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Staples Marine given military honors

A graveside military service was held for Marine Corps veteran Duff Allen Brown on Aug. 18, at Evergreen Hill Cemetery in Staples. The 33-year-old Staples native served his country in the United States Marine Corps with two tours during Operation Iraqi Freedom and one tour during Operation Enduring Freedom. Pastor Robin Collins, Trinity Lutheran Church in Staples, led the service. Also present were the Marine Honor Guard and the Tri-County American Legion Firing Squad. Several Marines in attendance had served with Brown. (Staples World photo by Dawn Timbs)

Horse needs to be put down after wolf attack

By Mark Anderson
Managing Editor

Blue for its blue eyes, bleeding with extensive injuries.

per for the USDA who came in to trap the wolves that may have attacked the horse.

A horse in the Leader area was euthanized after it was attacked by a wolf on Aug. 16, a few miles south of Leader. Julie Rempel said the horse belonged to her daughter, Grace Koskiniemi. They came home and found the horse, named

Rempel said there are many reports of wolves in the area, but they are not allowed to do anything about it until a farm animal is attacked by them. "I would like to bring attention to this issue," Rempel said.

"We get a couple of complaints a year in the Leader area, and some additional ones in the Pine River area," said Paul.

Paul said it is rare for a wolf to attack a horse, as

Bill Paul is a federal trap-

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Staples city budget starts with slight increase

By Mark Anderson
Managing Editor

Staples Police budget was increased with the addition of one full time position.

The Staples City Council discussed the first draft of the city budget at a special meeting Aug. 17.

City Administrator Jerel Nelsen said the draft document shows a two percent levy increase. He said the draft document will be tuned up for the council's preliminary approval in September.

The budget includes an increase of \$28,500 in Local Government Aid (LGA) for a total of \$753,472. More revenue will come from a full year of tax increments from the Cardinal Pines apartments and the Staples Eye Clinic/Lakeland Dental building.

Major factors in the budget include an increase in salary and reduction of interest earnings. The

The budget included several one time payments, including turnout gear for new firefighters, paving at Dower Lake and Airview Drive, improvements to the Lincoln Park playground, new security cameras for city buildings, a new bucket truck for the light department and automatic meter reading infrastructure. One big project will be replacing the water main on Minnesota Ave. SE. The wastewater treatment plant currently being constructed is spread between this year's budget and next year's.

Nelsen said the budget is largely status quo to maintain the Staples Community Center. "We are at the point where we are going to have

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Weather

This Week's Forecast

	High	Low	Cond.
Aug. 26	84°	60°	P. Cloudy
Aug. 27	80	58	M. Cloudy
Aug. 28	74	51	Sunny
Aug. 29	72	53	Sunny
Aug. 30	73	55	M. Cloudy
Aug. 31	65	49	P. Cloudy
Sept. 1	66	47	M. Sunny

Last Year, 2019

	High	Low	Cond.
Aug. 26	73°	57°	Cloudy
Aug. 27	64	55	Cloudy
Aug. 28	66	50	Sunny
Aug. 29	64	57	Sunny
Aug. 30	70	43	Sunny
Aug. 31	71	48	Sunny
Sept. 1	68	56	Sunny

Average Temps:
H = 75° Low = 55°

Rain for Week: .12"
Year total rain: 17.47"
Total rain last year: 18.10"

Compiled by
Dale Hausmann,
WCCO's Staples area
Weatherwatcher



In pain following wolf attack

Blue, the horse named for its blue eyes, is pictured following the attack by wolves near Leader. (Submitted photo)



Demonstration along Highway 10 in Wadena

A demonstration held in Wadena August 19 brought out hundreds of people gathered at the BBQ Smokehouse parking lot and the fairgrounds. Above: Speakers at Hwy. 10 and Ash Ave. addressed a potential lawsuit for the three-day rodeo/ bull bash usually held over Labor Day weekend in Nimrod. Following the North Star Stampede Rodeo held in Effie July 24-26, state Attorney General Keith Ellison filed a lawsuit with potential fines. That rodeo had no spectators, but thousands of people came to protest the state's orders and attended without social distancing, masks or capacity limits. On July 31 state officials announced one of the attendees tested positive for COVID-19.



Parading concerns

Flags, posters, horses, trailers, pickups, cars, tractors and walkers paraded by the corner of Highway 10 and Ash Ave. in Wadena protesting the need to comply with state mandates of the potential cancellation of the Bull Bash in Nimrod on Labor Day weekend due to inability to comply with state mandates. (Staples World photos by Janice Winter)

Staples Area Men's Chorus begins 50th season

By Dawn Timbs
Staples World reporter

For the past several months, 'life as we know it' has taken on new meaning with the onset of COVID-19.

Individuals, families, institutions and organizations alike have had to rethink how they deal with almost every situation, in an effort to stay healthy and help others stay healthy during this pandemic.

The Staples Area Men's Chorus (SAMC) is no exception.

Recently, after a six-month hiatus, the group found a way to have a safe rehearsal with social-distancing measures in place... in a large machine shed located at a farm south of Staples.

"It went well," said long-

time member Kevin Olsen, going on to share that prior to proceeding with a rehearsal, there had been much discussion by the board. This included checking recommendations of the CDC (Centers for Disease Control).

Keeping those recommendations in mind, the board decided to go with things they could do safely, Olsen said. They knew a rehearsal would need to be held outside, that everyone would be required to wear a mask and that the singers would be screened upon arrival.

The large machine shed, with its high ceilings and opened doors, was the perfect place to ensure safe social distancing. Not to

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Staples Area Women's Chorus pivots during COVID-19

By Amanda Mithun
SAWC President

The year 2020 has been a year unlike any other. We have had to adjust and adjust some more. Last spring, the Staples Area Women's Chorus (SAWC) had to cancel events and abruptly end the season due to safety. This summer, the board has met several times to explore ways in which we could safely create music together.

We have two exciting opportunities coming up.

On Monday, Aug. 31, we would like to invite any interested women to join us at the Living Legacy Gardens in Staples for a music making/social event. The check-in time is 6:45 p.m.

and start time at 7 p.m.

We will be following ACDA recommendations for safety, so bring a mask as well as your own chair. If you are a current member, bring your folder as well. Attendees will be asked questions regarding symptoms of COVID-19 and there will be temperature checks as well. This event is subject to cancellation if the weather does not cooperate, so check our Facebook page for updates. In addition to making a joyful noise at the Living Legacy Gardens, we will share news about another upcoming event.

We are planning to host a virtual choir event in the late fall. Traditionally, the

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COVID-19 taking hold in Wadena County

The latest report from the Minnesota Department of Health shows 12 new cases of COVID-19 in Wadena County for the week of Aug. 16-23, the first double digit jump for the county. Wadena County still has a relatively low total of 41 cases detected since the pandemic started.

Two care facilities in Wadena County have either staff, visitors or residents who have tested positive for COVID-19. They are Green Pine Acres and Providence Villa. The Department of Health only lists facilities that have had a case in the past 28 days. No other facility in the four county area is cur-

rently listed. Todd County continued the slow spread of the virus with seven new cases in the week, Morrison County had five and Cass County nine.

Otter Tail County had another large jump during the week with 25 new cases and Crow Wing County, the Brainerd area, had 19 new cases.

Of the 89 cases in Cass County, three have resulted in the death of the patient. Todd County has two deaths from the disease, Morrison has one and Wadena County zero.

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Duff Brown
Larry Godejohn
Sandy Korach
Donald Zetah





New windows installed at SMES

Staples-Motley Elementary School had 36 new windows installed over the summer. On Aug. 18, crew members of Ken Sather Construction of Dawson were nearing the end of the project. Above, from left, Earl Ellefson and Greg Tucholke work to take down the wooden boards that had been put up when the old windows were taken out earlier this summer. Below, Tucholke (left) and Wes Sather lift one of the new windows up while Ellefson waits to help secure it from inside the classroom. One of the most time-consuming parts of the job, the men said, was putting

the border up around the window openings. Wes Sather also mentioned that the Sather Construction business is now in its fifth generation. The Dawson company was started by his great-grandfather Knute, who was succeeded by Wes's grandfather, Henry; then his dad, Kermit; then himself; and the most recent owner being Wes's son, Ken Sather. Ken's son, Cameron (Wes's grandson) has been working with the crew this summer and three-year-old grandson Kenton tries to help out as well, Wes laughed. (Staples World photos by Dawn Timbs)



Ceremonial flag folding by the Marine Honor Guard

At the graveside military service for Duff Allen Brown, 33, of Staples, the Marine Honor Guard folds the American flag prior to presenting it to the fallen Marine's family. Brown served his country in the United States Marine Corps with two tours during Operation Iraqi Freedom and one tour during Operation Enduring Freedom. Several

Marines in attendance served with Brown overseas and were pallbearers at his funeral. Pastor Robin Collins, Trinity Lutheran Church in Staples, led the service. Also in attendance were members of the Tri-County American Legion, who provided the firing squad and played 'Taps.' (Staples World photo by Dawn Timbs)



New HVAC system and other building updates

An updated HVAC system has been put in at Staples-Motley Elementary School. Other improvements made at the facility this past summer include new cabinetry in the classrooms and new windows throughout the building. The CTE wing at Staples-Motley Middle/High School also saw improvements over the past few months, including all new welding booths, fume collector, dust collector and a new HVAC system. (Submitted photo)

Law enforcement reports, Motley area

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

Aug. 5 - 12

Aug. 6 - 12 - The MPD issued speeding citations to Vera Robinson, 21; Eugene Lenneman, 61; Joseph Ruprecht, 64; Callan Markey, 18.

Aug. 10 - They MPD responded to a juvenile incident at the 400 block of 3rd Ave. S., Motley. The juvenile was cited and arrested.

Aug. 8 - The MPD received a report of a gas theft at the Holiday station in Motley.

Aug. 7 - The MPD received a call from a Motley resident who reported that he believed he'd been scammed out of money by a person from an online dating app. The man stated he met the female on SKOUT dating site and over the last nine months has purchased a cell phone for her, paid her cell phone bill, purchased an airline ticket

for her and sent her about \$1,400 - \$1,600 in cash. He stated he also gave out his social security number and other personal information. The MPD advised him that he probably had been scammed and that they would not be able to track her down and get his money back. He was also advised to contact his banks and the social security administration to advise them of the scam and to watch for possible fraudulent transactions.

Aug. 10 - The MCSO was dispatched to an assault at the 5000 block of 290th St., Cushing. The subject, who wanted something on file, said he had been punched in the face by the suspect at a wedding at the listed address the previous Saturday. He advised he was "blind sided" and punched from behind. The subject went to the hospital Aug. 10 and found his jaw was broken in two spots.

Aug. 9 - The MCSO issued a citation to Dugan Dunbar, 34, for careless driving. According to the report, Dunbar had a PBT (preliminary breath test) of .037 and had damaged a sign at Hwy 10 and Hwy 210 in Motley. He was transported to Lakewood Health System Hospital in Staples for minor injuries.

Aug. 8 - The MCSO received a report of a burglary at the 37000 block of Northview Dr., Pillager. The complainant reported the following items had been taken from his shed: ATV, air compressor, generator and kneboard. No suspects.

Aug. 7 - The MCSO responded to a report of a one vehicle crash at 320th

St. and Athena Rd., Cushing. The vehicle had left the roadway and took out a power pole. Crow Wing Power was notified and they responded.

