorhead and graduated with an Education degree in 1963. On June 6, 1964, Ray and Mary were united in marriage. After two years of teaching in Northwood, ND, they made their home in Lamberton in 1965. They raised two children, Heidi and Erik. Family time was spent picnicking and later in life camping at Lake Shetek. Ray loved the game of golf and shared that with the family. He also farmed his family farm in Staples for many years in addition to teaching. He and the family spent a lot of time there. Ray was a member of Our Savior's Lutheran Church since moving to Lamberton. He loved teaching science and coaching and was the head wrestling coach and later the golf coach. After 33 years of teaching in Lamberton, he retired in 1998. After retirement Ray and Mary became snowbirds going to Arizona for over 20 years. The warm weather fueled his love for bicycling. It became his obsession and he rode thousands of miles each year. He connected with many people on his daily rides. He knew the wind speed and direction because that was important when biking.

Ray is survived by his wife of 56 years, Mary of Lamberton; one daughter, Heidi (Chuck) Stverak of Sioux Falls, SD; one son, Erik Gorder (Chad Smith) of Kent, WA; two granddaughters, Abby and Lucy Stverak of Moorhead; one brother, David (Karen) Gorder of Park Rapids and many other relatives and friends.

Ray was preceded in death by his parents and three sisters, Elaine, Marilyn and Agnes Gorder.

Arrangements were with the Sturm Funeral Home in Lamberton. Online condolences may be left for the family at www.sturmfh.com.

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Staples Area Church Directory

Staples

Staples Alliance
1512 8th St. NE, Staples 218-894-2891
Associate 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
Associate Pastor: Carleton Smee
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. Gabriel Walz
Youth and Young Adult Ministry Coordinator:
Monica J. Simmons.....218-414-0081 cell/text
MASS:
Thursday and Friday.....8:30 a.m..
Saturday .....5:00 p.m.
Sunday.....8:30 a.m.

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

Thomastown Covenant
15940 251st Ave., Staples.....218-894-3923
Sunday School .....9:15 a.m.
Sunday Worship.....10:30 a.m.
WEDNESDAY .....7:00 p.m.

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

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

Aldrich

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

Cushing

Bethany Lutheran
25430 Bison Rd.Cushing, MN
320-749-2140
Pastor Carl Larson
Associate Pastor: Carleton Smee
www.bethanylutherancushing.org
Sunday Worship.....10:45 a.m.
Sunday School and Coffee Fellowship.....9:30 a.m.
Pancake Breakfast.....11:45 a.m.
2nd Sunday, each month

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1354 320th Street, Cushing, MN 56443
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Office Hours: Tues. - Thurs., 9 a.m. - 12 p.m.
Senior Pastor: Don Reigstad
Community Life Pastor: Jim Brown
Associate Pastor/Youth Joe Reigstad
SUNDAY
Church Worship Gathering.....10:00 a.m.
Facebook Live.....10:00 a.m.
YouTube Channel .....10:00 a.m.
WEDNESDAY
Praise & Prayer .....6:30 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.

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Leaf River Twp., Wadena County Rd. 6
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Motley

Motley Free Methodist
33 Wellwood St. E
Motley 56466.....218-352-6888
Jim Johnson, Senior Pastor
Charles Mallory, Associate Pastor
Sunday Worship.....9:00 & 11:00 a.m.
facebook live..... 9 a.m.
WEDNESDAY
Youth Group ..... 6:00-7:30 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.

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Pastor Fr. Gabriel Walz
MASS:
Tuesday.....6:30 p.m,
Wednesday.....8:30 a.m..
Saturday .....7:00 p.m.
Sunday.....10:30 a.m.

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

Oylen

Oylen Alliance
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.
(serving coffee and donuts)

Hewitt

Church of the Nazarene
114 Front Street, P.O. Box 146 Hewitt, MN
218-924-2028
Pastor Wayne Hoffert
Sunday School .....9:30 a.m
Sunday Worship..... 10:45 a.m./6 p.m.
WEDNESDAY
Prayer.....7:00 p.m.

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 Chuck Horsager, 218-639-4225
Sunday Worship ..... 9:00 a.m.
Sunday School ..... 10:30 a.m.

