

Staples saves \$200,000 by bond refunding

By Mark Anderson
Managing Editor

The City of Staples approved refunding of \$2.9 million in general obligation bonds, which is projected to save around \$200,000 over the course of the bond repayments.

At the March 12 city council meeting, the city learned they received an “A” category rating on the bonding ratings, and since the company with the lowest bid, Robert W. Baird & Co., has bond insurance, the bond will have a rating of “AA”.

The council also approved the Staples Economic Development Authority to contribute \$22,000 from the Small Cities Development Program to help fund a business plan and feasibility study for the Batcher Block

Opera House. Building owner Colleen Frost has been working with developers to reopen the building and is at the point where they need a business plan in order to apply for funding under the state bonding bill.

Council member Mary Theurer said she is more interested in the Staples Community Center, and suggested that could be a priority for the city.

Council member Ron Murray agreed, saying if the school bond doesn’t pass, “we are back to our original plan.”

Mayor Chris Etzler said they can do both projects, because of the timeline for each. The vote for the school project is May 14, so if the second question doesn’t pass, it will likely be too late to put a proposal together in time for the bonding bill deadline.

Council member Rachel Johnson said the bonding bill projects need a regional or statewide impact in order to be considered.

Economic Development Director Melissa Radermacher said that Sourcewell, a regional entity, has determined that the project has regional significance and is helping contribute to the study.

Radermacher said the opera hall is one of maybe ten in the nation that still has its original artwork. “An untouched opera hall is unheard of, and to have it in Staples is unbelievable,” she said.

City Administrator Jerel Nelsen said the goal is to get state legislators to stop in Staples for their summer bus tour and see the original opera hall. “We’re optimistic if we get them here they will see it has statewide significance,” said Nelsen.

Etzler compared the project to the mountain bike trails at Crosby-Ironton, which brings in people from around the country. “This is our bike trail,” said Etzler.

The council unanimously approved funding the study. Radermacher said the money comes from the loan fund that has been repaid many times over.

In other news, the council

- Approved a liquor license for Los Corrales Restaurant, the business that is planning to open in the former Giovanni’s Pizza restaurant.
- Approved on-sale liquor license and gambling permit for Sacred Heart fundraiser.



Hooray for Spring!

From left, Aubrey Lang, Berkley Nelson and Nadia Santos jump for joy at the Staples-Motley Elementary School Spring Family Formal on March 8. See more photos of the gala event on page 12a. (Photo by Bill Johnson of Picture Day Pro!)

Simonland Secondhand open in Staples

By Dawn Timbs
Staples World reporter

Simonland Secondhand in Staples is the place to go if you are looking for fishing and gardening supplies, DVD’s, vintage dishware and a host of other items.

“We’ve got stuff you didn’t even know you needed,” said Tashina Simon, who owns the business along with her husband, Andrew Simon.

Located at 223 4th St. NE, Simonland Secondhand’s grand opening was March 1. In spite of the snow and

cold that weekend, they had a good turnout and a positive response from those who stopped by, the Simons said.

Andrew and Tashina are passionate about garage sales, antique stores and auctions. “We like to buy stuff, find good deals,” Andrew said, adding that “we want to pass those good deals on to other people.”

Once home to Farmer’s Insurance, the spacious three-room thrift store has something for everyone.

The Simons’ three-and- See **STORE** on page 12a



Family business

Andrew and Tashina Simon of Staples, pictured with their son Cooper, recently opened ‘Simonland Secondhand’ in Staples. Located at 223 4th St. NE, the store is open every Thursday, Friday and Saturday, from 8 a.m. - 4 p.m. The Simons have roots in Central Minnesota

(Andrew hails from Pillager and Tashina from Deer River) and they are happy to be living in Staples, their home for the past three years. In addition to their secondhand business, the Simons work for the Brainerd Dispatch. (Staples World photo by Dawn Timbs)

Connections students showcase projects

Connections High School Program showcased students’ projects at their Project Showcase Night March 4, at Sourcewell in Staples.

The students were hosts to approximately 60 friends and family members who came to learn, listen and support.

Projects highlighted at the recent event were:

- Rylie Rau’s creative writing based on ‘The Bet,’ by Anton Chekhov.
- Samone Goodtrack’s viewing and listening presentation, “Good and Evil.”
- Oliver Lund’s video on vaccination.
- Morgan Swecker’s presentation on refugees.
- Heileigh Mollner, Gilberto Terrones and Tyler Gosch’s presentation reenacting “The Bet,” by Anton Chekhov.
- Valeria Lozano’s viewing and listening presentation on prejudice.

In addition, a variety of other projects by students in the Connection program were on display.

At the Connections High School Program in Staples-Motley High School, students in grades 9 - 12 meet their core educational classes through student-led projects, such as the ones that were on display at the Showcase Night. “Congratulations to all for a job well done,” said Chris Trout, Connections teacher.

See Project Showcase photos on Page 5a.



Trail camera photo takes first place

Doug Wonders of Motley submitted this photo to the Trail Cam Contest hosted by Outdoor News Deer & Turkey Classic and brought home a new Muddy Trail camera after taking first place. Described by the sponsors as “some whitetails photo-bombing a tom turkey

posing for the camera,” Wonders’ winning photo was one of nearly 100 that had been submitted. The photo was taken May 15, 2014, behind his home in rural Motley, Wonders said.

Weather

This Week’s Forecast

	High	Low	Cond.
Mar. 20	42°	23°	Mostly-Sunny
Mar. 21	45	26	Sunny
Mar. 22	45	27	Sunny
Mar. 23	43	27	Partly-Cloudy
Mar. 24	43	25	Cloudy
Mar. 25	43	25	Cloudy
Mar. 26	45	27	Cloudy

Last Year, 2018

	High	Low	Cond.
Mar. 20	45°	30°	First Day of Spring!
Mar. 21	37	22	Cloudy all Week
Mar. 22	40	30	
Mar. 23	30	15	
Mar. 24	40	30	
Mar. 25	40	30	
Mar. 26	45	27	Snow

Average Temp.:
H = 40° Low = 22
Snow Total:
Nov.-Mar. 12 = 71”
Total Rain:
Mar. 13 - 13: 1.5”

Recall: 2017 Crow Wing River Opens

*Compiled by
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No concerns noted in Motley’s 2018 audit results

By Dawn Timbs
Staples World reporter

At their regular council meeting March 11, the City of Motley accepted the 2018 audit report as presented by Jon Archer with Schlenner Wenner & Company, certified public accountants from Little Falls.

Prior to the council’s vote, Archer went through the summary of the city’s audited financial statements with them. No concerns were noted.

Regarding Motley’s financial highlights in 2018, Archer noted that revenues in the general fund exceeded the budget by approximately \$25,000, primarily due to higher police aids and court fines than anticipated. The expenditures in the general fund were \$32,690 less than were budgeted, with the greatest savings being in the area of police expenditures, payroll in particular. At the end of the year, the general fund balance was \$769,067.

Archer went on to note that in the governmental funds, the fire fund showed an increase of \$23,553 in its fund balance, with a year end balance of \$240,897. The debt service funds showed an increase of \$9,965 and ended the year with a total balance of \$724,030.

The city’s water enterprise fund showed an operating income loss of \$9,374.

The sewer enterprise fund “did really well this year,” Archer said, mentioning that there was an increase in the net position of \$48,098. In addition, the expenditures in the sewer fund remained relatively level.

According to the Cash Trend Analysis of the Business-Type provided by Archer, the city’s sewer fund had \$1.8 million in cash; the water fund had \$862,000; and there was \$9,400 cash in the solid

waste fund.

The city’s long-term outstanding debt is at \$4.8 million. “You are making progress in paying down your debt,” Archer said, adding, “That’s good to see.”

Archer also noted that Schlenner Wenner & Company has a positive working relationship with the city’s management and personnel.

In other matters the council:

- **HEARD** a summary of a closed meeting held Feb. 11, regarding the performance review for Jason Borash, Motley Police Chief. Borash received a total of 44.8 out of 56 points which is highly satisfactory. Mayor Yoder told the chief he has been doing a good job.

- **HEARD** an update by Fire Chief Brad Olson about the potential purchase of a new fire truck for the MFD. The truck will cost approximately \$299,200. Olson said that the MFD could potentially receive a two percent rebate from Sourcewell. Smieja said that there is roughly \$300,000 available to spend on a new truck. Chief Olson said that he’d like to have a contract signed by April 15. The council approved a motion to look over a contract prior to having Sourcewell put it out to bid.

- **APPROVED** an extension of medical leave for one of the MFD firefighters.

- **APPROVED** a Video Surveillance Systems policy as presented by the Motley Police Department.

- **HEARD** from council member Jace Carlson that police officer Josh Pesta helped his son get his vehicle out of the ditch during a recent snow storm, for which he was thankful. Carlson said he’s heard that Pesta is doing a good job on the department.

- **DISCUSSED** a few paint color options for the city’s water tower, includ-

ing white, tan and blue. The council members and city employees each verbalized their preference in color, with tan receiving the most votes. During the preceding discussion, it was noted that the city’s new logo would show up the best on a lighter background. Mayor Yoder had voted to keep the water tower painted blue, stating he felt it was an area icon.

- **THANKED** the public works department for their hard work in keeping the streets plowed during the recent snow storms.

- **DISCUSSED** ideas for the Staples Motley Community Foundation grant application, for up to \$2,000. Mayor Yoder suggested the fire department’s sign needs some improvements. Public Works Director Bruce Brotherton mentioned installing light poles at the tennis court/dog park area. Application deadline is April 15.

- **HEARD** the 2018 budget updates, as of March 8, 2018, as presented by City Clerk/Treasurer Lacey Smieja.

- **APPROVED** a \$1,000 donation from the Motley Lions Club to be used by the police department toward purchasing a night vision camera.

- **ACCEPTED** the Todd-Wadena Counties Fire Association Mutual Aid Agreement.

- **SET** a work session to discuss possible amendments to the water and sewer ordinances for Tuesday, March 26, 5:30 p.m., prior to the Planning & Zoning Commission meeting at 6:30 p.m.

- **SET** the next regular meeting for Monday, April 8, 6:30 p.m.

- **SET** city wide cleanup day for Saturday, May 11, 7:45 - 10:45 a.m.

- **SET** the regular May meeting for Tuesday, May 14, 6:30 p.m., instead of the usual second Monday, due to a schedule conflict.



Motley Lions donate to food shelf

The Motley Lions recently donated \$8,000 to the Motley Area Food Shelf. Pictured, from left, are food shelf volunteers Robin Kramer, Sherry Miller Frisk;

Lion Janet Greig; food shelf volunteers Florence Berndt and Fran Kokett. (Staples World photo by Dawn Timbs)

Law enforcement reports, Motley area

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

March 9 - The MPD assisted the MN State Patrol and Cass County Sheriff’s Office with a single vehicle rollover

at the 600 block of Hwy 210 in Motley. No injuries reported.

March 8 - The MPD responded to a report of an intoxicated driver who was at a motel in Motley. Chief Jason Borash made contact with the subject, Amanda Lynn Weippert, 38, and she was eventually arrested for

a probation violation. The subject’s husband, Robert Scott Weippert, 51, was also arrested for disorderly conduct. The female party was booked at the Morrison County Jail for a probation violation and the male party was transported to St. Cloud Detox, cited and released.

Staying busy in Cass County 4-H

By Billy Sauber
4-H Reporter

The Becker Busy Bees 4-H Club has been very busy lately. The club held their February meeting at Jack’s House Bowling Alley in Brainerd and had a blast bowling.

On March 2, four club members participated in the 4-H Wildlife Bowl in Foley. These included Colton Converse, Sam Sauber, Bill Sauber and Dustin Converse.

