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State Champion run

The Staples-Motley girls cross country team takes off in the state meet on Nov. 6. The Cardinals finished in first place as a team.

Weather

This Week's Forecast

	High	Low	Cond.
Nov. 10	47°	34°	Showers
Nov. 11	40	29	Snow
Nov. 12	37	26	Cloudy
Nov. 13	36	24	Cloudy
Nov. 14	37	26	Cloudy
Nov. 15	38	27	M. Cloudy
Nov. 16	38	26	Cloudy

Last Year, 2020

	High	Low	Cond.
Nov. 10	27°	22°	Cloudy
Nov. 11	32	19	Sunny
Nov. 12	33	21	M. Cloudy
Nov. 13	35	28	M. Cloudy
Nov. 14	36	31	P. Sunny
Nov. 15	29	28	Cloudy
Nov. 16	35	28	M. Sunny

Average Temps:
H = 42° Low = 25°

Compiled by Dale Hausmann, WCCO's Staples area Weatherwatcher

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Veterans Day speaker was secret service agent

Area veterans are invited to attend the Veterans Day program on Thursday, Nov. 11, at 10 a.m. at Staples-Motley High School. Before the event, veterans are invited to a special breakfast at Staples-Motley Elementary School at 9 a.m.

Area resident Wes Budke will be the featured speaker at the high school program, sharing his story after 26 years in the U.S. Secret Service, including providing security for six different U.S. Presidents. Before that, Budke was with the Minnesota Highway Patrol. He also has expereince with the Secret Service Training Center, Federal Air Marshalls and the Transportation Security Administration.

Also at the ceremony, the Staples Veterans Park will dedicate 13 veterans' pavers to be placed in the park.

Pavers include: Kim Waln, Elroy Jasmer, Jeffrey Fuller, Thomas Bergs, Gregory Deering, David Fuller, Melvin Bergs, Melvin Fuller, Daniel Wilhelmson, Thomas Hoemberg, Douglas Bergs, George Swenson Sr. and George Swenson Jr.

The program is open to the public, veterans are asked to come early.



Serving presidents

Wes Budke with President Reagan (above, in sunglasses) and George Bush, below left.



Nanik honored with service award



For 25 years, Sue Nanik has provided a sense of calm and consistency in the face of challenge and change.

As Sourcewell's Director of Administration, Nanik has witnessed the organization evolve from a handful of staff to more than 200. And over that time, the hats she has worn are many – including interim executive director. But Sue has done it all while remaining humble, dedicated, and a storehouse of history and knowledge.

On October 29, Nanik's

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Thumbs up for Bolivian cuisine

Daniel Ortiz (right) introduced his ProStart 1 class group to a Spanish Peanut soup recipe from his native country, Bolivia. Ortiz is a foreign exchange student at Staples-Motley High School this year and has been enjoying his studies so far, as well as being in the United States Also pictured, from left, are Brooke Hansen and Connor Bingham. (Staples World photo by Dawn Timbs)

Students learn life-long culinary skills in ProStart 1

By Dawn Timbs
Staples World reporter

With scents of Italian sausage, broasted chicken and a variety of simmering veggies wafting down a hallway at Staples-Motley High School recently, passers-by may have wondered if they'd happened upon a gourmet cafe by accident.

No, the tantalizing aromas in the air Oct. 29, were the result of soup creations from students in Tina Mitts' ProStart 1 class at Staples-Motley.

The 16 cuisine scholars had been divided into five different groups, each assigned with finding a soup recipe, making it and sharing it with their classmates.

On the menu that day were the following soups: chicken wild rice, gumbo, Zuppa Toscana, chicken noodle and Spanish peanut soup. Can anyone say, "Yum"?

This is a year-long class Mitts said, adding that it's geared toward learning culinary/restaurant and hospitality skills. She also teaches ProStart 2, which currently has a roster of eight students.

In ProStart 1, they learn about recipes, identifying cooking terms, culinary skills, various knife cuts, as well as safety and sanitation.

This class is a part of the school's Family and Consumer Science (FACS) department, in the Career and Technical Education (CTE) category, Mitts said "It used to be called Home Economics. Today, however FACS is more geared to career skill building," she added.

Liam Harvey, a senior at SMHS, said he took the class because, "Everyone needs a hobby," and he enjoys cooking. He was first inspired by his dad Nathan, a former chef who studied at Le Cordon Bleu College of Culinary Arts At this point, Liam said he doesn't intend to follow in his father's footsteps, but

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Offering feedback

Tina Mitts, Family Consumer Sciences Teacher at Staples-Motley High School, checks in on one of the groups making soup in her ProStart 1 class. The boys (Noah Greenwaldt and Taylor Serich) were working on a recipe for chicken wild rice soup. (Staples World photo by Dawn Timbs)

Christmas for Kids helped by Rotary Club donation

The Staples Rotary Club helped kick off the Christmas for Kids fundraising campaign organized by the Staples '93 Lions Club with a donation of $100.

Each year the Staples '93 Lions Club raises funds to purchase Christmas gifts for children. They primarily give toys but will also have snow pants, hats and mittens available for those who need them.

Applications are required and are available at Staples-Motley Elementary School, Staples-Motley Middle School/High School and Sacred Heart School. The program is open to families with children from pre-school through 16 years old. Applicants will receive a letter prior to the day the items will be available, which is Dec. 4 this year.

Donation boxes for cash donations can be found in various locations in Staples. In addition, MidMinnesota Federal Credit Union and First International Bank will have mitten trees where hats and mittens will be accepted.

To make a donation or for more information please call Gail Honek at 218-296-1957 or Janet Opheim at 218-296-1358.



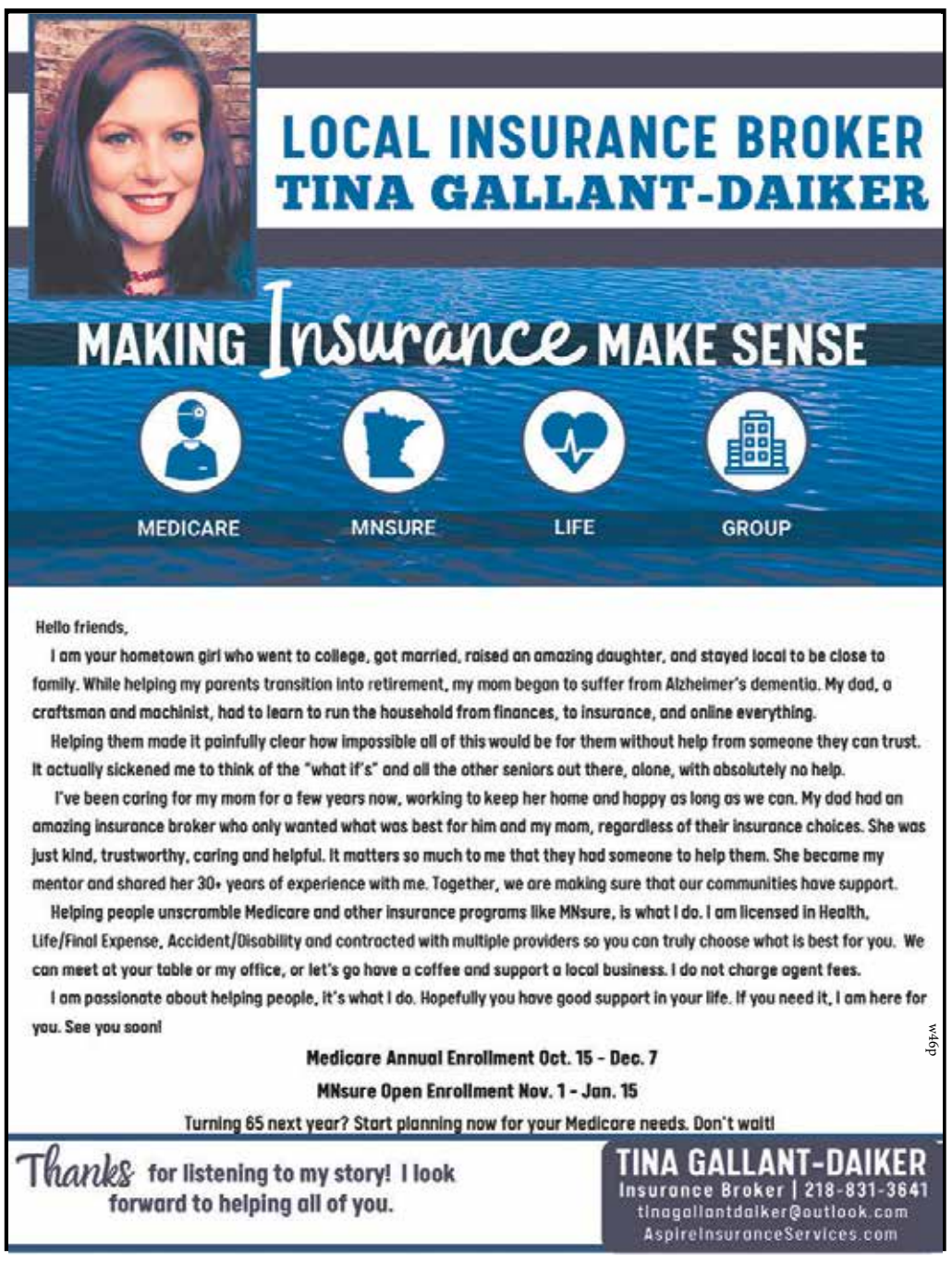
Rotary Club donation

The Staples Rotary Club helped kick off the Christmas for Kids fundraising campaign organized by the Staples '93 Lions Club with a donation of $100. From left are Marv Rothstein and Jerel Nelsen, Rotary; Donna Shaw and Gail Honek, '93 Lions; Jim Hofer and Ray Garland, Rotary; and Janet Opheim, '93 Lions. (Submitted photo)

Meth arrest following traffic stop in Motley

Cass County Sheriff Tom Burch reports that on Saturday, October 30, pursuant to an ongoing investigation into the possession, sales and distribution of methamphetamine in Cass County and surrounding areas, investigators, with the assistance of the Minnesota State Patrol, conducted a traffic stop on a passenger vehicle in the Motley area in Morrison County.