Aug. 13 - 19

Aug. 15 - 18 - The MPD issued speeding citations to Deavon Olson, 19; James Otis, 20; Jason Meyer, 49.

Aug. 17 - The MPD received information regarding a recovered U-Haul truck that was stolen in Motley but not reported until it was recovered in Kanabec County.

Aug. 14 - The MCSO responded to a report of a lower hanging power line at 330th St. and 60th Ave., Motley.

Aug. 14 - The MCSO received a report of a power line that was down at 330th St. and 70th Ave. in Cushing and a tree that was on fire. Scandia Valley Fire Department was paged.

Aug. 14 - The MCSO received a report of storm damage at Staples Sports in Cushing.

Aug. 14 - The MCSO received a report of storm damage at Golden Storage, LLC in Cushing.

Aug. 13 - The MCSO received a report of a propane tank that had been damaged by a tree that had gone down at the 3000 block of 320th St., Cushing. The Scandia Valley Fire Dept. was at the scene upon the deputy's arrival.

Aug. 13 - The MCSO received a call from a resident at the 31000 block of Lakeview Dr., Cushing, reporting that on weekends there is a red wakeboard boat that plays loud music too close to the shoreline.

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Todd County offers grant monies for businesses required to close by COVID-19 orders

By Karin L. Nauber
Todd County correspondent

During their regular meeting on Aug. 4, 2020, the Todd County Board of Commissioners approved several board actions related to the CARES Act funds of \$2,981,853 plus the supplement of \$18,232.

After discussion, the board approved setting up a Small Business Grant Program with \$600,000 of the funds with individual grants of up to \$5,000 each.

While initially the board was only going to approve \$500,000, they added another \$100,000 so they could include home based businesses that were affected.

There were several stipulations and guidelines for this first round of grants which began the application process on August 10 and end August 28, 2020.

The program will run through the Todd County Economic Development office which the county board felt was needed for a dedicated person to do the paperwork of the grant.

It's expected that additional programs will be created for economic support until CARES Act Coronavirus Relief Funds are spent, up to December 30, 2020.

They approved CARES Act Coronavirus Relief Funds (CRF) for the acceptable use of creating programs related to economic support.

The program is designed to reimburse the costs of business interruption caused by the required closures to small businesses who meet the criteria of the application. Business that stayed open during the pandemic are not eligible during this first round of grants.

The board said there was a possibility of second round grants that could reach and help businesses that were required to remain open.

The board reviewed a list of expenses already incurred.

Commissioner Barb Becker said she would like to see a running total so they always know where they're at with the funds.

The board approved these necessary incurred expenses from March 1, 2020 through June 30, 2020 for CARES Act CRF reporting and authorize Coordinator Chris Pelzer to approve ongoing necessary expenses through December 30, 2020. The approved expenses so far are \$98,281.

In other business

• Approved a one day On Sale Temporary Liquor License for the Long Prairie Lions Club.

• Approved the resignation of Part-time Correctional Officer David Gritz effective July 17.

• Approved the budgeted request to hire Shawn Karnes to fill the mainte-

nance tech position at \$25.61. It is hoped that this position will reduce the amount of overtime in the maintenance department.

• Acting as Ditch Authority, the board approved a Hold Harmless Agreement Petition from Mike Irlbeck to maintain approximately 6,360 feet of County Ditch 27 in Wykeham Township.

• Acting as Ditch Authority, the board approved a Hold Harmless Agreement Petition from Jeff Seurer to install a 24" x 30' culvert for a private crossing on County Ditch 35 in Bartlett Township, Section 34.

• Because of the rate increase this year and the unanswered questions received from Minnesota Counties Intergovernmental Trust (MCIT) for coverage in the future, regarding the Prairie Lakes Municipal Solid Waste Authority (PLMSWA) (incinerator facility in Perham), the board approved sending a letter of support to MCIT with the following requests:

1. MCIT allow PLMSWA and the other three Waste To Energy (WTE) related MCIT members to obtain property insurance and equipment breakdown insurance coverage through other brokers; and continue to receive general liability and workers compensation coverage through MCIT.

2. If we, the MCIT WTE members, are successful in obtaining desirable coverage through a third party risk management consultant, MCIT will retain and reimburse our third party consultant and continue WTE coverage in 2021 with the insurance package.

3. MCIT allow Non-MCIT (Minnesota) counties that own WTE facilities to obtain property and/or equipment breakdown insurance through MCIT without obtaining general liability and workers' compensation insurance through MCIT.

• Approved the Energy Assistance Program Contract and Internal Controls Documentation for fiscal year 2021.

• Heard an update on COVID-19 for the county. About 96 percent of those who were diagnosed with it have recovered.

• The Todd County Insurance Committee reviewed proposals from several different insurance carriers presented to them by Gallagher. These proposals included plan and cost information from Sourcewell (HP), Resource Training & Solutions (BCBS), Blue Cross Blue Shield, Health Partners, PreferredOne, United Healthcare and PEIP. Both fully insured and self-insured plans were reviewed. The board approved the plan from Sourcewell which includes a zero percent increase for 2021 and a 10 percent cap on the increase for 2022.

75 YEARS AGO - 1945

• Aug. 30, 1945 - Chief of Police Jesse Marr is holding a Connecticut man, for Sheriff Frank Finger of Stark County, at Dickinson, North Dakota, who has confessed to the stealing of a 1941 Oldsmobile car from I. A. Renner, of Bismarck, North Dakota, who was at Richardton at the time of the theft.

The man is Robert Williams Searles, age 23, who gave his address as Greenwich, Conn. He was reticent at first and would not divulge his full name until

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under pressure by local authorities.

Searles came into Staples and tried to sell the car to a farmer living near here. The price asked for the car was too low for the parent value of a 1941 car, and the farmer became a little suspicious of the man.

In the meantime Searles drove into Staples, and was sent to the office of W. C. Kelehan to try to get a loan on the car, and while so doing, Mr. Marr started a hurried investigation by calling the Fargo, North Dakota Police for information relative to the car, the registration, etc.

In due time the Fargo Police reported that the car had been stolen from Richardton. Searles was arrested by Mr. Marr as he was about to leave Staples, but did not protest about the arrest.

• Aug. 30, 1945 - 'Girls, You Can Get Lots of Nylons Soon,' the headline read. The story went on to say: All restrictions on the use of nylon in stocking production are expected to be revoked very shortly announced the War Production Board in Minneapolis last week. Prospects are good for a large supply of nylon stockings by Thanksgiving or Christmas at the latest, WPB officials announced on Aug. 23.

• Aug. 30, 1945 - Russ Dahl, son of Mrs. Maude Dahl of Staples, was chosen as 'Mayor for the Day' on Kids Day in Staples Aug. 31. The selection of Russ as mayor was made by members of the executive committee of the Staples Commercial Club.

Russ is a sophomore in Staples high school this fall, and has been prominent in athletic circles at the school.

50 YEARS AGO - 1970

• Sept. 3, 1970 - A rural Staples man, who was a retired rural mail carrier from the Staples Post Office, was fatally injured early last Wednesday afternoon, Aug. 26, as he was struck by an automobile while walking across Highway No. 10 east of Staples.

Killed as a result of the accident was Olaf Haugen, who was 72 years of age on that day. Scene of the accident was one mile east of Staples, in front of his brother's home.

According to the report of the Staples Police Dept., the accident happened about 3:30 p.m. Mr. Haugen had taken his walk from his place of residence to his brothers, Melvin Haugen's, located on the north side of Highway No. 10. He was enroute back across the highway to his home when he was hit by a 1965 Oldsmobile driven by Erman Irene Baker, 62, of Verndale. Mrs. Baker, an elementary teacher at the Motley Public School, was headed west on Highway No. 10.

He was pronounced dead at the scene by Dr. William I. Mennis, Staples doctor and a deputy Todd County Coroner.

It was also reported to The World that two of Mr. Haugen's daughters were

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to decide what we are going to do" with the building, said Nelsen. He said that would take a separate meeting to discuss all the options for the community center.

Looking into the future, Police Chief Melissa Birkholtz said the department may be required to purchase body cameras to wear on duty. "I don't think any of us are against wearing them, it's all the other things that go along with it," said Birkholtz.

Looking back



Mystery Photo

Hello readers. This week's archive photo is from our Sept. 3, 1970 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.

enroute to the home to have a surprise birthday party on their father and they came upon the scene of the accident, only to learn of the tragedy which had struck their family.

• Sept. 3, 1970 - Hundreds of residents from throughout the area were in attendance at two special dedication ceremonies in Staples Thursday, Aug. 27. Dedicated were the new facilities at the Staples Municipal Airport and the new Irrigation Center Building on the Central Minnesota Irrigation Demonstration - Research farm.

25 YEARS AGO - 1995

• Aug. 31, 1995 - School bells here and in most communities in Minnesota will be recalling students on Tuesday morning, Sept. 5.

Classes will resume for kindergarten through grade 5 at the Staples Elementary building and Motley Elementary.

This year, for the first time ever, the Motley Staples Middle School will have three grade levels. There will be grades 6, 7 and 8 in the former Motley High School building, which this year features six spanking new classrooms and a new

practice room for band and choir.

At Staples Motley High School, approximately 670 students are expected to arrive for grades 9 - 12. District wide, school officials are gearing up to handle slightly more than 1,700 students. An additional 100 to 110 students are expected at Sacred Heart School, meaning a total of about 1,830 students are anticipated to be in classrooms in the district.

• Aug. 31, 1995 - The Roaring Lions of the Staples '93 Lions Club took first place and \$100 in the Chili Cook-Off sponsored by the Staples Area Chamber of Commerce Saturday in Staples. Among the members of the team were Myra King, Diane Carlson, Mary Giza, Babs Anglin, Ruby Lindgren and Ellie Bergh.

• Aug. 31, 1995 - A new head coach is taking over the reins of the Staples Motley cross country program.

Gene Mattila this year chose to head up the Cardinal cross country program, rather than to serve as assistant football coach. A big part of that decision was the chance to coach his son, sophomore Derek Mattila. Coach Mattila noted the contributions of his prede-

cessor, Gladys Salthe.

10 YEARS AGO - 2010

• Sept. 2, 2010 - The Staples Community Foundation has named the recipients of their sixth annual Outstanding Community Service Awards. The recipients will be honored at an awards celebration at T Maxwell's Restaurant on Thursday, Oct. 7.

The award recipients are:

- Duane R. Lund Award for Lifetime Achievement - Stan Carlson
- Citizen of the Year - Tom Kajer
- Chairman's Award - Ray Garland
- Organization of the Year - Evergreen Hill Cemetery Board and Staff
- Business of the Year - Tower Pizza
- Youth of the Year - Beth Hoyt.

• Sept. 2, 2010 - The Staples Area Men's Chorus (SAMC) welcomes a new director and a new accompanist. Upon the retirement of Stan Carlson, who served for 39 years as director and the departure of accompanist Jackie Tellers, the SAMC hired well known local musicians Steve Hoemberg and Sandy Paskewitz to take over as director and accompanist, respectively.



Mystery solved

Last week's mystery photo from 1967 featured the District 24 - Region 6 Cross Country Champions from Staples High School. The photo was submitted by Pat Miller of Staples, who was also the photographer. Pictured front row from left: Mark Roline, Ted Wallace, Dan Uhrich, Al Gaugert. Back row: Dion Chilberg, Tim Wilhelmson, Dennis Miller, Walt Spilman, Coach Jerry Riewer.

