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ConnectEffect coming to CLC, Sourcewell

Central Lakes College announced the return of ConnectEffect, an innovative and interactive experience designed to bridge social gaps and foster meaningful connections within the community. The series of events will take place from September 23-27 across various locations in Brainerd and Staples.

Hosted by two-time Emmy-nominated television director/producer Riaz Patel, ConnectEffect offers participants a unique opportunity to engage in dynamic conversations and activities that break down social barriers and promote empathy across generations and cultures.

Event Schedule

- **Monday, Sept. 23**
  Evening Session:
  Time: 6 p.m.
  Location: Sourcewell – 202 12th Street NE, Staples
- **Tuesday, Sept. 24**
  Afternoon Session:
  Time: 12 p.m.
  Location: Central Lakes College Staples Campus – 1830 Airport Road, Staples
  Evening Session:
  Time: 6 p.m.
  Location: Sourcewell – 202 12th Street NE, Staples

There are also sessions happening in Brainerd.

About ConnectEffect: ConnectEffect blends elements of talk shows and live theater to create an engaging atmosphere where participants can explore the contrasts between the “Real World” and the “Screen World.” Through guided exercises and conversations, attendees connect with new people in a fun, relaxed setting, leaving with a renewed sense of community and understanding.

In an age when digital interactions often replace genuine human connection, ConnectEffect is an immersive & dynamic experience that connects any group of people - even complete strangers - in a deeply-meaningful way that reignites a sense of hope & belonging. Data collected in consultation with Essentia Health shows that 93 percent feel more able to connect to

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Drones getting bigger As agriculture technology advances, Central Lakes College is experimenting on new uses for drones. Pictured, a demonstration at the CLC Field Day on Aug. 30, a spray drone shows its ability to carry a payload of up to 13.5 gallons or 300 pounds and spray a field with insecticide, fertilizer, or even a dry payload such as seeds for cover crops. The computer system can create the most efficient way to cover the entire field. One drawback, the battery lasts around 11 minutes, or only four minutes with a full 300 pound payload. The demonstrators said that RD Offutt uses these drones to do a lot of spraying. (Photos by Mark Anderson)



Phone call from their coach

SHS Classmates from the years 1964, 1965 and 1966 reminisced about a lot of things at their joint class reunion, including sports. Pictured above, talking via phone to their coach Harold King, now of Chanhassen, are, from left Tom Edwards, Lakeville; Robert Bjerga, Breezy Point; Huck Holst, Staples; Mick Wilhelmson, Motley (Class of 1963, at the reunion with his wife, LuAnn (Nurnberger) Wilhelmson, Class of 1964); and Mark Engen, Redmond, Wash. Holst shared that King coached varsity baseball and basketball during his years at SHS. He was a close friend of the late Jerry Riewer, who also coached at SHS. (Staples World photo by Dawn Timbs)

Classmates getting ‘framed’

Staples High School graduates from the classes of 1964, 1965 and 1966 had the opportunity to take a ‘framed’ picture with classmates from their respective year at the joint class reunion at Holst Acres in Staples during Railroad Days. Pictured being ‘framed’ are, from left, 1964 SHS graduates Kaye (Hassler) Mundahl, Plymouth; LuAnn (Nurnberger) Wilhelmson, Motley; Jo (Neznik) Swoverland, Crosslake. In the foreground, from left, are 1965 SHS classmates Ralph Klinkhammer, Moorhead and Marilyn (Miller) Holst, Staples; and 1964 SHS graduate Bill Bates, Staples. (Staples World photo by Dawn Timbs)



Weather

2024
This Week’s Forecast

	High	Low	Cond.
Sept. 11	88	61	M. Sunny
Sept. 12	88	63	Sunny
Sept. 13	86	60	Sunny
Sept. 14	80	51	M. Sunny
Sept. 15	83	60	Sunny
Sept. 16	82	61	P. Cloudy
Sept. 17	81	64	M. Cloudy

Last Year, 2023

	High	Low	Cond.
Sept. 11	72°	49	M. Sunny
Sept. 12	70	48	M. Sunny
Sept. 13	67	42	Sunny
Sept. 14	74	52	Sunny
Sept. 15	73	56	M. Sunny
Sept. 16	71	57	P. Sunny
Sept. 17	70	46	M. Sunny

Average Temps:
H = 70° Low = 50°

Compiled by Dale Hausmann, WCCO’s Staples area Weatherwatcher

Public Notices

Notice of Expiration of Redemption **9A**
Todd feedlot permit **9A**

Obituary

Glennadean Baptiste

Staples-Motley schools mourning death of student

The Staples-Motley School District had a somber first week of school, as students mourned the death of a student who passed away on Aug. 28.

A message from the school district to parents stated “We know this loss impacts our entire school community and we are committed to extending care and support to all those in need.”

The message identified the student as Zanna Graves, who was going into 10th grade this year.

The school’s social workers and the regional crisis team from Sourcewell were in the building the first week to talk to students and staff about the death. The school also provided resources for families to help navigate conversations with their students.

Todd County Sheriff’s Office is investigating the death.



Family outing at Living Legacy Gardens

Several members of the Grunewald family of Staples enjoyed a walk through Living Legacy Gardens Aug. 30, enjoying free ice cream cones along the way, part of the annual Field Day sponsored by Central Lakes College Ag & Energy Research Center. Pictured from left are siblings Hannah, Harrison and Maggie; their mom Claire, holding little brother Thomas. Missing from the photo was their sister Charlotte, and their dad, Tyler Grunewald, the Ag Program Coordinator - AgCentric, at Central Lakes College. (Staples World photo by Dawn Timbs)



Enjoying ice cream at the gardens

People of all ages enjoyed free ice cream cones at Living Legacy Gardens in Staples Aug. 30, part of the Field Day event sponsored by Central Lakes College Ag & Energy Resource Center.

Pictured above are members of the Sprinkle & Sprout Garden Club, clockwise from left: Florence Berndt, Shirley Watson, Fran Kokett, Vicki Schmidt, Bernice Thomson, all of Motley. Pictured below, from right are Becky Roelofs, and her children Jacob and Lydia Roelofs, all of the Leader area. (Staples World photos by Dawn Timbs)

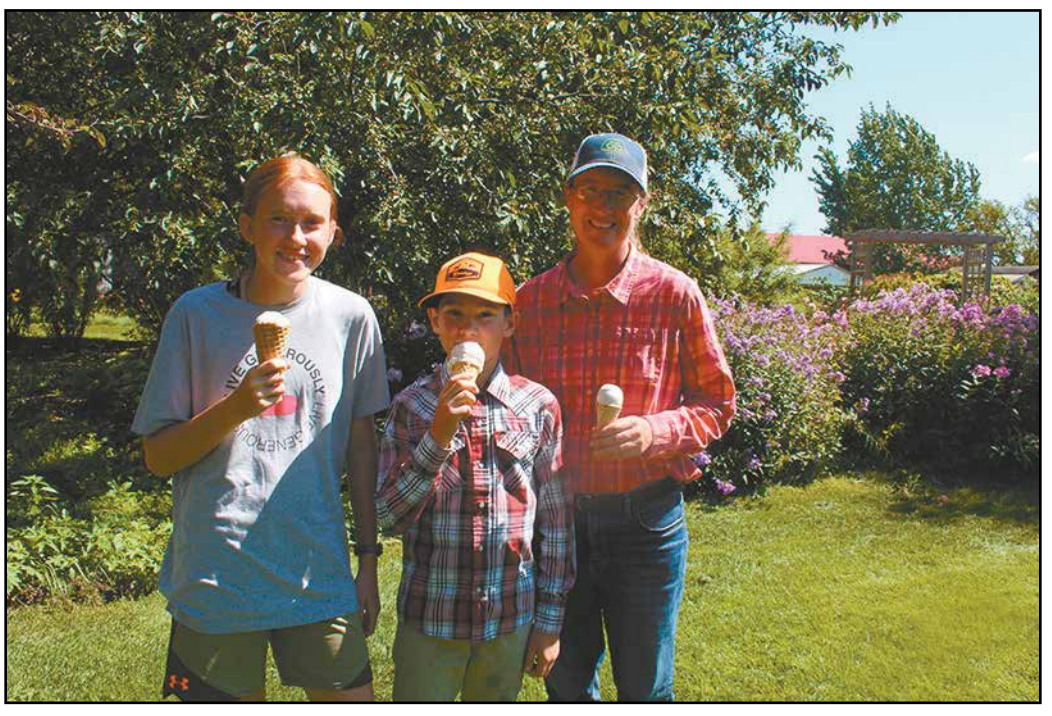


EEEZ Storage welcomed by Chamber

Ethan Ellingsen builds water and wastewater plants for a living, but wanted to expand his business career, so he built EEEZ Storage in Staples this spring, which he runs with his wife Kacia. The storage building on Warner Road has 34 units with five different sizes plus some outdoor parking spots. The Staples Chamber of Commerce held a ribbon cutting for the facility, pictured from left, Marlo Corona, Zoe Stevens, Ethan, Jada, Hugo, Elwen and Kacia Ellingsen, Bill Haugan and Josi Longbottom.

Ethan said the facility is already up to 75 percent capacity with mostly local people using the spaces. He said it is easy to rent a unit on his on web site, eeezstorage.com, Ellingsen said he mostly gets phone calls asking if it really is that easy to do. Below, Hugo Ellingsen officially cuts the ribbon. (Staples World photos by Mark Anderson)







Enjoying a beautiful summer day

Orv and Marge Meyer of Staples enjoyed an afternoon at Living Legacy Gardens in Staples Aug. 30, as well as the free ice cream cones that were offered, part of Central Lakes College's annual Field Day. (Staples World photo by Dawn Timbs)



LAKEWOOD WELCOMES

Emily McGovern, DO

ONCOLOGIST

Lakewood is pleased to announce the arrival of on-staff oncologist, Dr. Emily McGovern. Dr. McGovern practices full-spectrum oncology and has a special interest in the treatment of breast cancer. She will be seeing patients at Lakewood's Staples Clinic.

TO SPEAK TO A MEMBER OF OUR ONCOLOGY TEAM, CALL
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Chatty Hours for locals to follow ConnectEffect events

others, 96 percent more able to bridge divides and 97 percent of emerge more hopeful - in just under an hour. The magazine Forbes called it a "game-changer" for the epidemic of isolation & alienation.

Riaz Patel, known for his compelling storytelling and ability to connect diverse audiences, brings his expertise back to Central Lakes College after a successful inaugural event earlier this year. Participants from the January session described the experience as transformative and uplifting, highlighting its impact on reducing feelings of isolation and fostering genuine human connections.

"We are thrilled to bring ConnectEffect back to our community," said Joey Yow, Director of the CLC Performing Arts Center. "The positive feedback from our previous event has inspired us to expand and reach even more people. We believe these sessions will continue to build stronger, more empathetic connections among residents of all ages and backgrounds."