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"Have you Considered Lately, "The Day of the Lord" on your Calendar

Pastor Barry Klein, Staples Church of Christ

Please take some unhurried time to ponder II Peter 3. It describes the "soon return" of Jesus as "the day of the Lord" (verse 10). Even in the first century A.D., people were mocking the humanly ridiculous thought that "Jesus is Coming Again" as the hymn puts it, let alone, "Coming Soon." It shouldn't surprise us that almost 2,000 years later, the questioning mocking may continue.

Without question, Jesus' first coming, including His death on the cross in our place, burial and resurrection, was of seismic historical and eternal impact. Although incredibly documented in Christian Scripture (and even in the Jewish historian Josephus' writings), many didn't either catch the significance or maybe didn't even know about Him before His ascension and their last breath.

How very different it will be when Jesus returns. Everyone will know. The fulfillment of Jesus' First coming in His Second coming (one eternal package), will be literally like no other day on humanity's calendars. Each day of our lives needs to be received and lived as the gift it is. It also needs to be lived in light of Jesus' soon return.

May I make a confession? I am so grateful that Jesus' soon return hasn't come yet because I have had days and seasons in my life where I would not have been ready. I am learning from those seasons, realizing that Jesus is under no obligation to wait for my readiness.

In II Peter 3 and in Jesus' parables, a very clear indication is given that "He is coming when no one expects Him." He uses Noah's day as an illustration of a hardness that kept people from realizing what was about to happen and why Noah would build such a ridiculous and unneeded thing such as an ark which took years to build and was a football field and a half in length. But, it happened. Let's live in II Peter 3:10 which asks, "in light of all this, what kind of people ought you to be? You ought to live holy and godly lives." May it be so!

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Flying on the tennis court

Haley Cichos outjumps her shadow as she leaps to hit a volley against Crosby-Ironton on Sept. 29. The Staples-Motley girls are the number three seed in the Section 5A tournament. Their first match was Oct. 5, after this newspaper went to print. (Staples World photo by Mark Anderson)

Cross Country teams run past competition

The Staples-Motley cross country teams both won a high level meet at Perham on Sept. 30. Both the Cardinal boys and girls teams were challenged early in the race, but finished strong to win the meet.

Team results

Girls results

Staples-Motley 32, Perham 47, Pequot Lakes 47

2. Kyanna Burton 19:32, 3. Aften Robinson 19:37, 4. Audrey Brownell 19:43, 10. Ashley Robben 20:45, 13. Naila Mikhaeil 21:16, 17. Addisyn Cichos 22:13, 24. Abby Brown 24:59, 25. Arabella Moore 25:34

Junior varsity: 20. Serena Petralia 30:52, 21. CJ Koval 31:22

Middle school (3,200 meters): 1. Bella Hines 14:13, 9. Suhaila Mikhaeil 15:49, 15. Sophie Schlosser 16:48, 17. Brooke Bendson 17:25, 18. Adelaide Toepper 17:29, 20. Peyton Mikol 19:15

Boys results

Staples-Motley 29, Perham 37, Pequot Lakes 60

1. Emmet Anderson 15:37, 5. Issiah Tabatt 17:28, 6. Lyle Brownell 17:32, 8. Logan Robben 17:40, 9. Luke Brownell 17:40, 14. Tanner Robben 18:18, 16. Grant Johnson 18:28, 20. Sam Jennissen 18:57

