



Cattle in the mist

On a foggy morning cattle graze placidly in a pasture along Hwy. 210 near Staples. The combination of the snowmobile bridge, silos in the background and the cattails along the fence-

line made for a framed photo taken looking north towards the Robert and Karen Mudek farm. (Staples World photo by Janice Winter)

Tappe looking to build on S-M traditions



New school leader

Staples-Motley Superintendent Shane Tappe has a new office at the District Office, but he is also looking forward to meeting people around the school and in the community. (Staples World photo by Mark Anderson)

By Mark Anderson
Managing Editor

“Everyone wants to be a part of something great,” Staples-Motley’s Superintendent Shane Tappe said about coming to the school district. “There is a rich tradition here. The school has been known for great academics, and they also have athletic and extra-curricular traditions.”

He hopes to build on those traditions, but the district’s present and future are what brought him here.

“There is so much potential here, I am seeing the roots of what makes Staples-Motley so great,” said Tappe.

Tappe’s road to becoming a superintendent started when he was a teacher in the Morris school district, and some of the administrators there started guiding him into administration. He went back to school and earned a masters degree at U of M

Moorhead, then obtained his K-12 principal license, followed by his superintendent license.

“I wanted to go into administration because it has such a large impact on kids,” said Tappe. “Also working with staff and building relationships with the community.”

Tappe was Dawson-Boyd Superintendent for three years, a district with a lot of similarities with the Staples-Motley district. “It is a consolidated district and they were facing significant building issues,” he said.

Once the Dawson-Boyd school board set their building goals, Tappe said he spent a lot of time gathering community input, and eventually they passed a \$22 million referendum this past year.

Tappe said the same approach can work at Staples-Motley, but “there are things that need to be

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Weather

This Week's Forecast

	High	Low	Cond.
July 17	82°	66°	Thunder/storms
July 18	86	68	P. Cloudy
July 19	86	62	P. Cloudy
July 20	83	62	P. Cloudy
July 21	80	61	Showers
July 22	81	61	M. Sunny
July 23	81	62	Sunny

Last Year, 2018

	High	Low	Cond.
July 17	75°	61°	Sunny
July 18	81	54	M. Sunny
July 19	77	56	Rain
July 20	74	61	Rain
July 21	79	63	P. Cloudy
July 22	81	61	Sunny
July 23	84	64	Sunny

Average Temp.:
H = 84° Low = 69°

Total Rain
(Last 7 days,
July 8 - 14): 1.00"
2019: 12.90"

Compiled by
Dale Hausmann,
WCCO's Staples area
Weatherwatcher

School board approves \$1.5 million for facilities

By Mark Anderson
Managing Editor

The Staples-Motley School board approved \$1.5 million in bonds to improve HVAC (heating, ventilation, air conditioning) in the elementary school and air quality in the wood shop and welding shop.

The July 8 work session and special meeting was the first meeting for Superintendent Shane Tappe, who started on July 1. Tappe said he met with Business Manager Chuck Herdegen and determined that the building expenditures would not be “throw-away dollars” if a building referendum were to pass in the future. “I feel comfortable these are dollars vital for students’ education,” said Tappe.

The bond will replace three existing bonds that will expire in the next few years, so it will not raise taxes over the current level. The shop project has

money in the school budget that has been saved for building projects.

Before approving the project, board member Greg Frisk questioned whether welding shop and wood shop are going to be used as much in the future. Frisk said he would rather see students take English and math classes to prepare them for what they do after high school, instead of training them for technical careers.

Board member Brad Anderson said that students still have to take core courses to graduate. He also said “so many kids are underemployed, and don’t want to go beyond high school.”

Chad Longbella said the programs do well and the community approved a voter referendum for career tech education.

Board member Bruce Lund said the programs are needed because some students would end up leaving school if they couldn’t

take the shop classes.

Board member Bryan Winkels said the board can look at it again when the operating levy for CTE expires in a few years.

Superintendent Tappe said the career technical education classes can teach skills to be used in a practical way. “Education has changed so much in the last 10 years, we are exposing them to opportunities that potentially exist, and also life skills that allow them to be successful,” he said.