Chatty Hour

Following the September 23-27 events, ConnectEffect will launch a three-month engagement of Chatty Hour, a weekly drop-in opportunity held in Brainerd and Staples that is designed to foster meaningful conversations and strengthen community bonds. Chatty Hour will provide a relaxed, welcoming space where participants can engage in open discussions, share stories, and build connections with others in the community. This initiative builds on the success of previous Chatty Hour sessions hosted at Central Lakes College in early 2024. Chatty Hour locations will be announced soon.

These events are supported by the Central MN Council on Aging, Crow Wing County, and Central Lakes College.

Registration Information: Intended for ages 14 and up. All sessions are free and open to the public, but due to limited seating, advance registration is encouraged - register at www.connecteffectbrainerd.net. Walk-ins will be accommodated as space permits.

Questions can be directed to Joey Yow at joseph.yow@clcmn.edu.

To learn more about the ConnectEffect organization and its mission, visit www.connecteffect.us.

Driver charged with vehicular homicide

Aug. 31, 2024 at 9:38 p.m., the Wadena County Sheriff's Office received 911 calls reporting a crash near the intersection of Cty Rd 2 and 251st Ave in Thomastown Township. First responders found a 1986 Yamaha motorcycle and a 2023 Ford F350 pickup.

The motorcycle, driven by Keith Shultz, 52, of Wadena, was eastbound on Cty Rd 2 when it collided with the rear end of the pickup that was also eastbound on Cty Rd 2.

The driver of the pickup, Rusell Ekholm, 52, of Staples, was not injured in the crash. Shultz was transported by ambulance to Lakewood Health System and airlifted to CentraCare Hospital in St. Cloud where he later died from his injuries. Shultz was not wearing a helmet at the time of the crash.

On September, 3, 2024 the Wadena County Attorney's Office charged Russell Ekolm with a five count complaint that includes Criminal Vehicular Homicide for his involvement in this crash.

The crash remains under investigation by the Wadena County Sheriff's Office and MN State Patrol. The Wadena County Sheriff's Office was also assisted on scene by the Verndale and Staples Police Departments, Staples Fire Department, Lakewood Health System Ambulance and Scott's Southtown Towing.

Two minors injured in motorcycle crash

Sept. 2, 2024 at 5:04 p.m., The Wadena County Sheriff's Office was dispatched to an off-highway motorcycle crash in Section 2 of Red Eye Township. Through investigation, it was learned that two motorcycles were riding together when they collided.

When first responders arrived on scene, two juvenile male victims were located, with one of them said to be unresponsive. Astera Health Ambulance, as well as two medical helicopters, were called to the scene due to the extent of injuries observed.

Both victims were later transported from the scene by helicopter to a Fargo hospital to be treated for their injuries. One of the riders was wearing a helmet and the other was not.

Also assisting on scene was the MN State Patrol, MN DNR Enforcement, Sebeka First Responders, Menahga First Responders, North Air Care and Lifelink. The conditions of the victims are unknown at this time.

Looking back

75 Years Ago - 1949

• Sept. 15, 1949 - Staples Cardinal football team played a tie game with Crosby-Ironton on the Staples gridiron Friday evening, Sept. 9, for the opening football game of the season, with the final score ending 6-6.

• Sept. 15, 1949 - Neighbors of Ed M. Anderson of Bartlett township, who was injured in a car accident recently, turned out en masse Friday afternoon, Sept. 9, to show their neighborliness.

They went to the Anderson farm, cut his corn and filled his silo.

This work took the time of a good many of his friends who went to help a neighbor who was in "distress."

Those who were at the Anderson farm included Herman Chilberg, who brought his silo filler, and Sam Chilberg, Art Swenson, Emil Paulson, Ed McClure, Everett Curtis, Gordon Erickson, Melvin Fuller, Walter Weise, Ed Goepferd, Thomas Thompson, Bob Ryan, Alfred Stark, Lloyd Harnatz and Joe Pluth.

Mr. Anderson told Mrs. J. E. Holmquist, The World Correspondent from Bartlett, that he had a great load lifted from his mind now that the work was done and that he was very appreciative of the kindness and help he received from his neighbors.

Mrs. Sam Chilberg assisted Mrs. Anderson with the cooking for the crew of men.

• Sept. 15, 1949 - George and Roy Snook of Willmar have purchased the interests of Mrs. Martin Steindel, who operated the Skelly Cafe in Staples for several months, and took possession on Sept. 13. The men have had several years of experience in operation of cafes and restaurants.

Both George and Roy are married, and George and his family are in Staples at the present time, residing in their trailer house temporarily. Roy will move his family to Staples as soon as a home is obtainable for them.

• Sept. 15, 1949 - The first day of school last week ended in a minor tragedy for Karleen Sather, seven-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Olaf Sather of Staples.

Karleen, who is in the third grade in the Northside school, was playing at recess, and fell, breaking her left arm in two places, between the elbow and wrist.

Mrs. Roger Hammond, Karleen's teacher, rushed her to the Municipal hospital, where the attending physician put her arm in a cast. Karleen was a patient in the hospital for two days, but now is back in school.

Compiled by
Dawn Timbs

50 Years Ago - 1974

• Sept. 12, 1974 - Wadena Roller Rink is Opening Friday, Sept. 13. Open every Friday, and Sunday night, from 8 - 10 p.m.

• Sept. 12, 1974 - Behind the 22-point scoring of Joan Stone, the Cardinalettes of Staples High School scored a convincing 55 - 16 victory over Menahga in girls basketball play Thursday evening, Sept. 5, on the local court.

Staples led from the offset, taking a 20-4 command at the end of the first eight minutes of play and then building a 36-6 margin at halftime. The Cardinalettes were in front 43-11 going into the final quarter, then posting the 55-16 victory.

The win gave the girls of Coach Kay Pettitt a 1 win and 1 loss record. They lost to Verndale in the season opener the previous Tuesday.

All 12 members of the Varsity squad saw action in Thursday's encounter with Menahga. Playing in the contest were Jane Anglin, Joan Stone, Kathy Hollister, Deb Hanson, Sue Oldenberg, Kathy Lund, Pam Seipkes, Cheryl Sauer, Carol Peterson, Sandra Denning, Renee Huff and S. Collison.

• Sept. 12, 1974 - After four scoreless quarters of play on the Staples gridiron Friday evening, the Staples Cardinals and the Perham Yellowjackets went through two overtimes before the men of Coach Myron Smith came out an 8-0 victor over the visiting Perham Eleven.

• Sept. 12, 1974 - Gary Pipek and Jon Tevlin were named as the players of the week by Coach Myron Smith following last Friday's 8-0 triumph over the Perham Yellowjackets.

Pipek was named as the defensive lineman and Tevlin as the defensive back. No offensive players were cited this week.

• Sept. 12, 1974 - Roger Albrecht of Staples shot a black bear last Friday afternoon with a bow and arrow in an area he described as "somewhere north of Staples." The animal weighed 190 pounds dressed out, and was shot with a 65-pound compound bow.

25 Years Ago - 1999

• Sept. 16, 1999 - Staples Motley's Cardinals evened their record at 1-1 Friday at Warroad, squeaking out a 14-13 overtime win over the Warriors.

Cardinal Tim Rutten scored both touchdowns, his first one tying the game a 6-6 in the fourth quarter. His second one came in overtime, after the Warriors had taken a 13-7 lead on an overtime touchdown and an extra point kick.

• Sept. 16, 1999 - The Cardinal boys cross country team reinforced their claim to the No. 1 ranking in the state and No. 9 rating in the nation by winning their own Cardinal Invitational Saturday against a field of teams from around the state, including two of the stronger Class AA teams.

Running on the Pine Grove Park course exquisitely groomed by Jerry Riewer, former CC coach and currently a volunteer coach, the Cardinals claimed first, second, third and fourth places, and their defending state champ only came in third.

• Sept. 16, 1999 - Three area young people are in the running for college scholarship money and the very prestigious National Merit Scholarships.

They are, from Staples Motley High School, Matt Shaffer, son of Bob and Kathy Shaffer of Staples; Melanie Gaalswyk of Pillager High School, daughter of Neal and Kathy Gaalswyk of East Gull Lake, and Benjamin Ranson of Sebeka High School.

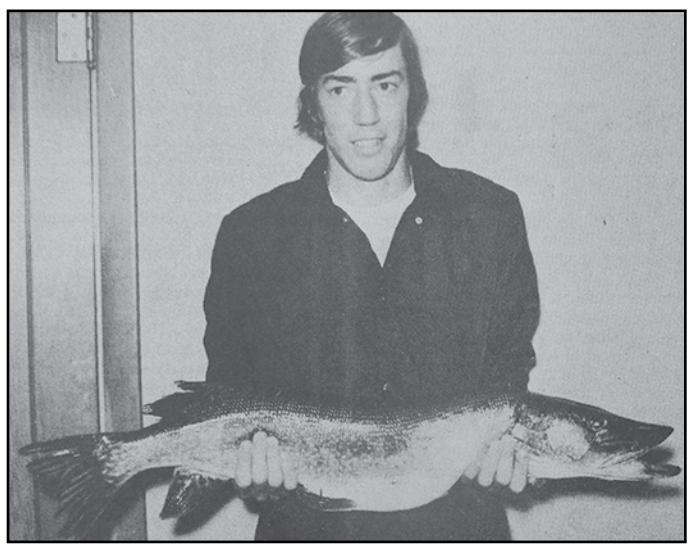
10 Years Ago - 2014

• Sept. 11, 2014 - Less than a half hour after the World Trade Center was attacked by terrorists, Dr. Daniel Rose received an email informing him to be prepared to leave within 24 hours to help identify bodies at the disaster site.

The date of the email was Sept. 11, 2001, the day when a series of four coordinated terrorist attacks on the United States occurred, killing almost 3,000 people. In New York City alone, 2,749 victims died when the Twin Towers collapsed. Since that time, 1,626 have been identified.

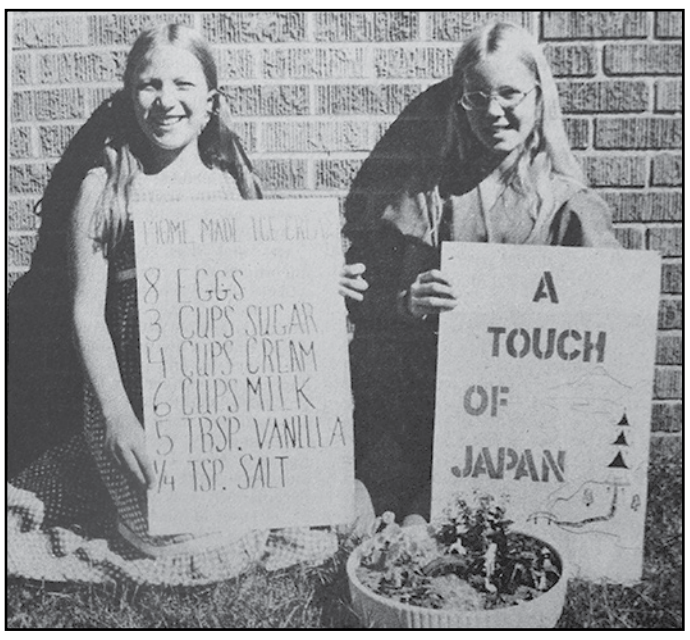
Dr. Rose, a forensic odontologist and owner of Rose Country Dental in Pillager, was part of a group that identified over 500 of these victims by means of their dental records. He's a member of DMORT (Disaster Mortuary Operational Response Team) for Region V.