During this competition, 4-H’ers are quizzed as to how much they know about wildlife in Minnesota and in the country. The Becker Busy Bees won the competition and will go on to state April 6, in Sauk Rapids.

On March 10, the club held their meeting at the Motley Fire Hall, where

they talked about upcoming events. The next meeting is set for April 14, at which time the club will make projects for the fair. The projects are going to

be determined in the near future.

Keep looking for updates on the latest news for the Becker Busy Bees in the upcoming months.



Project Bowl champs

Members of the Becker Busy Bees 4-H Club recently took first place at the 4-H Regional Wildlife Bowl in Foley. They will go on to compete at the state competition April 6, in Sauk Rapids. Pictured, from left, are Colton Converse, Sam Sauber, Bill Sauber and Dustin Converse. (Submitted photo)



4-H’ers bond while bowling

Members of the Becker Busy Bees 4-H Club had a fun time bowling at Jack’s House Bowling Alley in Brainerd recently. Pictured above are club members and some parents. Standing, from left, are Dustin Converse, Colton Converse, Bill Sauber, Nathan Converse, Joseph Mrazek, Caden Mrazek, Sam Sauber. Kneeling is Samantha Mrazek. (Submitted photo)

Lindsay Leveille, MD Family Medicine with Obstetrics

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Staples ‘93 Lions donate to food shelf

The Staples ‘93 Lions recently donated \$1,865 to the Staples Area Food Shelf, thanks in part to an anonymous club member who offered to match up to \$1,000 (a total of \$940 was taken in). Pictured, from left, are Lions Bev Dolezal and Beth Gedde; and food shelf volunteers Dawn Adamietz and Frank Leidenfrost. (Staples World photo by Dawn Timbs)

Looking back

75 YEARS Ago - 1944

• March 23, 1944 - Fire, originating from an oil burning hot water heater which exploded, almost completely destroyed the home of Mr. and Mrs. D. R. Sims early this morning, the alarm being turned in about 7:45 o'clock. Just what made the hot water heater explode has not been determined yet. Four high school students who occupied the upper rooms of the Sims home were getting ready to go to school when the

Compiled by Dawn Timbs

fire was discovered. They, along with Mr. and Mrs. Sims saved quite a lot of their clothing. As this news is written at 8:30 this morning, the structure is still a blazing inferno, with firemen fighting the stubborn blaze to bring it under control.

Mr. and Mrs. Sims are elderly people, and one of the unfortunate circumstances for them is that they carried no insurance on the building or the contents. Neighbors and friends have been kind to Mr. and Mrs. Sims in taking them into their homes, and assisting them in whatever way it was possible for them to do.

• March 23, 1944 - In the ‘News of Motley’ section, two fires were reported. About nine o'clock Saturday morning the Fire Department was called to the Jack Hayes home to put out a fire that had gained pretty good headway in the attic before it was discovered. The Fire Department was soon able to get it under control but not before the wall between the living room and dining room was pretty badly burned as well as the attic. Part of the furniture was moved out and the house was quite a mess from water, soot, and chemicals.

At noon the Fire Department was again called out to put out a bad chimney fire at the Dell Strong residence. Though no damage was done to the house, it was some time before the fire in the chimney subsided.

50 YEARS Ago - 1969

• March 20, 1969 - The Staples Faculty captured the championship of the Minnesota Central Basketball league playoff with a 74 to 69 victory over Deer Creek last week and lost

their opening contest in the Minnesota State Independent tourney at St. Cloud.

Against the Deer Creek quint, Staples held period leads of 19 to 11, 32 to 28, and 53 to 46. Brian Killmer again led the Staples charge with 27 points, followed by Denny Miller with 14, Donnell Seipkes with 11, Jay Gilbertson and Jerry Riewer with 8 each and Norm Card with 6.

In the tournament at St. Cloud Cathedral high school Saturday afternoon, the Staples Faculty met a tall Wykoff quint and bowed in defeat 97 to 96 in double overtime. Jay Gilbertson took scoring honors for Staples with 26 points, and Denny Miller connected for 20. The Staples scoring was completed as follows: Brian Killmer 14, Jerry Riewer 13, Norm Card 12, Dave Anderson 7, and Ken Klose 4.

• March 20, 1969 - By action of the membership of the Staples Chamber of Commerce at their meeting last Thursday evening, the decision as to the closing of business firms on Good Friday afternoon was left to the determination of the individual stores.

Edwin Perry, chamber president, reported that there will be no official closing of businesses this year on Good Friday, April 4, however, the store owners agreed to make provisions for their employees to attend church services that day if they so desire.

25 YEARS Ago - 1994

• March 24, 1994 - For 105 years, Staples has been a railroad town. That colorful history ended Monday afternoon, reported Staples World News Editor Tom Crawford. Although trains are still going to stop occasionally, their stops will no longer be required. Their crews will no longer be based here. No longer, for the most part, will they change crews at the Staples depot.

The cutline of the front-page photo, with a heading of ‘Last train’ reads, “As a Channel 7 - 12 television camera followed their movements, a Burlington Northern crew boarded an engine in front of the Staples depot. The crew was one of the last ones to leave from Staples as the run-through went into effect at noon Monday. The change in railroad operations will mean the loss of more than 50 jobs and an annual payroll of upwards of \$3 million.”

• March 24, 1994 - Resi-

dents of Motley should soon notice a change in their water. Crews have been working since March 16 to get all the bugs out of the new water system and get the new treatment plant, wells and water tower on line.

In addition to the highly visible 135 foot high, 400,000 gallon capacity water tower, the new system sports new water mains, two new wells, which together can pump 230 GPM (gallons per minute) and a new filtering system capable of filtering 324 GPM, which will add fluoride and chlorine and remove iron and manganese.

10 YEARS Ago - 2009

• March 19, 2009 - Mayor Chris Etzler and Police Chief Kyle Huber got the ribbon cutting honors at the open house and official opening of the new Staples Police Station. The front page photo also notes that, “On hand to help out was the entire force of full time officers including Mark Wisch, Chris Goff, City Council member Rob Schmeig, Officer Melissa Birkholtz, Police Secretary Wanda Oberlander, Officer Ron Case and Sgt. Doug Case. Several hundred people turned out Friday afternoon for the open house and tours of the remodeled Mueller Motors building. Huber, Etzler, Schmeig and City Administrator Nate Mathews each gave short talks at the dedication.

• March 19, 2009 - The Staples City Council accepted a proposal from MnDOT (Minnesota Department of Transportation) at their Mar. 10 meeting that resolves the site for a Veterans Memorial Park.

Jerel Nelsen, executive director for the Staples Economic Development Authority, had been negotiating with MnDOT for property south of new Hwy 10 and north of Wright Ave., between 8th and 10th Streets. MnDOT acquired the property for the construction phase of Hwy 10 and, now, that construction is complete, had offered to sell it back to the city.

Nelsen asked MnDOT to donate that area to the city with the understanding that it would be used for a park and MnDOT agreed. The space is over 29,100 square feet. “I think it’s a great site for that use,” Nelsen said. “It will be a great visual for visitors,” said Stan Carlson, Staples City Council member.

Hanson accepted into prestigious ALI

Curt Hanson, Aldrich native and Staples-Motley graduate has joined the prestigious Archives Leadership Institute (ALI). He is currently director of University of North Dakota Special Collections. Funded by the National Historical Publications and Records Commission, ALI provides premier training for a select group of 20 archivists who’ve proven themselves leaders in the profession and in their establishments.

Hanson learned the news via email in late February. “When I opened the email and read it, I went, ‘Wow,’” Hanson said. “I was rather excited.”

The 2019 ALI session gathers archivists from the Library of Congress, Library and Archives of Canada and a number of top universities. They will look over the future of the archival craft, discuss vision and changes within it.

“Curt’s acceptance into ALI is wonderful for the libraries and UND as a whole,” said Stephanie Walker, Dean of Libraries & Information Resources. “It ensures that he will have the opportunity to meet even more leaders in the field and make connections that can only help us and it means that he will be further exposed to the latest developments in the field of archival management.”

Best job on campus

When Hanson obtained his master’s degree in library science from Indiana University, Bloomington, he landed a job as an archivist with UND, almost two decades ago. Approximately 10 years in, Hanson took the reins of the department.

“I truly think I have the



History in his hands

Staples-Motley graduate and UND Special Collections Director Curt Hanson, showing one of the artifacts he’s in charge of at UND. (Image credit: Connor Murphy, UND Today)

best job on campus,” said Hanson, an assertion he included in his ALI application. “I enjoy working with history. I enjoy working with the public, whoever that might be. The job that I have is perfectly suited for my philosophy.” For Hanson, a graduate of Staples-Motley High School, being an archivist equates a deep dive into history, a subject matter he is a maven in, by trade and by calling.

As an undergraduate student at Concordia College in Moorhead, Hanson majored in history with the intention of teaching it at a university. But, had a change of heart. He didn’t enjoy research and writing as much as a professor should, and a friend suggested he attend library school. Hanson’s never looked back.

Custodian of historical treasures

There are numerous historic treasures in Han-

son’s custody – from the papers of prominent U.S. senators and congressmen from North Dakota to the documents of state luminaries to the University’s own archives. There are also various tasks associated with their arrangement, preservation and availability.

“I work on various different collections, digitize material, help patrons – everything that I get to do here, I really like,” Hanson said. “I also like the fact that it is so general. I’m not just working on this type of stuff or that, every day for me is different.”

On June 9-15, Hanson will take a break from his work at UND to attend ALI on the campus of Purdue University, the regional rival of Indiana University, Bloomington, his graduate institution.

“I’ve never set foot on Purdue’s campus before,” he said. “So the location of ALI is also very interesting to me.”

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DHS child care grants

New grants totaling \$900,000 from the Minnesota Department of Human Services, combined with nearly \$600,000 in private and community donations, will help increase quality child care in Greater Minnesota, which has the state’s most acute child care shortages.

The two-year DHS grants are to six Minnesota Initiative Foundations – regional development and philanthropic organizations that serve people, businesses and communities throughout the state. Each foundation will receive up to \$75,000 a year from DHS.

While new providers continue to join the field, Minnesota, like many other states, is experiencing a net loss in licensed family child care providers. Since 2012, there has been an 18 percent net decrease.

“We know families are facing big challenges finding quality child care right now, especially in rural Minnesota,” said Minnesota Human Services Commissioner Tony Lourey. “We need to help communities find the solutions that will address this need, and we see this partnership with the Minnesota Initiative Foundations as an important part of the

solution.”

Each foundation will work with local partners to assess the gaps in child care supply in their regions, facilitate a regional dialogue, create a plan for addressing the child care supply gaps and carry out a plan for addressing them.

Initiative Foundation in Little Falls will convene local leaders and offer challenge grants to help communities and child care providers address child care supply gaps. Organizations receiving grants must provide a match, which will drive additional local fundraising.

Small town connections can overcome alienation of modern life

The most head-spinning moment at the SOS (Safety Over Suicide) mental health forum was when Dr. Paul Davis read a statement from a physician and asked the audience to fill in the blanks. The physician said humans are not designed to cope with the pace of life today, because of (blank), (blank) and (blank). The answers are the steam engine, telegraph and bicycle. It turns out the physician was from the 1800s.

Statistics show that as nations get more industrialized, depression goes up, Dr. Davis told us. That is now happening across the country and around the world.

One of the causes is a loss of connection with the natural world and a loss of connection with our fellow citizens, resulting in a sense of alienation for many people. The alienation is contributing to problems that go way beyond depression.

The forum was held the week after we published reports of a dog being shot near Staples. While listening to Dr. Davis, I couldn't help connecting the same factors to the dog incident. While the sense of alienation causes depression in some people, it causes others to strike out at the world in ways we can't always predict.