Lund also brought up the need to fix up the choir room in the high school and Longbella talked about the need to build extra classrooms at the elementary school.

After the discussion, the board voted unanimously to approve the projects.

Activity eligibility

Superintendent Tappe questioned the board about the purpose of the

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Deb Hausmann planted seeds of love at ‘Kids Kountry Kastle’

By Dawn Timbs
Staples World reporter

Deb Hausmann has always had a soft spot for kids, flowers and pets, she said recently at her home in rural Staples.

On any given summer day, she’s likely to be watering her hanging baskets (there’s about 60, she says) or tending to the 35 flower beds on their property. “Some big, some small,” Deb adds. Most likely Kash, the family cat, is not too far off, supervising her work.

She’s looking forward to having a lot more time this summer to spend with her flowers, but it’s going to take some getting used to.

After 37 years running ‘Kids Kountry Kastle’ daycare at her home, Deb retired on May 31. It’s a job she dearly loved, but she knew that it was time to close that chapter of her life.

Her heart is warmed when she thinks back on all of the little ones she’s been privileged to work with. Over the years, she’s had 183 families enroll their children at Kids Kountry Kastle. According to her records she’s cared for a total of 261 little ones, some of whom grew up and brought their own children to ‘Miss Debbie.’

It wasn’t a career she had set out to find, Deb said, adding that she had gone to secretarial school.

Deb went on to share that in 1980, she and her husband Dale had moved

to Staples to be closer to their parents...Deb grew up in Starbuck and Dale in Kennington. Dale had been hired to teach math at Staples High School and Deb knew she wanted to stay at home and raise their kids.

One day, a woman called Deb and asked her if she would like to babysit. Deb agreed and, “That was the start of the daycare,” she said, adding that she became licensed in 1983.

Amanda Payne was the name of that first child to enroll at Kids Kountry Kastle, joining in on the fun with the Hausmann children. Nathan, Shannon and Jessica had been born by then, and Nicole arrived shortly after.

Thus began Deb’s new routine of providing a safe haven where pre-school aged children (in addition to her own) would be cared for and nurtured while their own parents or guardians were at work.

The first little ones usually arrived at 7 a.m., with the last ones to leave around 5 or 5:15 p.m. A typical day included free play, breakfast (she had “fantastic eaters,” Deb said), activities such as reading and putting puzzles together, and music just before nap time.

“The kids always loved music time,” Deb said, going on to mention favorite songs such as ‘The more we get together,’ ‘If you’re happy and you know it,’ ‘The wheels on the bus,’



Last day at Kids Kountry Kastle

After 37 years of caring for children at Kids Kountry Kastle in rural Staples, daycare provider Deb Hausmann has officially retired. Her last day of operation was May 31. She is pictured with her final group of ‘kids’ as well as her husband, Dale, who often helped out at their home daycare. Front row, from left:

and ‘Old Macdonald had a farm.’

Shirley Griffith worked for Deb for 22 years. “We got along very well,” she said, mentioning that they had a similar work ethic, had a passion for children and both believed in discipline. “I’m old school,” Deb

Kaitlyn Savaloja, Lettie Anderson, Tristin Thorne. Back: Alexis Savaloja, Noah Funk, Deb Hausmann, Wyatt Pogreba, Connor Reeck, Caleb Vangsness, Dale Hausmann, Jackson Vangsness. Two bouquets of flowers were delivered to Deb just prior to this photo being taken. (Staples World photo by Dawn Timbs)

said, going on to say that she always encouraged children to be independent.

There were often 14 children enrolled at Kids Kountry Kastle (that’s what she was licensed for, Deb said), but the last two years she cut back to nine.