• Sept. 11, 2014 - Thunderstorms and an 80 mile per hour wind swept through Staples early in the morning on Sept. 4, toppling hundreds of trees and large limbs in the area. Amazingly, limited damage was done, with no injuries reported and very few instances of major damage to homes and property.



Mystery photo

Hello readers. This week's archive photo is from 1974. Do you know who this person is 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 Sept. 12, 1974 edition of the Staples World featured Carmelle Reese (left) and Karen Meyer, both of whom were members of the Golden Gopher 4-H club of Staples and received ribbons at the state fair for their entries. Reese, 11, took home a red ribbon on her demonstration in Foods Projects with her homemade ice cream recipe. Meyer, 12, took home a blue ribbon on her arts and crafts arrangement, "A Touch of Japan."

Crow Wing River stretch is final major Todd County watershed plan

Todd Soil and Water announces that the last of the major watershed plans in Todd County. The Crow Wing River Comprehensive Watershed Management Plan, is awaiting formal approval by the Board of Soil and Water Resources. The Crow Wing Watershed is one of five major watersheds in Todd County, along with the Red Eye-Wing River Watershed in the northeast corner of the county, the Long Prairie River Watershed making up the majority of central Todd County, the Mississippi River-Brainerd area Watershed on the east side of the county, and the Sauk River Watershed to the south. Todd County also has a sixth watershed, the Mississippi River-Sartell area Watershed in the lower southeastern corner, which covers roughly eight square miles of the county.

Why is this important news for citizens? The watershed plans, focusing on the sustainability of our soil and water resources for the future, bring with them millions of dollars in funding for landowner and township projects that aim to protect, enhance or restore the valuable natural resources in the watershed for generations to come. For citizens living in the Todd County portion of the Crow Wing Watershed including areas around the Partridge River, Little Partridge, Egly Creek and Bear Creek, the focus will be on protecting groundwater, surface waters, habitat and forestry. This can be done through agricultural best management practices such as cover crops, rotational grazing, pollinator, forage and CRP plantings, and other soil health measures, sealing unused wells, creating woodland management plans and protection areas, tree plantings, riverbank and ditch stabilization projects such as armored outlets, updated culverts, erosion preventions, livestock or machinery crossings or fencing. Funding will be available in 2025.

All other watersheds in Todd County, with the exception of the Mississippi River –Sartell, have available funding now. If you have a project that involves nature, whether on the lake, in or near a stream, in your farm field, feedlot, or yard in town, contact Todd Soil and Water Conservation District. Start planning today, for the future of your land. Traditional support and funding consists of engineering, design development and/or agronomy support staff, free of charge, and up to 75 percent cost-sharing towards your conservation practice or project installation 320-732-2644.









Quote of the week

"What lies behind us and what lies before us are tiny matters compared to what lies within us."
— Ralph Waldo Emerson

The legend of Staples-Motley 1999 still runs through Minnesota cross country

By Mark Anderson
Managing Editor

Minnesota is known as one of the top cross-country running states in the nation. A significant part of that culture emerged with the 1998-1999 Staples-Motley cross country team that is getting inducted into the local Athletic Hall of Fame on Oct. 5.

Twenty-five years after they won their state title, the 1999 Staples Motley team is still remembered in the statewide cross country community. That team set a standard that no school in Minnesota had previously thought was possible and inspired other schools to achieve new heights, with national and even world repurcussions.

Before Staples-Motley 1999, to be a great boys cross country team in Minnesota you would have one star runner who broke 16 minutes in the 5,000 meter race, then get a few other supporting runners within the next minute and hopefully have your fifth scorer come in not too far back.

Nobody had ever imagined having three runners break 16 and one more within a few seconds of it. In 1980, Rochester Lourdes had two brothers in the 15s, but they were brothers, so that was considered a one-off. Even the state champion teams for the big schools usually had one, but rarely two runners racing that fast.

In 1999, the Cardinals had won the state championship three straight years. The previous year they had five runners in the top ten (1, 3, 7, 9, 10) and were the heavy favorite to win again. But the way they did it, nobody saw coming.

They won their section meet with their top five runners placing 2nd, 4th, 6th, 10th and 14th. Certainly great, but other teams have done that. What nobody realized is that they were training through the section meet. Being that good as a team gave them the luxury of racing the section meet with tired legs and saving their best for state.

Staples-Motley 1999 was finally unleashed at the state meet on Nov. 6 at St. Olaf College in Northfield. Jeff Brever (15:42), Kurt Detloff (15:50), Shannon Webster (15:59) and Justin Tholl (16:05) took the top four spots in the entire Class A state meet. Paul Mayavski came in 17th overall at 16:49. Their team score of 22 is a state record that has never been challenged. Ryan Klingaman and Jake Huebsch came in as the next two with times so fast that they still would have easily won the state meet if the top two runners were not counted.

The architect of the 1999 team was Coach Gene Mattila, whose vision of improved training methods is now echoed around the state and around the country.

Once the rest of Minnesota saw what Staples-Motley did, teams started building themselves differently. Instead of relying on one standout runner, they realized you could have multiple stars training at a high level. By 2003, another Minnesota team, Marshall, reached that level with three runners breaking 16 and another at 16 flat. It happened again in 2006 with Willmar. So far these were all outstate Minnesota teams doing this, and the Twin Cities schools were feeling left out. So they engaged their plentiful resources and started winning all the titles after that, but it wasn't until 2014 that one of them equalled the 1999 Staples-Motley team with Wayzata running three people under 16 minutes.

While Minnesota boys distance running remains one of the strongest in the country for a state of this size, the girls of Minnesota have ascended to an even higher level since the 1999 Cardinals achieved what nobody knew was possible. It was a catalyst for decades of high level running throughout the state.

At least seven Olympians and dozens of future professional runners have raced in Minnesota cross country in the decades following Staples-Motley 1999, all of them aware of the legend that this small-town team inspired. It has provided a stimulus for the entire state with the realization that Minnesota runners can achieve great heights.

The current Staples-Motley teams are also aware of this legacy. With each generation being inspired by previous achievements, the boys team currently holds the Minnesotarecord for the most state meet appearances, with 40, including qualifying for state the past seven years. The girls team has qualified for state the last six years.

Cross country runners are notoriously humble. If you see one of the runners and coaches in town for the Hall of Fame induction, see if you can get them to brag a little. See if you can get them to admit that not only did they change cross country running for small towns, they upgraded the sport for all of Minnesota, a state that has gone on to send great racers to the world stage.

Call 988 for Suicide and Crisis Lifeline

Submitted by Todd County Health and Human Services

Calling 988 is now the three-digit dialing code that routes callers to the 988 Suicide & Crisis Lifeline (or 988 Lifeline). It is funded by the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) and administered by Vibrant Emotional Health (Vibrant).

When people call, text, or chat with the 988 Lifeline, they are connected to trained crisis counselors who are part of the existing 988 Lifeline network, made up of over 200 local crisis centers. These crisis counselors are trained to provide free and confidential emotional support and crisis counseling to people in suicidal crisis or emotional distress and connect them to resources. These services are available 24 hours a day, seven days a week, across the United States.

The 988 Lifeline's network of over 200 crisis centers has been in operation since 2005 and has been proven to be effective. Trained crisis counselors listen, provide support, and connect callers to resources when appropriate.

Callers who follow the "press 1" prompt are connected to the Veterans Crisis Line. A Spanish Language line is available by pressing 2, and more than 240 languages are supported through a Tele-Interpreters service. Callers now also have the option of following a "press 3" prompt to be connected to a crisis counselor specifically trained in supporting LGBTQI+ callers.

Numerous studies have shown that callers feel less suicidal, less depressed, less overwhelmed, and more hopeful after speaking with a 988 Lifeline crisis counselor.

For more information: https://988lifeline.org/.

Quote of the week

"I believe that unarmed truth and unconditional love will have the final word in reality. This is why right, temporarily defeated, is stronger than evil triumphant."
— Martin Luther King, Jr.

'Tis the season! But what season?

'Tis the Season. But What Season?

The answer may depend on who you ask. If you posed the question to a meteorologist—a person who predicts or reports the weather—you will likely be told that fall already began, on September 1st. This would be in accord with what weather scientists call the "meteorological calendar." As they reckon things, each season can be neatly divided into three-month segments. To them, autumn is September through November, winter is December through February, spring March through May, and summer June through August.

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Inside the Outdoors



Mike Rahn
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But for many traditionalists, including those who are old-school by age, or by inclination—me, for instance—autumn does not arrive until the actual autumnal equinox. This will take place on September 22, when the earth's equator passes under the sun.

The Merriam-Webster dictionary describes the coming autumnal equinox as the time "when the sun crosses the equator." We humans, and even such respected and reliable sources as those at Merriam-Webster, tend to define events in terms of ourselves. To our eye, it seems that the sun constantly changes its position in the sky. Egyptians, 4,000 years ago, thought the same, believing that the sun was their major god Ra, driving his golden chariot across the sky each day.

But we know the sun to be the stable one, having long ago discovered that we're not the center of the universe, or even our own solar system. More accurately, the sun does not pass over the earth's equator at the autumnal equinox. Instead, as the earth moves in its orbit, the tilt of earth's axis at this time causes our earth's equator to pass directly under the sun, and day and night will be virtually equal in length.

It is this tilt of the earth's axis that gives us our seasons, as we on earth gradually become closer to, or more distant from, the life-giving warmth of the sun. This will happen again at the time of the spring, or vernal, equinox in March. In between these equinoxes that define the beginning of autumn and spring, we have the two solstices that define the beginning of summer and winter, when we have the longest and the shortest periods of daylight. Not by mere coincidence, the two annual equinoxes and two annual solstices are pretty reliable guides to our expectations for seasonal change.

There are scientific and historical reasons to mark seasonal changes by the celestial equinoxes and solstices. These events give us what scientists call a "zero point," from which astronomers can predictably track the positions of the constellations of stars in the heavens in relation to our own sun and moon. By knowing the positions of these constellations in relation to the sun and moon, it is possible to precisely and predictably navigate over the earth's vast oceans, something that was crucial from the dawn of long-distance human exploration.