The driver, identified as Craig Erickson, 44, of Pine River, was detained. A search of the vehicle was conducted and approximately 456 grams (one pound) of suspected crystal methamphetamine was located and seized. Formal charges are pending.



Terry Brisk homicide case still open, five years later

The Morrison County Sheriff's Office (MCSO) continues to ask for the public's assistance in the homicide investigation of Terrence "Terry" Brisk's death that occurred five years ago on Nov. 7. The sheriff's office is still actively investigating this case with assistance from the Bureau of Criminal Apprehension.

Brisk, who was 41 at that time, was shot on family-owned wooded property northwest of the intersection of Hawthorne Rd. and Jewel Rd. in Belle Prairie Township, east of Little Falls.

The sheriff's office has confirmed that the suspect shot and killed Terry Brisk with his own rifle. Based on evidence at the scene, the suspect was in close proximity to Brisk and it is believed that Terry and the suspect would have interacted prior to the homicide taking place.

In the last five years, advances in technology have



Terry Brisk

opened some new doors that the sheriff's office continues to explore, which continues to keep this case active.

"Someone may have the information that law enforcement needs to bring closure to this case," the MCSO said in a press release. "Even if you aren't sure if the information you have is important to share, call our agency or Crime Stoppers, as it might be the information that is needed to bring this case forward. Very few tips have been provided to the sheriff's office, so we continue to ask the public for their assistance in this case."

Terry Brisk left behind a wife, Pamela; and children, Johnathon, Nicholas, Frances and Michael.

Members of the public are encouraged to contact the MCSO at 320-632-9233 if they have any information pertaining to this case. Another option is to report it and stay anonymous by contacting Crime Stoppers of Minnesota at their website www.CrimeStoppersMn.org; by calling the toll free number 1-800-222-TIPS from anywhere in Minnesota; by installing the Submit a Tip APP on any smart phone; or by sending a text message beginning with TIP674 to CRIMES (274637). All contact with Crime Stoppers is anonymous and you may qualify for a reward from them if your information leads to an arrest.

Law enforcement reports, Motley area

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

Oct. 28 - Nov. 3

Nov. 3 - The MPD issued a speeding citation to Samuel Fortier, 29.

Nov. 2 - The MPD issued a citation to Logan Kedrowski, 20, for driving with a revoked license. He also had a warrant out of Stearns County. As Stearns County wouldn't take on his warrant, the driver was cited and told he needed to have a valid driver come pick him up.

Oct. 29 - The MPD issued a juvenile driver a citation for having too dark of a tint on his vehicle.

Nov. 1 - The MCSO received a report of theft at the 32000 block of Azure Rd., Cushing.

Oct. 29 - The MCSO responded to a report of a vehicle in the ditch at Hwy 10 and 360th St., Motley. Upon arrival, the deputy found the vehicle with the keys in the ignition and nobody around. The deputy made contact with the reporting officer and learned that the new owner was possibly missing out of Bemidji. The deputy assisted Bemidji Police with securing the vehicle and checking the area for the missing subject.



Looking back

75 Years Ago - 1946

• Nov. 7, 1946 - Douglas Bates, the six year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bates of Staples, who was the first polio victim in this city, returned from the hospitals in Minneapolis about two weeks ago, and is in excellent health. He is still a little weak, and has to be careful for a time, but his physicians stated that he would in time be restored to almost 100 percent health.

• Nov. 7, 1946 - A hot lunch program was inaugurated at the Sacred Heart Parochial school in Staples last week, and an average of 85 students are served daily at the school, for the nominal sum of 10 cents. Mrs. Robert Knosalla is the cook in charge of the hot lunch program at the school.

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• Nov. 7, 1946 - A tragic accident which took the lives of three young men, occurred two and one-fourth miles south of Philbrook just before noon Sunday, when North Coast Limited train No. 1, of the Northern Pacific railway company hit a 1932 Dodge coupe, which was driven by Willis Clews, 18, of Staples. Occupants of the car with Mr. Clews were Gaylord and Lloyd Schmidt (ages 17 and 15, respectively) of near Philbrook, former residents of Staples. All three young men were killed in the accident.

The crossing where the accident occurred is a rural crossing between Philbrook and Lincoln. The three young men had been to Lincoln for some groceries and were enroute home. As their car came to the railroad crossing, it is thought that the driver thought he would be able to make the crossing before the train, but the speed of the train was such that no one could estimate how fast the train was approaching.



Mystery photo

Hello readers. This week's archive photo is from our Oct. 14, 1971 edition. Do you know who these people are and perhaps the context of the photo? Do you have a memory to share? Email your answers and where you are from to dtimbs@staplesworld.com by Friday, or call 218-894-1112. The answers will be published in next week's paper, as well as a new mystery photo.

50 Years Ago - 1971

• Nov. 11, 1971 - This year's FFA Sweetheart candidates, as announced on the front page of the Staples World, are Pam Adamek, Janice Berg, Beverly Busker, Paulette Goeden, Machel Oldenburg, Emily Shake.

• Nov. 11, 1971 - Susan LeVasseur of Staples is among the five outstanding science students from central and northeastern Minnesota, along with their teachers, who will be attending the 1971 National Youth Conference on Science and the Environment this week in Chicago. Ronald Beachy, biology teacher at Staples high school, will be attending with Miss LeVasseur. A junior at SHS, Miss LeVasseur is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ken LeVasseur.

• Nov. 11, 1971 - Over 1,000 students in the Staples school system will be "shot" Nov. 16, Mrs. Ruby Kittilson, school nurse, reported as this is the day that the school will hold its annual immunization clinic.

Under the direction of Mrs. Kittilson, with the cooperation of the local doctors, the clinic will offer the diptheria-tetanus inoculation, the smallpox vaccination and the oral polio vaccine.

Gov. Wendell Anderson has proclaimed Nov. 7 - 13 as Minnesota's Immunization Week, urging Minnesotans to take heed and insure that their families' immunizations are up to date and to receive immunizations to insure that they are protected against diseases.

• Nov. 11, 1971 - Hundreds of farm families from throughout the entire area are expected to be in Staples Nov. 12, as guests of the Chamber of Commerce for the holding of that organization's 11th annual. Farmers Night on the Town.

Under the direction of the Agriculture Committee, headed by M. A. "Whitey" Mueller and James Hofer, a full slate of activities are scheduled throughout the day and evening. Participating in the entire event will be Minnesota's Princess Kay of the Milky Way, Mary Ann Glawe of Detroit Lakes.

25 Years Ago - 1996

• Nov. 7, 1996 - A jubilant Staples Motley High School cross country team latched onto the first place trophy Saturday at the Minnesota State High School League cross country run. The Cardinals, with a team that included one senior, one junior, one sophomore, three freshmen and one eighth grader, ran away with a win with 69 points to 81 for second place Jackson. Members of the team included Robyn Reichel, Jeff Brever, Cory Frisk, Eric Klingaman, Scott Brever, Derek Mattila, Kurt Detloff and Shannon Webster.

• Nov. 7, 1996 - Staples Motley Dollars for Scholars chapter members recently received a second $15,000 donation from Harold Griffiths to be used to establish a permanent Griffiths Scholarship.

• Nov. 7, 1996 - Kristin Quinn, a third year medical student at the University of Minnesota, Twin Cities, will spend the next nine months studying and working with Dr. David Freeman and colleagues at the Lakewood Clinic, P.A.

Through the Rural Physician Associate Program, Quinn and 32 other medical students will experience the daily activities of physicians in communities throughout Minnesota.

• Nov. 7, 1996 - The Cardinal football potluck and awards night was held Oct. 29. Matt Hanson was named most valuable lineman and most defensive points; Matt Heier, most promising back; Mark Carlson, most improved and best defensive back; Shane Rasmussen, most valuable defensive lineman; Steve Hoemberg, most valuable offensive lineman; Chris Goff, most improved; Paul Detloff, most promising lineman; and Bob Hazuka, most valuable back and most valuable offensive back.

10 Years Ago - 2011

• Nov. 10, 2011 - For Ken Klose, the time was right to tell his story. When he came home from Vietnam, it was an unpopular war and public opinion had turned against both the war and the military. Klose now said there is a renewed interest in Vietnam, and people these days are able to separate the politics of the war from the job that the soldiers were doing.

"It's nice to finally be proud of your service," he said.

Klose took his 35 millimeter camera to Vietnam with him and had many of the photos assembled into a slide show. He decided to expand that into a book by adding more of his memories and documents he had collected during his two years in Vietnam. Klose recently finished the book and said his daughter Megan helped inspire him to keep at it, so she could understand how it affected his life.

"Once he started it got me asking questions," said Megan. "I'm really glad he's doing it, it's really interesting to see his experience. I learned a lot from it."

Klose said, "There was nothing dramatic or heroic about what I did." As an interrogator, he wasn't in any heavy combat zones but said, "I have all the respect in the world for the guys who were."

A Staples graduate, Klose was drafted by the U.S. Army while in the middle of graduate school. He was sent to Vietnam in 1969.



Gumbo, anyone?

Liam Harvey (left) and Evan Woodwick stir up ingrediants for the gumbo they are preparing as part of their ProStart1 class assignment Oct. 28. The boys mentioned that Connor Rosetti is also a member of their cooking group, but he was gone that day. (Staples World photo by Dawn Timbs)

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Students choose ProStart class, get jobs in food industry

is glad to be learning these important life-long skills.

Harvey was part of the group making gumbo on 'soup day' in ProStart 1. He rattled off a number of mouth-watering ingredients that went into making the thick Louisiana-style stew, including shrimp, okra, tomatoes, celery and kielbasa (Polish sausage).

They even used a number of fresh ingredients that they harvested from the school garden, Mitts said, mentioning kale, celery, tomatoes, okra, potatoes and eggplant. Kay Eckenrode is the school gardener, she noted.