Sherry (Miller) Frisk of Motley and Marilyn (Miller) Holst of Staples correctly identified all. Marilyn also noted that after winning the region tournament, the Staples Cross Country team advanced to the state tournament

which was held at the University of Minnesota Golf Course. She went on to share that when it came time to take the photo, they did not have enough uniforms because they wanted to include the alternate. Coach Riewer said, "Denny, you are the captain so you can wear the same shirt as me," Marilyn shared, adding that Denny (Dennis Miller), her brother, was the number 1 runner that year and was also the first District 24 champion for Staples. Kelly Boldan of Willmar correctly identified Wally Spilman, whom he noted was a "Leader area kid" like himself. Thanks for participating in our Mystery Photo.

Body cams could be coming

She said videos collected by the body cameras would need to be stored by expensive data cloud storage. The department would have to do more to comply with information requests and would have to try and redact any private information stored on the videos, all of which would take a lot of time. On the positive side, Birkholtz said places where police cameras are worn have a lot fewer police complaints and it can help with prosecuting offenders.



Big paw print

This wolf track, compared in size to a human hand, in the area of the attack was evidence of the culprit of the horse attack near Leader. (Submitted photo)



False reports very rare for domestic, sexual violence

By Connie Nelson,
Hands of Hope Resource
Center

We have recently heard some concerns about victims of domestic and sexual violence falsely reporting, so I took some time to do some research and found some interesting statistics to share with you in that regard.

Studies completed by reputable resources, estimate that less than two percent of all domestic violence and sexual assault cases are falsely reported. So, if my math serves me correctly, that tells me that 98 percent of victims of these behaviors are making legitimate, truthful reports. One important factor to take into consideration is that nearly 70 percent of all domestic violence incidents and 90 percent of sexual assaults are NEVER reported, and those that come forward have reported that they have been assaulted as many as 35 times prior to making that first report. Fear and intimidation has a tendency to encourage silence. Other factors like fear of retaliation, of losing their children, housing, and their economic stability play a huge roll, as well as our current pandemic sit-

uation. Victims often self-blame, are ashamed and are asked why they stayed, or "why didn't you just leave"? Perhaps we need to be asking the perpetrators of this violence, "Why did you do this"? Sexual assault and domestic assault are acts of power and control of one individual over another.

The decision to end a relationship with an abusive partner is one of the most dangerous and defining decisions that individual will ever make. This person, whether male or female is standing up, often putting themselves, as well as friends and family in added danger. For some it means losing their home, financial stability, transportation, family members, and the list goes on.

Very rarely is someone reporting an incident of domestic or sexual violence falsely reporting, and those few that do are truly adding to the harm for real victims of these crimes. A false report puts doubt in the minds of law enforcement, and prosecutors, resulting in victim credibility being questioned. To anyone that has been victimized for real, there is only one objective in their mind and that is to be able to live in safety. There is no big financial pay off, no promise of anything,

except hopefully some justice and accountability for the offender, and a new life without fear and violence, which we are all entitled to.

Perhaps, as a society we just don't want to accept that someone we know, a neighbor, friend, or a family member is capable of the violence that has occurred and been reported. Often times when watching a news report of a domestic homicide, we hear the comment, "he/she seemed like such a nice person." We never know what goes on behind closed doors. This violence is upsetting to our sense of safety and security in our own home and in our communities.

One of the first and most vital comments a victim needs and wants to hear, is "I believe you." Contact Hands of Hope Resource Center if you or someone you know is dealing with sexual assault or domestic violence. We are here to listen and offer resources. Our number is 320-732-2319 or our 24 hour crisis line at 800-682-4547. We can be reached at advocates.handsofhope@gmail.com or you can check out our website at www.handsofhope.net or our Facebook page as well. Be safe.

Hungry Minnesotans can get help

By Commissioner Jodi Harpstead
Minnesota Department of
Human Services

Everyone needs help sometimes. That is especially true for Minnesotans who have lost their jobs or have been hit hard by COVID-19, especially those in Black, Asian, Latino, Native American and immigrant communities.

As I have listened to community members across the state, one of the pressing concerns I've heard is that Minnesotans are struggling to put food on their tables. The onset of COVID-19 has only heightened that need. In June, more than 426,000 Minnesotans accessed the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program – an increase of 11 percent over this same time last year – and more than 345,000 Minnesotans visited food shelves – an increase of 20 percent over last year at this time.

With the end of the federal Pandemic Unemployment Compensation funds to help pay for food, we expect hunger to surge. At the Minnesota Department of Human Services, we're working alongside our partners in counties, tribes, community and nonprofit organizations to help meet the needs of people across the state who may be struggling to put food on the table

for their families.

Help is available

Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program: With SNAP, Minnesotans who meet income eligibility guidelines can get help to pay for groceries. Administered by counties and tribes, SNAP is an important supplement to families' food budgets. They can apply online via <https://applymn.dhs.mn.gov>, and now use their benefits to purchase food online through Walmart and Amazon.

Minnesota Family Investment Program: MFIP is a resource for families with children. Based on income eligibility guidelines, MFIP can include SNAP benefits in addition to cash benefits for living expenses and additional food. Minnesotans can apply for both SNAP and MFIP via <https://applymn.dhs.mn.gov>, and will need to complete an interview in person or over the phone with their county or tribe. Minnesotans who already receive food and cash assistance benefits must re-apply annually. For 20,000 Minnesotans who recently received a notice in the mail, that renewal is due by Aug. 31 for September benefits.

Minnesota food shelves: Minnesotans with low incomes can access free food – including some items that meet specific cultural diets – and other household items at food shelves in their

communities. The Department of Human Services supports Minnesota's seven regional food banks and more than 300 food shelves, all of which serve people regardless of their immigration status. Accessing food shelves does not count as public assistance under the federal Public Charge Rule.

Resources

Several resources are available to help individuals and families.

For assistance with food resources, contact Hunger Solutions Minnesota at <https://www.hungersolutions.org/> or 1-888-711-1151.

For help with SNAP, MFIP, and other programs and services: Visit the department's webpage, <https://mn.gov/dhs/>. For food resources and support: Visit the department's "COVID-19 emergency food support" webpage, <https://mn.gov/dhs/food-emergency/>.

For the latest information on SNAP: Visit the "Changes and updates to the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program" page, <https://mn.gov/dhs/snap-changes/>, on the Department of Human Services website.

Our commitment to make sure no Minnesotans are hungry.

Everyone needs a little help sometimes. That is why we are here.

Baseball appreciation

I would like to take the opportunity to convey my deepest regards to the Staples Motley Diamond Club for naming their recent 13U Babe Ruth Tournament after myself and my late

wife, Carolyn. I was moved and humbled by their kind gesture. It meant a great deal to me that they would name such a fine event on our behalves. I know that Carolyn would have been most pleased as well.

I also want to recognize my former players who came to support me and share the day with me. It

was so nice to see them and spend time sharing stories from days gone past. It was a wonderful day full of great baseball and fellowship. Many thanks to the Diamond Club for this singular honor.

Pat Held
Motley, Minn

More politics in newspaper

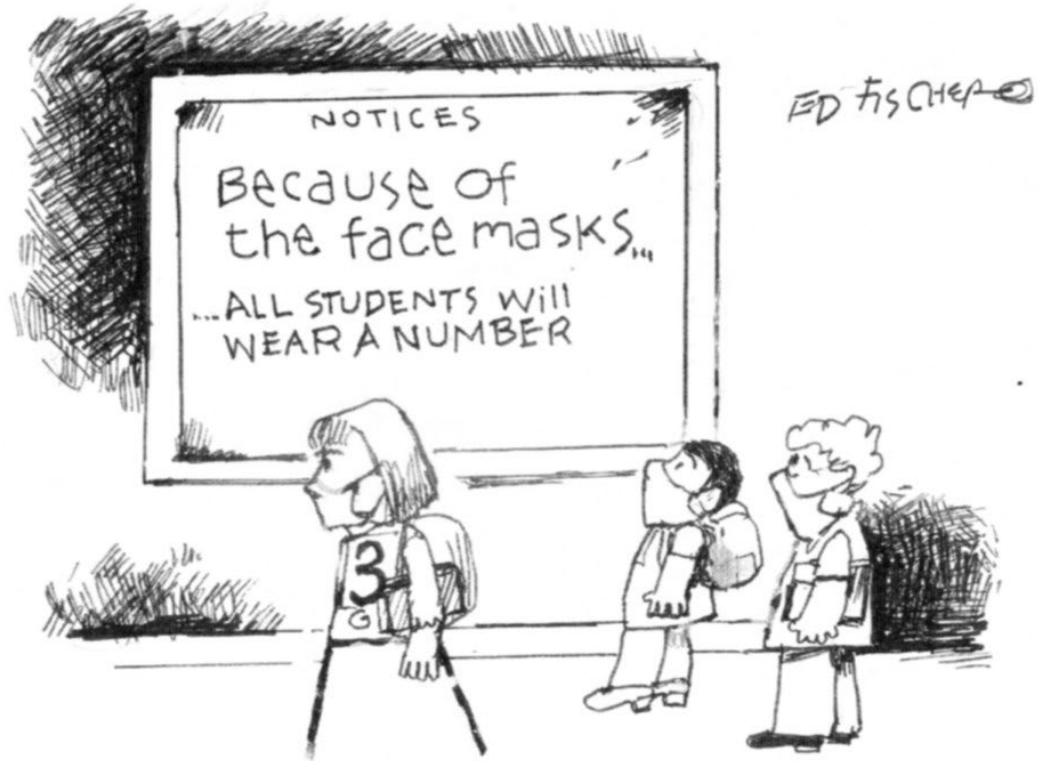
I appreciated the first-person account from Bryce Williams concerning the protests/riots in Minneapolis. I always enjoy reports of events/trips/exchange students, etc.

Thank you for that report.

However, I wish that you would print the results of the primary that was held August 11; the article concerning the Wadena Board might be interesting to Wadena residents, but what about results that affect the entire state of Minnesota, i.e., state senate & representative, plus United

States Congress races. We depend on your local paper to keep us informed about these issues. You did print a picture of election judges for two precincts, but how many precincts does The Staples World represent?

Lillian (Lauretta) Smith
Cushing, Minn



Arts community devastated by COVID-19 pandemic

From Five Wings Arts Council
newsletter
By Mark Turner
Executive Director

I am reaching out to share some news on the current programs and services of the Five Wings Arts Council. We can call it a "Situational COVID-19 Update," if you will.

What we know right now is the Coronavirus pandemic has been extremely challenging and outright devastating to our arts community. Five Wings understands and empathizes with the struggles of our regional artists and arts organizations. At the onset of the crisis, Five Wings responded with an immediate shift in our grant process to allow for application and report deadline extensions, removal of match requirements, vast flexibility in cancellations and postponements, and alternate deliverables. We also offered Zoom Video

Licenses to organizations, a Fast Track Professional Development Fund, hosted several networking video-chats, and facilitated a no-fee custom tailored learning experience on how to bring your arts programming to a digital platform.

Our intent is to be as flexible and supportive with our allotted funding as possible while maintaining the accountability and transparency that comes with public dollars. We know there is a vast need out there in our arts community for additional financial support and certainly wish we could do more right now. But, as a recipient of funds derived primarily from the state coffers, Five Wings is currently in a holding pattern.