So, apart from merely being a traditionalist who is resistant to change, it seems vastly more logical to define our seasons in the historical manner, by the reliable positions of the earth, sun, and constellations at the dates of an equinox or solstice. This, rather than by the contemporary meteorologist's arbitrary and convenient approach of defining a season by when a month begins, or ends.

Of course, in the grand scheme of things, it probably matters little whether a meteorologist calls those first three weeks of September summer, or autumn. It is the forces of Nature, often fickle and unpredictable, that will dictate the course of seasonal change. Then, too, there are some seasonal changes that are dictated by man.

Among the latter is the arrival of the 2024 Minnesota hunting seasons. The first shots have already been fired in the early teal, mourning dove, and Canada goose seasons, which all began on September 1. These are seasons that a comparatively small subset of Minnesota's hunters take part in. The state's special two-day youth waterfowl hunt arrived this weekend. It is intended to introduce young hunters to the sport of duck and goose hunting under less competitive conditions than the general waterfowl hunting opener, which is on September 21. The special youth waterfowl hunt is open to those age 17 and under who are accompanied by a non-hunting licensed hunter. Also on the horizon, the state's ruffed grouse hunting season begins on September 14.

Making generalizations about fishing prospects is always risky. But autumn is often a time when many of our most popular game fish are more accessible, both in terms of their orientation to shallower water, and their feeding activity during daylight hours. While most species—like our state fish, the walleye—are fair game right up through freeze-up and beyond, the stream trout season over most of Minnesota will end on September 30, with trout in Minnesota lakes extending only to October's end.

What else is happening to mark the coming of a seasonal change? The Minnesota State Fair has ended. Our children and grandchildren are back in school. Fall high school sports will now dominate the Friday night sports news. The first of many hundreds of docks and boat lifts have been pulled by lakeshore owners, to be followed in the not-so-distant future by the docks maintained at dozens of lake public access points by the Minnesota DNR.

Oak trees, so reluctant to shed their leaves even in the depths of winter, are dropping their acorns in profusion, a boon to whitetail deer and wild turkeys, and easier to dine on for squirrels and ruffed grouse, too. Ash leaves are turning yellow and beginning to fall, and here and there the brilliant red or orange of a solitary maple branch—or in some cases, an entire tree—is seen, well ahead of the "big show" of widespread fall color.

Not to mention overnight temperatures that are receding back into the 50s, and even the 40s, and the increasing speed with which a warm day turns into a chilly evening when the sun has slipped below the horizon.

Whatever we call a season, and by whatever criteria we define when one ends and another begins, we know we're in for some major changes in the weeks that lie immediately ahead. For many that is cause for much excitement; 'tis the season!

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Lions donate to Hooked on Fishing

The Staples Host Lions recently donated $1,000 to the Hooked on Fishing event. Pictured from left are Lion President Dan Shaw; Hooked on Fishing volunteer Jeremy Reeck; and Lion Past President Rick Adamietz. (Staples World photos by Dawn Timbs)



Staples '93 Lions receive donation

The Staples Host Lions recently donated $500 to the Staples '93 Lions, to go toward their project of making quilts for children with cancer. From left are Lion President Dan Shaw; Staples '93 Lion member Joann Schornack; and Lion Past President Rick Adamietz.



Lions donate to SM Schools

The Staples Host Lions recently donated $3,000 to Staples-Motley (SM) Schools to help fund their Summer Rec program. Pictured from left are Lion President Dan Shaw; SM Activities/Community Ed Director Josh Lee; and Lion Past President Rick Adamietz.



Lions donate to Lakewood

The Staples Host Lions recently donated $500 to Lakewood Health System to help fund their annual golf tournament held at The Vintage in Staples. Pictured above from left are Lion President Dan Shaw; Aly Twardowski, Senior Marketing & Event Project manager at LHS; and Lion Past President Rick Adamietz.

Thank you for reading the **Staples World**

Mark Your Calendar

September 11

Annual Fall Festival Event at Motley Free Methodist Church Wednesday, Sept. 11, 5 - 7 p.m., 33 Wellwood St. E., Motley. Taco supper, fall desserts, prize drawings, games, hayrides, candy, Awana registration. Free event for the entire family. Everyone is welcome.

September 12

Wadena Whirlaways Square Dance Group Dancing Thursday, Sept. 12, 7:30 - 10 p.m., at St. Michael's Church, 280 1st Ave. S., Motley. Tom Allen, caller. For info., 612-743-3480.

September 15

Celebrate Recovery Group Meetings are held every Sunday at 6 p.m., at Motley Free Methodist Church, 33 Wellwood St. E., Motley.

September 17

Free Modern Square Dance Lesson will be held Tuesday, Sept. 17, 7 - 9 p.m., at the Verndale School cafeteria, 411 SW Brown St., Verndale. For beginners, ages 8 to 88-plus. Sponsored by Wadena Whirlaways. Phil Miller, caller. Square dance for fitness, friendship and fun. Enjoy good music. Questions? Call Linda at 218-296-1641 or Denise at 218-296-1642.

Experience Strength And Hope AA group Mtgs In Staples are held at the Church of Christ, 27343 490th St., Tuesdays at 7 p.m. For info., call Dan at 218-640-7228.

'GriefShare' Grief Support Group is held on Tuesdays from 6 - 8 p.m., at Motley Free Methodist Church basement, through Dec. 17. For more information, call 218-352-6888.

September 18

Staples All Veterans and Community Park Association will hold its monthly board meeting on Wednesday, Sept. 18, 5:30 p.m., at the Staples Community Center's senior rm. The public is invited. To attend via zoom, contact Bob Hamann at 218-894-3139.

Gospel concert at Thomastown Covenant Church Sept. 21

A gospel concert, featuring soloist Amanda Ellison, will be held at Thomastown Covenant Church Saturday, Sept. 21, at 2 p.m. The church is located at 15940 251st Ave., in rural Staples.

An acclaimed vocalist, Ellison sings treasured hymns, and shares her testimony through songs and stories of growing up as a preacher's daughter.

There is no charge to the public, a love offering will be received. Refreshments and fellowship will follow the concert.

Dine-in meal at Staples Community Center Sept. 25

Senior Nutrition Program
218-894-2556

A congregate dine-in lunch followed by **penny bingo** will be offered at the Senior Dining Site, Staples Community Center senior's room on **Weds., Sept. 25 at 11 a.m.**

The Senior Dining Site is located at the Staples Community Center, 425 4th St. NE, Staples.

Bring your pennies for penny bingo which will be played following the meal.

Lunch may be reserved through the nutrition site by calling LuAnn at 218-894-2556. **Those wishing to attend should order the meal by 10 a.m. Friday, Sept. 20.**

Sept.25 menu: Beef vegetable stew, green peas, biscuit w/marg., cinnamon baked apples, 1% milk.

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Student Achievements

Tasha Michael, Staples, recently graduated from Washburn University in Topeka, Kan., with a degree in Certificate with an emphasis in Diagnostic Medical Sonography.

Obituary

Glennadean Baptiste



Glennadean Ruth Hayes Baptiste, 86, passed away peacefully August 15, 2024, from natural causes at her home in Motley. She passed in the early morning, just one month shy of her 87th birthday.

Glennadean was a mother, wife, sister, grandmother, great-grandmother, aunt, and dog mom. She was a classy woman who lived a full life. She enjoyed sewing, gardening, crocheting, watching movies, shopping, cooking and baking. She grew up in Motley and died in Motley, but lived all over the map, including Hawaii and California.

Her classic sass will never be forgotten.

She is survived by many loving family members.

Arrangements are by the Brenny Family Funeral Chapel, Staples.

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Staples

Staples Alliance
1512 8th St. NE, Staples 218-894-2891
Pastor Zach Jones
Jonny Olson, Associate Pastor
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:
Adult Bible Study .....6:30 p.m.

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 Catholic Church
310 4th St. NE, Staples
Church.....218-894-2296
info@marysacc.org
Fr. Aaron Kuhn and Fr. Rick Aubol
MASS:
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
Pastor Vicar Paul Koehler
Sunday Divine Service .....9:00 a.m.
Sunday School and Bible Class ...10:30 a.m.

United Methodist
310 5th St. NE, Staples.....218-894-2248
Sunday Worship.....10:30 a.m.
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Aldrich

Balsamlund Lutheran
19550 490th Street, Aldrich
Janet Eckman SMA 218-837-5831
jre227@yahoo.com
Sunday Worship.....8:30 a.m.

Cushing

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

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Community Life Pastor: Jim Brown
SUNDAY
Church Worship Gathering.....10:00 a.m.
YouTube Channel .....10:00 a.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
Casey Reynolds, Assistant Pastor
Sunday Worship..... 9:00 and 10:30 a.m.
facebook live..... 9 a.m.
WEDNESDAY
AWANA.....4:00-5:30 p.m.
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 Catholic Church
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MASS:
Saturday .....4:00 p.m.

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280 1st Ave S, Motley.....218-894-2296
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MASS:
Sunday.....10:30 a.m. (May - Nov.)
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United Methodist
847 3rd Ave. S. Lane, Motley.....218-352-6466
Pastor Greg Leslie
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Sunday Worship Service.....10:00 a.m.
Monday AA meeting.....8:00 p.m.

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Sunday School .....10:00 a.m.
Sunday Worship.....11:00 a.m

Pillager

First Lutheran Church
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218-746-3775
Sunday Worship.....9:30 a.m.
Sunday School, 2nd and 4th Sundays .....8:30 a.m.

Casino Assembly of God
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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.

Hewitt Community Church
Hwy. 210, Hewitt, MN
Pastor Kenneth Uhren
Sunday Worship.....10:30 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
Tahna Rurup, Connections & Media Pastor
Tillman Phagan, Kid's & Food Shelf Pastor
Ryan Wolfenden, Youth Pastor
SUNDAY
Youth Prayer.....9:20 a.m.
Worship Service .....10:00 a.m.
Prayer Meeting..... 5 p.m.
WEDNESDAY
Life Groups .....6:30 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 Community Church
5 miles N on Cty Rd 26 (Nimrod tar)
Pastor James Middendorf, 320-260-4952
Sunday Service ..... 9:00 a.m.
Bible Study..... 10:30 a.m.

St. Frederick Catholic Church
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MASS:
Saturday .....6:00 p.m

St. Hubert Catholic Church
Bluegrass.....218-894-2296
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Fr. Aaron Kuhn and Fr. Rick Aubol
MASS:
Sunday Service..... 10:00 a.m. (Dec. - April)
Saturday .....4:00 p.m. (May - Nov.)

Leaf River Township

The Old Country Church
Leaf River Twp., Wadena County Rd. 6
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Wadena

St. Helen's Episcopal Church
22 Dayton Ave. SW, Wadena, MN
218-631-3928
Sunday Worship.....10:00 a.m.