"Doesn't this smell great?" says junior Evan Woodwick, stirring together the okra, Polish sausage and shrimp for the gumbo he and Harvey are working on.

At the next station over, Brooke Hansen, a sophomore, holds up some fresh tomatoes that will go in her group's Spanish peanut soup, and demonstrates how to correctly cut them. It's a recipe that was suggested by group member Daniel Ortiz, a foreign exchange student this year from Santa Cruz, Bolivia.

In addition to enjoying the process of bringing to life their own recipes, the students were looking forward to tasting the creations of their classmates' soups as well.

"I love teaching ProStart," Mitts said. "The students who are in my classes are there because they choose to be. They are interested and invested. They challenge and support each other and learn to communicate effectively."

When asked if she's seen the ProStart classes prepare students for a culinary career, Mitts answered, "Absolutely. The culinary field offers so many opportunities right now. Two of my former ProStart students enlisted in the Army National Guard last year due to a presentation on M.R.E's (Meals Ready-to-Eat). They are pursuing a culinary career within the military.

"Several other students are working in local businesses as cooks and servers. Another former ProStart student attended culinary school at CLC and is now a sous chef at Grandview Lodge in Nisswa."



Mystery solved

Last week's mystery photo, published in the May 23, 1991 edition of the Staples World featured, from left, Kristin Friis, Shannon Hausmann and Jesse Martin, eighth graders at Staples/Motley Middle School. The girls were part of the English class that had just completed a unit on the Holocaust, the Nazi persecution program aimed at the Jewish population. To simulate some of the feelings of the Jewish people, about 130 English students were herded into a boxcar at the Staples BN yards. Once inside, the door was latched and they spent about five minutes in darkness. "It was hot and dark in there, and scary," one student said. The students also wore black armbands, another attempt to re-create the Holocaust experience. English teachers involved included Frank Odell, Becky Hasselberg and Gloria Palmer.

Tiffany (Mudek) Sweeney of Staples (a 1995 graduate of Staples High School) correctly identified all. Linda Heier of Staples also knew the girls, adding that they graduated with her daughter Michele in 1995. Deb Hausmann, formerly of Staples, now of Starbuck, recognized all. Her daughter Shannon is one of the girls pictured. Judy Wolak of Staples also recognized all. Thanks for participating in our Mystery Photo.

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Nanik makes Sourcewell staff feel valuable

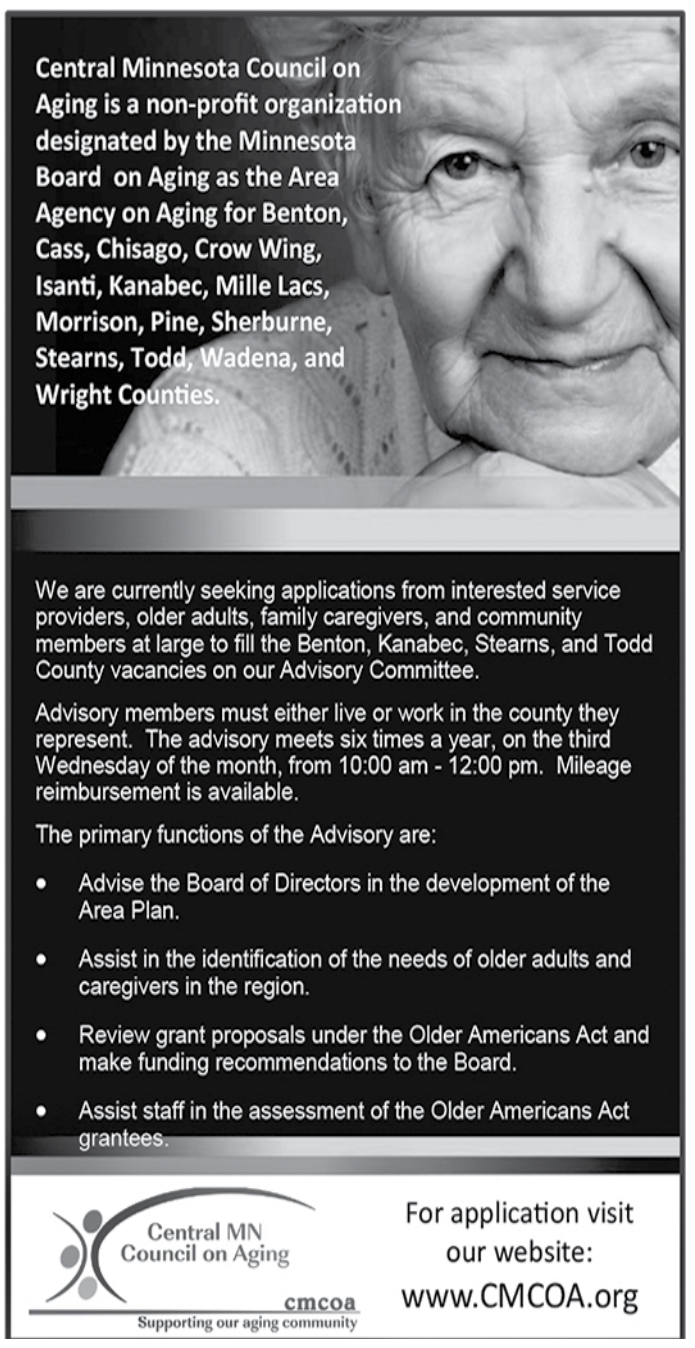
dedication was recognized as she received an Outstanding Service Award by Minnesota Service Cooperatives at the organization's annual conference in Alexandria.

The MSC is a joint powers organization comprised of nine educational service agencies, including Sourcewell, serving and meeting the needs of school districts, cities, counties, and other local governments geographically distributed across the state.

Sourcewell Executive Director and CEO Chad Coauette said the award was well-earned as Sue continually puts people first, doing her best to ensure staff feel valued.

"As a member of Sourcewell's Senior Leadership Team, Sue provides great perspective and strategy while considering each employee," Coauette said. "She is approachable and builds relationships throughout the organization, community, and beyond. As the sole female leader on the SLT Team, she is instrumental in helping make sound decisions and inspire other women to become leaders in the organization."





How a Minnesota panel turned "Hero Checks" into zero checks

By Peter Callaghan
MinnPost

When they announced the plan to give $250 million to frontline pandemic workers, Minnesota legislative leaders sounded as though the hard part had been completed. Even though providing such bonus checks was one of just four allowed uses of the money allocated under the federal government's American Rescue Plan, only a handful of states had even tried to give money directly to workers.

Minnesota was going to be one of them.

The agreement among Gov. Tim Walz, House Speaker Melissa Hortman and then-Senate Majority Leader Paul Gazelka was considered a breakthrough and a key piece of the final deal that ended the 2021 legislative sessions. But the deal only went so far. Left to work out the details was a nine-member group made up of three Walz commissioners, three legislative Republicans and three legislative DFLers.

At the time the deal was announced, in June, nobody suggested that it could fail; how hard could it be to give away someone else's money?

"Hopefully, we'll have unanimous agreement from the nine. I think that would be the goal from the executive branch and the House and Senate," Gazelka said at the time. "The emphasis we thought first and foremost was the frontline workers that worked in long-term care facilities. That's frankly where many of the deaths happened. But I don't think it'll be a problem. I think it will go forward pretty smoothly.

"We'll work it out together as to who gets what and how, but we do have a timeframe on that. We do have direction on that that we all agree on," the East Gull Lake Republican said.

Hortman suggested the hardest part was deciding how much to put into the pot, with the $250 million amount being the DFL position. "The goal is that they would complete their deliberations by Labor Day and then that [the Legislature] would meet to enact their recommendations," Hortman said, predicting a brief special session to endorse the deal and send it to Walz.

"I'd encourage us to get this work as soon as possible," Walz said on July 1. "I certainly don't set the schedule .... I'm hearing from those essential workers a real sense of urgency, and when they hear, 'We'll get around to this when we can,' that's not going over too well."

But last week, the nine-member working group acknowledged that it had failed. Needing at least seven votes behind any single plan, it could only muster six. The three Republican members and the six DFL members could only agree to send two competing plans to the full Legislature. An attempt at compromise — developed by the three DFL lawmakers, who dubbed it "a last, frankly desperate, effort" — was not sent forward, though it could be taken up by the House and Senate.

Without an agreement, however, there will likely to be no special session to take up the so-called "Hero Checks." Even without threats by the Senate GOP majority to remove more of Walz's commissioners — specifically Health Commissioner Jan Malcolm — Walz has said he would not convene a session without an agreement.

That reaching a deal would be difficult shouldn't have been a surprise. Walz said early on that there were suggestions that the leaders decide who got how much, but the governor said he preferred a process that would allow residents to testify and for the working group to gather data on issues such as whether other bonuses and jobless pay was sent to potential check recipients.

He got that. The working group took testimony at 9 of its 13 meetings, all from people or groups that thought they should be included in the program. The working group hewed to a familiar pattern of each side staking out their positions. It just never got to the part where they work toward the middle and strike a deal.

And they could never get past the basic math problem: the more people included, the smaller the checks. If every worker that Walz had declared essential was eligible — some 924,000 people — each check would be just $270.

DFLers on the group reduced that list to 660,000 health care workers, child care staff, school staff, food service and food processing workers, janitors, retail workers, airport staff and courts personnel.

In attempt to salvage the talks, DFL members, along with the Walz commissioners, offered other concessions, including a two-tier system that would provide larger checks to health care workers and emergency responders. But GOP members started and ended with the demand that just 160,000 people — nurses, long-term care workers, first responders and meals on wheels staffers — be deemed eligible. They said they were not open to other aspects of the DFL's "possible compromise."

That primary point of dispute had been foreshadowed by Gazelka and Hortman in June. Long-term care workers were the only people guaranteed to get the money under the language approved by the House and Senate, but the three leaders said the final package wouldn't be limited to that. Nurses, first responders and corrections staff weren't specifically called out in the law but they expected they would be rewarded.