She was required to take

20 hours of training every year, Deb said, mentioning classes in child development and first aid. Being aware of any food allergies of children in their care is also a requirement for day-

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Public Notices

Bartlett township right-of-way: **9A**

Obituary

Ivan Voeltz



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Five months later

Lisa Mielke of Motley was busy mowing her lawn July 8, a much more enjoyable task than shoveling snow, she said. The Staples World last caught up with Mielke on Feb. 12, when she was busy clearing her walkway after another major snowstorm hit the area. (Staples World photos by Dawn Timbs)



Serious injuries sustained in motorcycle/deer crash, rural Motley

Two people from Pillager were injured during a serious motorcycle crash in Moose Lake Township, rural Motley, the afternoon of July 14. According to a report from Cass County Sheriff Tom Burch, the incident took place on 64th St. SW at approximately 2:17 p.m. Deputies and responders arrived at the scene and learned that a 2015 Harley Davidson trike motorcycle was traveling west on Cty 24 when it struck a deer causing the driver to lose control and go off the

road into trees. The driver, a 68-year-old male, was treated on scene and transported to St. Joseph's Medical Center in Brainerd. The passenger, a 74-year-old female, was also treated on scene and later transported via North Memorial Air Care to a Twin Cities hospital with serious injuries. Assisting at the scene was Pequot Lakes Police Department, Pequot Lakes Fire Department, Zone 3 Fire Responders and North Memorial Ambulance and Air Care.



A blast from the past

A number of pictures, newspaper articles and memorabilia pertaining to the history of the Pillager School and the City of Pillager were on display in the history building during last weekend's Pillager Fair. Above is a photo that featured seniors from the Class of 1967 at Pillager High School. Pictured front

row, from left, are Sharon (Topp) Sandberg, DelRay Johnson, Jean (Gedde) Larson, Jim Searcy, Kathy (Clarine) Odden. Back: Kathy (Phillips) Johnson, Joyce (Schultz) Peterson, Sandy Leek. **Additional photos from the Pillager Fair will be featured in next week's Staples World.**

By Dawn Timbs
Staples World reporter

With City Clerk/Treasurer Lacey Smieja's upcoming maternity leave and the recent resignation of Administrative/Accounting Assistant Darci McGillivray, the City of Motley is working to staff some temporary positions. At their regular meeting July 8, the Motley City Council discussed the situation as well as what needed to be done to make sure city hall continues to run smoothly.

According to minutes from a special meeting June 25, the council accepted, with regrets, McGillivray's resignation. This was followed by discussion regarding service levels and staffing during Smieja's approved leave scheduled to begin Aug. 12.

The council would like to have a temporary employee at the front desk two - four days per week, with the goal that someone is hired as soon as possible so that Smieja may have time to train them on a few essential functions, the minutes said.

At the special meeting, Smieja recommended hiring McGillivray back as a part-time, temporary employee to complete essential duties previously discussed during Smieja's absence, including utility billing, accounts payable and payroll. McGillivray is willing to work up to 10 hours per week.

It was learned at the regular meeting July 8, that five applications for the temporary front desk employee had been



Work on Motley's water tower has begun

Tri State Coatings out of Wadena, the company contracted to paint Motley's water tower, was at work July 9, cutting a hole for egress. They will be welding a manway into that hole at some

point before they paint. They have begun sandblasting the inside of the water tower and will later paint the outside, which will include the city's logo. (Staples World photo by Dawn Timbs)

received. The council proceeded to appoint a hiring committee, consisting of Smieja, council members Amy Hutchison and Pat O'Regan; and Public Works Director Bruce Brotherton; and approved giving them authority to conduct interviews and hire someone for the above mentioned position.

The council also approved hiring McGillivray as a temporary employee at a wage rate of \$17.77 per hour, plus mileage. Hutchison thanked McGillivray for her work to date, said she would be missed and that the council appreciated her willingness to come back and help on a temporary basis.

During this time of transition, the office hours at city hall have been updated, including closing on Fridays.

In other matters the council:

- APPROVED the pre-

liminary 2019 levy for both Cass and Morrison counties, collectible in 2020. The proposed total certified levy is \$384,724, which is a 2.34 percent increase from last year's final levy.

- SET a Truth in Taxation public hearing for Monday, Dec. 9, at 5:45 p.m., prior to the regular council meeting, at which time the council may adopt the final levy and budget for 2020.

- LEARNED that work has begun on the repainting of the water tower. To date, crew members with Tri State Coatings have been sandblasting the inside. Public Works Director Bruce Brotherton mentioned that an OSHA-approved access point will need to be put in. The estimated cost is \$5,500.

- APPROVED the Motley Fire Department's request to have the brakes fixed on the ambulance. The estimated cost is \$500.