"How Can it be 23 Years Later Since 9/11 ?"

Pastor Barry Klein, Staples Church of Christ

Like so many historical events of monumental proportions, we vividly remember "where we were" when devastating and tragic news reaches us. Now here we are on this date of September 11, 2024 almost a quarter of a century since those surreal news bulletins were beginning to filter in about New York City and the surrounding areas being attacked.

So "science fiction" were the early reports as I was heading to a ministerial meeting at Staples Alliance Church, that I thought the initial radio reports must be talking about some misguided single engine prop plane that had hit the first Twin Tower. Indeed, it all felt apocalyptic. And we have had many horrors now since with mass shootings and wars along with the deep personal heartaches in your own life's journey.

What are we to do with life's "unexpected" twists, turns, disappointments and losses as they take on so many disguises? It is an age-old question about suffering and injustice. In some quests, it leads to cynicism about God at best and dismissing Him at worse.

On my office bookshelves, I have but a very small sampling of books compared to the whole of books down through history, trying to grapple with and trying to come to terms with pain and suffering. Philip Yancey entitles his book, "Where is God When it Hurts?" But, Joni Eareckson Tada, quadriplegic at the age of 17 due to a diving accident, entitles her book, "When God Weeps."

No, this side of heave, there will be no easy answers to suffering, but what if the God of the universe cares, grieves and even enters this world of suffering to walk it with us? Would (or does) that make a difference...at least in the discussion about what sometimes can't even be fully described when we hurt so bad?

It really is very incredible (and even humanly incomprehensible) that God would leave heaven and take on our humanity in His Son, Jesus. But He did. History is marked in time by Jesus' coming 2,000 years ago. Even people who don't believe God exists, mark their lives each day by our calendars based on "in the year of our Lord."

Yes, we have some deep balm in a very broken world when we hear in Isaiah 53:3 (NIV) the prophecy of the coming Messiah that "He was despised and rejected by mankind, a man of suffering, and familiar with pain." Then shortly after in Isaiah 53:4a, "Surely He took up our pain and bore out suffering." And it just keeps going in Isaiah 53:5 (and listen to the hard verbs), "But He was pierced for our transgressions (sins), He was crushed for our iniquities; the punishment that brought us peace was on Him."

As we ask the "whys?" of life, often being me with inadequate answers or silence, we do have the ultimate answer to suffering in "The Man of Sorrows," Jesus. Who can question how Jesus walks suffering with us and endured it beyond comprehension when we even have to turn our eyes away when viewing Mel Gibson's "The Passion?" Let Jesus' wounded body hold on to you in suffering.

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Central Lakes College is one of only five community colleges nationwide to be selected for the Food Recovery Network's Community College Recovery Grants expansion.

The colleges include:

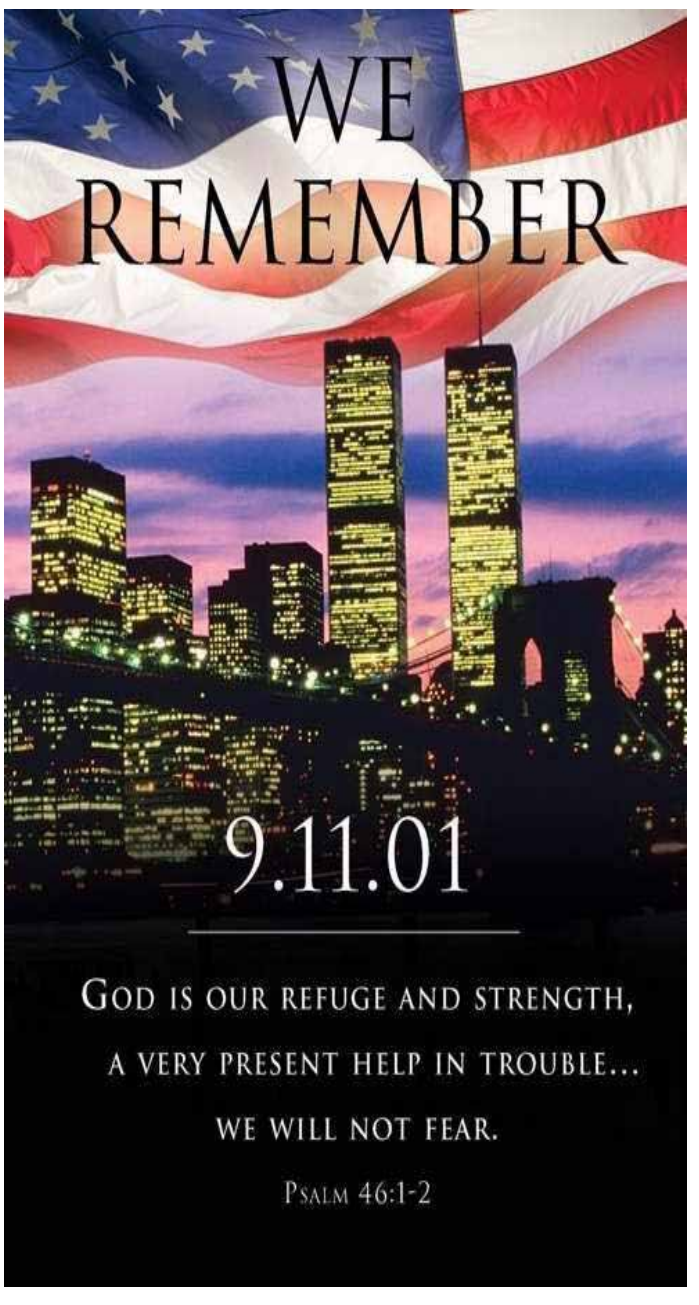
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- Green River College (Auburn, WA)
- Montgomery County Community College (Blue Bell, PA)
- San Diego College of Continuing Education (San Diego, CA)
- State Board for Community Colleges and Occupational Education and Community College of Aurora (Aurora, CO)

The FRN focuses on recovering food to feed everyone experiencing hunger in the US. Community College Recovery Grants provide the technical and financial assistance to design and implement food recovery programs to ensure these local communities can address their specific needs.

"The CLC Food Pantry is excited to join the Food Recovery Network as we continue working towards creating a hunger-free campus," said Erich Heppner, Director of Student Life at CLC. "Currently, the CLC Food Pantry helps eliminate food waste by rescuing thousands of pounds of food from local retailers through our partnership with Second Harvest Northland. The Food Recovery Network will help us employ strategies that will enhance this work and make it sustainable for the future."

Regina Harmon Executive Director of the FRN said, "Our data analysis revealed that it is more often two-year community colleges, rather than four-year universities, that exist in communities with greater food access and food waste disparities across the U.S. These five new chapters will lead the way as FRN continues to implement our data-driven strategic framework that aims to feed more people, faster."

For almost 15 years, FRN has been utilizing community power to reduce food waste through a network of nearly 200 college and university student-led chapters, along with business and community partnerships. FRN's data-driven strategic framework, FRN10X, helped recover more food in one year than in the previous 10 years combined and distribute 329 percent more meals than in 2019. Just last year alone, the network contributed 27,690 volunteer hours, the equivalent dollar value of $905,892 to enrich communities across the U.S.



Tyrrell runs wild in football opener

The Staples-Motley football team opened the season with a 47-7 win at Frazee on Aug. 30.

The Cardinal offense was firing on all cylinders all night. They had 443 total yards, with 341 rushing and 102 passing. Paving the way on the line were Steven Petrich, Jacob Becker, Dustin Converse, Luke Bjerga, Noah Larson, and Riley Reese. The team's score sheet credited Petrich with six pancake blocks, for times he knocked an opposing player to the ground.

Ben Tyrrell had 187 yards rushing on just 7 carries with two touchdowns and Colbe Tappe had 45 yards on three carries. Eli Rutten completed 10 of 12 passes for 102 yards and two touchdown passes, one to Alex Schultz and one to Conner Kuhns.

Defensively, the Cardinals bent but didn't break. The run defense gave up some yards, but forced turnovers to keep Frazee out of the end zone. Colbe Tappe led the defense with 6.5 tackles and Conner Kuhns and Luke Bjerga each had 5.5. Alex Schultz and Peyton Mithun each had interceptions.

Team results

Staples-Motley 47, Frazee 7

Rushing: Ben Tyrrell 7 carries, 187 yards, 2 TD, Colbe Tappe 4-45, Conner Kuhns 1-15, Luke Bjerga 4-16, 2 TD, Turner Beachy 3-3, Eli Rutten 2 (-2), Gavin Chenoweth 1-50, 1%D; Beau Carlson 1-7, Ayden Hovland 1-15, Zachary Tabatt 1-3, Evan Schultz 2-2

Passing: Rutten 11-13, 102 yards, 2 TD, 1 int.; E. Schultz 0-1

Receiving: Alex Schultz 5-33, 1 TD, Peyton Mithun 2-13, Tyrrell 1-24, Kuhns 2-32, Beachy 1-0

Tackles (solo-assists): Bjerga 3-5, Kuhns 5-1, Tappe 4-5, Steven Petrich 2-2, Noah Larson 1-6, Dustin Converse 1-3, Jacob Becker 3-3, Riley Reese 1-2, Sawyer Ferdon 2-2, Mithun 0-3, Benet Robinson 3-3, A. Schultz 0-2, Beachy 3-1, Chenoweth 2-0, Peyton Jares 2-2, Jacob Hansen 1-1, Hovland 1-0

Interceptions: Kuhn 1, Mithun 1, A. Schultz 1

Forced fumble: Ferdon 1

Fumble recovery: Larson 1



Eli Rutten (5) completes a pass to Conner Kuhns (10).

Cardinals overwhelm Breckenridge

Eli Rutten threw for three touchdowns, two of them to Alex Schultz, as the Staples-Motley football team defeated Breckenridge 35-6 on Sept. 6. Conner Kuhns caught the other touchdown pass, Colbe Tappe added a running touchdown and the team scored on a defensive touchdown when Breckenridge fumbled in the end zone and Luke Bjerga dove on the ball.

Schultz also put points on the scoreboard with one kicked extra point, and a catch for a two point extra point. Sawyer Ferdon ran in a two point extra point.

On defense, Kuhns and Gavin Chenoweth each intercepted a pass. Dustin Converse recovered a fumble on a strip-sack by Kuhns. Drake Dukowitz also forced a fumble.

The Cardinals took the opening kickoff and marched down the field with Ben Tyrrell, Rutten and Tappe making big runs. Schultz caught the touchdown pass from Rutten and the same combination added the extra point to go up 8-0.

The second touchdown came after Converse recovered a fumble. Staples-Motley rushed down the field with Tappe doing most of the carrying and they powered it into the end zone for a 14-0 lead.