I used to think this type

of affliction was more common in the suburbs, where kids grow up without seeing nature, never knowing their neighbors, or not having a unique sense of place. But now kids can grow up anywhere without looking away from their screens long enough to make a meaningful connection with the world around them.

Luckily, the connections can be made. Another panelist at the SOS forum, Stephanie Downey, said conversations need to be started with all individuals, before they get to the point of depression and suicide. She said having conversations about issues both big and small makes it easier for people slipping into depression to discuss their status when they do have a problem.

We have seen this solution before. The Staples-Motley Beyond Poverty process resulted in a call for people to communicate more across class lines without judgement. The recent ACES (Adverse Childhood Experiences) training suggested that personal connections help people overcome the problems caused by childhood trauma. The Blue Zones project tells us that cultivating group friendships, strengthening family relationships and belonging to a faith-based community are keys to a long, healthy life. And now another expert is giving us basically the same answer.

At this point, our community should realize we have one overriding common goal: to foster conversations that connect people in a meaningful way to the world around us.

This actually won't be hard, because we already do it all the time. Nearly

every event I attend starts with people greeting each other as they come in and continuing to talk until the event starts. This is one reason I choose to live in a small town, because we already have the infrastructure to get those conversations started. There is no way I would suggest tackling this issue if we were in a big city.

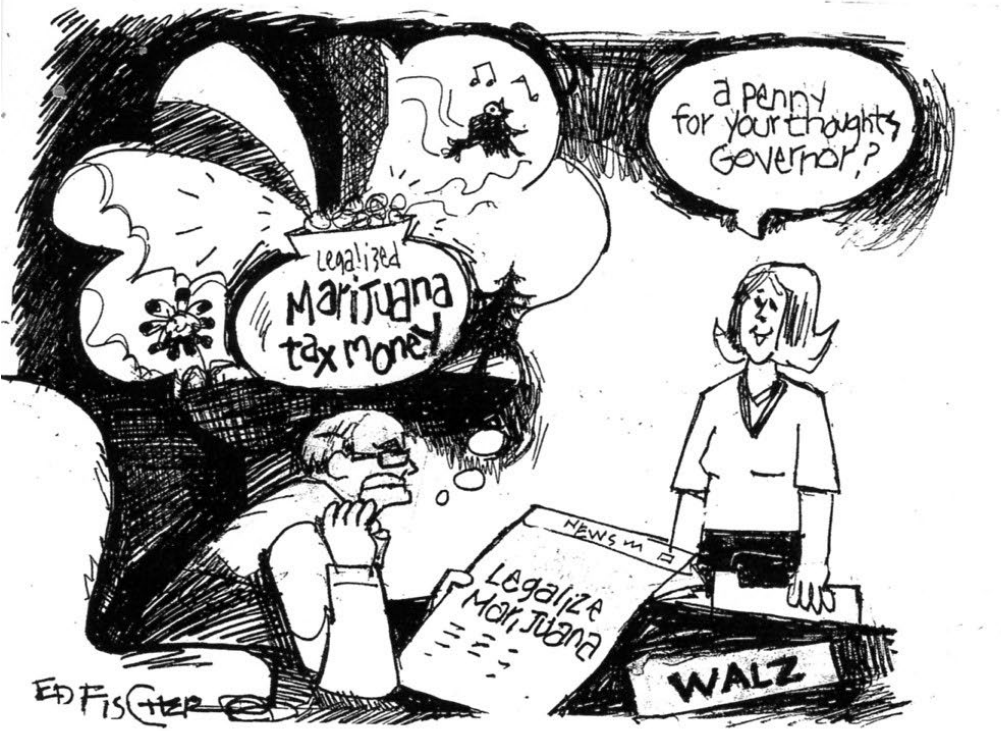
We hold so many events, with so many opportunities to make conversations happen, but we can do it even better by making it a conscious goal to include social time during every event to let people interact, rather than just show up, watch and leave.

We also need to do more to make sure it reaches everyone, especially those who don't regularly attend events.

A crucial component of the alienation is loss of connection with nature. We live in a town surrounded by nature, but it is not accessed by most people, we only see nature as we drive past it. Like with the dog incident, many people don't learn appropriate ways to interact with nature.

Imagine if we could combine the two big needs, socialization and nature. We need to get people out onto the landscape, not to look at trees and birds, but to talk to others with common interests, work on a project or do an activity.

That can be a project for a local civic-minded group, to get people out into nature to take photos, make artworks, walk, hike, run, learn biology, ecology and wildlife, or simply enjoy nature together. According to the experts, it will go a long way towards combating a rising national affliction.



Letters to the Editor

What is happening to our schools?

Looking at the details for the proposed changes to our present schools, it looks like another gymnasium is being planned.

What about students who chose not to play sports? The Machines that were donated to our school are now being sold. Will the monies go to sports activity programs? The woodworking shop has long since been abandoned as a choice for students. Has the welding program been given any consideration? I am concerned that

any true life skills are not a choice at our school.

Would an employer be impressed with "I played sports" on a resume? When were these choices marked as not beneficial for our students and eliminated from our school of learning?

Not all students can go to college and most parents cannot afford to send their child. Some students learn by doing and are more interested in learning "hands on."

In our community, we can employ students locally, who become electricians, machinists, carpenters, etc., that provide a living wage.

I think we are selling our students short by limiting their choice of subjects. We already have baseball fields, track, swimming, etc. What choices do students have who chose to learn practical life skills?

Our community residents pay taxes for all students. The opportunities provided by these taxes should give all students a chance to pursue their life's work.

I hope you will consider where and how new taxes will help all students.

A former graduate of Staples/Motley,

M.L. Olander
Staples

Hippie Joe's winter blues

By Jim Smoger
Guest editorial
Wheaton, Minn

On Sunday, after shoveling my own driveway for two hours, I walked over to a neighbor's house.

I was concerned because he hasn't shoveled out for weeks, except for a small strip on the sidewalk so the mail carrier could deliver.

There was no need for concern on my part. I was greeted at the front door by the smell of incense and Peter, Paul and Mary's Greatest Hits playing in the background.

A man in a white beard and big smile greeted me. It was Hippie Joe, the retired college professor.

"Is everything all right here?" I asked. "I see that you have hardly shoveled for weeks."

"I'm not going to shovel anymore than necessary," Hippie Joe responded with a laugh. "I'm going to let Mother Earth take care of the snow."

It appeared to me that Mother Earth might be having an affair with Father Time and left us to the crazy uncle Old Man Winter. In any case, our conversation quickly turned to other matters.

Hippie Joe moved to Wheaton, like many other people, to take advantage of the inexpensive housing

stock. He didn't make a lot of money as the head of the west central Minnesota Cultural Studies Department at a community college but he seems happy these days.

"You know, Jim," he said. "I've been working on revising some folk songs in response to the winter."

In Hippie Joe's view, the cold and the snow is simply Mother Earth's way of getting us to stay inside and reflect on our lives. He took out his guitar and started strumming and singing.

If had snow plow,
I'd plow in the morning,
I'd plow in the evening,
all over this town.
I'd plow out your grandma.

I'd plow out your mother.
I'd plow about love
between my brothers and
my sisters all over this town.

Oh, Oh, Oh.

"Wait a second," I said. "That isn't how the song goes. I don't know if Peter Seger would let you just add in new words to the hammer song."

"Oh, Pete Seger is gone to Mother Earth," Hippie Joe said. "Listen to how I finish it."

It's the shovel of justice,
It's the plow of freedom.
It's the Bobcat of love
between my brothers and
my sister

All over this town. Hey.
I enjoyed his effort. Then he dusted off this Woody Guthrie song book. Maybe it was an alleged Woody Guthrie song book.

Now gather round, you children,
A tale I will tell.
About Pretty Boy Floyd,
the Norwegian Lutheran.
Came from Herman,
Minnesota -- knew him well.

"Wait. You can't copy that song," I said. "Pretty Boy Floyd was an outlaw

from Oklahoma. He was like a Robin Hood character."

Hippie Joe said that Woody Guthrie had many versions of the song and wrote one of them while traveling around Minnesota during an especially hard winter. He continued on.

Many poor family in Clifton Township will tell you of a tale,

About a stranger who came across the prairie,
begging for some lefse and ale.

Then he left out in their garage,

A snow shovel with a big red handle.

The lyrics didn't seem to work unless you sang them. I've found that is the case with a lot of folk music.

Hippie Joe tried out a few more songs for me. There was Bob Dylan's The Climate Is A Changing, and Joni Mitchell's I've Looked at Flakes From Both Sides Now.

My favorite was his version of the Big Rock Candy Mountain called the Big Rock Candy Snow Drift.

In the Big Rock Candy Snow Drift,

There's a land that's white and bright.

Where the shovels grow on bushes

And you plow out every night.

Where the driveways all are covered,

And the snow falls everyday.

All the birds and the bees

Better learn how to ski.

And the lemonade springs

Are frozen stiff.

In the Big Rock Candy Snow Drift.

I finally left Hippie Joe to use music. The city plow had just driven by and covered my driveway entrance yet again.

Celebrate farmers on Ag Day, every day

By Joe Martin, State Executive Director, Minnesota Farm Service Agency and Troy Daniell, State Conservationist, Minnesota Natural Resources Conservation Service

Farmers and ranchers are the backbone of America. They grow food to feed us, fiber to clothe us, and fuel to run our homes and cars. Their hard work and dedication provide economic stability across the nation – stability that supports rural economies and creates much-needed jobs in local communities. No matter who we are, where we live, or what we do, we all have a reason every day to celebrate and thank our farmers.

March 14 was design-

nated as National Ag Day. Today and every day, the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Farm Service Agency (FSA) and Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) in Minnesota join fellow agencies, non-profits, private industries, and consumers in thanking our agricultural producers for their contributions to our nation and beyond.

This year's National Ag Day theme, Agriculture: Food for Life, spotlights the hard work of American farmers and ranchers who diligently work to provide food and fiber for the United States and countries around the world. At USDA, our driving commitment is to support them as they put food on America's tables.

USDA works with millions of rural producers through a network of local service centers that serve every county. Our farmers face challenges each day, and we're proud to offer a variety of programs to help them fund their operations, manage risk, conserve natural resources, and recover from natural disasters.

On behalf of USDA, we would like to thank our farmers for feeding our nation and the world. To our farmers and ranchers: We are here to support you every step of the way. Visit your local service center for one-on-one support with USDA programs and services, or learn more at farmers.gov. On National Ag Day, and every other day of the year, we celebrate you.

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Mark Your Calendar

March 20

FREE TAX-AIDE Wednesdays, 1 - 4 p.m., through April 10, Staples Community Center. No appt. needed. For low to moderate income taxpayers. For info., 218-894-5772.

March 25

BOSOM BUDDIES BREAST CANCER SUPPORT GROUP MTG Mon., March 25, 5 p.m., in the activities room at Lakewood Health System Care Center in Staples. All breast cancer survivors welcome. Come early at 4:30 p.m. and eat together in the sr. center. For info., call 218-894-2627.

March 26

CARE COMMUNITY MEAL Tues., March 26, 4:30 - 6 p.m., Assembly of God Church, 914 3rd Ave. NE, Staples. Free. For info, 218-894-1081.

April 1

RETIRED EDUCATORS ASSOCIATION OF MN (REAM) MTG Mon., April 1, 9:30 a.m., Staples City Hall. Program: 2170 Build Update.