- HEARD monthly

police report from Chief Jason Borash and learned that animal complaints have been increasing.

- DISCUSSED Rob Sampson's request from June 10, that they reconsider their decision to permanently bar him from Converse Park. After some discussion, as well as hearing from Rob Sampson's wife, Lorri Sampson, who was there on his behalf, the council voted to have Rob Sampson barred from the park for one year only, with a start date from May of 2019.

- APPROVED the weed list, which includes six properties that are in violation of the city's ordinance.

- HEARD from Mayor Al Yoder during the council forum, thanking the city employees for all of their help during June Fest.

- SET next regular council meeting for Monday, Aug. 12, 6:30 p.m.

Tennessee suspects in custody, three children rescued near Motley

Three children reported missing from Tennessee are safe after an early morning arrest of two suspects accused of taking the children.

According to a press release, a witness reported seeing the suspect's vehicle in rural Cass County July 11. BCA (Bureau of Criminal Apprehension) agents confirmed the presence of the vehicle in a wooded area on property near Motley.

Shortly before 4 a.m. July 12, Cass County Sheriff's Office and Minnesota BCA agents arrested

Michale Darrel Christian, 48, and Amanda Colene Essex, 25, both of Spencer, Tennessee on multiple Tennessee warrants for custodial interference classified as Class E felonies in the State of Tennessee. Authorities also located three small children, ages six, two and one.

The children were reported missing from Maury County, Tenn. on Tuesday, July 9. Christian and Essex were named as suspects. The two are non-custodial parents of the three young children. Authorities had reason

to believe the group was headed to Minnesota.

Christian and Essex are currently being held in the Crow Wing County jail awaiting extradition to Tennessee. The three children are safe and authorities are working to return them to Tennessee.

Agencies involved in the arrest and recovery include the Cass and Crow Wing County Sheriff's offices, Tennessee Bureau of Investigation and Maury County Sheriff's Department, Tenn.

Law enforcement reports, Motley area

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

July 10 - The MPD issued a citation to Amanda Ruiz, 32, for driving after revocation.

July 8 - The MPD received a report of a theft of items from a job site at the water treatment plant in Motley. Tri State Coat-

ing, the company repainting the water tower, had several items stolen from the job site. These include four 50-ft. sections of 3/4 inch Chicago rubber air hose valued at \$260; and two 50-ft. sections of 1 1/2 inch ID rubber hose with sandblasting nozzles attached valued at \$1,200. There are no suspects at this time.

July 10 - The MCSO received a report of a tres-

pass at the 36000 block of Bugle Rd. in Motley.

July 10 - The Cass County Sheriff's Office arrested someone on a Morrison County warrant near Dove Rd. in Pillager. The MCSO responded and transported the subject to jail without incident.

July 10 - The MCSO issued a citation to Cody Kasper, 23, for driving a vehicle with an extremely loud muffler.

July 8 - The MCSO was dispatched to a suspicious activity complaint. The reporting party stated that sometime the previous evening someone put approximately 25 piles of dog feces on their deck and beach area, near the 3000 block of Thoroughfare Dr., Cush-

ing. The person stated she does not know who would do this. She stated she has done nothing to the neighbors for anyone to retaliate.

July 5 - The MCSO responded to a report of a vehicle that had been hit while it was parked at BRICKS Travel Center parking lot while he was at work. The owner of the vehicle stated that someone left a note on the vehicle that stated, sorry I hit your truck, but did not include contact information. The owner said that there was damage to the top of the pickup box and tail light on the driver's side of the truck. There was also some light grey paint transfer on the box of his pickup.