The Cardinals forced a punt thanks to a tackle for loss by Adrian Gomez and a pass breakup by Chenoweth. Tappe returned the punt to the two yard line. A penalty set them back a little, but Schultz hit Kuhns over the middle for another score and a 20-0 halftime lead.

The team kept making big plays in the second half. Schultz punted the ball down to the one yard line. On first down, the Cardinals stuffed the line but the runner barely got the ball out of the end zone. On second down, they did the same thing and this time the ball ended up on the ground in the end zone, where Bjerga fell on it for a touchdown.

The final score came in the third quarter on a long pass to Schultz.

Breckenridge scored on a long run as the clock ran out to make the final score 35-6.

Team results

Staples-Motley 35, Breckenridge 6

Rushing: Tyrrell 6-108, Tappe 9-59, 1 TD; Rutten 3- (-1), Bjerga 2-11, Beau Carlson 2-4, Zachary Tabatt 1-0, Kuhns 3-0

Passing: Rutten 9-10, 106 yards, 2 TD

Receiving: Schultz 4-73, 2 TD; Mithun 1-8, Kuhns 2-17, Tyrrell 1-0, Beachy 1-8



Colbe Tappe (2) hits a gap with the help of Dustin Converse blocking, left.



Power football

In the background, Colbe Tappe receives the handoff as four Cardinal linemen push three Breckenridge players into the end zone during a touchdown run. (Staples World photos by Mark Anderson)



Turning point

Dustin Converse recovers a fumble.

Volleyball team rolls after falling behind early

After falling behind early in the first set, the Staples-Motley volleyball team kept forging ahead and turned it into a three set win against Osakis on Sept. 5.

The Cardinals faced a 7-2 deficit to start the game, but Livi Lorber and Jade Storry started a string of kills that brought them back to even. Two of the team's younger players put them back on top with a kill by Izzy Becker and a block by Hannah Cole. It was still close late in the first set when Annie Schlosser ended a long point by setting it deep over the net to a corner that the opponents did not have covered.

For the next two sets, Staples-Motley continued their strong play, as they never trailed in the second set and pulled away late in the third set.

The Cardinals are now 61 on the season, with their one loss coming in an early season tournament.



Ellie Lange gets low to return a serve

Team results

Staples-Motley 3, Osakis 0; 25-21, 25-17, 25-19

Miranda Schotzko: Kills-1, Blocks 3, Digs-1

Livi Lorber: Assists-2, Kills-11, Blocks-3, Digs-7

Annie Schlosser: Assists-25, Blocks-2, Digs-5

Jade Storry: Kills-15, Blocks-1, Digs-13

Ellie Lange: Digs-4

Lilly Tyrrell: Aces-1, Digs-6

Izzy Becker: Aces-2, Kills-3, Digs-15

Hannah Cole: Kills-1, Blocks-4



Twilight touchdown

Staples-Motley players celebrate as the referee raises his hands, signalling a touchdown after the Cardinals forced a fumble that was recovered by Luke Bjerga.

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NOTICE OF EXPIRATION OF REDEMPTION
(These parcels have forfeited to the State of Minnesota)

State of Minnesota
County of Todd

Denise Gaida
County Auditor/Treasurer

TO: ALL PERSONS WITH A LEGAL INTEREST IN THE PARCELS OF REAL PROPERTY DESCRIBED IN THE FOLLOWING NOTICE.

You are hereby notified that the parcels of real property described below and located in Todd County, Minnesota, are subject to forfeiture to the State of Minnesota because of the nonpayment of delinquent property taxes, special assessments, penalties, interest, and costs levied on these parcels. The time for redemption from forfeiture expires if a redemption is not made by the later of (1) sixty (60) days after service of this notice on all persons having an interest in the parcels or (2) **August 9th, 2024** whichever is later. The redemption must be made in the Todd County Auditor/Treasurer Office.

IMPORTANT: If the parcels forfeit, they will be sold. If the proceeds from the sale exceed the total amount of the delinquent taxes, special assessments, penalties, interest, and costs assigned to those parcels, you may be entitled to the excess proceeds from the sale. If there are excess proceeds, you will be notified and must submit the claim from included with the notification in order to receive the proceeds.

The following information is listed below: the names of the property owners, taxpayers, and interested parties who have filed their addresses under M.S. 276.041; the addresses of the parties at the election of the County Auditor/Treasurer; the legal description and parcel identification number of the parcels; and the amount necessary to redeem the parcels as of the date listed below:

Parcel No. Names & Addresses	Addition Owners/ Interested Parties	Legal Description	Amount Due
08-0046800 HARLIN & PATRICIA GROVER & SUE GROVER RISTINE 1648 HILLVIEW RD SHOREVIEW MN 55126		LOT 15 BLOCK 3 SYLVAN SHORES NO. 1	$ 234.19
08-0046900 HARLIN & PATRICIA GROVER & SUE GROVER RISTINE 1648 HILLVIEW RD SHOREVIEW MN 55126		LOT 16 BLOCK 3 SYLVAN SHORES NO. 1	$ 234.19
08-0106600 PETER & NATALYA SHEVCHENKO 23520 GUIER RD SEDALIA MO 65301		LOT 2 BLOCK 12 FAWN LAKE MEADOWS	$ 223.74
08-0108800 DELMAR GOLDEMAN C/O NANCY SAGER 34922 XENON ST NW PRINCETON MN 55371	CARL LARUE 63825 ARROWHEAD RD CAMBRIDGE OH 43725	LOT 24 BLOCK 12 FAWN LAKE MEADOWS	$ 186.97
08-0122500 RUPALI SUNIL SHAH 1256 WATER LILY WAY SAN JOSE CA 95129		LOT 20 BLOCK 1 PINE ISLAND HEIGHTS	$ 223.74
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The time for redemption of the parcels of real property listed above from the tax judgment sale expired August 9th, 2024

FAILURE TO REDEEM SUCH LAND PRIOR TO THE EXPIRATION OF REDEMPTION WILL RESULT IN THE LOSS OF THE LAND AND FORFEITURE OF SAID LAND TO THE STATE OF MINNESOTA.

The redemption amount shown above was the amount due on August 9th, 2024

Inquiries as to these proceedings can be made to the Todd County Auditor/ Treasurer Office, whose address is listed below.

Witness my hand and official seal this 23rd, day of August, 2024.

Denise Gaida
Denise Gaida, Todd County Auditor/Treasurer

by Becky JagerMeis
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Testing will be held on September 17, 2024 beginning at 1:30 p.m. in the County Board Room located in the Historic Courthouse at 215 1st Avenue S, Long Prairie, MN.

Please contact 320-732-4414 with any questions.

Denise Gaida, Todd County Auditor-Treasurer

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STATE OF MINNESOTA COUNTY OF TODD DISTRICT COURT SEVENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT Court File No. 77-PR-24-690

IN RE: Estate of Shirley Jean Folin, Decedent

NOTICE AND ORDER FOR HEARING ON PETITION FOR FORMAL PROBATE OF WILL, FORMAL APPOINTMENT OF PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE, AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS

A Petition has been filed in this Court for Formal Probate of Will and Formal Appointment of Nile Leroy Folin as Personal Representative, with full power to administer the Estate including the power to collect all assets, to pay all legal debts, claims, taxes and expenses, to sell real and personal property, and to do all necessary acts for the Estate, in a FORMAL, UNSUPERVISED administration. The Petition represents that the Decedent died on December 23, 2021 in Longview, Texas leaving an interest in real property in Minnesota and requests the probate of Decedent's last will and testament and the descent of such property be determined and assigned by this Court to the persons entitled to the property.

Any objections to the Petition must be filed with the Court prior to or raised at the hearing. If proper, and no objections are filed or raised, the Petition may be granted.

IT IS ORDERED and Notice is given that the Petition will be heard in this Court on October 7, 2024 at 10:14 a.m. hearing at the Todd County Court Facility, 221 1st Avenue South, Long Prairie, MN.

This will be an administrative non-appearance hearing.

Notice is given that, subject to Minnesota Statutes Section 524.3-801 all creditors having claims against the Estate are required to present the claims to the Personal Representative or to the Court Administrator within four months after the date of this Notice or the claims will be barred.

A charitable beneficiary may request notice of the probate proceedings be given to the Attorney General pursuant to Minnesota Statutes section 5018.41 subdivision 5.

Notice shall be given by publishing this Notice and Order as provided by law.

Dated: 8/26/2024

BY THE COURT
Daniel Benson
Judge of District Court

Kim Peterson
Court Administrator

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STATE OF MINNESOTA COUNTY OF TODD SEVENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT DISTRICT COURT PROBATE DIVISION Court File No. 77-PR-24-727

Estate of Bryan Arnie Wahl, Decedent

NOTICE AND ORDER OF HEARING ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION OF INTESTACY, DETERMINATION OF HEIRSHIP, APPOINTMENT OF PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS

It is Ordered and Notice is given that on September 30, 2024, at 10:14 am, an administrative nonappearance hearing will be held in this Court at 221 1st Avenue South, Long Prairie, Minnesota, for the adjudication of intestacy and determination of heirship of the Decedent, and for the appointment of Cheryl L. Grenz, whose address is 10738 102nd Ave. N., Maple Grove, MN, 55369 as Personal Representative of the Estate of the Decedent in an UNSUPERVISED administration. Any objections to the petition must be filed with the Court prior to the hearing. If proper and if no objections are filed or raised, the Personal Representative will be appointed with full power to administer the Estate, including the power to collect all assets, to pay all legal debts, claims, taxes and expenses, to sell real and personal property, and to do all necessary acts for the Estate.

Notice is also given that (subject to Minnesota Statutes section 524.3-801) all creditors having claims against the Estate are required to present the claims to the Personal Representative or to the Court Administrator within four months after the date of this Notice or the claims will be barred.

Dated: 8/23/2024

BY THE COURT
Daniel Benson
Judge of District Court

Kim Peterson
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PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that on **Thursday, September 26, 2024 at 6:00 p.m.** the Todd County Board of Adjustment will hold a public hearing in the Commissioner's board room, 215 1st Ave. South, Suite 301, Long Prairie, Minnesota.

NOTE: This meeting is again being held in-person and the public is encouraged to attend, but Zoom and phone options are still available for those who are unable to attend in person. If you wish to join via Zoom, please contact our office for the call-in information. Those who do attend in person can find parking atop the hill on the west side of the Historic Courthouse and enter through the north doors, near the American Flag and monument.

Questions? Call or email 320-732-4420 or toddplan.zone@co.todd.mn.us

AGENDA
- Call to Order
- Pledge of Allegiance
- Introduction of Board of Adjustment Members and process review
- The applicant is introduced
- Staff report
- Applicant confirms if staff report accurately represents the request
- Public comment
- Board review with applicant, staff, and public
- Approval of agenda
- Approval of August 22, 2024, Board of Adjustment meeting minutes

1. Michael T. and Lori K. Lyon: Section 03, Grey Eagle Township, Mound Lake

Site Address: 14314 Chippewa Rd., Burtrum, MN 56318

PID: 11-0049600

1. Request to increase the height limit for a retaining wall within the shore impact zone from 4' to 9' in Recreational Shoreland Zoning.