Staples City Council agenda

The Staples City Council will hold their regular meeting on Tuesday, March 26, at 7 p.m. Items on the agenda include:

- Consider approval of contract with Midwest Pump for purchase of 2,500 gallon fire pumper in the amount of \$226,324 and related 2019 budget amendment in the amount of \$11,324.
- Consider submitting Parks, Open Space and Trails plan for 30 day review period.
- Consider Resolution 1766; authorizing submitting a grant to the MnDNR for Legacy Trail paving and trailhead development.
- Consider Resolution 1767, authorizing submitting a grant to MnDNR for Dower Lake Recreation area improvements
- Committee Reports: Planning and Zoning Commission, Parks and Recreation Advisory Board



With their projects

Several Connections High School students were featured at the school's Project Showcase Night March 4. The event was held at Sourcewell in Staples. Above, from left: Marie Boyer, with her Early Childhood project; her niece, Paislie Brasel and classmate Heileigh Mollner. Center: Rylie Rau with her Creative Writing presentation. Bottom, from left: Allison Knosalla with her Simple Circuit Science Experiment; and classmates Marie Boyer and Samone Goodtrack. (Submitted photos)



Todd County water plan meeting April 5

On Friday, April 5, Todd County SWCD will be hosting "A Trek Thru Todd County," a review of the County Water Plan and Local Work Group. Farm, water and natural resource concerns and priorities are the focus of this session.

This is a collaborative opportunity to review, learn about recent accomplishments, and provide input on the goals and measures set within the County Water Plan and NRCS.

This session will be held in the Commissioner's Board Room, 3rd floor of the Todd County Historic Courthouse-215 1st Ave. S, Long Prairie, MN from 9:30 a.m. to 12 p.m. Informational presentation, discussion, and a light buffet meal will be provided. RSVP by Tuesday, April 2, to 320-732-2644.

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SM school events

March

• **SUB-SECTION VOCAL LARGE GROUP CONTEST AT SM** March 27.

April

• **SUB-SECTION INSTRUMENTAL SOLO/ENSEMBLE CONTEST** April 3

• **SUB-SECTION VOCAL SOLO/ENSEMBLE CONTEST** April 10

• **SPECIAL OLYMPICS BASKETBALL** April 17, at SMHS

• **PROM** April 27

• **FFA STATE CONVENTION** April 28 - 30

• **BELL CHOIR/JAZZ BAND DINNER CONCERT** April 29

All Staples-Motley Upcoming Events are subject to change. Go to www.isd2170.k12.mn.us for up to the minute information.

Staples Area Women's Chorus presents 'To Sing' Mar. 30, in Motley

The Staples Area Women's Chorus will present "To Sing" Saturday, March 30, 2 p.m., at the United Methodist Church in Motley.

Stop by to enjoy a variety of music, as well as desserts and beverages. Admission is free, but donations for the Staples-Motley

High School Music Department will be accepted.

Guest singers at the event will include soloists, ensembles and specialty groups from the SMHS Music Department.

Motley United Methodist Church is located at 847 3rd Ave. S., Motley.

Ruby Cline concert for Motley Food Shelf

The Ruby Cline Band will perform at Motley Free Methodist Church Sunday, March 24, at 5 p.m. A free will offering will be taken to support the

Motley Area Food Shelf.

Motley Free Methodist Church is located at 33 Wellwood St. E., Motley. For more information call 218-352-6888.

R5 seeks 50 veterans for CSA food program

By David A. Anderson
Wadena County Veteran Service Officer

Region Five Development Commission (R5DC) is seeking 50 veterans who live in rural Minnesota to participate in the Veteran Community Supported Agriculture (VetCSA) program. They are accepting applications to the program from veterans who reside in the counties of Cass, Crow Wing, Morrison, Todd or Wadena. Participating veterans will receive a Community Supported Agriculture (CSA) food package twice per month, for one year at no cost. Cooking demonstrations and classes will be offered monthly by local food experts, chefs and nutrition educators.

The goal of the VetCSA is to improve the overall quality of life for veterans and their families. This initiative delivers healthy foods and gives additional knowledge and skills on how to prepare them. Building a healthy lifestyle creates a positive effect on physical and mental health. The VetCSA also brings

veterans, families, growers and communities together.

If you are interested in participating, contact Staci Headley by phone at 218.894.3233 or via email at sheadley@regionfive.org or contact your appropriate Veterans Service Officer, based on your county of residence.

About Region Five Development Commission:

Enhancing the vitality and quality of life in Cass, Crow Wing, Morrison, Todd and Wadena counties is the mission of Region Five Development Commission. Resiliency, inclusion and collaboration are guiding concepts in achieving mutually shared goals that continue to evolve with local municipalities, state, federal agencies, philanthropic, non-profit and social advocacy agencies. Visit www.regionfive.org to learn more.

Veterans Day on the Hill

Veterans Day on the Hill is a chance for Veterans to talk with their legislators about issues that affect them. This event is open to all Veterans and will be

held at the state capitol in St Paul. This year's Veterans Day on the Hill rally will take place Wednesday, March 20 2019.

Veterans Day on the Hill is hosted by the Minnesota Association of County Veterans Service Officers, the Minnesota Commanders' Task Force, and the United Veterans Legislative Council of Minnesota.

The schedule will be as follows:

10:30 - Free Veterans and supporters pre-rally lunch presented by the Disabled American Veterans of MN at the St. Paul Armory (600 Cedar St.)

12:45 - Veterans March to the Rally, starting from the Veterans Services Building (20 W. 12th Street)

1:30-2:30 - Commanders' Task Force, United Veterans Legislative Council, and Minnesota Association of County Veterans Service Officers present Rally in the Rotunda.

Note all of the above events are held right in the area of the capitol parking is limited and there could be a great deal of walking to attend all of the events.

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The lights went out in ‘55, but Peterson still shining bright for Staples-Motley Hall of Fame

By Mark Anderson
Managing Editor

Bob Peterson was a record-setting sprinter at Staples High School, and also was a star on some high level football, basketball and baseball teams. He will be among the first class to be inducted in the Staples-Motley Athletic Hall of Fame. The Hall of Fame ceremony will be Friday, April 5, at Centennial Auditorium in Staples. Doors open at 6 p.m. and the program will start at 6:30. Following the induction ceremony, a gathering is scheduled at Timbers Restaurant Event Center.

Peterson was on the first Staples team to win the District 24 basketball tournament in 1955. With only one class, he said it was tough to get past Brainerd, Little Falls, Crosby-Ironton, Aitkin and Wadena in the district. The previous year, Brainerd was the state champions.

They finally beat Brainerd to win the district title, and advanced to beat Detroit Lakes in the regional playoffs. The team stayed to watch Alexandria lose to Morris. Peterson said Alexandria got off to such a big lead that they put in their second string and then the third string. When Morris started coming back, Alexandria put their first string back in but they had been sitting on the bench too long and didn't have it anymore. Morris won.

"When we saw that, we figured we could beat that team," said Peterson.

But in the region championship, playing for a trip to the state tournament, the Cardinals did not play well, due to overconfidence or other reasons, Peterson thought.

Still, they took a seven point lead late in the game and Morris didn't have any timeouts left. They had been running Morris around and they looked tired. It was only a matter of minutes and they could close out the game. At that point, all the lights went out at the Concordia College arena. Peterson said there were rumors that a Morris fan flipped the breaker, but they never got a real explanation.

After a 20 minute break to get the lights back on, Peterson said Staples came out flat and it dwindled down to a one point lead when a jump ball was called with five seconds left. But a referee came running in from the other side of the court and called a foul on a Staples player. Morris made two free throws and Staples missed a half court shot that bounced off the front of the rim.

"We never should have lost," said Peterson.

That was one disappointment in a season where they beat St. Cloud Tech in both basketball and football. "They don't believe me when I tell them we beat those big schools," said Peterson.

The 7-0 win against St. Cloud was a hard-hitting game, he said. "We were frustrated because we had two or three ties that year that we thought we should have won," said Peterson. "It was the coach's birthday and we hadn't beaten St. Cloud since 1930 or something."

The defense held firm, with three stands inside the 10 yard line, and they came out with a 7-0 win.

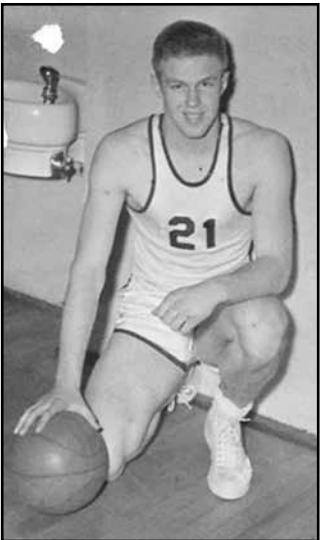
Peterson's basketball teams also stressed aggressive defense.

"In three years, only two teams scored 60 points on



Hall of Famer in our midst

Bob Peterson lives in Staples and continues to be a Staples-Motley Cardinal fan. (Staples World photo by Mark Anderson)



Bob Peterson as a basketball senior.

us, and then just barely. Teams would average about 40 points," he said.

Part of that was being patient on offense. The philosophy was "as long as we've got the ball, they're not scoring," said Peterson.

Growing up with sports

Looking back, Peterson said the best part of his athletic career was playing with his teammates who he had grown up with.

"We would run around together in the summers, and we played with the whole group," said Peterson. "It started in grade school and we would play 7th and 8th grade combined. Everyone went out for every sport."

There were a lot of sandlot games every day. One of his friends had an outdoor basketball court with hoops on each end and a dirt floor.

"We would have a game Friday and by Saturday morning we would be out shoveling snow off the court," Peterson remembered. "We would play all day, kids would have overshoes on, sometimes the kids in college would come home and play with us."

All the teammates supported each other; it didn't matter if they were a



District champions, 1955

(From the Staples World, March, 1955)

Jubilant after their 52-47 win over the Brainerd Warriors are the Staples Cardinals, new District 24 champions. Pictured in front are student manager Bill Peterson and coach Dave Hegna. Second row are Roland Wettstein, Kent

Carlson, Jarry Germann, Phil Archer and Curt Hirschey. In the back row are Bob Peterson, Dale Sorensen, Jerry Pattison, Allen Haugen, Wayne Longbella, Bob Nurnberger, Maurice Erickson and student manager Gerald Adamek.

starter or a reserve, Peterson said, "we got along good."

Peterson is still close to many of his teammates, although most are out of the area and some are in poor health, Peterson still calls them often to keep up.

Peterson played quarterback in football, until his senior year when the coaches decided to move him around to take advantage of his speed. He ended up playing end and with the speed he had from track, he felt he could outrun the quarterback's arm. But it worked out as he ended up being all-conference.

On defense he played safety. "I didn't like it, it was out of the action, so one game the coach let me

play end, and another one I was outside linebacker. They ran two plays at me, one for a two yard gain and the other for a seven yard loss. After that I was back to safety."

He did like to knock down passes and save touchdowns. His biggest play was against Wadena, when the Wadena crowd came and completely circled the Staples football field.

"They had a good running back and one play he broke loose. I was being blocked and started about 15 yards behind him, but I caught him and got him down on the 35 yard line. We held them after that," said Peterson.

In the spring, Peterson played both baseball and ran track. He said only a few games were scheduled and they were always on different days of the week, so they could do both sports.

Most of the athletes had a study hall for their last hour of school. That turned into the track practice time. But with the coach still in class, Peterson said it was mostly unstructured practice. He ended up messing around with the shot put, an event he didn't do, running around a little, high jumping a little, an event he did do, then heading over to Pine Grove Park for baseball practice.

"I'm glad I didn't have to choose one sport over the other," said Peterson. "You couldn't do that today. It felt good to be able to play all the sports, I like to have a choice."

In track, Peterson set conference records and school records in the 100 yard dash and also in the 220. He is still listed on the school's honor roll after converting those times to the metric system.