"We're acknowledging that there are a lot of people on the front line of this, long term care facilities and others that we want to ... acknowledge that you were there and we want to give a bonus related to that," Gazelka said.

The federal guidance for using ARP funds was similar to the proposal put forward by the DFL, and the few other states that paid bonuses had broader lists of workers than the state GOP plan.

"Who will fit into the category and how will we determine how much to give each individual, that is a difficult thing," Hortman said. "But the Democrats' focus will be those members of the frontline staff who were lower paid, don't have access to paid leave and don't have a work environment where they were compensated for the dangers they were facing."

When talking about who should be eligible, Walz mentioned nurses as well as food service workers, food processors — "folks who had to go to work to make sure we could eat" — and "folks who had to go to work to take care of our children so that police and firefighters and doctors and nurses could go to work. Those are the folks that his money was meant to cover, and we'll make sure we get it out and get it to them."

"I don't want to derail the process beforehand. I think this is a real concern. Who's gonna be left out?"

Hortman and Walz also said that more than $250 million could, and should, be in play. Hortman called the $250 million "an appropriate first step." Walz noted that even if the $250 million was spent, the next session of the Legislature would still have $1 billion in unspent American Rescue Plan money to distribute.

Legislative Republicans, however, were not open to growing the pot. And in the end, they did not move from their initial proposal, insisting that only health care and first responders should be included so that the checks could be as large as possible.

Not long before the working group collapsed in failure, House Majority Leader Ryan Winkler compared the performance of frontline workers to the working group charged with rewarding them. "I mean honestly, if the frontline workers performed like this Legislature has performed this last six months, we would be in much worse shape," the Golden Valley DFLer said, while also suggesting that had Gazelka still been atop the Senate GOP caucus, a deal would have been reached.

"We were making good progress until new leadership was elected in the Minnesota Senate," Winkler said, referencing Gazelka's resignation as majority leader and the election of his replacement, Sen. Jeremy Miller of Winona.

Winkler said that is when talk among GOP leaders about replacing Malcolm picked up. "It does not give me a lot of optimism for this next session," Winkler said of the 2022 regular legislative session, which is scheduled to kick off at the end of January.

Perhaps a fitting symbol of the futility of the working group is that the members couldn't even agree that they'd failed.

"We did get our work done today," said Sen. Karin Housley, R-Stillwater. "The end goal was to get a proposal, or two, or three, to the Legislature." Sen. Mary Kiffmeyer, R-Big Lake, said the Legislature could then hold hearings, debate and deliberate.

But that wasn't how Gazelka described the process in June. And if sending two different partisan plans forward was the intent, that could have been done after the first meeting — on July 28.

Coronavirus down, rural areas affected more

By Heather Chapman
The Rural Blog

New coronavirus infections and Covid-related deaths fell in rural and metropolitan areas, but the virus remains much more entrenched in rural areas: compared to metro rates, the rural new infection rate is 70 percent higher and the rural death rate is twice as high, Tim Murphy and Tim Marema report for The Daily Yonder.

During the week of Oct. 24-30, new coronavirus cases "dropped by 7 percent in nonmetropolitan (rural) counties, falling to about 102,000 new infections, down from 109,000 two weeks ago. New rural infections have dropped for six consecutive weeks and are now at half the level they were in September at the peak of the Delta-variant surge," Murphy and Marema report. Meanwhile, "infections in metropolitan counties dropped by 3 percent last week to 364,000. Metropolitan deaths dropped by 23 percent to 6,366 for the week ending Saturday, October 30."

Letters to the Editor

Honoring veterans

Another Veteran's Day is here. As we celebrate this day, I ask you to join me in thanking our veterans for their service. Thank you personally from the bottom of my heart, veterans and current service men and women for serving in America's armed forces.

Please join me in saluting the men and women in military uniform and our nation's flag representing freedom, independence and liberty. Freedom does not come free. We also want to thank their families for having sacrificed alongside them in their duty to our country.

Jody Johnson
Staples-Motley Elementary School

--Quote of the week--

"I may be compelled to face danger, but never fear it, and while our soldiers can stand and fight, I can stand and feed and nurse them."
— Clara Barton, founder of the American Red Cross

Religion has a positive effect on politics

By Lee H. Hamilton
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The question of what role religion should play in American public life is difficult and controversial. It produces a lot of heated debate and no easy answers.

My view is that religion has a role to play in our political life and that its impact on our democracy is largely positive.

It's true that religion can be misused in politics. Some politicians wield religion as a weapon, using it to support their positions; they argue, in effect, that God is on their side. We pay attention to political figures' religious beliefs and practices, and may often question whether they are sincere, suspecting their displays of religion are for show.

Not surprisingly, Americans have debated where to draw the line between religion and government since the beginning.

The founders, who were not uniform in their religious views, left room for disagreement. In the Declaration of Independence, they said we owe our rights to "our creator," but the Constitution doesn't refer to God. State constitutions often reference God or the divine.

However, religious language is ubiquitous in American life. The Pledge of Allegiance refers to "one nation under God." Our currency bears the motto "In God we trust." Almost all presidents and most members of Congress have been affiliated with a church and identified as Christian.

Americans have mixed views on these matters. According to Pew Research Center surveys, just over half say it's important for the president to have strong religious beliefs, and roughly half say the Bible should influence U.S. laws. About a third say that government policies should support religious values; a majority say churches should "stay out of politics."

In fact, churches are not infrequently restricted by law in their political activity, despite constitutional protection of free speech and religious freedom. We've long had laws to prevent churches and other tax-exempt nonprofits and charities from participating in election campaigns.

The First Amendment enshrines freedom of religion as a fundamental right: Government can't prohibit the free exercise of religion, and it can't compel religious practice. Thomas Jefferson famously wrote that the amendment created a "wall of separation" between church and state.

Some Americans argue that means there should be no connection between religion and government.

My view is that religion is integral to people's lives, and should be a part of our political discourse. Why? It focuses our attention on transcendent purposes, not just our own self-interest.

Faith traditions teach that we are all children of the same God or part of the same web of life. Religion fosters qualities of compassion and empathy, which is needed in public life. Some think of religion as being aligned exclusively with conservative politics, but that isn't always the case. Churches and clergy have been at the forefront of efforts to abolish slavery, welcome immigrants, promote civil rights, and prevent war.

Religion and politics are certainly separate spheres. Religion is concerned with faith, beliefs, spirituality and morality, and, in some traditions, eternity. The primary business of politics is, of course, political power. Sometimes religion and politics seem diametrically opposed. Those of us who participate in politics must be careful when we bring religion into the public arena. The temptation is to suggest God approves of our political views and is on our side on the issues.

But religion can be an antidote to the selfishness, cynicism, and nihilism that often infect our politics. For that reason, I hope religion continues to play a role in our public life.

--Quote of the week--

"Most of us probably feel we couldn't be free without newspapers, and that is the real reason we want newspapers to be free."
— Edward R. Murrow

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Donations now accepted for library book sale

Donations of gently used books are now being accepted for the Friends of Staples Public Library book sale which is scheduled for Friday, Nov. 19 from 1-5 p.m. and Saturday, Nov. 20, from 10 a.m.-1 p.m.

Donations are accepted only during regular library hours and cannot be left in the atrium. Library hours are Monday and Wednesday from 10 a.m.-6 p.m., Tuesday and Thursday from 2-8 p.m., Friday from 1-5 p.m. and Saturday from 10 a.m.-1 p.m.

Donated hard cover and paperback books cannot have torn covers or pages, water damage, yellowed or musty pages.

In addition the library cannot accept dictionaries, encyclopedias, religious books, school text books or VHS or cassette tapes.

The Staples Public Library is located just north of the stoplight on Hwy. 10 in the City Hall building at 122 6th St. NE, Staples. For information call 218-894-1401 or visit griver.org/locations/staples.

Proceeds of the sale support library programming.



Cast members excited for opening night

The Staples-Motley High School's fall play, "The Mad Tea Party," will be performed at Centennial Auditorium Friday, Nov. 12 and Saturday, Nov. 13, at 7 p.m. Cast members, back row from left, are Lauren Rutten, Laken Hines, Zachary McIlravy, William Dolezal, Meghan Vanalst, Gabriel Ritter, Riley Dabbs, Andy Daniels, Keegan Bestland, Emery Lorber. Front row, Grace Allen, Bel Birkholtz, Izzy Olander. (Staples World photo by Dawn Timbs)



SMHS Fall Play "The Mad Tea Party" runs Nov. 12-13 at Centennial

The Staples-Motley High School Fall Play, "The Mad Tea Party" will be performed at Centennial Auditorium in Staples Friday, Nov. 12 and Saturday, Nov. 13, at 7 p.m.

Co-directors for the show are Justin Edin and Mike Kincaid. Written by Brian D. Taylor, the play's synopsis is as follows:

"Mad Hatter, Doormouse and March Hare meet for a tea party to honor Time, who has forgiven the Hatter and set time right once again.

"When the Jabberwock comes and wreaks havoc, the tea party guests - including the Caterpillar, the Duchess, the Frog Footman, and Tweedledee and Tweedledum - decide that something must be done. Time suggests they travel back through time to the moment when the Jabberwock arrives so that they might catch him."

The cast includes:

- Lauren Rutten, Tweedle Dee
- Laken Hines, Frog Footman/Playing Card Guard
- Grace Allen, Tweedle Dum
- Zachary McIlravy, Duke
- William Dolezal, March Hare
- Bel Birkholtz, Cheshire Cat Two/Queen of Hearts
- Izzy Olander - Cheshire Cat One
- Meghan Vanalst, Caterpillar
- Gabriel Ritter, Doormouse
- Riley Dabbs, Jabberwock
- Andy Daniels, White Rabbit
- Keegan Bestland, The Mad Hatter
- Emery Lorber, Time

Tickets for the play will be available at the door.