Adjournment.

Next meeting: October 24, 2024

All persons interested are invited to attend said hearing or submit a letter to be heard on these matters. **All correspondence must include name, mailing address and be received 48 hours before the date and time of the hearing.**

Todd County Board of Adjustment
Richard Johnson, Chair

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NOTICE REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS Freshwater Education District #6004, MN

Pursuant to MN Statue 471.6161, notice is hereby given that Freshwater Education District 6004, MN requests proposals for Group Term Life and Long Term Disability Insurance.

Specifications will be available from the group's agent of record, National Insurance Services, at 300 North Corporate Drive, Suite 300, Brookfield WI, 53045, phone 800-627-3660.

Proposals are due no later than 3:00 p.m. on Tuesday, October 1, 2024 to 300 North Corporate Drive, Suite 300, Brookfield WI, 53045 and as specified in the RFP.

Freshwater Education District #6004 reserves the right to reject proposals, waive formalities, and to select the proposal that best meets the group's needs.

Criteria for the evaluation of proposals will be provided when the specifications are requested.

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR FEEDLOT PERMIT

Notice is hereby given per Minnesota Statutes, Chapter 116, that **Joe Varner, owner of J-V Feeders in Eagle Bend**, has made application to the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency via County of Todd for a permit to construct manure handling components on a feedlot with 500 or more animal units.

The existing feedlot is located at the **SW/NE qtr., Section 1, Burleene Twp. Todd County, MN** consisting of **999 head of stock cattle** equating to **999 animal units** housed **in open lots and partial confinement buildings with scrape and haul manure handling and a holding pond**. The proposed engineer designed manure handling components consist of **pen mounds with scrape and haul manure handling, clean water diversions, scrape lanes, channels, settling areas, and diversions draining to two holding ponds from the open lots, feed storage areas, and partial confinement barns**. Animal numbers and units will remain at a total capacity of **999 head of stock cattle**. The resulting work will be completed to reach full compliance with MPCA 7020 feedlot rules and Todd County ordinance.

This publication shall constitute as notice to each resident and each owner of real property within 5,000 feet of the perimeter of the proposed feedlot construction as required by Minnesota State Law. Please contact the Todd County Feedlot program if you have further questions. 320-732-2644.

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Cardinals take ranked teams down to the final match

Despite three good wins, the Staples-Motley tennis team suffered their first two team losses of the season, buth close matches with a 4-3 score.

The Cardinals beat Parkers Prairie 7-0 and Roseau 5-2 on Sept. 6, but then ran out of steam the next day with three matches at Pine City that couldn't have been closer, a 4-3 win against New London Spicer and 4-3 losses to Minnewaska and Pine City.

Both losses were against ranked teams, with Minnewaska third and Pine city fifth in the Minnesota State High School Coaches Association rankings. Staples-Motley is seventh in that poll.

Against Parkers Prairie, every Staples-Motley player won in straight sets, except one match that went to a super tiebreaker.

The team switched the lineup a little against Roseau, with Corinne Olson finding success at number two singles.

The lineup changes continued at the Pine City quad meet. Although they lost to Minnewaska, two of the losses were in a third set super tiebreaker and another was due to injury.

Against New London-Spicer, the Cardinals won all the singles matches in straight sets and lost all the doubles matches in a third set super tiebreaker.

Against Pine City, Ronnie Noska had her first loss of the season against a ranked player. Kaylee Perius and Andrea DiGiovanni won their singles matches while Jaida Holst and Natalie Hanson won easily at number two doubles, but the rest of the team could not generate a fourth win.

Team results

Staples-Motley 5, Roseau 2

Singles: Ronnie Noska W 6-1, 6-0; Corinne Olson W 6-2, 7-5; Kaylee Perius W 6-3, 6-1; Lydia Roelofs L 4-6, 2-6

Doubles: Heidi Zimmerman/Madison Perius W 6-4, 6-0; Natalie Hanson/Sarah Kroll W 6-0, 6-2; Andrea DiGiovanni/Charlie Noska L 1-6, 6-2, (4-10)

Staples-Motley 4, New London-Spicer 3

Singles: R. Noska W 6-3, 6-3; Olson W 7-5, 6-4; K. Perius W 6-2, 6-2; Kroll W 7-6 (7-4), 6-1

Doubles: Zimmerman/M. Perius L 6-4, 1-6, (10-12); Jaida Holst/Hanson L 1-6, 7-6 (7-1), (10-12)

DiGiovanni/C. Noska L 6-2, 3-6, (7-10)

Staples-Motley 3, Minnewaska 4

Singles: R. Noska W 6-0, 6-2; Olson L 1-6, 2-6; K. Perius W 6-3, 6-1; Kroll W 7-5, 6-2

Doubles: Zimmerman/Holst L 2-6, (inj.); M. Perius/Hanson L 6-4, 0-6 (5-10); DiGiovanni/C. Noska L6-2, 2-6, (5-10)

Staples-Motley 3, Pine City 4

Singles: R. Noska L 3-6, 3-6; Olson L 3-6, 0-6; K. Perius W 6-2, 6-1; DiGiovanni W 6-3, 6-1

Doubles: Zimmerman/M. Perius L 4-6, 1-6; Holst/Hanson W 6-1, 6-2; Kroll/C. Noska L 1-6, 1-6



Corinne Olson



Ronnie Noska



Jaida Holst



Kaylee Perius



Charlie Noska

Cross country working to improve team scores

The Staples-Motley girls and boys cross country teams remained competitive in a meet at Wadena-Deer Creek on Sept. 3, where both races showed the team's need for depth this season.

In the boys race, the top five Cardinal runners finished 1:25 apart, a gap that other teams filled to push them to third place.

In the girls race, Audrey Brownell was way out in front, with the other runners still more than two minutes away from her. The team finished in fourth with one of their regular varsity runners not in the lineup.

Boys results

Sauk Centre 49, Park Rapids 80, Staples-Motley 140, Wadena-Deer Creek 146, Melrose 166, Minnewaska 169, West Central Area 186, Ottertail Central 219, Bertha-Hewitt 225, Benson/KMS 243, United North Central 262, Barnesville 297, Long Prairie-Grey Eagle 351, Asby-Brandon-Evansville 266, Pine River-Backus 419, Pillager 455, Verndale 490

16. Logan Robben 19:02, 18. Gage Bjerga 19:07, 33. Blaine Plattner 20:00, 37. Andrew Dobson 20:19, 41. Dillan Robben 20:27, 57. Gabriel Kroll 21:06, 66. Ivan Lozano 21:44

Junior varsity: 8. Garrett Bjerga 22:02, 23. Israel Ritter 23:55, 28. Alex Leach 24:46, 29. Avandre Brandt 24:49, 38. Jackson Odden 25:49

Junior high (3,200 meters): 16. Reed Leach 13:14, 58. Zane Leach 16:03, 84. Christopher Mikhaeil 25:45

Girls results

United North Central 46, Minnewaska 61, Wadena-Deer Creek 89, Staples-Motley 148, Sauk Centre 154, Bertha-Hewitt 201, Melrose 209, West Central Area 231, Parkers Prairie 257, Ashby-Brandon-Evansville 264, Barnesville 276, Pillager 288, Park Rapids 296, Alexandria Community Christian 307, Long Prairie-Grey Eagle 368

1. Audrey Brownell 19:59, 20. Naila Mikhaeil 22:47, 23. Bella Hines 22:57, 42. Aleea Holst 24:16, 75. Leah Greenwaldt 27:14, 82. Madelyn Kist 28:05

Junior high (3,200 meters): 9. Lizzie Kroll 14:42, 12. Elise Trif 14:54, 13. Alexix Odden 15:16, 30. Mollie Larrimore 17:59

Grouse launch the state's upland hunting season

This coming Saturday, September 14th, is a seasonal marker that some of Minnesota's most dedicated hunters have been eagerly awaiting since last December's end. It marks the start of Minnesota's 2024 grouse hunting season, though the predicted weather conditions for that date lean decidedly toward high summer, and any activity but hunting.

Minnesota has several grouse species. They include the ruffed grouse that is widely distributed over the state's forested regions, the spruce grouse—sometimes called "fool hen" for its comparative tameness, in the far north—and the sharp-tailed grouse, a bird most abundant in the state's northwest region, with a smaller population in east-central Minnesota, the hunting of which is restricted due to habitat and population limitations.

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Inside the Outdoors



Mike Rahn

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But realistically, when someone says "grouse," 95 percent of the state's upland bird hunters would probably assume they mean ruffed grouse, named for the dark collar, or "ruff," of feathers at its neck displayed in courtship. That's a measure of the significance of this bird in the state's upland hunting hierarchy. Though it is a bird whose population highs and lows are predictably cyclical—and are sometimes low—the ruffed grouse attracts not only resident hunters, but many nonresidents, as well. In terms of comparative abundance—their states to ours—Minnesota ranks at or near the top for grouse hunting, along with the other Great Lakes states of Michigan and Wisconsin. More and better forest habitat, and abundant public land acreage, are the primary reasons.

Perhaps paradoxically, the ruffed grouse thrives best in what wildlife managers would call "disturbed" habitat. Disturbed by fire, windstorm, and—preservationists take note—logging. The ruffed grouse is an "early successional species," one that thrives best where there are mixed ages of forest; some young, some mature, and some in between. It is the natural forces of fire and windstorm that most often "set back the clock" on forest maturity, and thereby benefit grouse. But logging done right can do the same thing.

The result of such disturbance is a regenerating not only of young trees—aspen is generally considered the most beneficial—but also fruit and seed-bearing shrubs and forbs, and grasses. Incidentally, whitetail deer and many nongame forest species benefit from the same periodic forest disturbance.

As excited as hunters may be for the pending opening of the 2024 grouse season, the odds are against us when the season begins. This is chiefly because visibility in the woodland cover where grouse are found is now very much limited, as few leaves have fallen from the aspen, birch, alder, oak, and other trees, and the woody shrubs of the forest edges.

This dense foliage makes grouse shooting very much unlike the more open shooting presented by pheasants flushing from a cattail slough or prairie grasses, or shots at teal or wood ducks over a marsh. That's not to say that bagging a pheasant or a duck is without its own challenges. But the probability is great that actually seeing that pheasant or duck will not be the issue.

On opening day of grouse season a high proportion of birds—assuming you find them—are likely to be heard but not seen. Their flush into headlong escape flight is explosive, the sound made by their wingbeats something a grouse hunter does not forget. Because the cover where grouse are found is typically so thick and heavily vegetated now, any birds that you do see are likely to disappear quickly.