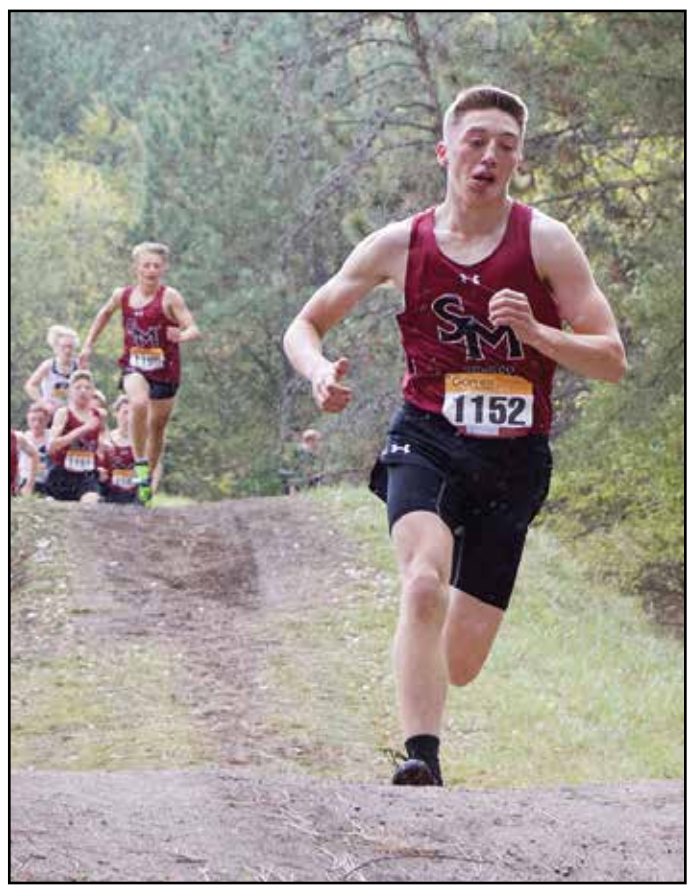
Junior varsity: 1. Dillan Robben 19:20, 6. Colbe Tappe 20:18, 12. Will Dolezal 21:50, 19. Evan Allen 25:26, 20. Alex Brings 26:00, 21. Niko Moore 26:28

Middle school (3,200 meters): 9. Gabe Kroll 14:18, 12. Justin Olson 15:16, 14. Reid Judd 15:53, 17. Luke Bjerga 16:28, 19. Zachary Tabatt 17:15, 21. Evan Schultz 17:55, 23. Cameron Ganyo 18:36



Racing over the hills

Aften Robinson runs past the competition at Perham.



Leading the way

Right, Lyle Brownell stays strong as he approaches the first mile marker at the Perham race. The course was mostly flat but had some small tricky hills in the woods. (Staples World photos by Mark Anderson)



Baseline shot

Left, Nicki Carter returns a shot in singles play against Crosby-Ironton.



At the net

Amy Rollins steps in to poach a shot in doubles action.

Eyes on the skies for migration

Though we might prefer to spend more autumn hours in a fishing boat, on a deer stand or tramping through a shower of yellow leaves in an aspen grove in search of ruffed grouse, there are duties that clamor for our attention, too. Sometimes these duties win out over our preferences.

Fortunately, some of them are outdoors, where we can better appreciate the transitions that make Minnesota in the fall such a splendid place to be. Whether duty means raking leaves, putting a garden to bed, washing windows or similar "musts," at least such tasks happen where we may need a sweatshirt to ward off the morning chill, or might see ground fog begin to form as the late afternoon air cools below the temperature of the earth; in other words, outdoors.

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Inside the Outdoors



Mike Rahn

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In a state with weather as changeable as Minnesota's, we're accustomed to keeping an eye on the sky. We're wary of brooding clouds that threaten plans for time spent outdoors. We also appreciate clouds for their own sake, especially when they're suffused with subtle or dramatic colors at sunrise or sunset. The 19th century poet, essayist and philosopher, Ralph Waldo Emerson, described the sky as "the daily bread of the eyes," Nature's beauty, accessible to all and sustaining our spirits or so he believed, as food sustains our bodies.

I'm tuned in to the sky for other reasons, especially at this time of year. Now is the time of flights southward for migratory birds, from tiny, darting, ruby throated hummingbirds, to lumbering, bomber-size trumpeter and tundra swans, plus geese, ducks and dozens upon dozens of songbirds.

During the calendar page-flipping week when September bowed out and October took the stage, I had plenty of time under open skies, playing catch-up on a backlog of overdue chores. One was hauling boulders to reinforce a cabin shoreline, which the expansion of lake ice has had a habit of pushing into a lumpy berm during recent winters. Rock rip-rap is neither natural, nor does it contribute to a healthy lake, but between high water in some years and the "wake boat effect" on shoreline , it became unavoidable. Another chore so far, with no end in sight has been gathering up the blizzard of maple and birch leaves, conifer needles dropping from the maples, ash and white pines.

When you've spent many hours in a duck blind, with senses on high alert much of the time, you acquire the habit of picking up faint, distant sounds and almost imperceptible movement. Sounds like the high-itched gabble of Canada geese, often heard before being seen when they're flying at several thousand feet. This is migratory flight, not low-level commuting between feeding and resting areas. When you hear this, you lower the handles of that wheelbarrow full of rip-rap stones, or rest your chin on your rake and scan the skies for their fluid, wavering lines, with each individual appearing insect-like at this ultimate height.