Magic Bob entertains at the Staples Public Library

The Awesome Halloween Magic Show held at the Staples Public Library Oct. 28, was well attended. Magic Bob engaged the kids with magic, story-telling, puppets and made a live rabbit appear. Check the upcoming event listing at the library's webpage, www.griver.org or stop during open hours. Events are free. (Submitted photos)

Mark Your Calendar

November 11

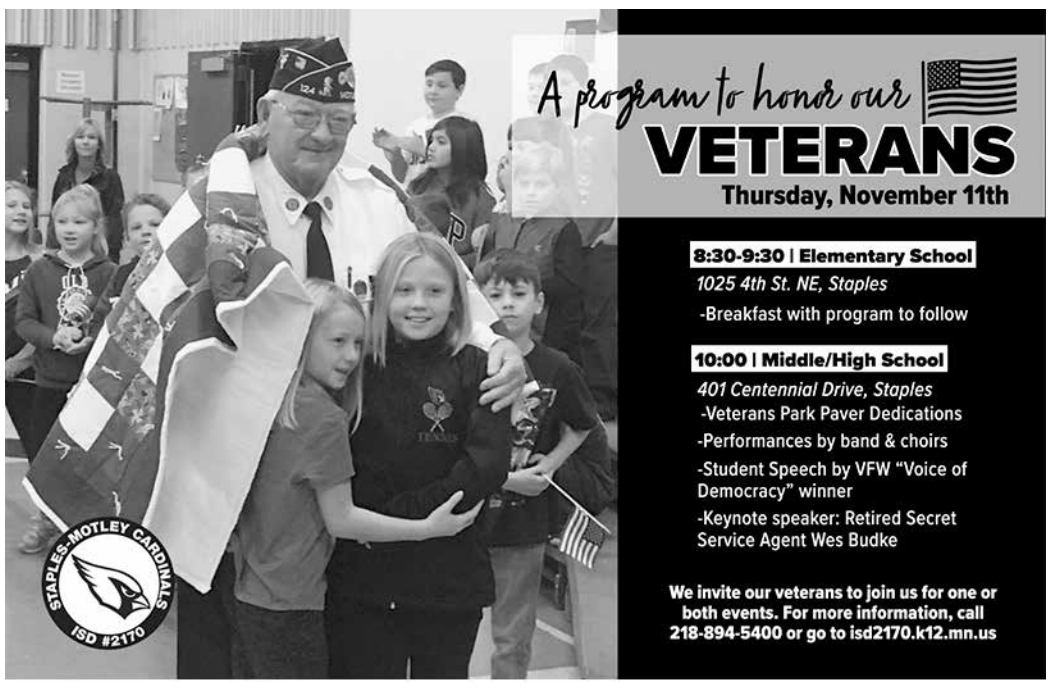
Wadena Whirlaways Square Dance Group Dancing Thursday, Nov. 11, 7:30 - 10 p.m., Staples Community Center. John Bittner, caller. For info., 218-296-1642.

November 16

'Surviving the Holidays' Seminar - For People Grieving a Loved Ones Death will be held Tuesday, Nov. 16, 6 p.m., at Motley Free Methodist Church, 33 Wellwood St. For more info., 218-352-6888.

November 17

Attn: All 60+ Senior Citizens: Come join in a "Penny Bingo" party in the Seniors Rm. at the Staples Community Center Wednesday, Nov. 17, 12:30 p.m. Ten games, plus Blackout. To register for a meal that day, call 218-894-2556.



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If you think you may qualify for this program, stop by the Todd County HRA for an application at 300 Linden Ave S, Browerville, MN 56438 call 320-594-6388 or email toddcountyhra@yahoo.com to find out more information or have an application mailed to you.
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TODD COUNTY HRA
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The Mainstream Voucher program provides rental assistance for nonelderly (18-61), low-income families with at least one disabled family member. The program also encourages partnerships with health and human service agencies to coordinate voluntary services and supports to enable individuals to live independently in the community. Rental assistance is based on 40% of your income or lower.
The Waiting list for this program is currently open and there are available vouchers that can be issued on a first come, first served basis if you meet the below eligibility requirements. All applications received after the vouchers have been filled will then be kept on the waiting list for the next available voucher.
WHO IS ELIGIBLE?
• Must meet Housing Choice Voucher (HCV) program eligibility requirements.
• Families that include at least one person with a disability between the ages of 18-61
• Applicants must be registered on the HCV waiting list.
Please call 320-594-6388 to request an application be mailed out to you or contact Todd County HRA at toddcountyhra@yahoo.com to have one emailed or postal mailed out to you, or you can pick one up from the bulletin board in the entryway at 300 Linden Ave S, Browerville MN. If you or anyone in your family is a person with disabilities and you require a specific accommodation in order to fully utilize our program's services, use the above information to contact us.
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Hello World

Births reported at Lakewood Health System Hospital in Staples included:

Born to Maureen and Grant Gmeinder of Baxter, twins, a baby boy, Callan Connor weighing six pounds, three ounces and a baby girl, Anora Faith weighing five pounds, 15 ounces on October 20, 2021.

Born to Bobbie Hauser and Matthew Anderson of Sauk Rapids, a baby girl, Winnie Stevie Marie weighing six pounds on October 20, 2021.

Born to Connie Schwartz and Anthony Jenkins of Wadena, a baby boy, Otis William weighing eight pounds, two ounces on October 23, 2021.

Born to Renee Larson and Tyler Klimek of Bertha, a baby girl, Emma Rose weighing seven pounds, seven ounces on October 23, 2021.

Born to Samantha Lake and Jacob Friedel of Little Falls, a baby girl, Charlotte Elizabeth weighing nine pounds, three ounces on October 24, 2021.

Obituaries

Terry Morrow



Terry LaDon (Raddohl) Morrow, 79, a native of Minnesota, passed away October 26, 2021.

A memorial service was held November 6 at the Assembly of God Church in Albert Lea officiated by Pastor Ryan Quigley.

Terry LaDon was born April 3, 1942 to Edward and Floy Mae Raddohl in Wadena.

She graduated from the University of Minnesota, working in downtown Minneapolis as a receptionist until she retired. She was a beautician; taking care of hair was one of her favorite things to do. Terry was an animal lover and held a special place in her heart for cats. She was known to care for strays and had precious cats of her own. She enjoyed doing puzzles, coloring, reading and walking everywhere she could.

She was a wonderful mother, grandmother and great-grandmother and will be greatly missed by many.

Terry is survived by one daughter, Tracy Morrow and one son, Randy Morrow; four grandchildren, Carrie (Ben) Richter, Jennifer Morrow (Steve Erickson), Julia Morrow and Michael Morrow; one great-granddaughter, Amethyst Rose Morrow; four siblings, Yalanda (Tom) Rishovd, LaVee Gearey, Mickey Raddohl, Kevin (Sandi) Raddohl and many nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents and two bothers Jack and Curt.

In lieu of flowers a donation can be made to The Mower County Humane Society, in memory of Terry Morrow.

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Monika Ellis



Monika Kayte Gedack Ellis 05/20/1966 - 10/21/2021 www.memoirsofmonika.com.

Beautiful wife of Michael Ellis, Staples, Mn. She will be dearly missed by many, none more than I.

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Faye Pepin



Faye Marie Pepin, 88, of Motley, passed away November 2, 2021, with her husband, Verde at her side, at the Lakewood Health System Care Center in Staples.

Services will be held November 11 at the Motley United Methodist Church at 11:00 a.m. Visitation will be held Wednesday, Nov. 10 from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. at the Brenny Family Funeral Chapel in Staples and one hour prior to services at the church.

Faye was born to Charles and Evelyn Sylvester on January 12, 1933 at the family farm just near Glidden, Iowa, the third of four girls. During her first marriage, five boys were born: David, John, Phillip, Paul and Peter. She married Verde Pepin on June 10, 1979 at their farm home on the river near Motley. They shared 42 happy years together.

She graduated from Glidden School and received her Bachelor of Science degree from the University of Minnesota on June 9, 1978. Faye taught Home Economics in Motley for several years and part time in Pillager. Faye was presented with an Honorary Award from the local FFA Chapter while teaching at the Motley School. Over the years, she and Verde hosted four exchange students from around the world.

Faye was actively involved with the Motley Historical Society, the Morrison County Historical Society, the Motley FHA and the food shelf for many years. She served as the Motley township clerk for 32 years. She was a member of the Motley Methodist Church and was active in church activities until her health started to fail about eight years ago.

She enjoyed sewing in her sewing room, knitting and spinning wool on her spinning wheel. She was an exceptional cook, enjoyed preparing meals for family gatherings and having a delicious, hot meal ready for her husband at the end of a long day.

She often spoke of how she enjoyed life on the farm and spent many enjoyable hours taking care of her large yard with several flower beds, a goldfish pond and a well-kept family garden. She enjoyed the many birds who visited the beautiful yard and participated in several Audubon Society Christmas Bird Counts.

Faye is survived her husband, Verde; five sons, David (Lo-line), John (Mindy), Phillip (Marsha), Paul (Melinda) and Peter (Jane); two step-daughters, Cindy Anderson and Kimberly Pepin; 11 grandchildren; two sisters, Ruth (Jim) Jones and Peggy (Randy) Cox; one sister in-law, Nancy (Syd) Kjeldahl; one brother in-law, Randy (Linda) Pepin and many nieces and nephews.

Faye is preceded in death by her parents and one sister, Patty Bronner.

From her Sons: We deeply appreciate the kind, gentle and loving care Faye received from Verde when she needed that.

The family also wants to thank the Lakewood Health Care System for the exemplary care they provided to Faye as well as the amazing support from the community she was a part of for so many years.

Arrangements are by the Brenny Family Funeral Chapel, Staples.

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Brian Sandberg

Brian Sandberg, 54, of Pillager, passed away October 29, 2021, with family at his side at the Mayo Hospital Methodist Campus, Rochester.

A memorial service will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Friday, Nov. 12, at the Domian-Anderson Chapel in Bertha, with Pastor Blake Rickbeil presiding. Visitation will be held at the chapel on Friday from 12:30 p.m. until the time of the service.

The family requests memorials in lieu of flowers.

Arrangements are with the Schuller Family Funeral Homes & Cremation Services, Domian-Anderson Chapel, Bertha (www.SchullerFamilyFH.com).