An exception to this is the so-called two-track trail, the classic "logging road" that cuts through grouse cover. Such places are easier to navigate, are attractive to grouse, and—depending on the direction an escaping grouse takes—may offer more open shots than can be had in denser cover. Trails like these are also found in some woodlands that are managed specifically for grouse by the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources (DNR) or the Ruffed Grouse Society, often together in cooperative management.

Seeded trails are an inevitable feature of such managed areas. Grouse are attracted to them for the green vegetation they are carpeted with, such as clover or wild strawberry. In fact, it is not only such trails, but woodland edges in general, that are the most productive of the shrubs and plants that produce favored grouse foods: fruits, berries, seeds, and succulent plants. These edges often occur where woodlands intersect with swamps, meadows, abandoned farmland, cultivated fields, and timber cuttings.

Walking the aforementioned trails may be a good strategy for the early days of the season when shooting visibility is so unpredictable, and in fact is predictably poor. But the downside of this strategy is that you won't be the only one who thinks that's a good idea. This is especially so for those official-enough-to-have signage places, like the state's 49 Ruffed Grouse Management Areas, most of which are concentrated in the northern third of the state.

Lest you mistakenly think that you've been let in on a big secret, the DNR web site not only features a map of these areas, but has clickable links that allow you to "view in Google Earth" (provides a three-dimensional rendering of the landscape) or "get GPS data" that will help you find and navigate them. Though I am an old-fashioned guy who still loves his U.S. Geological Survey quadrangle maps and his county plat books, the rest of the world is taking advantage of these satellite-enabled computerized guides. It may be only a slight exaggeration to say that "everybody knows about them."

Visiting such places on the opening weekend of the ruffed grouse hunting season may not be the best idea if you want solitude, or don't want to encounter and compete with other hunters. Still, at some time or other during the season, these places are likely to be worth visiting. Maybe just not on the opener.

And don't worry that all the grouse on such management areas will be "shot out" on opening weekend. Even the most experienced hunters, with the best dogs, are unlikely to hit what they can't see.

(For what it's worth, here is that Minnesota DNR site: https://www.dnr.state.mn.us/rgma/index.html .)



Staples High School Class of 1964 holds 60th reunion

The Staples High School Class of 1964 held their 60th reunion at Holst Acres in Staples Aug. 17, part of the Railroad Days celebration. It was a joint reunion along with the SHS Classes of 1965 and 1966.

Pictured, front row from left: Bill Bates, Staples; Rose (Brever) Deering, Staples; Barbara (Gaugert) Brelje, Staples; Alan Judd, Browerville; Kathleen (Thiel) Tepley, Staples; Darlene (Busker) Grigerson, Cass Lake; Sandra (Trana) Swedzinski, Minneota; Jo (Neznik) Swoverland, Crosslake; Mary (Belling) O'boyle, Baxter; Kaye (Hassler) Mundahl, Plymouth; LuAnn (Nurnberger) Wilhelmson, Motley.



Middle row: Jack Truesdahl, Minneapolis; Dennis Stolhanske, New Hope; Larry Sather, Parkers Prairie; Ronald Cizek, Breckenridge; Duane Jensen, Motley; Rodney Winters, Elk River; Edward Bendson, Deerwood; Alan Bendson, Leader; Mark Engen, Redmond, Wash.

Back row: Ronald Larson, Lakeville; Robert Seely, Livingston, Mont.; Robert Bjerga, Breezy Point; Huck Holst, Staples; Frank Tepley, Browerville; Rick Weber, Minneapolis; George Warner, Hibbing; Dave Noska, Browerville.

At top: Edward Smith, Philbrook; Dennis Germann, Fairbault.

In lower photo, visiting at the reunion, are 1964 SHS classmates and cousins, Douglas Judd and Kathleen (Thiel) Tepley, both of Staples. (Staples World photos by Dawn Timbs)



Staples High School Class of 1965 reunion

The Staples High School Class of 1965 met during Railroad Days in Staples Aug. 17, at Holst Acres in Staples. The reunion was held along with the classes of 1964 and 1966.

Pictured front row, from left: Linda (Soeffner) Bates, Staples; DeEtta (Wicht) Bilek, Aldrich; Sharon (George) Ernster, Walker; Catherine (Shinabarger) Hansen, Motley; Sandy (Smith) Richmond, Motley; DeAnna (Trana) Meek, Motley; Bonnie (Kempe) Hansen, Staples; Marilyn (Miller) Holst, Staples; Janice (Johnson) Latterel, Rice; Rita (Cleveland) Folsom, La Mesa, Calif.; Terry (Anderson) Stolhanske, New Hope.

Back row: Sandra (Halverson) Becker, Brooklyn Center; Doug Vukelich, Staples; Frank Williams, Staples; Stan Borle, Brainerd; Ralph Klinkhammer, Moorhead; Mike Blessing, Staples; Tom Edwards, Lakeville; Dan Toedter, Wadena; David Bryce, Haysville, Kansas; Jim Vogel, Staples. (Staples World photos by Dawn Timbs)



Staples High School Class of 1966 reunion

Members of the Staples High School Class of 1966 met up at Holst Acres in Staples Aug. 17, during a joint-reunion with classmates from the classes of 1964 and 1965. Pictured above, from left, are Marge (Adamietz) Tepley, Motley; Bonnie (Chilberg) Thoele, Staples; Phil Rengel, Oregon; Shirley (Tepley) Judd, Browerville; Rick Odden, Staples; Eloise (Tyrrell) Thorson, Browerville; Kathryn (Lenk) Carruth, Savage; Barbara (Schimpp) Rach, Verndale; Barbara (Pribbenow) Dahl, Staples; Mary (Foster) Vogel, Staples; Thomas Brever,

Motley Police, Morrison County Sheriff's reports

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

Aug. 30 - Motley Police assisted a subject whose vehicle would not start. The subject was given a ride to BRICKS Travel Center in Motley to wait for a ride from her mother.

Sept. 3 - Morrison County deputies responded to a report of property damage at East Cottonwood Rd., Cushing.

Sept. 3 - The MCSO received a report of suspicious activity at the 37000 block of Ridge Rd., Motley.

Aug. 31 - Thomas Eggleston, 36 was issued a seat belt citation by a Morrison County deputy. The incident took place at Dove Rd and 320th St.

Aug. 31 - The MCSO received a call regarding the theft of a wallet. The incident took place at 264 Hwy 10 S., Motley.

Aug. 28 - Morrison County deputies were advised that the Staples Police Dept. was involved in a vehicle pursuit. A short time later it was learned the pursuit ended on Hwy 64 in Cass County with the driver taken into custody. Deputies then cleared.



Enjoying the reunion

Rick and Kathy Odden of Staples had a fun time connecting with other people at the recent Staples High School reunion for the Classes of 1964, 1965 and 1966. Rick graduated from SHS in 1966, and Kathy is a graduate of Pillager High School, but knew a lot of people there from her years living and working in Staples. (Staples World photo by Dawn Timbs)





Making catches

Top, Alex Schultz stretches out to catch a touchdown pass; above, Schultz goes low to chatch a first down pass. Below, Gavin Chenoweth cuts in front of a receiver for an interception. (Staples World photo by Mark Anderson)



Human remains found in northern Cass County

In the evening hours of Aug. 31, the Cass County Sheriff's Office receive a report from a group of wild ricers that they had located what they believed to be human remains in an area of Gould Township on the shores of Leech Lake.

Deputies arrived in the area and found skeletal remains of at least three individuals believed to be several hundred years old. The area was secured and the Leech Lake Heritage Sites program was contacted. Representatives responded that evening who confirmed deputies' findings.

Steps were taken that evening to secure the remains, and the Minnesota Indian Affairs Council was also contacted and is assisting with the process. This incident remains under investigation and the specific location is not being disclosed at this time, though it is located within a known cultural site.

The Cass County Sheriff's Office, the leech Lake Tribal Police Department, and the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe reminds citizens of the importance of contacting law enforcement should they encounter suspected human remains and to not disturb the area. In doing so, this ensures vital evidence is preserved, along with being respectful of those who were here before us.

In addition, the above entities would like to inform the public that knowingly disturbing suspected cultural sites and/or cemeteries can have civil and criminal repercussion. The above entities are working together to ensure the human remains are preserved and ultimately restored to their original state in a timely, and culturally appropriate manner.





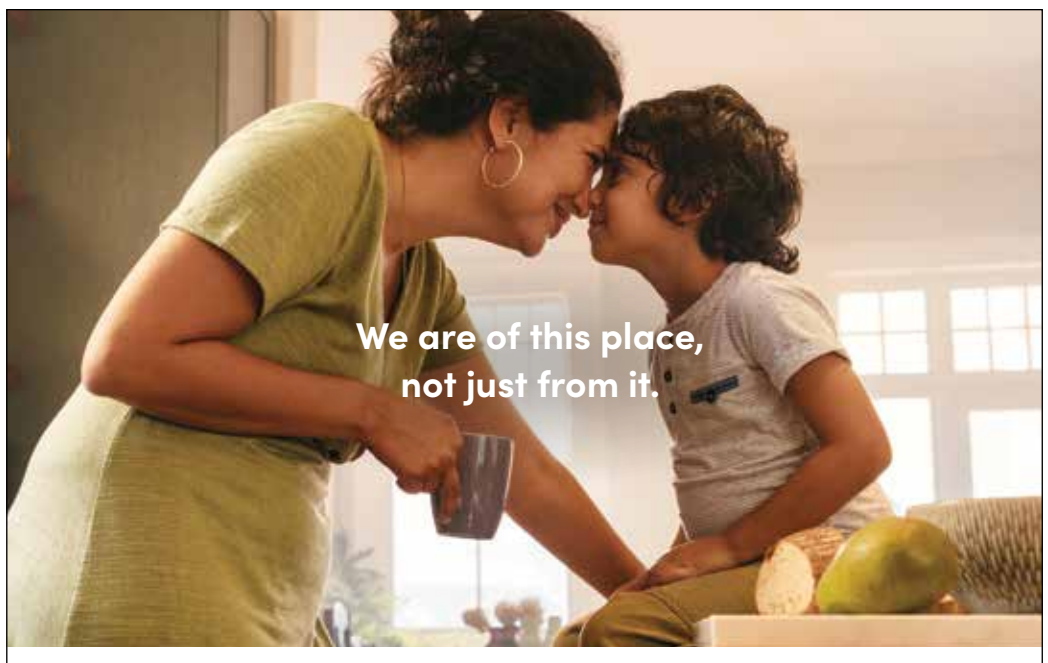
Buds and spuds at CLC Field Day

Field Day at the Central Lakes College Ag and Energy Center farm allowed visitors to pick flowers and dig for potatoes in the college's farm garden. Pictured, buds and spuds pickers enjoy the flower garden and show off their produce to CLC staff and family members. (Staples World photos by Mark Anderson)









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