All of his meets were run on cinder tracks, which is like a fine, packed gravel. Peterson often walks on the modern track

in Staples for exercise. "I would have liked to see what my times would be on that track," he said. "it looks great to run on."

In all, Peterson won 13 letters in Staples sports. "I would have had 14 but I missed it by about this much," (two feet) said Peterson. "You had to get third place to letter and I was just that far away. The coach wouldn't give it to me."

He was one of the fastest sprinters in the state, but the region track meet was held at Glenwood, where Peterson said they had a loosely packed cinder track. "I could never get going on that track," he said, and he failed to qualify for state.

Peterson was all-conference in football and basketball for both the Mid State and Central Six conferences. He helped the Cardinals win the conference track title twice. He was a four year letter winner in baseball, and said it was the only sport they didn't win a conference title because Brainerd and Little Falls were too tough. He said he played in the baseball all-star game as a second baseman.

Cardinal family

Peterson's older brothers both were Staples athletes, John was tall and had a good left handed hook shot in basketball. Jim was a fullback in football and played in the all-star game.

His wife Darla was a cheerleader for football and basketball when he was in high school. His sons played baseball and football and his daughter was on the Staples girls basketball state tournament championship team. His grandson also played quarterback in football and ran track for Staples-Motley.

But it all started before that, as Peterson has a photo from the early 1900s of his father on the Staples basketball team.

'Special' to Moorhead

(From the Staples World, March 10, 1955)

"The Cardinal Special," the Northern Pacific special train that will take Staples and area fans to the Region 6 basketball tournament in Moorhead today, will leave the city at 3:30 p.m., announced Harry Peterson, local NP agent.

Arrival time in Moorhead is set at about 5:40 p.m. which will give passengers ample time to eat before attending the Staples-Detroit Lakes game at 7 p.m. at the Concordia College Fieldhouse.

Fare for the round trip is set at \$3.03, including tax. A total of 283 fares have been guaranteed to the Northern Pacific so that the trip could be made. The Special will also stop in Wadena to take on Cardinal fans from that area.

"The Cardinal Special" is scheduled to leave Moorhead at 11 p.m. for the return trip to Staples.

High school students, including the band, will make the trip to the tourney in school busses.

Classes at the school will be dismissed at noon today so that students may have ample time to get to the tournament game in Moorhead.

Members of the high school band will remain in Moorhead Thursday night and will be housed at the Frederick Martin hotel at Center avenue and Fourth street.

Staples Wins First District 24 Cage Title in History



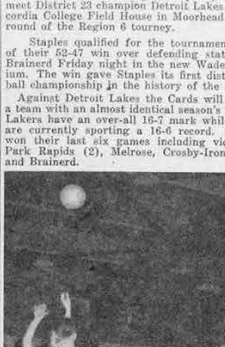
DISTRICT 24 CHAMPS—John Peterson, in the second row are the Staples Cardinals, new District 24 champions. Pictured in front are student manager Bill Peterson and coach Dave Hegna. Second row are Roland Wettstein, Kent Carlson, Jarry Germann, Phil Archer and Curt Hirschey. In the back row are Bob Peterson, Dale Sorensen, Jerry Pattison, Allen Haugen, Wayne Longbella, Bob Nurnberger, Maurice Erickson and student manager Gerald Adamek.

Cards Meet Detroit in Regional After Upsetting Brainerd 52-47



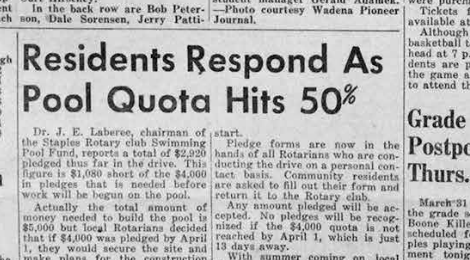
For the first time in history, the Staples Cardinals will represent District 24 in the regional basketball tournament. Tonight at 7 p. m., the Cardinals meet District 23 champion Detroit Lakes at the Concordia College Field House in Moorhead in the first round of the Region 6 tourney.

Firemen Hold Annual Dance At Inn Tonight



Tonight the Staples Fire Department will again sponsor their annual St. Patrick's Day dance at the River Inn in Aldrich. Dancing will begin at 9 p. m., with Dale Bishop and his orchestra furnishing the music.

Residents Respond As Pool Quota Hits 50%



Dr. J. E. Lahore, chairman of the Staples Rotary club Swimming Pool Fund, reports a total of \$2,250 has been received for the pool. This figure is \$1,000 short of the \$4,000 in pledges that is needed before work will be begun on the pool.

Community wide celebration in 1955

The March 17, 1955 Staples World proclaimed the big victory in the District 24 tournament for the Staples basketball team. The following week, the news-

paper did not mention the fieldhouse lights going out, but stated "Cardinals Miss State Tourney on Breaks."

Focus remains on things deer to us

What a difference a little time and distance make. The weather, a favorite topic of Minnesotans, has continued to dominate news and conversation as we've reached the midpoint of March and are moving on toward April. The past week brought snow-melting temperatures and more than an inch of rain to a large swath of the state. In some places snow depths decreased by as much as 10-12 inches in the course of two or three days. Rain is a great melt-down accelerator, though with the ground still frozen that rain can also aggravate flooding.

Diminished snow depth is good news for whitetail deer, the most high-profile Minnesota creature that is threatened by deep snow. Several snow events earlier in March had raised depths two or three feet in some places. With temperatures for the near term forecast to be well into the melting range, their chances to survive the winter—and just as important, for does to bear healthy fawns—should only improve.

But not everywhere. While rain was pelting much of the state, the edge of a massive winter storm that hit the Rocky Mountains and temporarily stranded hundreds there, also clipped some areas of northwest and west central Minnesota with additional snow. But that setback may be temporary, with thawing temperatures forecast over a broad area in time to welcome spring's official arrival. If this trend continues without a prolonged

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return to sub-freezing temperatures, the meltdown should accelerate.

A certain amount of snow is also lost by a process called sublimation, when solid snow evaporates without melting into liquid water. A combination of sun energy, wind, and very dry air can accomplish this. Not as fast as snow melts when air temperatures are above freezing, or when rain is falling, but the effect does make a contribution to reducing snow depth; all beneficial for deer.

There can be a transition period—brief in some years, longer in others—when the melting snow-pack actually makes deer more vulnerable to predation. When snow melts during daytime hours and refreezes at night, the crust on its surface may allow the deer's chief predator—the eastern gray wolf, known through most of recent history as the timber wolf—to run atop the snow with its broad, soft padded feet. Deer, with small, pointed hooves, break through and are hampered in their attempts to escape.

Dogs, too, can be a problem. When allowed to run free they may follow the deep-seated canine instinct shared with their wolf brethren, and—especially if they gather in packs—run deer to the point of life-threatening exhaustion, or even death. In an ironic twist, with the significant expansion of wolves' territory in Minnesota, fewer dog owners let their pets run free, due to the very real possibility that they may be killed by their wild relatives. But in many years this is still an issue to some degree.

Fortunately, the added predation danger with crusted snow may not last long. It will end when snow depth diminishes to a point where a deer's speed and agility are not greatly restricted in their flight to escape; or, when

air temperatures are warm enough that snow will remain soft and unable to support the weight of a wolf or dog.

Wolves Could be Taken Off Endangered Species List

On the subject of wolves, there is a proposal by the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service (USFWS)—which could be made official any day with publication in the Federal Register—to remove them from the endangered species list. That would open the door to management by the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources (DNR). Eastern gray wolves in our state are considered stable and thriving, and have expanded their former limited range southward from the far North all the way to Central Minnesota. Their numbers rise and fall roughly in step with the deer population, but are estimated to stand at more than 2,500.

The Minnesota DNR managed wolves within state borders with limited hunting and trapping from 2012 to 2014, before a lawsuit by groups opposed to these management practices—and a Washington, D.C. judge's ruling—put wolves back

on the endangered species list. Many biologists, including the nation's most accomplished wolf researcher—David Mech—have testified that wolves in the Great Lakes region are not endangered. It remains unclear whether the USFWS will prevail in having wolves removed from the endangered species list, or whether more legal action will thwart this effort.

[Correction: In last week's column I described the Winter Severity Index (WSI), which biologists use to measure the severity of our winters, and the threat they pose to whitetail deer. The WSI tallies the number of days with 15 or more inches of snow, plus the number of days with a temperature below zero. A total of these two numbers that exceeds 100 is considered moderate; above 180 it's considered a severe winter and likely a threat to deer. I stated that if deep snow lasted into mid-April it would add 60 points to the WSI. Not so. From mid-March to mid-April is about 30 days, not 60. Not even "the new math" could transform 30 into 60! My apologies for the miscalculation.]

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Smiles start softball season

Staples-Motley softball players had some fun working out in the gymnasium during the first week of practice, as there is still a couple feet of snow covering their playing field. The track and field team also started practices, but also had to find alternative workout spaces, such as running the halls, streets and swimming pool workouts. (Staples World photos by Mark Anderson)



Staples Area Church Directory

Staples
Staples Alliance
1512 8th St. NE, Staples 218-894-2891
Pastor Bob Hepokoski
Mark Shea, Pastor of Student Ministries
Sunday Worship 9:30 a.m.
Sunday School 11:00 a.m.
WEDNESDAY
AWANA 6:15 p.m.
Assembly of God
914 3rd Ave. NE, Staples 218-894-1081
Pastor Roy Miles
Discipleship Class 9:15 a.m.
Sunday Worship 10:30 a.m.
Evening Prayer 6:00 p.m.
WEDNESDAY
Wednesday times are for Sept. - May
Sonlight (Kids Program).... 4:00 - 5:30 p.m.
Youth Group 5:30 - 7:00 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 a.m.
Congregational Church, UCC
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
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
Pastor Nathan Hillman
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
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25430 Bison Rd. Cushing, MN
320-749-2140
Pastor Carl Larson
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Sunday Worship 10:45 a.m..
Sunday School and
Coffee Fellowship..... 9:30 a.m..
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Office Hours: Mon.-Thurs., 9 a.m.-2 p.m.
Senior Pastor: Donald Reigstad
Pastor: Jim Brown
Youth Coordinator: Kelly Gelle
SUNDAY
Sunday School for all ages 9:00 a.m..
Worship Gathering 10:00 a.m..
WEDNESDAY
Praise & Prayer 4:30 p.m..
Kids' Club 6:00 p.m..
Jr./Sr. Forge Youth Group 6:00 p.m..
Cushing Baptist
26298 Bear Rd., Cushing
www.cushingbaptistchurch.org
Pastor Dan Holmes 320-749-2583
Sunday School 9:30 a.m..
Worship 10:30 a.m..
WEDNESDAY
Bible study 7:30 p.m..
Leader
Swan Valley Lutheran
Leader 218-397-2470
Sandy Knight, Synodically Authorized Minister
of Word and Sacrament
Sunday Worship 11:00 a.m..
Maple Hill Lutheran
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Motley
Motley Free Methodist
33 Wellwood St. E
Motley 56466 218-352-6888
Pastor Jim Johnson
Sunday Worship 9:00 & 10:30 a.m..
Sunday School 10:30 a.m..
WEDNESDAY
Kids Club 4:00-5:30 p.m..
Youth Group 5:30-7:30 p.m..
St. John's Lutheran
497 3rd Ave. S, Motley 218-352-6399
Pastor Vicar Paul Koehler
Sunday School and Bible Class 8:30 a.m..
Sunday Worship 9:30 a.m..
St. Michael
1st St. and Birch, Motley 218-894-2296
Pastor Fr. 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
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Sunday Worship Service..... 9:00 a.m..
Monday AA meeting..... 8:00 p.m..
Oylen
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Pastor Neal Malcore
Sunday School 10:00 a.m..
Sunday Worship 11:00 a.m..
Pillager
First Lutheran Church
717 River Street S, Pillager, MN
218-746-3775
Sunday Worship 9:30 a.m..
Sunday School 8:30 a.m..
Casino Assembly of God
Pastor Dan Johnson
N. of Motley, Hwy. 64, E. on Cty 34 to Cty. 104.
Phone 218-746-3839
Sunday School 9:30 a.m..
Worship 10:30 a.m..
Sunday Worship 7:00 p.m..
WEDNESDAY 7:00 p.m..
First Baptist
903 River Street South, Pillager
Pastor Jake Anderson
218-746-3768
curious@fbcpillager.com
Worship Gathering 10:00 a.m..
Connection Point 9:30 a.m..
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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
109 NW Brown Street, Verndale, MN 56481
218-445-5619
Senior Pastor Tony Stanley
Heath Belknap, Pastor of Student Ministries
Sunday Worship 9:30 a.m..
Sunday Bible Fellowship Classes
..... 11-11:45 a.m..
Family Life Church
402 NE Clark Drive, Verndale 218-445-5568
VerndaleFLC@gmail.com
Pastor Amos Self 218-371-7189
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..
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
Bible Study 6:30 p.m..
Verndale United Methodist
10 3rd Ave. SW, Verndale
218-445-5108
Pastor Jill Pawlowski
Sunday Worship 9:00 a.m..
Central United Methodist
5 miles N on Cty Rd 26 (Nimrod tar)
Pastor Chuck Horsager, 218-639-4225
Sunday Worship 9:00 a.m..
Sunday School 10:30 a.m..