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Delbert Hansen



Delbert Hansen, 81, of Staples, passed away November 1, 2021, at the Lakewood Health System Care Center in Staples.

Mass of Christian Burial was held November 5 at the Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Staples.

Burial was at the St. Isidore Catholic Cemetery, rural Staples.

Delbert Elmer was born-December 16, 1939 to Theodore and Martha (Stowe) Hansen in Staples. He lived in and near Staples until manhood, working side by side with his dad on the farm. He attended technical college learning the trade of welding. Delbert worked at a machine shop in Minneapolis for a time, then moved closer to home and took a job at Northern Fabrication in Staples and later Hard Drives Road Construction Company.

He married Bonita Kempe on September 25, 1965. Together they raised six children, hogs, dairy and beef on their family farm. Delbert was a member of Sacred Heart Catholic Church. He was most proud of his children and being a father. Family dinners on Sundays were something he looked forward to.

Delbert was an avid hunter, raising and training hounds for bobcat, coyote, fox and raccoon hunting. He loved horseback riding and training, enjoyed playing smear, farkle and shooting darts.

He is survived by his wife, Bonita; two sons, Todd (Mel) Hansen, Mark (Wendy) Hansen; three daughters, Melanie (Alex) Altrichter, Susan (Wayne) Storry, Jackie (Chris) Goff, all of Staples; and 10 grandchildren, Rebecca, Meghan, Joe, Brent, Brooke, Jack, Jade, Sawyer, Scotlyn and Lincoln; one great-grandson, Oakley and one sister, Dorothy Halvorson of Browerville.

He was preceded in death by his parents; one son, Scott Theodore Hansen; two brothers, Donald and Duane; one sister, Darlene and one nephew, Rick.

In lieu of flowers, memorials are preferred to the family.

Arrangements were with the Iten Funeral Home, Browerville.

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Staples Area Church Directory

Staples

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Aldrich

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

Cushing

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

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

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

Leader

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

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

Motley

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

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

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

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

Oylen

Oylen Alliance
Cty. Rds, 7 and 9, Oylen
218-472-3440 or 218-472-3316
Pastor Neal Malcore
Sunday School .....10:00 a.m.
Sunday Worship.....11:00 a.m

Pillager

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

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

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

Hewitt

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

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

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

Verndale

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

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

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

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

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

Central United Methodist
5 miles N on Cty Rd 26 (Nimrod tar)
Pastor Chuck Horsager, 218-639-4225
Sunday Worship ..... 9:00 a.m.
Sunday School..... 10:30 a.m.

Leaf River Township

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

"God's Blessings"

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Matthew 9:36-38

36When Jesus saw the crowds, He had compassion for them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. 37Then He said to His disciples, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; 38therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into His harvest."

Here in the Staples area, the fields of corn, soybeans and other small grain that were seeded in the spring, are now harvested. The farmers planned for a whole year to bring in this crop. They prepared the machinery during winter, spread the fertilizer and planted the seed in the spring. They cultivated and sprayed the crops during the summer months and now they have done the work for a plentiful fall harvest season.

Yes, many of our farmers have been busy throughout the whole year nurturing their crops. And they worked the whole year for one purpose: to bring in a bountiful harvest. Now that a majority of the crops are harvested, we give thanks for all the work that has been done by our farmers and so many others that have a hand in bringing in the crops and managing the soil.

Throughout the scriptures we often find Jesus using the harvest as an illustration to describe the urgency and importance of serving as Christ's laborers to bring others into God's kingdom. By planting the seeds of faith, through our words and or deeds, we begin that process of growing seeds of faith. But just like our farmers who tend to the crops over the summer months, so too are we asked to nurture others in their faith walk. For our work isn't finished - in fact it is never over. For there is still much to do to build the kingdom. But we are asked to remember that we serve as Christ laborers with a vision of the harvest yet to come.

God's blessings to all of our farmers who have brought in the bountiful harvest. And God's blessings as well to all of the disciples who labor to grow a harvest for the kingdom.

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Cardinal runners among the fastest in the state

The top ten runners at the girls and boys Class A State Cross Country meet had three Staples-Motley runners, Kyanna Burton 4th place and Aften Robinson 10th place for girls, Issiah Tabatt 9th place for boys. (Staples World photos by Mark Anderson)

Cross country state champions

Cardinal girls win title, boys team fifth

By Mark Anderson
Managing Editor

Kyanna Burton, Aften Robinson and Audrey Brownell were the fastest trio from any team at the Minnesota State Cross Country meet. When their Staples-Motley teammates Ashley Robben and Naila Mikhaeil also ran great races, the Cardinals ended up in first place, claiming the state championship by six points.

The Staples-Motley boys also had a good showing, placing fifth as a team and Issiah Tabatt was ninth individually to bring home a medal.

Girls state title

Going into the meet, the Cardinals were ranked fifth in the state.

"We thought it was going to be close, there were no dominant teams," said Coach Bruce Fuhrman. "We knew we could be in the top three."

"Bruce would say our goal is top three," said Robinson, "But every once in a while he would say we have a chance to win."

Knowing that they had a chance for something big, the team was feeling the pressure as they drove to the race in Northfield.

"We were so nervous, we talked about it the whole time," said Burton.

"We kept bringing it up," said Robinson.

Talking through their feelings helped the team focus on what they needed to do. Burton said the experienced runners made sure the younger ones were eating right before the race and preparing for the big run. But the nerves were still there as they drove from their hotel to the race, "The bus was totally silent," said Burton.

Robinson said as they were warming up, the team looked back to see the rest of the field getting ready. "It hit me to see how many good runners there were in the race," she said. As the race got closer, the team settled down to focus on what they could control. "We said we all know what we can do, so let's just do it," she said.

Coach Fuhrman sensed that and didn't give the team much of a talk before the race. "I didn't stand at the starting line too long, they knew what they needed to do," he said.

Meanwhile, the nerves were still there. "I was shaking, I was so nervous," said Burton.

When the race started, the Cardinals got out well but were on the far side of the first curve, so they had to gain position early in order to stay with the leaders.

"I thought I was going too fast, but I didn't want to slow down," said Burton. "I thought it would hurt me later on and I would fall back."

Burton passed the first mile in 5:52, with the top runners who had already separated from the pack with that fast pace.

Brownell was in the top ten at the mile point and Robinson was farther back in the top 30. "I knew everyone would start out too fast and they were going to die," said Robinson, "but my first mile was still faster than I expected."

Robben and Mikhaeil also started extremely fast, and both fell back during the race, but held on well enough. "Ashley passed a bunch of people in the hill area," said Fuhrman. "She and Naila gutted it out and finished where they needed to be."

Burton battled back and forth with some of the top runners in the state, but based her race off a runner who had beaten her in other races this year. "Whenever I passed her I thought 'I can pass other people too,'" said Burton. "I knew if I didn't, I would be mad at myself at the end."

Burton stayed strong and never faded, passing some top runners in the last mile and out-sprinting the defending state champion to finish fourth. "I was completely out of energy but I wanted to get there," she said, "I gave it my all."

Robinson was picking off runners throughout the race as they fell back and she sped up.

She was also aware that Brownell was ahead of her the whole race. " I was comfortable with that, I thought that if she was taking my spot and I was taking her spot, it would have the same effect for our team so we were in a good place."

In the final half mile, Robinson moved ahead of Brownell. She heard someone screaming that she was in 12th place, and she knew needed to pass two more to earn an individual medal. "I kicked it in a little bit harder," she said. She passed two runners but kept hearing fans cheer for another runner right behind her. "I didn't look, I knew she was there because of the fans," said Robinson.

A strong kick to the finish kept Robinson in front and she earned a 10th place medal. Brownell finished in 13th a few seconds later.

"I was super happy with me and Audrey finishing like that," said Robinson, "I didn't notice how many runners came in, but when Ashley finished and Naila came in right after, we were pretty confident we were in the top three."

Robben was in 64th place overall, 37th in the team standings, with many runners only counting as individuals and not in the team scores. Mikhaeil was 80th overall and 45th in the team score. Sophie Schlosser was 106th and Addisyn Cichos was 142nd as the final Cardinal runners.

Burton didn't see Robinson finish because she had collapsed after crossing the line. But she got up to see Brownell and the others.

"We were all in a group talking about how our races went, and my dad walked up showing us his phone," said Burton. The results were posted online but were not official yet.

"He was holding up his finger, showing number one," said Robinson, "we didn't know what he meant or if he was serious."

"He said we got first, but we didn't believe him," said Burton. The team made him refresh the screen to make sure there were no late results that had been missed. The girls then noticed that there were a lot of people surrounding them, taking photos of them.

Finally, they realized that they were the state champions.

"Everyone started crying, we were jumping up and down," said Burton. "It was the best day of my life."

"We were freaking out and crying," said Robinson, "that was the best, it was a lot of emotions. All of us put in a lot of hard work all season, so that is nice when it pays off."

At the awards ceremony after the race, Robinson said the team was shocked at being able to go up on the stage and get a standing ovation from the crowd.

"As soon as we got on the bus we started playing music, rolled down the windows and were waving to people and yelling. The bus was not silent on the way back," said Burton.

Both the boys and girls teams were greeted with a celebration when they got back to Staples, with a police and fire truck escort b ringing them to the gym, where a large gathering greeted them and gave the team a chance to talk about the season.

For Robinson, the championship was a culmination of the experienced runners working with the three seventh graders on the varsity team. Even though the seventh graders didn't contribute to the team score, just teaching them the sport and bonding with them helped the entire team.

"Our team became so close," said Robinson, "we had a good attitude, not super stressed out, we enjoy each other's company. It helped all of us, I am so happy to have a team I can call my friends."

Boys race

"I was nervous and excited, I wanted to go out there and see what I could do against all the best teams," said Tabatt. "The team definitely felt the same way."

He said Fuhrman instructed them on how to run each part of the course.

Fuhrman said the race plan was to let Tabatt go out with the leaders and work his way into the top ten. His first mile was 5:08, which he said was the fastest first mile this year.