Our new fiscal and grant year started July 1, but we have not yet received a final word on the amount of our state allocation. We do know a few things - Five Wings will likely be cut about 15% (potentially more) and the state will transfer the money to us at a much slower rate than a typical year. We are also being advised that funding for the next two years is also likely to be reduced due to both a downturn in sales tax collected and COVID-19 related expenses incurred by the state.

With that said, it is not all doom and gloom! The Five Wings Board and Staff is dedicated to our mission of encouraging, promoting, and supporting the arts and we are certainly in this together with all of you for the long haul. We currently have funding available in our Individual Artist pool and in an effort to help support and stabilize our established community arts or-

ganizations, Five Wings has shifted enough resources to move ahead with the General Operating Grant program as normal without reductions in funding amounts from the previous year.

Unfortunately, we were forced to cancel our regular July 15 round for Community Arts Access Projects and our School Project Grants are on a temporary hiatus. We are hoping that we will still be able to offer an October 15 grant round for Community Arts Access Projects, but that will depend on the timing of payments (if any) from the state. We are prohibited by state law to award any grants until we have a contract in place with the state governing authority.

Rest assured, that as soon as we get the word, Five Wings will be ready to roll with a revised deadline to accommodate as many projects as we can! Please stay tuned to www.fwac.org and our Facebook page for the latest updates. We also pledge to be flexible in working with you as you navigate the COVID-19 realities of being an artist, arts presenter and producer. It has been inspiring to see the creativity and determination of all of you during these times.

In the meanwhile, please know that the Five Wings Staff is here to help, however we can. We are truly your advocates! Do not hesitate to reach out with any questions, comments, or concerns that relate to your local arts group or as an individual artist. We are continuing to work on your behalf to encourage, support, and promote the arts in our region.

Quote of the week

"Don't spend time beating on a wall, hoping to transform it into a door."
—Coco Chanel

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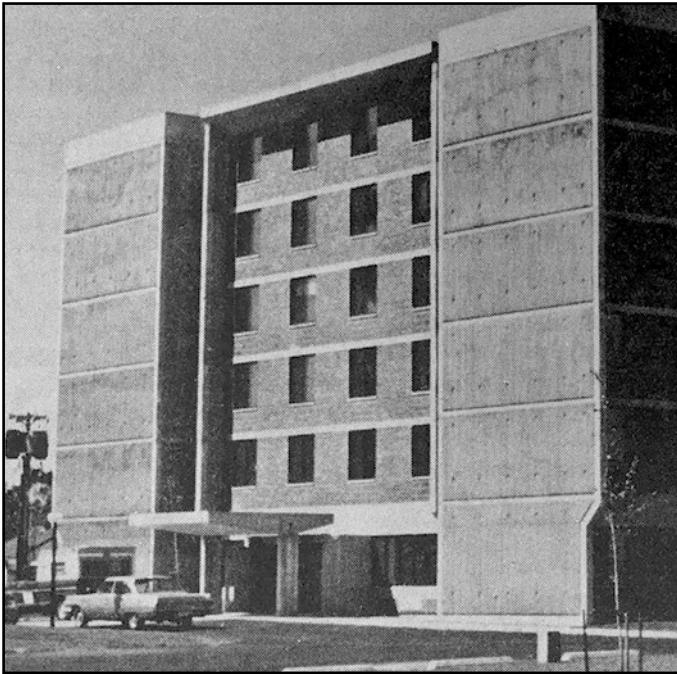
Staples High Rise celebrates 50 years

The Staples High Rise located at 615 4th St NE will host an Open House tour (COVID-19 compliant) Thursday, August 27 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. followed by the Community Picnic on the Patio from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. celebrating 50 years in Staples. All are welcome.

The Staples High Rise Business start date was May 14, 1970.

Above: The current gardens at the Staples High Rise. (Submitted photo)

Right: The 6-story building in July 1971. (Staples World archives)



Practice in the park

Staples-Motley cross country coaches Bruce Fuhrman, Tony Spandl and Steve Jennissen speak with runners

before a recent practice at Pine Grove Park in Staples. (Staples World photo by Mark Anderson)

Mark Your Calendar

September 12

TRAPPERS EDUCATION COURSE Saturday, Sept. 12, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m., Dewey's Taxidermy, 63539 340th St., Wadena. For info., to register, call 218-631-4988.

Whiskey Creek Film Festival cancelled for 2020

Because of the COVID-19 pandemic the committee has decided that a film festival like the usual one is not possible. The 2020 Whiskey Creek Film Festival will not take place.

The Whiskey Creek Film Festival committee wishes to thank our patrons for your support over the past years. You have made the festival one of the most anticipated and enjoyed events in Wadena each year.

"Be assured that the festival will happen in 2021. Thank you to 5 Wings Arts Council, the Wadena Convention and Visitors Bureau, our business sponsors and our film patrons for your support and understanding," said Jamie Robertson, organizer.

"We will see you at the movies next year," he said.

Updates to this notice will be posted on the webpages, www.whiskeycreekfilmfestival.org.

Small Business Relief Grant Program --TODD COUNTY--

August 4, 2020: The Todd County Board of Commissioners approved a Small Business Relief Grant Program funded through the CARES CRF (Coronavirus Relief Fund).

The grant program is for small businesses directly affected by the MN Governor's Emergency Executive Orders 20-04 and 20-08 and required to temporarily close. The program is designed to reimburse the costs of business interruption caused by the required closures. An application form has 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 application. The grants awarded will be up to \$5,000 for eligible businesses who meet the criteria of the application and provide supporting documentation.

The application period is August 10, 2020 through August 28, 2020. Applications will be reviewed, with grant awards approved on September 15. Applicants will be notified of their status after September 15.

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.

Meet local DFL legislative candidates!

COVID safe, social distancing and masks required
Refreshments provided, limited seating - bring a lawn chair

• **A. John Peters...MN Senate District 9**

• **Alex Hering...MN House District 9A**

Staples - DFL Candidate Meet & Greet

**Wednesday, September 2, Staples, MN
6:00 - 7:30 p.m. Pine Grove Park Pavilion,
1 mile south of Staples on Hwy 210,
turn right on 490th St, park entrance .1 mile on right**

Wadena- DFL Candidate Meet & Greet

**Thursday, September 3, Wadena, MN
6:00 - 7:30 pm, Sunnybrook Park,
Lions 2 Pavilion, 1 mile east of Wadena on Hwy 10, turn north on Harry / Rich Dr
Yard Signs Available and Campaign Contributions Welcome**

Prepared and paid for by Alex Hering MN House 9A, 12355 Lower Sylvan Rd SW, Pillager, MN 56473

COVID-19 Business Assistance Program

Grants of up to \$5,000 each are available to Wadena County small businesses who have been negatively impacted by COVID-19.

Funding is made possible through the federal CARES Act.

Eligibility - To qualify, businesses must...

- Be able to demonstrate that the business has been adversely affected by COVID-19
- Have a physical commercial location in Wadena County
- Registered with the MN Secretary of State and have been operating long enough to demonstrate financial viability
- Be current on all financial obligations as of March 1, 2020
- Have 50 or fewer employees

Applications are due to the Wadena County Auditor/Treasurer's Office by September 11, 2020

To view the terms and conditions, or to apply, visit www.co.wadena.mn.us

Questions? Contact the Auditor/Treasurer's Office at 218-631-7621



THANK YOU for making a difference!

Congratulations to these 5-Star employees



Front: Amanda Wensmann, Kelly Hotchkiss
Back: Tiffany Lorber, Ashley Wallgren
Not Pictured: Debbie Toth

Amanda Wensmann, Ashley Wallgren, Debbie Toth, Kelly Hotchkiss - Clinic RN Lead Team

Nominated by Kimberly Hoffman. This team of nurses demonstrates throughout Lakewood Health System all of the facilities values. Their integrity is exemplified by how they not only manage their teams, but they work with them to carry out the care and tasks that are needed to maintain our high standards of quality care. They are an advocate for the staff that they manage and lead. They don't expect of their staff anything that they themselves wouldn't step up to do and they appreciate the hard work their staff does. They show compassion for their fellow coworkers by assisting them in getting what it is they need to be successful LHS workers and serve our patients. Accountability and innovation are met by being open and receptive to information and suggestions made by their clinic staff and bringing them forward in order to develop a better and more efficient process for patient care, staffing, workflow or whatever stumbling blocks appear. They are just another one of the reasons that I am proud to be a part of this Lakewood Health System family.

Tiffany Lorber, OB Health Unit Coordinator

Nominated by Melinda Guzman and Rachel Patnode. Tiff consistently goes above and beyond to make every day better for everyone around her. She sees things that need to be done and she takes it upon herself to do them and do them well. We had an incredibly busy weekend and Tiff was right there answering lights, helping with patient care, repositions and vitals among other things. There was a time when nursing staff was called to a trauma code in the ER and Tiff was up on the floor making sure that things were running smoothly. Several patients made comments about how fun and uplifting Tiff is. She makes all of our jobs easier and she is a ton of fun to work with.



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Staples, MN
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Hello World

BIRTHS REPORTED AT LAKEWOOD HEALTH SYSTEM HOSPITAL IN STAPLES INCLUDED:
 Born to Rebecca and Daniel Rapaway of Browerville, a baby girl, Kinsley Grace weighing seven pounds, four ounces on August 14, 2020.

Born to Danielle and Timothy Bird of Randall, a baby girl, Paisley Mae weighing seven pounds, 13 ounces on August 15, 2020.

Born to Ashley Dickmann and Jade Hange of Staples, a baby boy, Spencer Jade weighing eight pounds, six ounces on August 15, 2020.

Born to Haley and Zachary Jones of Staples, twin boys, Titus Wesley weighing six pounds five ounces and Malcolm Haddon weighing six pounds, 10 ounces on August 17, 2020.

Born to Rebecca Plautz and Trevor Krinkle of Verdale, a baby girl, Braelynn Eleanor-Marie weighing seven pounds, two ounces on August 19, 2020.

Born to Mikaila and Damon Kelsey of Brainerd, a baby boy, Benton Joseph Donald weighing six pounds, nine ounces on August 19, 2020.

Born to Meredith and Wesley Griffin of Staples, a baby girl, Marina Amalia

weighing seven pounds, 14 ounces on August 20, 2020.

Born to Kendra and Nicholas Johnson of Motley, a baby girl, Adalynn Jean weighing seven pounds, nine ounces on August 20, 2020.

Born to Kristiana and Langdon Collom of Eagle Bend, a baby boy, Henry Job weighing nine pounds, nine ounces on August 20, 2020.

Born to Hannah Ruhl and Tyler Rasinski of Pillager, a baby boy, Eugene Wayne weighing eight pounds, 11 ounces on August 21, 2020.

BIRTHS REPORTED AT TRI-COUNTY HEALTH CARE HOSPITAL IN WADENA INCLUDED:

Born to Ashley and Travis McGillivray of Staples, a baby boy, Bennett Allen McGillivray weighing seven pounds, 11 ounces on July 6, 2020 at Tri-County Health Care. Grandparents are Tommy and Renda Arundel and Greg and Deb McGillivray.

Duff Brown

Duff Allen Brown, 33, died August 13, 2020, at his home in Staples.

Funeral services were held August 18 at Trinity Lutheran Church in Staples with Pastor Robin Collins officiating.