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NOTICE - MOTLEY CITY HALL HOURS

Beginning July 22, 2019, City Hall will have reduced hours due to a temporary staffing shortage. Until further notice, City Hall will be open the following days/hours:

- Monday & Wednesday: 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
- Tuesday & Thursday: 11:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

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Staples Host Lions donate

The Staples Host Lions Club recently donated \$500 check to the Back to School Fair. Pictured are Jeanne Hajek, left; and Staples Host Lions Vice President Bob Schafer. (Staples World photo by Dawn Timbs)

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Clear expectations for school

addressed prior to starting it,” he said. That includes getting the right players at the table, defining what direction the board wants to go, and taking a grass-roots approach to get a pulse on the community. “It is something we are going to have to address, whether it is in six months or six years,” he said. Tappe’s first 90 days will be spent soaking in information. “After that, we can set paramaters, and find the best opportunities for the kids,” he said. After the first week and the first school board meeting, Tappe said it is going well. “There is a lot of value, great people here,” he said. “From what I have heard there has been inconsistency in leadership, not good or bad leadership, just not consistent.” He said it will take a process, but he expects to have clear expectations and clear communication throughout the district

from staff, students, parents and school board. “We have to make sure everyone is in their correct lanes and define what their roles are,” said Tappe. “We are all in this for one reason, to help kids.” Tappe and his wife Holly have moved to Staples with their three boys in grades six, three and one, and his daughter is planning to enter jump-start kindergarten. Holly will continue working as a paralegal for a firm in Fergus Falls, but will be able to do some work from home. “The family is excited, we’re all excited about the opportunity,” said Tappe. In his first weeks in the community, Tappe has been meeting people, attending baseball games, and his family is taking part in summer recreation and sports training activities. “It’s about community,” he said.

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Board questions eligibility

school’s eligibility standards for extra-curricular activities. Tappe said most districts follow the Minnesota State High School League standards of “minimum progress” to be eligible for activities, which simply means a passing grade above F. He said the Staples-Motley schools require a C minus in every class to be eligible. Board member Mary Freeman said the high school staff was asked what they felt about academic standards and “that was the impetus for raising this.” Tappe said he is not asking to decrease the standard, but is looking to define the policy. “In my experience, some of these kids need extracurricular activities. I’m all for setting a high standard, but show me the benefit. Are we having more people graduate? I want the board to define it for me.” Freeman said “if students are in the danger area, there are ample opportunities to improve that grade in a very short time.” She cited the school’s targeted services, home room and programs where students can get help during their lunch period. “We’re hiring student success people, what’s their job?” she asked. Anderson pointed out that the process of checking grades every two weeks can create timing issues. If

an assignment isn’t in the gradebook by the evaluation date, they could end up on the ineligible list. Other board members pointed out that it could be that the teacher hasn’t entered a completed assignment into the Skyward system yet, and online classes might not have a grade until the end of the semester. “We’ve had students in the top five of their class on that list” because of timing issues, said Anderson. Lund said he is from a special education background and some students are not able to reach the C minus in every class, even though they are making progress and improving their academic standing. “I’ve been against this from the beginning,” said Lund, “it’s time to look at something different.” Winkels pointed out that a student who violates the substance abuse policy is required to sit two weeks, while a student struggling in a class could sit out the entire season. Tappe said the school needs to find out how clear the policy is to parents, students and staff. “This is hard to administer, hard to understand,” he said. In other news, the board decided to let the finance committee suggest a new name for the Motley building, which will no longer be a middle school.