Not all migratory birds on the move can be heard. While ducks are conversant on the water and can be vocal in flight sometimes when alarmed, I can't say I've heard any of the many species of ducks conversing at great height like geese do. Whether this is because they're mostly silent in migration or because they lack the big voice of Canada geese, I can't say with certainty.

Another migrant whose vocals will draw your eyes to the skies is the sandhill crane. The crane looks a lot like a land-based version of the great blue heron, but they're not even of the same family let alone the same genus despite sharing some feeding habits and general appearance. Sandhill cranes have become more numerous over a broad area of Minnesota. They stand as much as four or five feet tall, with a wingspread of up to seven feet.

Their looks seem to me prehistoric and their vocalizing is even more so. Anyone with Internet access can Google "sound of sandhill cranes in flight," and you'll hear what I mean. They also migrate at high altitude and it takes not just good directional sense in hearing, but sharp eyes to pick them out when they're little more than specks high overhead.

In contrast to the large, loquacious and conspicuous geese and sandhill cranes, some migrants are noticed little, if at all. One of these is the quail-size American woodcock, a game bird that is typically found in habitat just on the wetter side of what is ideal for ruffed grouse and is often harvested as a bird of opportunity by grouse hunters.

Most of us see woodcock as singles, when one is crossing or flighting along a rural road in forested country, usually at dawn or at dusk. Because woodcock migrate at night and are not vocal in the manner of geese or cranes, migratory observations have been more limited. Flocks numbering in the dozens have been commonly reported; in the hundreds less so. At least one said to be by a former game warden reported "a flock numbering thousands," but that seems the exception that proves the rule. Needless to say, I saw no large flights of woodcock in that time of catching up on overdue chores.

One of the migration behaviors that has amazed me is that of red-winged blackbirds. I've seen them in flocks numbering in the hundreds, moving as a perfectly synchronized mass, in twisting, swarming maneuvers, with directional changes that would make the Navy's Blue Angels precision flying team envious. This is actually a pre-migration staging behavior, rather than destination-bound, pell-mell migratory flight. How they manage to coordinate their movements so precisely is beyond my understanding, but it's a sight amazing to behold.

One more among the mysteries of migration.

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TODD COUNTY, MN NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING AND INTENT TO ADOPT THE TODD COUNTY SOLID WASTE DESIGNATION ORDINANCE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to the provisions of Minnesota Statute 375.51 Subdivision 2, that the Todd County Board of Commissioners intends to adopt the "Todd County Solid Waste Designation Ordinance". The proposed ordinance will be considered at a meeting of the Todd County Board of Commissioners in the County Board Room at the Todd County Courthouse, at 215 1st Avenue S, Long Prairie, Minnesota, on Tuesday, October 20, 2020 at 9:30 a.m. The 2nd Public Hearing regarding the proposed ordinance will be considered at a meeting of the Todd County Board of Commissioners in the same location as the 1st Public Hearing on Monday, November 2, 2020 at 9:30 a.m.

The proposed ordinance is regulated and authorized by Minnesota Statutes 115A.80 through 115A.893. This public hearing is being conducted to conform with the process outline in Minnesota Statutes 115A.85 and 115A.86

The purpose of the proposed ordinance is regulating the transportation and delivery of Solid Waste generated within Todd County; defining the geographic area and the types and quantities of Solid Waste subject to designation; specifying the points of delivery of the Designated Waste; requiring that Designated Waste be delivered to Designated Facilities; excepting from the ordinance certain waste materials; and stating additional regulations governing Haulers; and other matters.

The proposed Todd County Solid Waste Designation Ordinance, as well as a letter from the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency noting their approval of the proposed ordinance are available on the Todd County website at **https://www.co.todd.mn.us/** and at either the Todd County Solid Waste Transfer Station, located at 30433 US 71, Browerville, MN or the Todd County Auditor's Office, located at 215 1st Avenue South, Suite 201 Long Prairie, MN.