Burial was at Evergreen Hill Cemetery, Staples.

Duff was born January 7, 1987 in Wadena to Rock and Charlene (Dukowitz) Brown. He is a 2005 graduate of Staples Motley High School. Duff was active in wrestling, football and was Homecoming King his senior year of high school. Growing up, Duff spent a lot of time with his Grandma and Grandpa Dukowitz. He enjoyed baking with his grandmother and tinkering in the garage with his grandfather. Duff proudly served his country in the United States Marine Corps with two tours during Operation Iraqi Freedom and



one tour during Operation Enduring Freedom. Following his honorable discharge, Duff returned home to Staples to be closer to family. He walked strongly in his faith and was active at Trinity Lutheran Church. Duff enjoyed watching the Guppies in his freshwater fish aquariums, Marvel Comics, watching sitcoms and collecting knives. He loved to making people laugh and always brought a brightness into a room. Duff was caring, warm-hearted, giving, honorable, funny, wild and straight forward. Above all, he loved his family beyond words and will be dearly missed by all who knew him.

Duff is survived by his mother, Charlene (Dan) Dickey; father, Rock Brown; step-mother, Penny Poling; dad, John Hopp; four siblings, Derrick (Martha) Brown, Daina (Stuart) Brown, Devin (Alexa) Brown, Justin Poling; one niece, Neomi Brown; two nephews, Cullen Brown, Everett Poling; grandparents, Marlene Dukowitz, Ernie Brown, Jeanie Brown and his most beloved four-legged companion, Alice.

He is preceded in death by one brother, Dackery Brown; grandparents, Richard Dukowitz, Everett Poling, Herb and Karen Hopp; one uncle, Douglas Dukowitz; great-grandparents, Ivan and Myrtle Hansen and Ernest and Hazel Brown.

Arrangements were by Brenny Family Funeral Chapel, Staples.

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Donald Zetah

Donald Zetah, 84, of Pillager, passed away peacefully on August 21, 2020.

Mass of Christian Burial will be held Wednesday, August 26, 2020, 11:00 a.m., at Christ the King Catholic Church in Browerville with Fr. Mitchell Bechtold officiating. Friends may call one hour prior to the service at the church.

Burial will be held at the Motley Public Cemetery.

Donald was born June 24, 1936, in Brainerd to Sylvester (Wes) and Veronica (Schmidt) Zetah. He attended college for two years and was inducted into the United States Army on February 15, 1956. Donald was honorably discharged on January 27, 1958. On July 9, 1960, he married Jane Koester at St. Peter's Catholic Church in Browerville. Donald worked as an electrical contractor until his retirement. He owned and operated a KOA campground with his brothers and also owned the Kozy Kove Resort for several years.

Donald enjoyed fishing, hunting and going to auctions, rummage sales and pawn shops. One of his favorite past-times was hanging out with friends and relatives in Motley.

Donald is survived by his wife, Jane; eight children, Rick Zetah, Duane (Angie) Zetah, Denise (Bruce) Hines, Sandy (Pat) House, Colleen (Dave) Long, Gina (Neal) Dreher, Kurt (Jennifer) Zetah, Kevin (Erika) Zetah and Keith (Kelli) Zetah; many grandchildren and great-grandchildren and three sisters, Barbara (Costa) Nichols, Theresa Kruger and Becky Thielen.

Donald is preceded in death by his parents and three brothers, Frances, Jerry and Tommy Zetah.

Arrangements by Iten Funeral Home - itenfurneralhome.com.

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Roy and MaryLou Olander's 60th Wedding Anniversary Sat., August 29

Open House 2-6 p.m.
 Band 3-5 p.m. Dinner provided.
 No gifts necessary.

Celebration to be held at the farm: 42011 225th Ave., Staples, 218-924-2632.

Staples Area Church Directory

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
 Discipleship Classes 9:30 a.m.
 Sunday Worship 10:30 a.m.
 Evening Prayer 6:00 p.m.
WEDNESDAY
 Wednesday times are for Sept. - May
 Sunlight (Kids Program) 4:00 - 5:30 p.m.
 Youth Group 4:00 - 5:30 p.m.

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

First Congregational Church, UCC
 firstcongocstaples@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 Smees
 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 a.m.
 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 Smees
 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

Lincoln Evangelical Free
 1354 320th Street, Cushing, MN 56443
 Phone: 218-575-2449
 www.lincolnefree.org
 Facebook Lincoln E Free
 Office Hours: Tues. - Thurs, 9 a.m. - 12 p.m.
 Senior Pastor: Dan 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.

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

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.

St. Michael
 1st St. and Birch, Motley 218-894-2296
 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 Cy 34 to Cy. 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 Hoffer
 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
 402 NE Clark Drive, Verndale, MN 56481
 218-445-5619
 Senior Pastor Tony Stanley
 Heath Belknap, Pastor of Student Ministries
 Pastor Amos Self
 Sunday Bible Fellowship Classes
 11-11:45 a.m.

Family Life Church
 402 NE Clark Drive, Verndale 218-445-5668
 VerndaleFLC@gmail.com
 Pastor Amos Self 218-371-7189
 Children's Pastor Kenneth Kjeldergaard
SUNDAY
 Discipleship Classes 9:00 a.m.
 Prayer 9:20 a.m.
 Coffee / Fellowship 9:30 a.m.
 Worship Service 10:00 a.m.
 Celebrate Recovery 6-8 p.m.
WEDNESDAY
 6:00 p.m. Meal 6:30 p.m. Groups

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
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Sandy Korach

Sandy Lyn Korach, 78, of Cushing, passed away August 17, 2020, at her home with her family by her side.

Funeral Services were held August 19 at the Motley Free Methodist Church, with Pastor Jim Johnson officiating.

Interment was at Scandia Valley Cemetery in Cushing.

Sandy was born in Aurora, IL on August 23, 1941 to Homer and Mary (Boughton) Grommon. She graduated from Plainfield High School in Plainfield, IL. She married Donald Korach, Sr. on October 1, 1960 in Joliet, IL. Sandy and her husband, owned Birch Acres Resort after moving to Minnesota. She worked at Trident Seafood for 25 years and served as the treasurer at Motley Free Methodist Church for 13 years. She loved family, wonderful friends, reading, making cookies, cross-stitch and the Dairy Queen.

Sandy is survived by her husband; one son, Donald (Marjorie); one daughter, Deborah; four grandchildren, Shannon, Rachel, Donnie and Nicole; two brothers, Larry (Jean) Grommon and Denny (Kathy) Grommon.

She was preceded in death by her parents; step-mother, Margaret Williams Grommon; grandparents and many aunts and uncles.

Arrangements were by the Brenny Family Funeral Chapel, Staples.

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"A Great Debt Paid"

Submitted by Pastor Roy Miles, Staples Assembly of God Church

Czar Nicholas of Russia would sometimes walk about his military camps and barracks, dressed as an ordinary officer, in order that he might know first-hand what was going on without being known by others. Late one night the Czar was making one of these tours and noticed a light under the paymaster's door. He quietly opened the door and stepped inside.

There, a young officer, son of an old friend of the Czar, was seated at a table, his head resting on his arms asleep. The Czar's first thought was to awaken him, but changed his mind when he noticed a revolver on the table, some money and a sheet of paper with a pen which had fallen from the hand of the sleeping man.

The Czar looked at the paper which contained a long list of bad debts accumulated over a period of time. For the first time the young man had realized how much he owed, many thousands of rubles and how impossible it was for him to pay it. His only way out, he

thought, was to end it all with a gun. Weary with sorrow and remorse he had written below the terrible total:

"WHO CAN PAY SO GREAT A DEBT?"

The Czar pondered the matter at some length and a feeling of compassion took hold of him and he took up the pen and wrote just one word: "NICHOLAS"

The young officer awoke, intending to take his own life but noticed the signature on the paper. He checked it and found it to be authentic. Fear gripped him as he realized the Czar now knew his secret. The next morning the money arrived from the Czar - down to the last cent. He was as good as his name that he had placed at the bottom of the sheet of paper.

The above true story reminds us of something more wonderful which transpired long ago, but the value of which remains for all time and eternity. The coming of Christ was for the express purpose of paying a debt that we were not able to pay - or even begin to pay.

--Author, Unknown

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Tennis team looks to go far in short season

By Mark Anderson
Managing Editor

The Staples-Motley tennis team will play an abbreviated season but they are looking to make the best of it.

“We are hoping to have all of our matches that are scheduled. Most of all we are looking forward to having fun and being competitive,” said coach Nathan Thelen. “This first week of practice has been fantastic. The girls are having so much fun and are looking for opportunities to work with coaches to improve their game.”

The team opened their season Aug. 25, and will have several big matches during the regular season, especially two against conference foe Pequot Lakes and against rivals New London-Spicer and Osakis.

Because of COVID-19, tennis teams can only play head to head matches this year, with no tournaments. Postseason play has not been announced yet.

More COVID-19 changes include mask requirements when players are not on the court, and spectators are also expected to social distance.

The team will be led by four seniors, Haley Cichos, Jenna Dvorak, Rose Han and Tessa Jones, a Vern-dale volleyball player who decided to play tennis when the volleyball season was postponed. Cichos, Dvorak and Han all qualified for



From left, tennis coaches Izabella Edin, Katie Noska and Nathan Thelen.

the state tournament last year and will be among the top competitors in the area again.

“We are really focusing on making sure that we improve over the course of the season. We always want to be the best that we can be, which comes with hard work and dedication from the girls and coaches,” said Thelen. “When we get to the end of the season we are hoping to go far in sections.”

Besides the seniors, there are plenty of up and coming players, including number one singles player Lauren Rutten and 17 players at the junior high level.

A new coaching staff will guide the team, although they have experience with the team. Thelen was an assistant last year and is

now the head coach. Assistants Izabella Edin and Katie Noska are both former Cardinal players who have coaching experience.

“Izabella has done programs with some of the girls before and brings brilliant feedback and coaching for these girls to improve their games on and off the court,” said Thelen. “Katie has helped with junior high tennis before and has coached summer community ed tennis. She is great with the younger girls and is getting them excited about tennis.”

Thelen said the goal of all the coaches is “We want the girls to have fun while they are playing, but also continue to grow into great tennis players by developing their skills.”



Long runners

Staples-Motley cross country runners during the first week of practice. (Staples World photos by Mark Anderson)

CC teams focused after early rankings

By Mark Anderson
Managing Editor

The Staples-Motley boys and girls cross country teams are both ranked in the top five in the Minnesota State High School Coaches Association preseason poll.

Those high expectations include two state medal winners returning, Emmet Anderson for the boys and Kyanna Burton for the girls.

“We return a host of letter winners from last year’s teams and our kids are stronger and focused,” said Coach Bruce Fuhrman. “It is so important to have a foundational core to work with in any sport, and this group of runners has this going for them. They have been conditioning on their own and we are able to work on strategic things. We hope to begin the season with dominating performances with at each level.”

There will be a short season because of COVID-19 guidelines, and all meets are limited to three teams. Spectators are expected to social distance and Fuhrman warned that there will be no restroom facilities at meets, and no interaction with athletes before or after competition.

“It is awkward in a sense, but a good practice in keeping functioning in these times,” said Fuhrman.

Even with the abbreviated season, Fuhrman thinks the teams will be able to peak at the end of the year and will be facing tough competition at most of their three team meets.