"I felt really good, I was able to break off and run with the front group, it felt nice and natural," said Tabatt.

Luke Brownell also had a good start but the rest of the team got caught up in the pack.

Fuhrman said some of the runners got boxed in on the tight corners in the first mile. "We lost about ten seconds there, with a lot of runners filling that gap. That was hard to make up," he said.

Tabatt continued battling with the top ranked runners. "Running next to them was pretty awesome, my goal was to stick with them a lot of the race."

Entering the third mile, Tabatt was in 14th place but he started moving up. He passed two more before powering up the final hill and sprint to the finish. "I knew it was all or nothing, I left it all out there," he said. He passed two runners in the final sprint and held off another to finish ninth in his career best time of 16:49.

"It felt really good, a relief, all the hard work this season paid off at that moment," he said.

Luke Brownell, Lyle Brownell and Logan Robben were the next Cardinal scorers, finishing within a few seconds of each other. Grant Johnson ran another steady race to be the fifth scorer. Dillan Robben and Odin Trif were the other finishers.

"We were pretty happy overall," said Fuhrman, "it's been a great season for the boys team, they learned how to compete."

Tabatt said the boys team also appreciated the homecoming celebration with fire trucks and

" It was really incredible, it felt surreal coming back to all that," said Tabatt. "We were really thankful to the community and to everybody there, I've never been a part of anything like that before."





Racing with the state

Top, Aften Robinson (757) and Audrey Brownell (750) take off in the state meet. Above, Issiah Tabatt approaches the midway point. Below, Lyle Brownell races in the crowd. (Staples World photos by Mark Anderson)



Team results

Girls results

Minnesota Class A State Cross Country Championships

Staples-Motley 103, Perham 109, Luverne 117, Hawley 161, St. Cloud Cathedral 161, Murray County Central 165, Minnewaska 165, Lake City 226, Howard Lake-Waverly-Winsted 229, Math & Science Academy 241, Winona Cotter 245, South Ridge 287, Providence Academy 290, Carlton-Wrenshall 302, Lester Prairie 322, St. James 388

4. Kyanna Burton 19:08, 10. Aften Robinson 19:26, 13. Audrey Brownell 19:39, 64. Ashley Robben 20:52, 80. Naila Mikhaeil 21:16, 106. Sophie Schlosser 22:07, 142. Addisyn Cichos 23:51

Boys results

Minnesota Class A State Cross Country Championships

Nova Classical Academy 122, Perham 128, Northwest Home School 160, Greenway/Nashwauk/Keewatin 163, Staples-Motley 191, Park Rapids 194, Parnassus Preparatory 209, St. Cloud Cathedral 217, Luverne 222, West Central Area 222, Lac qui Parle Valley/Dawson-Boyd 227, Rochester Lourdes 229, Lewiston/Rushford-Peterson/Houston 230, Esko 231, St. James 234, Mankato Loyola/Cleveland 389

9. Issiah Tabatt 16:49, 63. Luke Brownell 17:41, 82. Lyla Brownell 17:51, 83. Logan Robben 17:51, 107. Grant Johnson 18:10, 146. Dillan Robben 19:35, 159. Odin Trif 21:06.

Public Notices

NOTICE REQUEST FOR QUOTES WADENA COUNTY FRIENDLY RIDER

Notice is hereby given, that a Request for Quotes for the Wadena County Friendly Rider will be received until 4:00 p.m. on Monday, November 22, 2021 for Calendar Year 2022 Corrective/Preventative Maintenance including: Tires and Discounted Fuel, Diesel and Gas. Packet including Quotes and Specifications shall be obtained from the office of the Friendly Rider, 229 Harry Rich Drive, Wadena, Minnesota 56482.

For more information, contact **Randy.Jahnke@co.wadena.mn.us**.

This request was sent to advertisers November 5, 2021.

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NOTICE OF AERATION LAKE SHAMINEAU

An aeration system will be in operation, shoreline of Lake Shamineau, Lot #14 of Hought's Outlots from ice cover 2021 to ice out 2022. Purpose: to pre-vent shoreline and structure damage due to ice expansion. Be aware of open water or thin ice.

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IMPORTANT PROPERTY TAX HOMESTEAD NOTICE

This will affect your 2022 property taxes and eligibility for Property Tax Refund.

Have you purchased or moved into a property in the last year?

Contact your county assessor to file a homestead application if you or a qualifying relative occupy the property as a homestead on or before December 31, 2021.

What is a qualifying relative?

For unoccupied agricultural property, a qualifying relative includes the child, grandchild, sibling, or parent of the owner or owner's spouse.

For occupied agricultural or residential property a qualifying relative also includes the owner's uncle, aunt, nephew, or niece.

When do I apply?

You must apply on or before December 31, 2021.

Once homestead is granted, annual applications are not necessary unless they are requested by the county assessor.

Contact the assessor by December 31, 2021 if the use of the property you own or occupy as a qualifying relative has changed during the past year.

If you sell, move, or for any reason no longer qualify for the homestead classification, you are required to notify the county assessor within 30 days of the change in homestead status.

Todd County Assessor's Office
215 1st Avenue South, Suite 202
Long Prairie, MN 56347
320-732-4431

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Todd County Commissioners

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE TODD COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS September 21, 2021

Public Comment

Delmar Smieja addressed the County Board regarding concerns on the proposed Daniel Waldoch CUP on this meeting's agenda for approval.

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 21st day of September, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Becker. The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance. All Commissioners were present with Commissioner Neumann absent.

Approval of Agenda

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

Consent Agenda

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

To approve the Todd County Board of Commissioner's Meeting Minutes for Sept. 7, 2021 as presented.

To approve the resignation of Katie Nelson, Eligibility Worker, effective Sept. 20, 2021.

To hire Brian Thorstad, FT Road Deputy, start date 10/13/2021.

To hire Allyssa Engfer, FT Road Deputy, start date 10/05/2021.

To approve the hiring of Kevin Brown as Resource Conservationist-Riparian focus.

Auditor-Treasurer

On motion by Erickson and seconded by Kneisl, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous Roll Call vote: To approve the Commissioner Warrants number (ACH) 401461 through 401498 in the amount of $25,967.51 and (Regular) 55191 through 55237 in the amount of $104,081.54 for a total of $130,049.05.

On motion by Kircher and seconded by Erickson, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous Roll Call vote: To approve the Health & Human Services Commissioner Warrants number (ACH) 801970 through 802039 and (Regular) 708158 through 708229 for a total amount of $105,965.77.

On motion by Kneisl and seconded by Kircher, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous Roll Call vote: To approve the Health & Human Services SSIS Warrants number (ACH) 600464 through 600473 and (Regular) 516522 through 516550 for a total amount of $59,839.19.

On motion by Kneisl and seconded by Kircher, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To reschedule the December 7, 2021 Todd County Commissioners Board Meeting to the date of Friday, December 10, 2021 at 9:00 a.m.

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

TRANSFER OF FUNDS - SOUTH COUNTRY HEALTH ALLIANCE FUNDS

WHEREAS, Todd County became a member of the South Country Health Alliance on January 1, 2007, and;

WHEREAS, Todd County provided capital payments as part of our participation in this joint powers agreement, and;

WHEREAS, the Todd County Board of Commissioners resolved to withdraw from the South Country Health Alliance Joint Powers Agreement via BA#20190319-19 to be effective December 31, 2019 at 11:59 p.m., and;

WHEREAS, the seconded installment payment of Todd County's capital has been receipted into the Human Services and Community Health Funds per audit standards.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Todd County Board of Commissioners hereby authorize the transfer of funds in the amount of $337,718.08 from Fund 11-Human Services and $265,349.92 from Fund 21-Community Health for a total of $603,068 to Fund 01-General Revenue to assist with the budgetary essentials of the County.

Public Works

Information regarding the 2022 CSAH 21 Bridge Project Funding Award was provided for review.

The County Board was provided information regarding the Federal Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act (CRRSAA) Funding which is being made available to Todd County Public Works with the consensus that these funds will be directed toward County Road Maintenance qualifying expenses.

County Ditch/Ag Inspector

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

Hold Harmless Agreement - Ditch Maintenance - County Ditch 33

WHEREAS, Richard Zunker is requesting to maintain approximately 1,320 feet of CD33 that is located on his property. A Hold Harmless Agreement has been signed and submitted to the Ditch Authority, and;

WHEREAS, an onsite inspection has been done, and;

WHEREAS, applicant is allowed to maintain the drainage ditch to the original width, depth and grade. An improvement by lowering or widening the ditch bottom is not allowed. Sediment and vegetation can only be removed to the extent of the original ditch bottom elevation. Spoil must be side cast and leveled, staying within 16.5 feet of the ditch.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Todd County Ditch Authority gives permission to Richard Zunker to maintain approximately 1320 feet of CD33 that is located on his property, parcel 20-0036800, Reynolds Twp Section 33. This maintenance will be done at his own expense.

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

Hold Harmless Agreement - Ditch Maintenance - County Ditch 19

WHEREAS, Prairie Lakes Farm LLC/Amthor Cattle is requesting to maintain approximately 1700 feet of CD19 that is located on their property. A Hold Harmless Agreement has been signed and submitted to the Ditch Authority, and;

WHEREAS, an onsite inspection has been done, and;

WHEREAS, applicant is allowed to maintain the drainage ditch to the original width, depth and grade. An improvement by lowering or widening the ditch bottom is not allowed. Sediment and vegetation can only be removed to the extent of the original ditch bottom elevation. Spoil must be side cast and leveled, staying within 16.5 feet of the ditch, or moved to an approved upland site.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Todd County Ditch Authority gives permission to Prairie Lakes Farm LLC/Amthor Cattle to maintain approximately 1,700 feet of CD19 that is located on their property, parcel 26-0022100, Ward Twp Section 24. This maintenance will be done at their own expense.