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Following the temptation of Jesus, the Sermon on the Mount spans chapters 5-7 in the Gospel of Matthew. In the midst of this teaching, Jesus touches the famous Lord's Prayer (Matt 6:9-13) within a teaching of the three pillars of our Lenten preparation: almsgiving (Matt 6:1-4), prayer (Matt 6:5-8), and fasting (Matt 6:16-18). Fittingly, prayer is at the heart of these three pillars and is the most explained. Within the context of our relationship with the Father through His Son, our Lord, the Spirit can be powerfully at work in our lives and through our actions. For, indeed, if we should be generous with our resources and rigorous in our discipline, but absent in our love, then what have we gained but misery? In this time of anticipation and preparation, do not forget the reason for the season; permit the love of the Lord to permeate every aspect of your Lenten journey this year.

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Obituaries



John Strom

John E. Strom, 85, of Aldrich, passed away March 11, 2019 at the Lakewood Health System Care Center in Staples.

Graveside services for John will be held at Evergreen Hill Cemetery in Staples at a later date.

John was born in Bertha on April 27, 1933, to John G. Strom and Lilian M. (Erickson) Strom. John graduated from Staples High School in 1951. He attended St. Olaf College earning a Bachelor of Science Degree. He was drafted into the U.S. Army on September 20, 1956 and was honorably discharged on September 8, 1958.

After returning home, John helped his mother with the mink ranch in Aldrich. He also worked at Benson Optical in Staples as an optician and later he worked at Wal-Mart in Baxter in the optical department until his retirement. John was a Mason, a member of the Congregational Church in Aldrich, later the United Methodist Church in Staples. He served as the Aldrich City Clerk for many years.

John is survived by his brother-in-law, Don Cameron of Baxter; two nephews, Stephen (Cathie) Cameron of Pierz, Jon (Felicia) Cameron of Santee, CA; two nieces, Jani "Susie" (Scott) Nundahl of Aldrich, Jodi Cameron of Baxter; six great nieces and two great nephews.

John is preceded in death by his parents; one sister, Janice (Strom) Cameron and one nephew, Jeff.

Arrangements are with the Iten Funeral Home - itenfuneralhome.com.

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Herbert Hanson

Herbert (Herb) P. Hanson, 94, of Motley passed away at the Little Falls Care Center, March 8, 2019.

Mass of Christian Burial was held March 15 at St. Michael's Catholic Church in Motley with Father Gabriel Walz presiding.

Interment will be at Poplar Cemetery in Poplar Township.

Herb was born December 15, 1924 to Henry (Alfred) and Cecilia (Eckes) Hanson in Crosby. Herb served in the U.S. Navy aboard the Rainier, used until 1970. He was assigned to an ammunition ship in the Pacific during WWII.

He married Elsie I. Davis on July 21, 1948 at St. Michael's Catholic Church in Motley.

Herb was a master wood cutter. He loved playing cards and working puzzles. He was a farmer for many years.

He is survived by his wife; four daughters, Sandy (Randy) Jenkins of Motley, Diane (Greg) Johnson of Staples, Deb (Tim) Cline of Browerville, Pam (Moris) Carter of Staples; one son, Ronnie (Cindy) Hanson of Motley, 16 grandchildren; many great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren; one sister, Carolyn; daughter-in-law, Della Hanson of Motley.

He was preceded in death by his parents; one son, Harlin; infant grandson, Sheldon; one brother, Donald and one sister, Dorothy.

Arrangements by Taylor Funeral Home, Staples.

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Norma Anderson

Norma M. Anderson, 97, passed from this world to her eternal home on March 10, 2019 at Lakewood Health System Care Center, Staples.

Memorial services were held at Staples United Methodist Church March 16, 2019.

Interment will be held at a later date.

Norma was born April, 1921 to Ray and Annie France in Staples. She attended Staples schools, graduating in 1939. Following graduation she worked at the Ben Franklin store in Staples for eight years. In 1944, she met a handsome young soldier from Verndale who was home on leave. She and Roy were married in Great Bend, Kansas following a six-week courtship. They had a full and rewarding life together for 72 years until his passing in 2016. Their favorite place to be was "together".

Norma was a devoted wife, mother and grandmother. She loved spending time with her family. She especially enjoyed traveling, as she and Roy took many trips together by car, bus, train, airplane and cruise ship. They shared many of these trips with family and friends, creating a lot of memories. Norma enjoyed reading, dancing, gourmet cooking, entertaining and sewing. She volunteered at the United Methodist Church and was involved in Women's Society and Circle. She also served as Secretary-Treasurer of local Lady Trainmen Organization.

Norma is survived by two daughters, Terry (Dennis) Stolhanske, of New Hope and Toni (Doug) Case, of Staples; grandchildren, Kristie (Erik) Thorson, Lisa (Mike) Kennedy, Trevor Stolhanske, Michael Case, and Aaron (Diana) Case; eight great-grandchildren; one brother, Walter (Edwena) France, of Atlanta, GA and five nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her husband; parents and one sister, Mickey Swanson.

Arrangements were by Brenny Family Funeral Chapel, www.brenny.com. 800-824-5051.

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Wally Thompson

Wallace J. Thompson, known as Wally, 85, of Staples, died March 15, 2019 at Lakewood Health System Hospital in Staples.

A memorial service will be held March 20 at 11 a.m. at Faith Lutheran Church, Staples, with Pastor Carl Larson officiating. Visitation will be held March 19 from 5 to 7 p.m. at the Brenny Family Funeral Chapel in Staples and one hour prior to the service at the church.

Interment will be at the Minnesota State Veterans Cemetery, Little Falls.

Wally was born June 15, 1933 in Argyle to Anton and Lillian (Peterson) Thompson. He grew up and was educated in Grand Forks, ND, attending Central High School. He served in the U.S. Army from 1953 to 1955. He was united in marriage to Marian Schmaltz Dec. 12, 1956 in Minnewaukan, ND and they made their home in Grand Forks. He began working with the BNSF Railroad in the Material Department, working his way up to Locomotive Fireman and Engineer. He was transferred with the railroad on Jan. 20, 1972 to Staples, working in Administrative to Management (Trainmaster), retiring after 46 years with the company. He was united in marriage to Shirley Redemske on July 1, 1995 at the Staples United Methodist Church. Shirley died August 10, 2018.

Wally was a member of Faith Lutheran Church and the Masonic Lodge, serving as Master of the Lodge five times and receiving the Hiram Award. He spent 15 years in Rotary, served 15 years on the Staples Tree Committee, planting hundreds of trees in Staples. He was a member of the NARVRE (National Association of Retired & Veteran Railway Employee's, Inc.). He enjoyed Square Dancing, growing roses and vacationing in Arizona.

He is survived by five children, Audrey (Scott) Nelson of Grand Forks, ND, Linda (Dean) Shearer of Fargo, ND, Glenn Thompson of Princeton, Roger (Sandy) Thompson of Bismarck, ND and Dawn Anderson of Crookston; eight grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; two sisters, Marlene (Bob) Bemenderfer and Ardyce (Terry) Swanson.

He was preceded in death by his parents; siblings: Bud Thompson, Ronald Thompson, Keith Thompson, Connie Elgaen, Sharon Gudmundson and Joan Bare and wife, Shirley.

Arrangements are by Brenny Family Funeral Chapel in Staples. www.brenny.com

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Kenneth Edin

A Celebration of Life memorial service for Kenneth Edin of Cushing, was held March 15, 2019 at the Lincoln Evangelical Free Church in Cushing with Pastor Don Reigstad presiding.

Kenneth James Edin, 88, of Cushing, passed away March 9, at home under the care of Lakewood Health Systems Hospice, and with family.

Kenneth was born March 22, 1930 at home in Thomastown Township, Wadena County, Minnesota, to Adolph and Mattie Edin. He graduated from Staples High School in 1948. He served in the U. S. Army. He married Thelma Ann Odland on May 12, 1956, at the Lutheran Church in Wadena. They lived in the Twin Cities one year before purchasing and moving to a farm in Thomastown Township.

Kenneth farmed and milked cows for over 30 years. He cut timber during the winter and when he retired from farming he worked construction and continued to cut timber. He taught his children the value of hard work, spent several years visiting with shut-ins as he enjoyed talking with people. He enjoyed fishing, picking berries and would often be seen driving his Gator to the woods to get a load of firewood.

Kenneth loved his Lord. He taught Sunday School for many years, served as Sunday School Superintendent and was an elder at the churches he attended. He enjoyed his family and knew where every grandchild was and what they were doing. Ken loved to tell stories and jokes trying to make people laugh. He would often introduce himself as "Ken, my mother called me that."

Kenneth is survived by his wife; children: Michael (Bonny) of Angle Inlet, Michele (Maurice) Zwack of Casselton, ND, Marcus (Kimberly), Randal (Sheila) and Thomas (Tina), all of Staples, Renee (Dan) Harding of Kilgore, TX and Jan Edin Fitzer of Edina; 24 grandchildren; 12 great-grandchildren; two sisters, Marjorie Eyres of Maple Plain, Patricia (Gaylord) Fries of St Louis Park.

Kenneth was preceded in death by his parents; one son, Ronald; sister and brother-in-law Evelyn (Lewis) Chrisofferson; brother-in-law Jack Eyres; and four grandchildren, Anna Edin, Samantha Edin, Jenna Edin and Isaac Harding.

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

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Paul Caquelin

Paul F. Caquelin, 77, Brainerd, passed away February 16, 2019 at St. Joseph's Essentia Medical Center in Brainerd, with his wife of 55 years at his side.

Services will be held Saturday, April 6 at 11 a.m. at First Lutheran Church in Brainerd with Pastor Thomas Stoebig officiating. Visitation is one hour prior to services at the church.