“We are fortunate to be in an area of Minnesota where some of the strongest CC teams are located,” said Fuhrman. “West Central Area, Perham, and Pequot Lakes are great programs and we are not strangers to each other. We look forward to some head-to-head competitions and these are certainly meets to watch.”

For the boys, the Sept. 17 meet will feature the top three teams in the preseason poll.

The Minnesota State High School League has not announced postseason plans yet. “We really are focused on being the best teams we can become,” said Fuhrman. We have many new faces, kids have grown, we have some new coaches, and we are managing life during a pandemic. There are many things to consider early on, and of course, we always focus of training through it all. We will do

the best at what we can, to remain healthy, be good stewards in practicing and promoting good health. And of course, perform at a high level.”

The Staples-Motley varsity cross country schedule was recently finalized. Schedules are subject to change.

Saturday, Aug. 29
9 a.m. at The Vintage golf course, Staples
vs. Pillager, Crosby-Ironton

Thursday, Sept. 3
4 p.m. at Wadena White-tail Run Golf Course
vs. Wadena-Deer Creek, Perham

Monday, Sept. 14
4 p.m. at Park Rapids Headwaters Golf Course
vs. Park Rapids, Dil-worth-Glyndon-Felton

Thursday, Sept. 17
To be determined
vs. Perham, West Central Area

Friday, Sept. 25
4 p.m. at The Vintage golf course, Staples
vs. Ottertail Central, Pelican Rapids

Friday, Oct. 2
4 p.m. at Perham
vs. Perham, Pequot Lakes

Thursday, Oct. 8
3:30 p.m. Mid State Conference at Rutgers Golf Course



Early tennis action

Staples-Motley tennis players make some athletic plays during the first week of practice. (Staples World photos by Mark Anderson)



Staples-Motley tennis schedule

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Tuesday, Aug. 25
4 p.m. Home vs. Detroit Lakes
Thursday, Aug. 27
4:30 p.m. at Wadena-Deer Creek
Tuesday, Sept. 1
4 p.m. at New London-Spicer
Thursday, Sept. 3
4 p.m. home vs. Parkers Prairie
Tuesday, Sept. 8

4:30 p.m. home vs. Long Prairie-Grey Eagle
Thursday, Sept. 10
4 p.m. at Park Rapids
Tuesday, Sept. 15
4 p.m. home vs. Pequot Lakes
Tuesday, Sept. 22
4 p.m. at Pequot Lakes
Thursday, Sept. 24
4 p.m. at Perham
Tuesday, Sept. 29
4 p.m. home vs. Crosby-Ironton
Thursday, Oct. 1
4:30 p.m. at Osakis

Maynard Reece was the original duck stamp ‘big winner’

Thoughts of our mortality and the preciousness of life are much closer during these days of the COVID-19 pandemic, which is today’s version of the Spanish flu that killed so many at the close of, and shortly after, World War I.

Too many lives are ending prematurely, so it seemed a poetic contrast to learn that—at the time of his death mere weeks ago—wildlife artist Maynard Reece had reached the century mark, one of the most accomplished wildlife artists of these or any times. Reece was born, and lived most of his productive 100 years in neighboring Iowa; a lion’s share of it in Des Moines.

When Minnesota hunters and art aficionados talk of fame in the wildlife sector of the art world, they’re likely to think first of the trio of Minnesota brothers—Joe, Jim, and Bob Hautman—who together have won 13 federal Migratory Bird Hunting and Conservation stamp contests. Brothers Joe and Jim have each won five of what we loosely call the “duck stamp” competition.

For those who are not waterfowl hunters, in the year following the competition the winning image appears on the postage-sized paper stamp that duck and goose hunters are required

to carry on their person when they hunt waterfowl. Since the inception of the stamp in 1934, some \$800 million has been raised for wetlands conservation and restoration by stamp sales. Even many who do not hunt also purchase them, because the habitat preserved with stamp proceeds benefits many nongame creatures, as well.

But, with all due respect to the Hautmans—and to the other Minnesota artists who have won the federal duck stamp competition over the last 86 years—it was Maynard Reece who first accomplished the “five-peat,” winning it five times—in 1948, 1951, 1959, 1969, and 1971. That record stood for more than four decades.

Reece’s talent was evident early; at age 12 he won a contest at the Iowa State Fair with a pencil drawing of mallard ducks. Practice and study led first to a career as an illustrator, receiving such kudos as being hired by Life Magazine to produce images of freshwater and saltwater fish for this then-prominent national publication. Sports Illustrated and the Saturday Evening Post were among his other trophy-level clients. Reece clearly had talent that took him beyond the narrow niche of artwork that tends most often to decorate gun rooms and man-caves.

Maynard Reece’s talent

eventually made it possible for him to focus his professional skills full-time on Nature subjects, rather than as a general illustrator. He was able to concentrate on original artwork and magazine commissions, and limited edition prints of his work, much of it linked to his success in state and federal stamp competitions. Reece was so prolific that there are collections of his work in a pair of books, entitled *The Waterfowl Art of Maynard Reece*, and *The Upland Bird Art of Maynard Reece*. No doubt these will be more highly prized now that Reece has picked up his decoys for the last time, and rowed his duck boat into the sunset.

One of the positive features of Reece’s art—in this writer’s opinion, anyway—is the fact that you can’t look at most of his paintings—which might feature ducks, pheasants, geese, or quail and the environments in which they’re found—and say with certainty “that’s by Maynard Reece.” In other words, his painting style didn’t overshadow his subjects. The creatures and the environments in which they were placed were well-executed and “right,” without the stylistic exaggeration or uninspired photo-realism that reveal some artists’ identities.

There are exceptions, of course, some that we’ve come to treasure, in the same way we appreciate

the impressionists in the broader world of fine art. Les Kouba is one. His artwork can usually be recognized immediately. He aimed for atmosphere, nostalgia, and for an “I’ve been there” reaction from his art’s viewers. More often than not these objectives took priority over biological accuracy or intricate detail. Despite this very different approach, both Kouba’s artwork and his quirky appearance became iconic to Minnesotans.

Maynard Reece was clearly an artist with a sense of humor, as well as having talent largely undiminished by age. He created a painting with 80 mallards in it for his 80th year, and did the same in the years he attained ages 85 and 90; these paintings have 85 and 90 mallards, respectively. Sadly, there is no painting with 100 mallards in it to mark this, his 100th year, and the year of his passing.

There are plans to hold a celebration of Maynard Reece’s life when the COVID-19 pandemic loosens its grip on the country, according to his obituary. As meaningful as such gatherings and the sentiments shared at them can be, it’s hard to imagine a more enduring memorial than the wide-ranging and widely acclaimed wildlife artwork created by this, the original five-peat duck stamp winner.



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3-FAMILY SALE: Thurs., Aug. 27 - Fri., Aug. 28, 9 a.m.-4 p.m., Sat., Aug. 29, 9 a.m.-1 p.m. 9444 100th St. SW, off Cty. Rd. 30 (signs/CLC-Staples). Canning jars, Christmas, Green Bay Packer items, chairs, stereo, old slide projector, movie projector, men's/women's clothing, items too numerous to list. Worth the trip. Watch for signs. 35p



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Backpacks and vouchers for students

Approximately 50 students in grades K-6 received backpacks and vouchers recently during the 8th Annual Back to School Fair sponsored by CARE Ministry. The vouchers, valued at \$150 each, were to be used for the purchase of back-to-school clothing, shoes and supplies. In previous years, children were able to attend the fair and select these items in person; but because of COVID-19, a drive-through event was held this year. Pictured above, Gail Honek (far right) hands a backpack to a student, while fellow volunteers Joyce Anderson (left) and Candice

Miles look on. In lower right photo behind the table of backpacks are, from left, Anderson, Miles and Honek. The backpacks (made at LMH Embroidery in Staples) and vouchers were made possible by donations from Staples and Motley churches, many individuals, Staples Motley Community Foundation, Todd-Wadena Roundup, Crow Wing Power, Staples '93 Lions and Lakewood Health System (Engage). (Staples World photos by Dawn Timbs)

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TODD COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION 215 First Ave. South, Suite 103 Long Prairie, Minnesota 56347 Phone 320-732-4420 Fax 320-732-4803 Email toddplan.zone@co.todd.mn.us

PUBLIC NOTICE Notice is hereby given that the Todd County Planning Commission will hold a public hearing on Thursday, September 3, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. in the commissioners meeting room, Historic Courthouse, 215 First Ave. South, Long Prairie, MN or via phone conference call to consider the following applications.

Please email or phone your wish to be included as the meeting is not allowed open to the public. Phone 320-732-4420 or Email toddplan.zone@co.todd.mn.us

Agenda •Call to Order. •Introduction of Plan-

ning Commission Members. •Approval of the August 2020 Planning Commission meeting minutes.

1. Gary and Renae Illies: 9.57 Acres in Section 22, Township 127, Range 34 in Kandota Township Site Address: 20547 Akron Trail. PID: 14-0024700

1) Request to plat existing 9.57 Acre parcel zoned as Shoreland-RD into one Riparian and one Non-Riparian lot.

2. Jeffery Kobliska: 20.07 Acres in Section 11, Township 133, Range 33 in Staples Township Site Address: 26XXX 490th St. PID: 22-0010000

1) Request to plat existing approximately 20 Acre parcel zoned as Commercial into two approximately 10 Acre parcels.

Adjournment Next meeting: October 1, 2020

All persons interested are invited to attend said hearing and be heard on these matters. If unable to attend, all correspondence must include name, mailing

address and be received 48 hours before the date and time of the hearing.

Todd County Planning Commission Michael Wiener, Chairperson 35pnc

NOTICE OF STATE GENERAL ELECTION MAIL BALLOT PROCEDURES TO THE VOTERS OF SWANVILLE CITY IN TODD COUNTY, MINNESOTA

1. This notice is given to all residents of mail ballot precincts in the State of Minnesota.

2. On November 3, 2020, the State of Minnesota is holding a State General Election.

3. Eligible voters not pre-registered by October 13, 2020, or pre-registered voters wishing to receive their ballot at a temporary address may contact the Todd County Auditor-Treasurer's Office by phone,

mail or in person for an absentee ballot application.

4. A voter who is not registered to vote in the district on the 21st day before the election may submit, by mail or in person, an application for absentee ballot to the County Auditor of Todd County and receive voter registration forms and an absentee ballot for the election.

5. The County Auditor of Todd County - no earlier than forty-six (46) days and no later than fourteen (14) days before the date of the election - will mail the ballots. The ballot will be addressed to the voter at the voter's residence as shown on the registration file unless the voter requests, in writing, an absentee ballot that will be mailed to the voter at a different address.

6. The voted official ballot may be returned by mail (a postage prepaid return envelope is included when the ballots are mailed), or may be delivered in person, or delivered by designated agent to: Todd County Auditor-Treasurer, 215 1st

Avenue S, Suite 201, Long Prairie, MN 56347. The voter must complete the mail voter's certificate on the return envelope. The voter may bring his/her blank ballot and envelopes to the Auditor's Office to have a staff member assist in completion of the mail ballot packet.

7. In addition to the normal business hours, extended hours for absentee and mail ballot voting are: Saturday, October 31, 2020 from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.; Monday November 2, 2020, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

8. The polling place for this election will be at the Todd County Auditor-Treasurer's Office, 215 1st Ave. S, Suite 201, Long Prairie, MN 56347. The polls will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. At least one assistive voting device will be available at the polling place; allowing for persons with disabilities to vote privately and independently.