All interested persons are invited to make an appointment to attend the hearing in-person or submit written testimony prior to the hearing date. Written testimony should be submitted to the County Coordinator's Office, 215 1st Avenue South, Suite 300 Long Prairie, MN 56347 or by email to **clerk@co.todd.mn.us**. Individuals requiring special accommodations should contact the County Coordinator's office prior to the date of the public hearing by calling 320-732-1916.

Dated: Wednesday, September 16, 2020

Chris McConn
Solid Waste Director

Denise Gaida
Todd County Auditor

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Mark Anderson, Managing Editor,

October 7, 2020

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Freshwater Education District

MINUTES
SPECIAL MEETING FRESHWATER ED. DISTRICT #6004 8/26/20 Wadena, MN

CALLED TO ORDER at 5:00 p.m. by Hillmer, Chair.

Board Present: J. Hillmer-Browerville, R. VanDenheuvel-B-H, K. Howard-Menahga, R. Thalmann-Henning, C. Funk-Sebeka, C. Wolf- LPGE, S. Veronen-Verndale. Board Members Absent: B. Lund. Others: Supt. L Westrum-WDC, Supt. D. Fjeldheim-Sebeka. Admin: E. Weber, L. Murdock, M. Mathers, J. Anderson and S. Thiel.

AGENDA

MOTION BY Wolf and seconded by VanDenheuvel to approve the agenda as presented. Vote - U/C.

INTRODUCTION of M. Mathers, *Director of Ed Programs & Evals.*

OLD BUSINESS

MOTION BY Funk, seconded by Thalmann to approve Ex. Directors, E. Weber's 20/21 SY Goals as presented. Vote - U/C

NEW BUSINESS

The Following Resolution is hereby MOVED BY VanDenheuvel and SECONDED BY Thalmann:

WHEREAS, Minnesota Statutes 123B.09 vests the care, management and control of independent districts in the school board; and

WHEREAS, the Supt. of FED #6004 (hereinafter the "Supt.") is responsible for the management of the schools, the administration of all Ed District policies, and is directly accountable for the School Board; and

WHEREAS, when responsibilities are not specifically prescribed nor Ed District policy applicable, the Supt. shall use personal and professional judgement, subject to review by the School Board, pursuant to Ed District Policy 302, *Executive Director;*

WHEREAS, on 3/13/20, MN Gov. T. Walz, issued Emergency Executive Order 20-01, which declared a peacetime emergency in MN in response to the COVID-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS, on 7/30/20, MN Gov. T. Walz issued Emergency Executive Order 20-82 and the Safe Learning Plan for the 2020-2021 (the "Safe Learning Plan") , which set forth five Learning Models (in-person learning for all, in-person learning for elementary students and hybrid learning for secondary students, hybrid learning for all students, hybrid learning for elementary students and distance learning for secondary students, and distance learning) and authorized all school districts in the State of MN to select and implement an appropriate base Learning Model in accordance with, and subject to, the Safe Learning Plan; and

WHEREAS, the MN Dept. of Ed ("MDE") has issued and may continue to issue written guidance for MN schools on educational issues related to COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, the MN Dept. of Health ("MDH") has issued and may continue to issue written guidance for MN schools on public health issues related to COVID-19; and WHEREAS, the Supt and the Admin. of the Ed District have conferred with the School Board regarding the available Learning Models, the current MDE and MDH requirements for each, and other relevant information; and

WHEREAS, based upon the collective consideration of these factors, the Supt. has recommended to the School Board that ***In-Person Learning for All*** will be the base Learning Model to be implemented at the commencement of the 2020-2021 SY.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the School Board of Ed Dist. No. 6004 as follows:

Section 1: The Supt. is hereby directed to implement the following base Learning Model to open the 20-21 SY: ***In-Person Learning for All***

Section 2: The Supt. is hereby authorized, after consultation with the School Board Chair and notification to the School Board, to select and implement a different Learning Model for the School Dist. or any specific school buildings without School Board action if the Supt. reasonably believes that prompt implementation of a different Learning Model is necessary, and that constraints of time and public health consideration render it impractical to hold a School Board meeting to approve the implementation. The Learning Model selected and implemented by the Supt. shall continue in effect unless and until the School Board, in consultation with the Supt. appropriate school district staff and public health officials, deems it in the best interest of the School District and its students to implement a different Learning Model.