The Todd County Board of Commissioners has received the Order Authorizing the Use of Todd County Ditch 41 as an Outlet. The Order will be reviewed by the Commissioners for accuracy of conditions approved at the Outlet Petition Hearing held on 9/14/2021.

County Sheriff

On motion by Kircher and seconded by Erickson, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To approve Joshua Nice's employment status change from FT to PT, effective October 14, 2021.

On motion by Kircher and seconded by Kneisl, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To approve Lori Mielitz's employment status change from FT to PT, effective October 8, 2021.

Health & Human Services

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

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING APPLICATION FOR MINNESOTA HOUSING AND FINANCE AGENCY FAMILY HOMELESSNESS PREVENTION AND ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the Minnesota Housing Finance Agency, State of Minnesota, has authorized to undertake a program to provide funds for Family Homelessness Prevention and Assistance Projects; and;

WHEREAS, Lutheran Social Service has developed an application for the Minnesota Housing Finance Agency Family Homelessness Prevention and Assistance Program; and;

WHEREAS, Lutheran Social Service has demonstrated the ability to perform the required activities of the Minnesota Housing Finance Agency Family Homelessness Prevention and Assistance Program.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that Lutheran Social Service is hereby authorized as an entity to be charged with the administration of funds made available through the Minnesota Housing Finance Agency Family Homelessness Prevention and Assistance Program in the county of Todd, in Minnesota.

Solid Waste

On motion by Erickson and seconded by Kneisl, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To approve the use of ARP/CSLFRF funds to continue Doherty temp staff at Solid Waste (when eligible). Approve increase in Doherty Compensation from $12 to $15/hour for direct payroll cost.

Planning & Zoning

On motion by Erickson and seconded by Kneisl, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To grant a 60 day extension to the application decision period for a CUP on parcel 18-0034700 from Jason Ehnes to allow for additional review.

On motion by Erickson and seconded by Kircher, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To grant a 60 day extension to the application decision period for a CUP on parcel 20-0001700 from Moses Borntrager to allow for additional review.

On motion by Kircher and seconded by Erickson, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To grant the preliminary plat for Greystone First Addition with two conditions.

On motion by Erickson and seconded by Kneisl, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To grant the preliminary plat for Maple Views with the six conditions.

On motion by Kneisl and seconded by Erickson, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To grant the rezoning of parcel 22-0000100 with no conditions.

On motion by Erickson and seconded by Kircher, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To grant the conditional use permit by CHS, Inc. on parcel 21-0007100 to establish a 6,500 gallon diesel fuel bulk storage tank with one condition.

On motion by Kircher and seconded by Erickson, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To grant the Conditional Use Permit by Daniel Waldoch to establish a custom wood working shop on parcel 24-0041800 with two conditions.

On motion by Kircher and seconded by Erickson, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To grant the Conditional Use Permit by Moses Borntrager to establish a sawmill/wood processing facility on parcel 20-0001700 with six conditions.

Closed Session

Chair Becker closed the session at 9:58 a.m. pursuant to MN Statute §13D.03 to consider strategies for labor negotiations.

Chair Becker reopened the session at 10:20 a.m.

County Auditor-Treasurer's Report

The County Auditor-Treasurer had nothing to report.

County Coordinator's Report

The County Coordinator reported on meetings attended including the AMC Conference.

County Commissioner's Report

The Commissioners were reminded of the Annual Township Meeting September 22, 2021 at 6 p.m. at the Clarissa Ballroom and that notice has been posted for their potential attendance.

Adjourn

On motion by Kircher and seconded by Kneisl, the meeting was adjourned for the month of September, 2021.

COMMISSIONER WARRANTS

Vendor Name	$ Amount
BIG STONE THERAPIES, INC.	$3,571.78
BOLTON & MENK, INC	15,067.00
COMMISSIONER OF TRANSPORTATION	4,945.52
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KRIS ENGINEERING	41,012.91
RINKE-NOONAN CORP LTD	4,937.50
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WESTERN DETENTION PRODUCTS INC	3,741.90
WIDSETH SMITH NOLTING INC	12,243.26
73 PAYMENTS LESS THAN $2,000	27,274.76
Total	**$130,049.05**

HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES WARRANTS

Vendor Name	$ Amount
EMBLOM BRENNY FUNERAL SERVICE - LF	4,100.00
ITEN FUNERAL HOME - BROWERVILLE	3,500.00
RURAL MN CEP INC	18,566.80
TODD COUNTY AUD./ TREASURER	15,096.10
USPS - POC	3,919.00
V #16811 - COST EFF HEALTH INS.	3,378.34
136 PAYMENTS LESS THAN $2,000	57,405.53
Total	**$105,965.77**

Vendor Name	$ Amount
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#16713	2,146.44
#14593	4,052.32
HOLISTIC FAMILY EDUCATION SRVS	5,631.94
NORTHERN PINES MENTAL HLTH CTR INC	5,394.00
NORTHWOOD CHILDRENS SERVICES	3,689.00
#16668	4,086.42
STEP	4,384.48
#16794	2,739.50
VILLAGE RANCH INC	7,843.93
PAYMENTS LESS THAN $2,000	17,517.64
Total	**59,838.19**

On a motion by Kircher and seconded by Kneisl, the preceding minutes of the County Board meeting held September 21, 2021 were duly approved by unanimous vote at the Todd County Board of Commissioners at the Regular Board Meeting held on October 5, 2021.

Witness my hand and seal:

Barbara Becker,
Todd County Board
Chairperson

Denise Gaida, Todd County
Auditor-Treasurer

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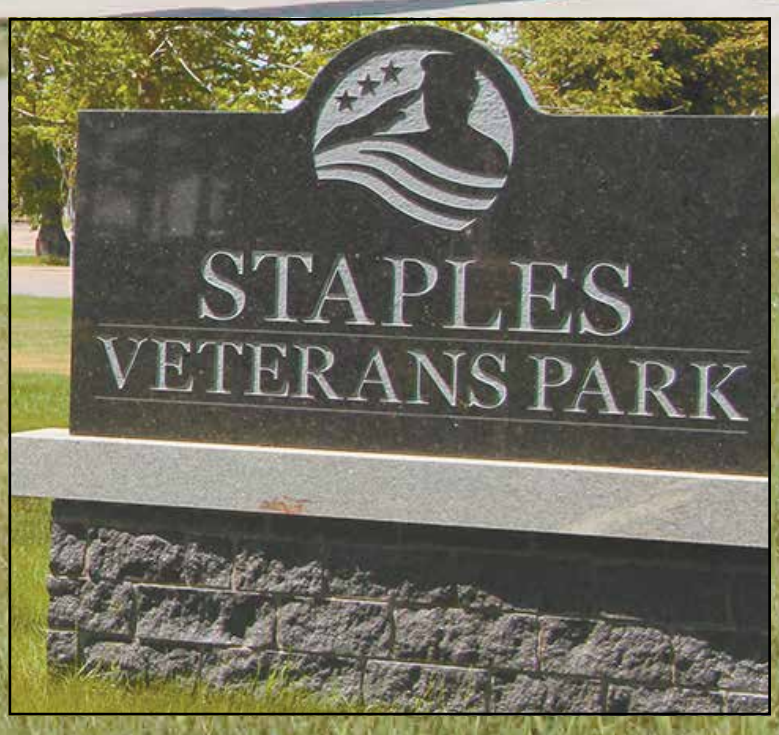
☆ **8:30 - 9:30 a.m.**
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☆ **10:00 a.m.**
Veterans Park Paver Dedications
Band and Choir performances
Student speech by VFW "Voice of Democracy" winner
Speaker: Wes Budke, retired Secret Service Agent
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Early deficits in volleyball playoff loss

The Staples-Motley volleyball team lost 3-1 to Milaca in the second round of the Section 6AA Volleyball Tournament on Nov. 1.

The Cardinals started out on the wrong foot, falling behind 12-1 in the opening set. The team had trouble receiving serves and never got into attack mode. When they finally started playing well it was too late to salvage the set.

The second set was just the reverse, as Staples-Motley came out firing with Klaire Storry and Bo Erholtz blocking and hitting. Storry had four kills as the team took a 13-4 lead and carried that to win the second set easily.

In the third set, Morgan Becker started hammering spikes, earning four straight points with four kills, then added two more. But the team made a couple of mistakes hitting and fell behind 11-17. They came back with two aces by Steffany Sullivan and tied the score at 20 on a back row spike from Sullivan. But that was their last great play of the set and they lost five of the last six points.

In the fourth set, the team fell behind by three early and never came all the way back. Their passing was a little shaky and did not lead to quality attacks, giving the opponents more chances. The team made a late run with Becker and Erholtz earning kills to pull within three at 23-20, but ended up with a loss, ending the playoff run.

Team results

Staples-Motley 1, Milaca 3; 14-25, 25-12, 21-25, 20-25

Leah Bestland: Aces-2, Kills-1, Assists-33, Digs-19

Morgan Becker: Aces-1, Kills-17, Digs-15

Bo Erholtz: Kills-9, Blocks-2, Digs-5

Maggie Claussen: Aces-1, Digs-29

Klaire Storry: Aces-1, Assists-1, Kills-8, Blocks-2, Digs-1

Grace Jennissen: Kills-1, Digs-1

Jayce Kobliska: Aces-2, Kills-1, Digs-15

Emilya Case: Blocks-1, Digs-2

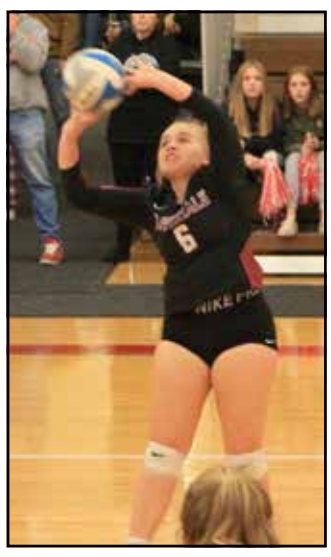
Stephanie Sullivan: Aces-2, Kills-1, Digs-11



Morgan Becker



Klaire Storry



Leah Bestland



Maggie Claussen



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