9. All mail ballots will be counted at the Todd County Main Street Government Center at 347 Cen-

tral Avenue, Long Prairie, MN 56347 after 8:00 p.m. on November 3, 2020.

Additional information is available by contacting the Todd County Auditor-Treasurer's Office by phone, 320-732-4414, by e-mail, elections@co.todd.mn.us, or in person.

Dated this 21st day of August, 2020.

Denise Gaida, Todd County Auditor-Treasurer 35pnc

NOTICE LEADER COMMUNITY HALL BOARD MEETING

The Leader Community Hall Board will meet on Thursday, September 10, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. at the Leader Hall.

Mark Strom, Secretary 35-36pnc

Todd County Commissioners Minutes

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE TODD COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS July 7, 2020

Call to Order The Todd County Board of Commissioners met in the Commissioner's Board Room in the City of Long Prairie, MN on the 7th day of July, 2020 at 9:00 a.m. The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Kircher. The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance. All Commissioners were present.

Approval of Agenda On motion by Becker and seconded by Neumann, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To approve the agenda as presented with the removal of item 13.1 Performance Evaluation and the shift of item 4.2 Hiring of Deputy Recorder to a regular item instead of part of the Consent Agenda.

Consent Agenda On motion by Erickson and seconded by Becker, the following motions were introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To approve the Todd County Board of Commissioner's Meeting Minutes for June 16, 2020 as presented.

To approve the resignation of Nathan Hibbs effective July 1, 2020. On motion by Becker and seconded by Neumann, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To approve the hiring of Tracy Sellnow to fill the vacant Deputy Recorder position at pay Grade 6, Step 1 with a start date of 7/8/2020.

Auditor-Treasurer On motion by Erickson and seconded by Kneisl, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous Roll Call vote: To approve the June 2020 Auditor Warrants number (ACH) 900847 through 900879 in the amount of \$489,884.94, (Manual) 551 through 557 in the amount of \$124,406.59 and (Regular) 235541 through 235570 in the amount of \$1,945,740.75 for a total of \$2,560,032.28.

On motion by Neumann and seconded by Becker, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous Roll Call vote: To approve the Commissioner Warrants number (ACH) 400694 through 400712 in the amount of \$25,731.47 and (Regular) 53641 through 53707 in the amount of \$154,448.86 for a total of \$180,180.33.

On motion by Becker and seconded by Kneisl, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous Roll Call vote: To approve the Health & Human Services Commissioner Warrants number (ACH) 800808 through 800816 and (Regular) 706842 through 706871 for a total amount of \$37,175.84.

On motion by Erickson and seconded by Neumann, the following motion was introduced and adopted by

unanimous Roll Call vote: To approve the Health & Human Services SSIS Warrants number (ACH) 600217 through 600221 and (Regular) 515887 through 515895 for a total amount of \$37,730.17.

On motion by Neumann and seconded by Becker, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To approve the Assistive Voting Device (OmniBallot) purchase with SeaChange for \$167,880 for and on behalf of the Municipal Agreements received from the Cities and Townships within Todd County.

On motion by Becker and seconded by Erickson, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To approve the confirmation of the County's intent to provide an annual contribution to the Initiative Foundation by allocating \$7,500 for this named purpose within the 2021 County Budget.

Chairperson Kircher directed the Sauk River Watershed Manager Responsibilities agenda topic to a future Worksession for further discussion. The County Board conducted an interview with applicant Paul Hartmann seeking appointment to the Sauk River Watershed Board of Managers.

On motion by Neumann and seconded by Becker, the following motion was introduced and adopted by majority vote with Commissioner Becker, Erickson, Kneisl and Neumann for and Commissioner Kircher against: To appoint Paul Hartmann to the Sauk River Watershed District Board of Managers for a three year term beginning July 7, 2020.

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

FINAL PAYMENT AUTHORIZATION - 2020 PAVEMENT MARKING MAINTENANCE CONTRACT

WHEREAS, the contract with Traffic Marking Service, Inc. for the 2020 Pavement Marking Maintenance Contract known as CP 77-20-03 located on various routes in Todd County, has in all things been completed, and;

WHEREAS, construction work on this contract was scheduled and completed in 2020 with the value of the total work certified being \$41,557.20, and;

WHEREAS, partial payments amounting to \$39,479.34 have been previously made to the contractor as work progressed, and;

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

FINAL PAYMENT AUTHORIZATION - 2020 DUST CONTROL CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT

WHEREAS, the contract with Knife River Corporation for a 2020 Dust Control Construction Contract known as CP 77-20-08 located on various county roads in Todd County in all things been completed, and;

WHEREAS, construction work on this contract was scheduled and completed in 2020 with the value of the total work certified being \$121,859.49, and;

WHEREAS, partial payments amounting to \$37,778.55 have been previously made to the contractor as work progressed, and;

WHEREAS, it has been determined that \$84,080.94 still remains to be paid to Knife River Corporation.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners does here accept said completed project for and in behalf of the County of Todd and authorizes final payment as specified.

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

FINAL PAYMENT AUTHORIZATION - 2019 BRIDGE CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT

WHEREAS, the contract with Redstone Construction for a 2019 Bridge Construction Contract known as SAP 077-626-008 located on County State Aid Highway #26 over the Long Prairie River in Moran Township in all things been completed, and;

WHEREAS, construction work on this contract was finally completed in 2020 with the value of the total work certified being \$1,169,717.46, and;

WHEREAS, partial payments amounting to \$1,025,856.92 have been previously made to the contractor as work progressed, and;

WHEREAS, it has been determined that \$143,860.45 still remains to be paid to Redstone Construction.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners does here accept said completed project for and in behalf of the County of Todd and authorizes final payment as specified.

Facilities Department On motion by Neumann and seconded by Erickson, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To approve the budgeted request to add a Maintenance Tech position and begin recruiting for the position.

County Sheriff On motion by Kneisl and seconded by Neumann, the following motion was introduced and adopted by un-

animous vote: To approve the 2020 Federal Boating Grant in the amount of \$7,501.

Solid Waste

On motion by Kneisl and seconded by Neumann, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To authorize submittal of the Solid Waste Management Plan as presented herein.

On motion by Kneisl and seconded by Erickson, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To approve the purchase of a hook truck from Northland Truck Sales with trade-in of the Yard truck which is a '86 Ford 9000 T.

Planning & Zoning

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

FINAL PLAT APPROVAL - "KOCIEMBA POINT" SUBDIVISION

WHEREAS, Applicant and owner Bruce and Deborah Kociemba applied to subdivide a property that is described as Part of Government Lots 1 and 3 of Section 26 in Grey Eagle Township with the plat to be known as Kociemba Point, ,

WHEREAS, Kociemba Point consists of two residential lots, Block One Lot 1 consisting of 55,647± square feet, Block One Lot 2 145,502± square feet, located in the Recreational Development Shoreland zoning of Big Birch Lake in Grey Eagle Township.

WHEREAS, On April 2, 2020 the Todd County Planning Commission recommended the following property be considered for Subdivision pursuant to Todd County Subdivision Regulation and Ordinance:

SECT:26 TWP:127 RANG:33 BEG AT SW COR OF LOT 1 OF SHADY REST, THENCE W ALONG N LINE OF GOVT LOT 3, 239.47 FT, S 433.55 FT, E 50.0 FT, N 97.55 FT, E 62.5 FT, S TO LAKE-SHORE OF LITTLE BIRCH LAKE, NE'RLY & N'RLY ALONG LAKESHORE TO N LINE OF GOVT LOT 3, W APPROX 120 FT TO BEG 4.52 ACRES

WHEREAS, On June 16, 2020 the Todd County Board of Commissioners considered the Preliminary Plat for the above described property and approved the Kociemba Point preliminary plat with three conditions:

1. The remaining two parcels must never be split

2. Minimum of 50 percent (%) leaf on screening toward the lake for the new parcel - Block 1 Lot 1 Kociemba Point

3. Permanent recorded easement across Lot 1 of the proposed Preliminary Plat for access to Lot 2.

WHEREAS, the Planning & Zoning Department has completed the necessary final plat review and find that all items required for final plat approval have been completed.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the final plat of "Kociemba Point"

subdivision be approved as presented.

Health & Human Services

Jackie Och, HHS Director presented an update on the COVID-19 Situation for discussion.

Administration

On motion by Neumann and seconded by Becker, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To approve the CPT Joint Powers Agreement.

On motion by Erickson and seconded by Kneisl, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To Implement Phase 3 of Reopening which would include the following: a. Open Health and Human Services on July 13, 2020 b. Open Mainstreet Government Center on July 13, 2020 c. Continue high volume service by appointment only, such as drivers license d. Continue providing all other services online, by phone, email and drop box and by appointment only e. Continue public meetings virtually and with limited in person capacity of 10.

Closed Session

On motion by Kneisl and seconded by Becker, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To enter into closed session pursuant to MN Statute §13D.03 at 9:59 a.m.

Chairperson Kircher reopened the meeting at 10:32 a.m. A discussion of Negotiation Strategy was held during the closed session.

Recess

No standing reports were given. Chairperson Kircher recessed the meeting until July 21, 2020.

AUDITOR WARRANTS

Table with 2 columns: Vendor Name, \$ Amount. Includes items like 1 PAYMENT LESS, THAN \$2,000, MN DEPT OF REVENUE, etc.

HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES WARRANTS

Table with 2 columns: Vendor Name, \$ Amount. Includes items like DHS - SWIFT, PERRISH/ALAN, 37 PAYMENTS LESS, etc.

Table with 2 columns: Vendor Name, \$ Amount. Includes items like MORRISON COUNTY, PETERS LAW OFFICE, PA, TODD TRAILS ASSOC, etc.

COMMISSIONER WARRANTS

Table with 2 columns: Vendor Name, \$ Amount. Includes items like AMHERST H WILDER FOUNDATION, EARTHSTONE, STAINING, LLC, etc.

HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES WARRANTS

Table with 2 columns: Vendor Name, \$ Amount. Includes items like DHS - SWIFT, PERRISH/ALAN, 37 PAYMENTS LESS, etc.

On a motion by Neumann and seconded by Erickson, the preceding minutes of the County Board meeting held July 7 2020 were duly approved by unanimous vote at the Todd County Board of Commissioners at the Regular Board Meeting held on July 21, 2020.

Witness my hand and seal: David Kircher, County Board Chairperson

Denise Gaida, Todd County Auditor-Treasurer 35pnc



Fiber optic going in west of Staples

Crew members with LaPointe Utilities out of Forest Lake were in the trenches west of Staples Aug. 14, putting in fiber optic along 12th St. Northwest. The company is working with West Central Telephone in Sebeka to bring in broadband (high speed internet) to underserved rural communities. Ross Hultman, who co-owns LaPointe Utilities with Ryan LaPointe, said that this project is possible thanks to the Border to Border Broadband Development Grant program. Providing internet services to rural areas is especially crucial today, Hultman noted, with more people and students working at computers from home during the COVID-19 pandemic. (Staples World photo by Dawn Timbs)

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Action from the Staples-Motley tennis team's first week of practice. (Staples World photos by Mark Anderson)

Freshwater Education District

MINUTES REGULAR BOARD MEETING FRESHWATER ED. DISTRICT #6004 7/22/20 Wadena, MN

CALLED TO ORDER at 5:14 p.m. by Hillmer, Chair.
Board Present: J. Hillmer- Browerville, R. VanDenheuvel- BH, R. Thalmann- Henning, B. Lund- SM, C. Funk- Sebeka, C. Wolf- LPGE, S. Veronen- Verndale. Board Members Absent: V. Hinojos- WDC and K. Howard- Menahga. Others: Supt. L. Westrum- WDC, Supt. D. Fjeldheim- Sebeka. Admin: E. Weber, L. Murdock, J. Anderson, S. Thiel.