Section 3: The Supt. will provide regular updates to the School Board regarding the School Dist. efforts to implement COVID-19 related educational and public health guidance issued by the MDE and MDH, respectively.

VOTE on adoptions of this Resolutions was as follows;

ABSTENTIONS: None; AYE: Hillmer, VanDenheuvel, Howard, Thalmann, Funk, Wolf, Veronen; NAY: None; ABSENT: Lund

WHEREUPON, said Resolutions was declared duly Adopted.

MOTION BY VanDenheuvel, seconded by Funk to approve the adoption of Policy 808 COVID-19 Face Covering Policy. Roll Call Vote-AYE: Hillmer, VanDenheuvel, Thalmann, Funk, Wolf, Veronen; NAY: Howard; Motion Carried

MOTION BY Thalmann, seconded by Wolf to adjourn the meeting at 5:27 p.m.

Pre-approved Publication Summary

Respectfully submitted:
Rod Thalman, Clerk

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Staples Motley School Board Minutes

ISD #2170 SCHOOL BOARD MEETING #3 / With Closed Session August 24, 2020 6:00 p.m. District Office

MINUTES

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order with Longbella, Winkels, Frisk, Freeman, Anderson and Lund present (comprising a quorum). Also attending: Supt. Tappe; Business Services Herdegen and Regan; Principals, Johnson and Schmidt; Activities, Lee; several employees and community members; Staples World Managing Editor, Anderson and Recording Secretary, Madson.

Motion by Frisk, seconded by Anderson, to approve the addition of item #10a, #10b and the change to item #7g. MC

Motion by Freeman, seconded by Lund, adopt the agenda. MC

Recognize the Public

Chair Winkels recognized the public and thanked the group for coming.

Consent Agenda:

Motion by Frisk, seconded by Longbella, to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. MC Anderson abstained.

Donations and Grants

Motion by Lund, seconded by Winkels, to Approve the Resolution for Acceptance of Donations in the amount of: $859.95. MC

Finance Items

Motion by Longbella, seconded by Freeman, to authorize payment of the vouchers. MC

Motion by Lund, seconded by Winkels, to approve the 2019-2021 Administrators' Group Agreement. MC

Curriculum and Other

Motion by Freeman, seconded by Frisk, to approve Policy #530 Student Attendance with revisions. MC

Motion by Longbella, seconded by Frisk, to approve the 2020-2021 Student Handbooks. MC

Reports

School Board / FED - July 22, 2020 minutes / Eric Weber is the new FED Director /Sourcewell - June 16, 2020 Minutes.

Superintendent - Supt. Tappe gave a short summary of the Safe Learning Plan. Staples-Motley will start the school year with full in-person learning. Hybrid model and Distance Learning models are also outlined in the plan. An 83 passenger bus has been purchased (a 2 bus trade in). If needed, some buses may need to run extra in-town routes due to capacity numbers. In an update on building projects - windows are in and the fire suppression is in progress. Kudos to our custodial staff as they have worked around building projects and COVID this summer. Also to LCA which has remained open all summer.

Principals (written reports included).

Activities Report - Josh Lee updated the Board on seasons, practice seasons, and stipends for coaches. This will be approved at the Sept. meeting.

Community Ed (written report included).

Other - Winkels indicated the Superintendent's Evaluation is under way.

Motion to move into Closed Session pursuant to the attorney client privilege, Minnesota Statutes Section 13D.05 to discuss pending or threatened litigation."

Motion by Longbella, seconded by Freeman, to move to closed Session. MC

Reconvene from Closed Session

Motion to reconvene in Open Session

Motion by Frisk, seconded by Anderson, to reconvene in Open Session at 7:07 p.m. MC

Adjourn

Motion by Frisk, seconded by Lund, to adjourn the meeting. MC

Respectfully Submitted
Greg Frisk, Clerk

*Complete minutes can be found at **www.isd2170.k12.mn.us***

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NOTICE LAKE SHORE AERATION WARNING LAKE SHAMINEAU

Open water along the shore with thin ice around the edge on the South shores of Lake Shamineau. Starting November 2020 and early months of 2021. For inquiries call 651-698-8246.

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PUBLIC NOTICE AERATION WARNING

NOTICE: An aeration system creating thin ice will be in operation on the southeast shoreline on Lake Shamineau, 33203 and 33211, during ice conditions fall of 2020 and continuing through Spring 2021. The purpose is to protect the shoreline from ice expansion.