Paul was born February 4, 1942 in Macon, GA, to Howard and Elizabeth (Baringer) Caquelin. Raised in a military family, Paul had many different homes including Japan and Germany, eventually landing in San Antonio, TX. After two years at the University of Illinois, he took a job with the new Kraft plant in Champaign and became supervisor of the department responsible for cheese taste and quality. Paul married Susan (Johnson) on August 31, 1963 and started a family with the surprise of twin boys in 1973. In 1977, with no previous experience, Paul moved his family to Staples, MN and bought into the Staples World Newspaper, where he was a part owner and editor. He was the roving photographer at nearly every Staples sporting event for over 10 years, making each young athlete feel like a star with the perfect action shot and a caption in next week's Staples World. His dedication to Staples High School sports will always be remembered by those who played in those events and Staples community. Paul became a writer over time, telling hundreds of stories and sharing his life in his weekly column "Wings on the World". He was also a former Staples School Board Member, showing his commitment to his community. His next career was working at Cragun's Resort as a conference planner then he worked at Super America on South 6th for ten years. It seemed his Super America regulars scheduled their daily trips so they could shoot the breeze and have a laugh. Paul was a humble servant with a great sense of humor and a twinkle in his eye. It took very little for him to be content; a dog to walk, a good book to read, and time with family and friends.

Survivors include his wife; twin sons, Brian (Erin Murray) and Christopher (Lauren); one granddaughter, Emma; other family members include Del Butterfield, Susan Butterfield, Larry (Susan) Butterfield, Matthew (Valorie) Butterfield and Daniel Butterfield; and his dog, Cierra.

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Todd County Commissioners Minutes

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE TODD COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS FEBRUARY 19, 2019

Public Comment

Carol Duke and Don Brown, Long Lake Improvement Association voiced concerns regarding the proposed Hollermann Dairy CUP on the upcoming agenda.

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 19th day of February, 2019 at 9:00 a.m. The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Kneisl. The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance. All Commissioners were present.

Approval of Agenda

On motion by Neumann and seconded by Erickson, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To approve the agenda as presented.

Consent Agenda

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

To approve the Commissioner's Meeting Minutes and Joint Meeting Minutes of February 5, 2019 as presented.

GAMBLING PERMIT - MAIN STREET DUCKS UNLIMITED

WHEREAS, the Todd County Board of Commissioners are establishing their approval for a Gambling Permit for the Main Street Ducks Unlimited through this resolution;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Todd County Board of Commissioners approve a Gambling Permit for the Main Street Ducks Unlimited to hold a raffle event at the Diamond Point Steakhouse in Birchdale Township at the address 12818 Bayview Dr, Sauk Centre MN on March 16, 2019.

GAMBLING PERMIT - WAHOO VALLEY CHAPTER OF MN DEER HUNTERS ASSOCIATION

WHEREAS, the Todd County Board of Commissioners are establishing their approval for a Gambling Permit for the Wahoo Valley Chapter of MN Deer Hunters Association through this resolution;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Todd County Board of Commissioners approve a Gambling Permit for the Wahoo Valley Chapter of MN Deer Hunters Association to hold a raffle event at the Clarissa Ballroom in Eagle Valley Township at the address 19281 Kotter Rd, Clarissa MN on March 30, 2019.

To approve a Seasonal Off Sale, On Sale and Sunday Liquor License for the Birchwood Resort at the address of 22182 Birchwood Loop, Sauk Centre, MN in Birchdale Township effective April 15, 2019 through October 15, 2019.

To approve a one year Off Sale, On Sale and Sunday Liquor License for DT Lisson Inc dba Double Eagle Golf & Grille at the address of 31886 County 3, Eagle Bend, MN in Burleene Township effective April 1, 2019 through March 31, 2020.

To approve a one year On Sale and Sunday Club Liquor License for the American Legion 417 - Oscar Jacobson Post (commonly known as Little Sauk Legion) at the address of 16268 County 50, Long Prairie, MN in Little Sauk Township effective April 1, 2019 through March 31, 2020.

To approve a one year On Sale and Sunday Liquor License for the Long Prairie Country Club at the address of 406 6th St SE, Long Prairie, MN in Long Prairie Township effective April 1, 2019 through March 31, 2020.

To approve a one year Off Sale, On Sale and Sunday Liquor License for

Rohdes Midway Gas Bar & Grill Inc at the address of 17908 U.S. 71, Long Prairie, MN in Round Prairie Township effective April 1, 2019 through March 31, 2020.

To approve a one-day On Sale 3.2 Malt Liquor License for the Swanville/Sobieski Lions for the Long Lake Fishing Derby to be held on February 23, 2019 on Long Lake located in Burnhamville Township.

To approve a one year On Sale and Sunday Liquor License for Thunder Lodge Sportsbar & SC Inc at the address of 22056 U.S. 71, Long Prairie, MN in Long Prairie Township effective April 1, 2019 through March 31, 2020.

Auditor-Treasurer

On motion by Becker and seconded by Neumann, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To approve the Commissioner Warrants number (ACH) 400135 through 400145 in the amount of \$107,286.81 and (Regular) 50921 through 51013 in the amount of \$59,661.75 for a total of \$166,948.56.

On motion by Kircher and seconded by Erickson, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To approve the Health & Human Services Warrants number 514781 through 514857 in the amount of \$124,222.28 and warrants number 704364 through 704503 in the amount of \$122,389.11.

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

TRANSFER OF FUNDS FROM GENERAL FUND TO TODD COUNTY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION FUND
WHEREAS, the 2019 Budget for Todd County's support to the Todd County Development Corporation has been approved at \$62,000, and;

WHEREAS, a letter was received from the Todd County Development Corporation requesting for the allocation of funds from the County General Fund to be provided.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Todd County Board of Commissioners hereby approve the transfer of funds in the amount of \$62,000 from Fund 01-General Revenue to Fund 74-Todd County Development Corporation.

On motion by Neumann and seconded by Erickson, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To approve acknowledgement of Central Planes Aviation of Sauk Centre, MN for spraying of army worms in Todd County in the calendar year 2019 along with the public shall be notified within 48 hours prior to spraying.

Todd County Development Corporation

Rick Utech, Executive Director, provided the 2018 Todd County Development Corporation Annual Report for the Commissioners to review.

County Assessor

On motion by Erickson and seconded by Neumann, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To hereby set the Todd County Board of Appeal and Equalization meeting for June 17, 2019; commencing at 6:00 p.m. and not ending before 7:00 p.m.

County Sheriff

On motion by Kircher and seconded by Becker, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To approve to hire Kai Uwe Brings as a part-time Dispatcher effective February 24, 2019 at a Grade 6, Step 1.

On motion by Neumann and seconded by Kircher, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To approve the promotion of Michael Allen to a full-time Sergeant effective February 24, 2019 at a Grade 11, Step 4.

On motion by Kircher and seconded by Erickson, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To approve to hire Jacob Weishair as a full-time Deputy Sheriff effective February 24, 2019 at a Grade 10, Step 1.

Planning & Zoning

On motion by Kircher and seconded by Becker, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To grant the Conditional Use Permit request for Hollermann Dairy with the 12 conditions developed by the Planning Commission.

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

FINAL PLAT APPROVAL - "SUMMER SHORES FIRST ADDITION" SUBDIVISION

WHEREAS, Applicant KJ Land Company - Jeremy Donabauer and owner Mary Robinson applied to subdivide a property that is described as Part of Government Lot 1 of Section 34 AND Part of SE4 of Section 27 ALL, in Leslie Township with the plat to be known as Summer Shores First Addition,

WHEREAS, Summer Shores First Addition consists of five residential lots, Lot 1 53600 ± square feet, Lot 2 54,800± square feet, Lot 3 56,100± square feet, Lot 4 49,200± square feet and Lot 5 148,600± square feet located in the General Development Shoreland zoning of Osakis Lake in Leslie Township,

WHEREAS, On January 3, 2019 the Todd County Planning Commission recommended the following property be considered for Subdivision pursuant to Todd County Subdivision Regulation and Ordinance: SECT-27 TWP-129 RANG-35 PART OF SE4 OF SEC 27 DESC AS: COMM AT NW CORNER OF LOT 1 BLK 2 OF HELEN'S LANDING, W 66.05 FT, NW 327.70 FT, NE 728.29 FT, N 50.64 FT TO CENTERLINE OF HWY 10, SW 1463.87 FT TO POINT OF BEG, SE 166.77 FT, SW 108.03 FT, SE 59.70 FT, SE 170.92 FT, SE 65.64 FT, SE 49.90 FT, SE 59.09 FT, SE 21.95 FT, S 18 FT TO LAKE SHORE, W'LY ALONG LAKESHORE 1369 FT TO W LINE OF GOVT LOT 1, N 524 FT, N 79.57 FT TO CENTERLINE OF HWY 10, NE 1173.89 FT TO POINT OF BEG; EXCEPT W 600.00 FT 2.98 ACRES - GIS

AND SECT-34 TWP-129 RANG-35 PART OF GOVT LOT 1 OF SEC 34 DESC AS: COMM AT NW CORNER OF LOT 1 BLK 2 OF HELEN'S LANDING, W 66.05 FT, NW 327.70 FT, NE 728.29 FT, N 50.64 FT TO CENTERLINE OF HWY 10, SW 1463.87 FT TO POINT OF BEG, SE 166.77 FT, SW 108.03 FT, SE 59.70 FT, SE 170.92 FT, SE 65.64 FT, SE 49.90 FT, SE 59.09 FT, SE 21.95 FT, S 18 FT TO LAKESHORE, W'LY ALONG LAKESHORE 1369 FT TO W LINE OF GOVT LOT 1, N 524 FT, N 79.57 FT TO CENTERLINE OF HWY 10, NE 1173.89 FT TO POINT OF BEG; EXCEPT W 600.00 FT 6.30 ACRES - GIS

WHEREAS, On January 15 2019 the Todd County Board of Commissioners considered the Preliminary Plat for the above described property and approved the Summer Shores First Addition preliminary plat with conditions,

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 "Summer Shores First Addition" subdivision be approved as presented.

Solid Waste

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

See **TCC** on page 10a

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE OF TAX-FORFEITED LANDS

Friday, April 5, 2019 10:00 a.m.

Todd County Commissioner Board Room in the Historical Court House 215 1st Avenue S. Long Prairie, MN 56347

New forfeited parcels and repriced parcels will be on auction.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the parcels described in the List of Tax-Forfeited Land that is contained herein shall be sold to the highest bidder at public sale. The sale will be governed by the provisions of Minn. Stat. § 282.01 and by the resolution of the Todd County Board of Commissioners authorizing such sale. The resolution reads as follows:

BE IT RESOLVED, that all parcels of tax-forfeited land listed on the List of Tax-Forfeited Land be classified as nonconservation land; that the basic sale price of each parcel on List of Tax-Forfeited Land, that is on file with the Clerk of the County Board, be approved and authorization for a public sale of this land be granted, pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 282.01; that the sale will be held at 10:00 a.m., Friday, April 5, 2019, by the Todd County Auditor/Treasurer at the Commissioner Board Room in the Historical Courthouse, for not less than the basic sale price; and that all sales shall be full payment or on the terms set forth on the List of Tax-Forfeited Land.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the conditions and terms of the public sale shall be as described in the list of Tax-Forfeited Land contained here-in and approved by the Todd County Board of Commissioners.

Information about the sale of tax-forfeited land in Todd County can be obtained at the office of the County Auditor/Treasurer, Todd County Courthouse, 215 1st Avenue So., Suite 201, Long Prairie, Minnesota, 56347. Telephone: (320) 732-4469 or online at: www.co.todd.mn.us/departments/auditor_treasurer/forfeiture_land

NOTICE TODD COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION 215 1st Ave. South, Suite 103 Long Prairie, Minnesota 56347 320-732-4420

Notice is hereby given that on **Thursday, April 4, 2019 at 6:00 p.m.** the Todd County Planning Commission will hold a public hearing in the Commissioners Meeting Room, 215 First Ave. South, Long Prairie to consider the following applications.