AGENDA

MOTION BY Thalmann and seconded by Veronen to approve the agenda as modified. Vote-U/C.

APPROVAL OF PAST BOARD MINUTES

MOTION BY VanDenheuvel and seconded by Lund to approve the 4.22.20 minutes as presented. Vote-U/C

OLD BUSINESS-

MOTION BY Funk and

seconded by VanDenheuvel to accept the RFP response from Steller Human Svcs. for Mental Health Svc. in the Academies. Vote-U/C

NEWS BUSINESS-

MOTION BY Wolf and seconded by Lund to approve the 4.16.20 - 7.10.20 voucher claims as presented. Vote-U/C

The following Resolution is hereby MOVED BY Funk, seconded by Thalmann:

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the School Board of FED, #6004, gratefully accepts the following donations as identified: MN National Bank of Long Prairie, MN - \$175 for Reading for the Future; Family of L. Enberg - \$15,000 for L. Enberg Scholarship and FEF - \$2,427.26 for the Academies. Vote-U/C

MOTION BY VanDenheuvel and seconded by Wolf to approve the Level IV 20/21 Student Handbook as presented. Vote-U/C

MOTION BY Funk and seconded by Veronen to approve the ALC 20/21 Student Handbook as presented. Vote-U/C

MOTION BY Veronen and seconded by Thalmann

to approve the transferring of \$200,000 to the Facility Reserve Acct. Vote-U/C

MOTION BY Funk and seconded by Lund to approve the transferring of \$50,000 to the OPEB Acct. Vote-U/C

MOTION BY Thalmann and seconded by Wolf to approve the agreement between FED & E-rate and Educational Services, LCC. Vote-U/C

MOTION BY VanDenheuvel and seconded by Funk to approve the Central MN-North AE/GED Facility Lease Agrmt. with MState of Wadena. Vote-U/C

MOTION BY Lund and seconded by VanDenheuvel to approve Bd Chair, Hillmer as a Bd Rep. on the Re-Opening Advisory Team. Vote-U/C

DEPARTMENT REPORTS-

The following updates were presented: Tentative plans of reopening in the fall; ALC and TS decrease in enrollment last spring; Researching all options of expansion for the WALC site due to space issues; Need for a mental health staff for the SALC; Five, TS & CR operated this past summer; State Telecom reimbursement; Actual cost of 18.19 SY Fiber Lease; FEF Revenue; FED's Financial Status; Technology Audit conducted by Sourcewell Technology; BHH & Norson 11- Mth Warranty Walk-Thru; Ex. Director's Goals; COVID-19 Advisory Team; 8.4.20 Principal Advisory Mtg.

PERSONNEL CONSENT AGENDA

MOTION BY Veronen and seconded by Funk to approve the items as follows: ALC: Increase in hrs. M. Kylonen; SPED: Hiring of K. Ervasti, J. McFede- reis, M. Becker, V. Waldahl; Resignation of G. Studelska, Amanda Poplin, J. Beck; Voluntary Reduction of M. Grondahl; Reduction of Position: C. West- erberg, D. Sworski, In- crease in hrs. for J. Tyr- rell; Decrease in hrs. for K. Salo; ECFE/SR: Hiring of J. Malvig; In- crease in hrs. L. Wick, T. Rickbeil, E. Finke, V. Wood, M. Schmidt. Vote-U/C

ADJOURNEMENT

MOTION BY Funk and seconded by Van- Denheuvel to adjourn the meeting at 5:46 p.m.

Pre-approved Publica- tion Summary Respectfully submit- ted:
Rod Thalman, Clerk

35pnc



Storm damage from tornado

A tornado touchdown was reported near the Lincoln Lakes area on Aug. 14. Severe damage was done to the Staples Sports building and the BP gas station on Highway 10. Trees were toppled in the

immediate area and other homes nearby had some damage. Clean-up efforts started soon after the storm passed through. (Staples World photos by Mark Anderson)



AUCTION

Located at the Motley Fairgrounds in Motley, MN. Inside if rain. Follow signs on:
Saturday, August 29, 2020

SALE TIME: 10:00 A.M. RESTROOMS AVAILABLE LUNCH ON GROUNDS

As we are retiring we will sell the following items (from Maple Lake) at auction:

Air compressor, Craftsman upright, 240 volt, 6.5 HP, 60 gal.	Laminate flooring Cedar and oak look New, in box	Skill saws, Bench vice, Craftsman battery tool sets	Older, some antiques Approx. 60-year-old baby stroller, Occupied Japan knick-knacks, Lamps
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Tools, more
Long handle tools, Extension cords, Sockets, large amount, Garage heaters, Craftsman 18 V sets

Antiques, Collectibles
43" X 65" oil painting, signed by Letterman, 21 oil lamps, 10 railroad lamps, Fox figurine

More miscellaneous items too numerous to mention

As we are moving we will sell the following at auction.
Auctioneer's note: These are nice, clean items from Pillager:

Slot machine - works good	Stuffed gray fox in display case	Older 6-point deer shoulder mount, Newer 6-point deer shoulder mount, Stuffed pheasant, 10 ducks
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Tools, equipment, misc.
2 lawn seeders, Post driver, Brinly LVS 33 polyvac, Domestic gas or electric fridge for camper, Oxy acetylene gas cart, Creeper, Echo PB-620 back pack blower, Large dog kennel, 5 foot disk, Sing, 3 burner stove for camper, Sm. metal table, Photo album

Mounts, more
Water tank and power converter for camper, Furnace for camper, Hudson sprayer, Tree stand harness, 5 metal garbage cans, Stool, chair, Auto clay pigeon thrower, Fox figurine, 3 small lanterns, Daisy water fountain

Antiques
Old gate leg table, Claw foot chair, nice Red Wing crocks, real good shape, 12 gal., 5 gal., 3 gal. Red Wing plant pot, Red Wing water cooler, 3 gal.

As we are moving we will sell the following items at Auction

Dale and Deb Hausmann

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Trapped near farm

An adult female wolf was trapped near the farm where Blue the horse was attacked near Leader.

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Problem wolves removed

they usually stick to calves and smaller livestock. But this was a miniature palomino, so it was smaller than a full sized horse.

Once a wolf attacks livestock, "They do keep coming back," said Paul. "Hopefully they won't have losses again for a while."

Paul said if a farmer has livestock or a dog killed, they can set traps to remove the problem wolves. The USDA also has a compensation program for wolf damage to livestock.

On the first night of trapping, Paul bagged an adult female wolf, but he said evidence shows more wolves were involved so he will keep trying to remove them.

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Virtual festival planned

SAWC has hosted a large festival for treble voices in the spring. However, we recognize that this may not be possible this year. Therefore, we are planning on hosting a festival via virtual connections. We will be having a guest director as well as a guest clinician

to teach participants and we will be inviting local schools to participate.

Consider joining us for our event August 31 to learn more about this exciting opportunity.

"I don't sing because I'm happy; I'm happy because I sing." - William James



Rehearsing in a machine shed

Steve Hoemberg, Director of the Staples Area Men's Chorus, led members in a rehearsal at the Jon Krause farm south of Staples recently. Efforts were made to keep singers safe during the COVID-19 pandemic, including practicing social distancing and wearing masks.

Prior to the start of rehearsal, temperatures were taken and medical questionnaires filled out. This rehearsal was the kick-off to the choral group's 50th season. (Submitted photo)

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Beer songs for warmup, then tears were shed

mention wonderful acoustics.

"It was a lot of fun," said SAMC President Ron Denning. As they tried to navigate around the pandemic, Denning said the board had wanted to come up with something that was meaningful, in addition to keeping people safe and comfortable. When chorus member Jon Krause said they could use the large machine shed at his farm, it seemed the perfect solution.

They had hoped for 20 people to attend this rehearsal and ended up with at least 30 singers, Denning said.

"It was great to be back together," said SAMC Director Steve Hoemberg, going on to mention that the number one goal of

the rehearsal that evening was to get together - safely - as a group. The second, of course, was to do some singing. "Music is good for your soul," he added.

Hoemberg said he appreciated that all of the members adhered to the protocol that had been established. There was "no drama" about masks, he said, even from those chorus members who probably had a different opinion about their necessity.

Guests at the rehearsal included Adam Reinwald, nationally-recognized vocal chamber artist and former member of Cantus; and Scottie Haines, the Executive Director of Virtual Musicians Group out of Kansas City, Missouri. Both will be working with the

SAMC as they prepare for the annual Real Men Sing concert in October...a virtual event this year.

In addition to vocal coaching, Reinwald is a co-founder of Beer Choir Twin Cities. Since the men's chorus hadn't sung together in six months or so, they warmed up singing some "beer songs," mostly in unison, under the direction of Reinwald.

At some point, Hoemberg recollected, both he and Reinwald sensed the group was missing something. Hoemberg told them to get out their folders and they commenced with singing, "Tell My Father," which ended up being just what the group needed. "It was beautiful," Hoemberg said, going on to note that the guys had their parts down, even after all that time apart. Yes, a few tears were shed, Hoemberg said, of hearing those voices coming together again.

Even with their masks on, the vocals sounded good, Hoemberg went on. Haines, who flew in from Missouri to watch and film the rehearsal, was very excited about what he heard, as well as the upcoming virtual concert which he will be a part of.

Dave Anderson of Staples has been a member of the SAMC for 49 years. The group has always been a high priority for his family, he said. "We always found a way to get to the Wednesday night rehearsals," he

said, going on to share that his sons were both in the chorus, and one of his grandsons has been a part of the Real Men Sing concerts.

But, as much as he loves the group, Anderson said he was cautious about going to the rehearsal at the Krause Farm. He went on to say that he and his wife have only seen their children and grandchildren at a distance during the pandemic. "I was reluctant...we've been so careful," Anderson said.

After hearing what precautions they would be taking, he thought he would check it out. In the end, "It was fun and fulfilling," Anderson said, and he hopes they can continue meeting in the future.

Upcoming plans for the Staples Area Men's Chorus include a rehearsal at Pine Grove Park and the Virtual Real Men Sing concert in October. More information about these events will be included in future articles.

Hoemberg noted the financial challenges that face musicians these days. As there are still expenses to be paid, but no ticket sales, they will have to be creative in how they generate income, Hoemberg said. "It's the year of the virtual tip jar," he said.

For more information about the SAMC, visit their website at www.staples-men.org or find them (and a video recording of their recent rehearsal) on Facebook.



Looking forward to another season of singing

The Staples Area Women's Chorus, under the direction of Nathan Thelen, performed at the Her Voice, Her Song concert in Staples last February. Due to COVID-19, they have had to make adjustments to their usual calendar of events, but are planning to hold two events in the

coming months, including a 'music making and social event' Monday, Aug. 31, at Living Legacy Gardens in Staples. Check in time is 6:45 p.m. Anyone interested in joining the SAWC is welcome. (Submitted photo)



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