Please be aware of open water and thin ice.

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NOTICE LAKE SHORE AERATION WARNING LAKE SHAMINEAU

Aeration system will be in operation, shoreline of Lake Shamineau, Lot #2196 from ice cover 2020 to ice out 2021. Purpose: to pre-vent shoreline damage due to ice expansion. Be aware of open water or thin ice.

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TODD COUNTY NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING 2021 COUNTY FEE SCHEDULE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Board of County Commissioners (the "Board") of Todd County, Minnesota (the "County"), will hold a public hearing of the Board beginning at 9:15 a.m., on October 20, 2020, to be held at the Todd County Historic Courthouse, 215 1st Ave. South, Long Prairie, Minnesota, to solicit public input in order to determine the 2021 County Fee Schedules for the County Departments including but not limited to: Administration, Attorney, Assessor, Auditor-Treasurer, Environmental Health, GIS/MIS, Health & Human Services, Planning & Zoning, Public Works, Recorder, Sheriff and Solid Waste (Transfer Station).

The proposed 2021 County Fee Schedule is available on the Todd County website at **https://www.co.todd.mn.us/** and at the Todd County Auditor-Treasurer's Office, located at 215 1st Avenue South, Suite 201 Long Prairie, MN during regular business hours.

All interested persons are invited to make an appointment to attend the hearing in-person or submit written testimony prior to the hearing date. Written testimony should be submitted to the County Auditor-Treasurer's Office, 215 1st Avenue South, Suite 201 Long Prairie, MN 56347 or by email to **clerk@co.todd.mn.us**. Individuals requiring special accommodations should contact the County Auditor-Treasurer's Office prior to the date of the public hearing by calling 320-732-4414.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF TODD COUNTY, MINNESOTA

Denise Gaida,
County Auditor/Treasurer
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Learning about food and harvest

Staples-Motley fourth grade students helped pick the Farm To School garden at Central Lakes College on Sept. 16. All the food will be used by the school cafeteria. Pictured, Staples-Motley Food Service Director Tammy Bell explains how a carrot grows to Ray Laney, as William Jacobs hauls some produce in the background. (Staples World photos by Mark Anderson)



Inspecting the garden

Elaina Elfstrum, Zaviera Steward and Vanessa Nelson inspect a sunflower plant.

What grows underground?

Below, Jaelyn Thotland pulls a funny shaped carrot out of the ground, to the delight of Molly Carry and Rylee Mevissen.



Hidden treasure in the school garden

David McKenna is excited to find a large piece of brocolli in one of the plants, and shows it to Tristen Moore, Hayden Anderson, Logan Bendson and Preston Hangge.



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Soil health, water quality among goals

demonstrates to all ag producers how conservation works and how it can make a difference on the land.

"Today's memorandum of understanding establishes a collaborative framework for cooperative activities intended to enhance and accelerate training, the adoption of new technologies that would improve agriculture production and the natural resource stewardship in the geography around your campus and the agriculture producers tied to that," Norton said. "Over the next five-years, we're going to focus this collaboration with joint pursuits – things that work for both of us around soil health."

That includes looking into new opportunities related to water quality, such as keeping nutrients that are applied on the field, reducing sediment delivery, and other strategies.

"We're (also) going to expand opportunities with the state conservationists and college presidents – we're going to expand with what they are already doing and take a look at new curriculum opportunities where we can work to better build a career for your students if they look to pursue a career within federal service and conservation," Norton said. "We can do more together than we can do individually."

In addition to CLC, C2A3 member institutions include, Clark State Community College (Springfield, Ohio), Illinois Central College (Peoria, Ill.), Ivy Tech Community College (Lafayette, Ind.), Northcentral Technical College (Wausau, Wis.), Northeast Community College (Norfolk, Neb.), Northeast Iowa Community College (Calmar, Iowa), North Dakota State College of Science (Wahpeton, N.D.), and Richland Community College (Decatur, Ill.).

For more information on C2A3, visit the organization's website at agalliance.net.



Sunflower snack

Jaelyn Thotland and Olivia Lynch pull out some sunflower seeds to snack on.



Healthy snack on site

Some of the students tasted the freshly picked vegetables right on the spot, like Ella Judd chewing on some broccoli.