1. **REM Preliminary Plat:** Section 25 Township 127 Range 33 in Birchdale Township. Site Address: NA. PIN: 03-0019700

1) Subdivide 43,461 square feet into one (1) residential lot.

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

Todd County Planning Commission
Michael Wiener,
Chairperson

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NOTICE BECKER TOWNSHIP BOARD OF APPEAL AND EQUALIZATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the Board of Appeal and Equalization for the Township of Becker, Cass County, Minnesota shall meet on Tuesday, April 2, 2019, at 10:00 a.m. at the Becker Township Hall.

The purpose of this meeting is to determine whether taxable property in the jurisdiction has been properly valued and classified by the assessor; and to determine whether corrections need to be made.

Mary Fitcher, Clerk
Becker Township

12-13pnc

(ABBREVIATED ADVERTISEMENT) TODD COUNTY 2019 BITUMINOUS PROJECTS Closing date: April 8, 2019

Sealed bids will be accepted until 10:00 a.m., April 8, 2019 by the Todd County Public Works Director/Engineer and County Auditor/Treasurer at 44 Riverside Drive, Long Prairie, Minnesota 56347 for the following construction projects:

**SAP 077-613-003
SAP 077-619-005
SAP 077-635-001
SAP 077-637-005
SAP 077-647-003
CP 19:59
CP 19:93
CP 19:96
CP 19:101
CP 19:105
CP 77-19-01
SAP 077-600-008
CP 77-19-04
CP 77-19-07**

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Loren Fellbaum,
Todd County Public Works Director/Engineer

11-13pnc

NOTICE BULLARD TOWNSHIP MEETING DAYS

Notice is hereby given that at the Bullard Township Annual Meeting held on Tuesday, March 12, 2019, it was voted that the township meeting days will be changed to the second Monday of every month.

The holiday alternate meeting day has been changed to the third Monday of the month.

Janelle VanAlst, Clerk
Bullard Township

12pnc

NOTICE MAY TOWNSHIP ASSESSMENT MEETING

The Board of Appeal and Equalization for the Township of May, Cass County, Minnesota shall meet on Tuesday, April 2, 2019 at 12:00 p.m. (noon) at the May Town Hall. The purpose of this meeting is to determine whether taxable property in the jurisdiction has been properly valued and classified by the assessor, and to determine whether corrections need to be made.

Bianca Wyffels, Clerk
May Township

12-13pnc

NOTICE BULLARD TOWNSHIP BOARD OF APPEAL - EQUALIZATION

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Review - Equalization of the Township of Bullard of Wadena County, Minnesota, will meet at the Bullard Township Hall in Section 27 of Bullard Township at 9:00 a.m. on Friday, April 5, 2019. The purpose of this meeting is to determine whether property in the jurisdiction has been properly valued and classified by the assessor.

If you believe the value or classification of your property is incorrect, please contact your assessor's office to discuss your concerns. If you disagree with the valuation or classification after discussing it with your assessor, you may appear before the local board of appeal and equalization. The board will review your assessments and may make corrections as needed. Generally, you must appeal to the local board before appealing to the county board of appeal and equalization.

Janelle VanAlst, Clerk
Bullard Township

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Notice is hereby given that sealed Bids will be received by the City of Staples, Minnesota until 2:00 p.m., Thursday, April 11, 2019, at the Staples City Office - Administration, 122 6th Street NE Staples, MN 56479, at which time they will be publicly opened and read aloud, for the furnishing of all labor and material for the construction of 2019 Multi-Aircraft Hangar Construction. Major components of the Work include: hangar building construction, earthwork, site grading, concrete/bituminous paving, and turf establishment.

Bids shall be on the form provided for that purpose and according to the Bidding Requirements prepared by Short Elliott Hendrickson Inc. (SEH®) dated March 7, 2019.

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A pre-Bid conference will not be held for this project. Direct all questions to the Engineer five (5) days prior to opening of bids.

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A Contractor responding to these Bidding Documents must submit to the City/Owner a signed statement under oath by an owner or officer verifying compliance with each of the minimum criteria in Minnesota Statutes, Section 16C.285, Subdivision 3.

Bids shall be directed to the City Administrator, securely sealed and endorsed upon the outside wrapper, "BID FOR 2019 MULTI-AIRCRAFT HANGAR CONSTRUCTION, STAPLES MUNICIPAL AIRPORT."

The City of Staples reserves the right to reject any and all Bids, to waive irregularities and informalities therein and to award the Contract in the best interests of the City of Staples.

Jerel Nelsen
City Administrator

City of Staples, Minnesota
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by unanimous vote: To set the tipping fee at \$20 a ton and sign the Hauler Agreement with Alex Rubbish.

Health & Human Services

On motion by Kircher and seconded by Erickson, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To approve the Licensing Specialist Services - Adult Foster Care Agreement between Todd County, member of Region 5, and Sourcewell.

MIS

On motion by Kircher and seconded by Neumann, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To approve the purchase of xPlore Full Text Search licenses for the Application Xtender imaging system.

Administration

On motion by Neumann and seconded by Becker, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To appoint Loren Miller as the Planning and Zoning Administrator.

On motion by Kircher and seconded by Becker, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To approve the re-establishment of the Expo Building Committee to consist of two County Commissioners, the County Coordinator, County Department Head of Facilities, two members of the Agricultural Society and two members of the Hockey Association. The County Commissioners appointed to serve on this committee are Commissioner Becker and Commissioner Erickson.

Auditor-Treasurer's Report

The Auditor-Treasurer reported on projects in progress including the MACO Conference and tax calculation progress.

Commissioner's Report

The Commissioners reported on meetings attended.

Coordinator's Report

The Coordinator reported on meetings attended and projects in progress.

Adjourn

On motion by Neumann and seconded by Kircher, the meeting was adjourned for the month of February, 2019.

Vendor Name	\$ Amount
CHAMBERLAIN OIL CO.	\$4,739.38
DELL MARKETING L.P.	6,327.76
HILLYARD	3,824.09
LUBE-TECH & PARTNERS, LLC	6,020.12
STAPLES WORLD	4,866.12
SUMMIT COMPANIES	2,790.00
TOWMASTER	100,726.63
TURNKEY/THREE SQUARE MARKET	2,266.05
96 PAYMENTS LESS	
THAN \$2,000	35,388.41
Total	\$166,948.56

Vendor Name	\$ Amount
#14813	\$2,157.60
#15336	3,460.84
#11326	2,846.42
HOLISTIC FAMILY ED.SRVS.	6,185.01
#15511	5,774.37
LITTLE SAND GROUP HOME	7,431.01
LUTHERAN SOCIAL SERV. OF MN - ST PAUL	4,573.12
#10746	2,437.84
NORTHERN PINES MENTAL HLTH CTR IN	4,530.00
NORTHWOOD CHILD. SRVS.	4,579.05
#13849	4,737.00
#15286	4,047.05
#15615	2,930.74
STEP	5,692.04
VALLEY LAKE BOYS HOME INC.	2,850.00

VILLAGE RANCH INC.	13,799.81
WEST CENTRAL REG JUVENILE CTR	8,951.00
PAYMENTS LESS	
THAN \$2,000	37,239.38
Total	\$124,222.28

Vendor Name	\$ Amount
V#11877 - COST EFF. HEALTH INS.	2,297.28
V #15770 - COST EFF. HEALTH INS.	5,474.72
DHS - MSOP - MN SEX OFFENDER PROGRAM	5,781.50
DHS - ST PETER RTC - 472	9,036.50
DHS - SWIFT	5,857.63
V #15418 - COST EFF. HEALTH INS.	3,631.85
FRESHWATER ED. DIST	15,731.00
V #15386 - COST EFF. HEALTH INS.	2,372.73
KARVONEN FUNERAL HOME - WADENA	3,383.00
V #15780 - COST EFF. HEALTH INS.	2,259.66
RURAL MN CEP INC	14,160.19
V #15772 - COST EFF. HEALTH INSURANCE	2,680.14
128 PAYMENTS LESS	
THAN \$2,000	49,722.91
Total	\$122,389.11

On a motion by Kircher and seconded by Erickson, the preceding minutes of the County Board meeting held February 19, 2019 were duly approved by unanimous vote at the Todd County Board of Commissioners Regular Board Meeting held on March 5, 2019.

Witness my hand and seal:

Gary Kneisl,
County Board Chairperson

Denise Gaida, Todd County Auditor-Treasurer

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Contact Kali Pachan, 218-756-3636, ext. 23 or kpachan@ctcccinc.com

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We are looking for reliable, service oriented individuals to serve the citizens of Todd County in the following positions:

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To learn more about these positions and how to apply visit the Todd County website at www.co.todd.mn.us or go directly to NEOGov at <https://www.governmentjobs.com/careers/cotoddmn> Questions may be directed to Administration at 320.732.6155.

EOE

CENTRAL TODD COUNTY Central Todd County Care Center RN/LPN position available

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Friday, noon

Staples Square Shooter shopper deadline is Wednesday at 5 p.m.



Staples-Motley Spring Family Formal

(Photos by Bill Johnson of Picture Day Pro!)

Dressing up, dancing with parents, posing and having fun, Staples-Motley Elementary students had a ball at their Spring Family Formal on March 8.



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SIMONLAND continued from page 1a Secondhand store a family friendly business



Getting ready to open

Tashina and Andrew Simon worked to hang a sign near the outside entrance of their new shop, Simonland Secondhand in Staples, prior to its opening for business March 1. (Staples World photo by Janice Winter)

a-half year old son, Cooper, points to a Batman toy on display in the front room. There's also a wide assortment of toys, books and DVD's that are appropriate for children.

Fishing enthusiasts are sure to be able to find something at Simonland Secondhand, which Tashina describes as a one-stop shop for both ice and summer fishing. "From muskies to sunfish," Andrew chimes in.

Their inventory changes all the time, Tashina said. As they sell items, they replace them with something new. Recently, they stocked hundreds of DVD's, stacks of old records, books and jewelry.

Old Coleman lanterns, tiki torches, a garden hose rack and miscellaneous tools are a reminder that warmer weather is soon to be here.

There's even an opportunity to play PAC-MAN on

a 1980s Atari at Simonland Secondhand. It's located at the front counter, and for a small fee customers can relive a popular game from their youth, or try it for the first time.

Both Tashina and Andrew enjoy finding unique and unusual items to sell at their shop, such as a lobster salt and pepper set and a travel shaver that looks like a large tube of lipstick. Yes, there's always something interesting to see when browsing through their shop, the Simons say.

Andrew recently purchased 80 knives that had been confiscated from the airport; and he hopes to have some good deals to offer their customers.

The Simons have called Staples "home" for the past three years and are excited to be a part of the downtown business scene. With warmer weather around the corner, they look forward to seeing more people out and about and welcome them to stop by and browse through their shop. Trading items is also an option.

Simonland Secondhand is open on Thursday, Friday and Saturday, from 8 a.m. - 4 p.m. You can also find them on Facebook and purchase items online.

For in store inquiries, call Andrew at 218-371-6894. For online inquiries, call Tashina at 218-360-2396.

Little helper

Cooper Simon stands by the Batman toy on display at Simonland Secondhand in Staples, the new downtown business recently opened by his parents, Andrew and Tashina Simon of Staples. The three-and-a-half year old said he's had a good time helping mommy and daddy stock shelves, especially the ones that contain toys.



Spacious shop, variety of merchandise

Simonland Secondhand in downtown Staples is located along 4th Street NE, in what was once an insurance business. The spacious three-room business is home to a variety of inventory that changes week to week. The business is owned and operated by Andrew and Tashina Simon of Staples. (Staples World photo by Dawn Timbs)



Elizabeth Kroll, Sarah Kroll and Brooklyn Winter