75 YEARS Ago - 1944

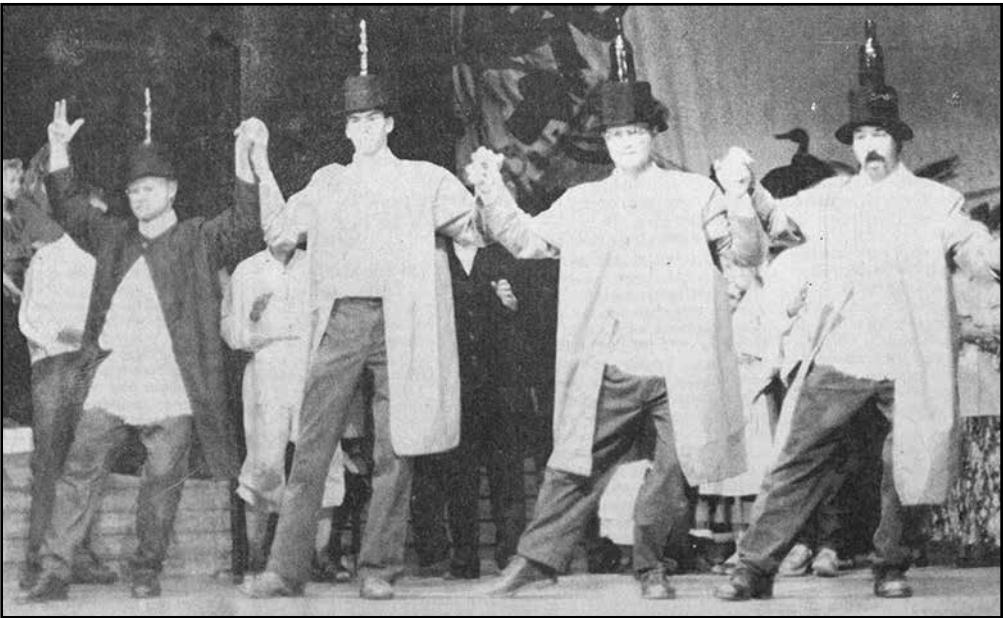
• July 20, 1944 - One of the most miraculous accidents, and one which has caused hundreds of people to wonder how the occupant of the car ever came out alive, happened at the Seventh Street railroad crossing in Staples Saturday noon of last week, when Mrs. Glen Olson was enroute to her home on the south side from a shopping trip. Mrs. Olson was going south, a little before noon Saturday, after completing her shopping, just at the

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time the Duluth gas-bus was coming into Staples. She apparently did not notice the oncoming train, and started across the tracks. As she did so, the gas-bus struck her car just back of the front door, whirled around, and dragged it for some distance before the train was brought to a stop, just west of the Seventh Street crossing. Conductor Torrey and brakeman Jack Thompson of the train crew immediately went to the aid of Mrs. Olson, and medical examination revealed that she suffered only a few scratches, perhaps from the flying glass, and some bruises about the body. She also suffered severe shock, and is still confined to her home and bed part of the time. The Olson auto was a Chevrolet coach. Little is left of the car. There is no signal at the Seventh Street crossing, and it has been used by many motorists, and this is the most sever accident which has occurred there for some time. Mrs. Olson is a sister of Mrs. H. C. Barker of Staples, and her husband is an employee of the Northern Pacific in Staples.

50 YEARS Ago - 1969
• July 17, 1969 - Charles Mayer of North Branch will assume the duties of publisher and manager of the Staples World Friday, August 1, according to an announcement this week by Wendell Stone, present publisher. Mayer has been managing editor of the North Branch Review for the past five years. Prior to that he was associated with the Forest Lake Times for four years, and the Swift County Monitor-News at Benson for 12 years. Mayer is a widower with

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• Approval of MREA 2019-2020 membership renewal; \$2,332.00
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• Approval of MSBA Association Dues (7/1/19 – 6/30/20) \$4,679.00
• Approval of Renewal of MSBA Policy Services (7/1/19 to 6/30/20) - \$700.00
• Approve the 2019-2020



Staples World mystery photo

Hello readers. This week’s archive photo is from our July 21, 1994 edition. Do you know who these people are and perhaps the context of the photo? Email your answers to dtimbs@staplesworld.com by Monday morning. The answers will be published in next week’s paper, as well as a new mystery photo.

five sons. He plans to move to Staples as soon as housing can be arranged. Mr. Mayer states he plans no changes in personnel at The World. Gordon Sellnow has consented to remain as editor of the newspaper. Mr. Mayer will devote his time to management and advertising. Plans are to convert The World to the new offset printing method as soon as possible, following the recent trend of many newspapers throughout the state. Newspapers in this area now printing by the offset process are Brainerd, Wadena, Detroit Lakes and Long Prairie. Mr. Stone has been the owner of The World for the past 20 years. Buyers of the newspaper are Charles Mayer and Quinco Press, Inc.

25 YEARS Ago - 1994

• July 21, 1994 - The Swan Valley Lutheran Church is celebrating 90 years of service this Sunday, July 24. Long time member Ida Olson recalls when she joined the Swan Valley Lutheran Church in 1920 after she got married. “It was different then,” she said. “There were fewer members.” The Rev. Edmund Holland was pastor at the time. “He lived up in Sebek,,” she said. “We met once a month. The services were in Norwegian, so I didn’t get much out of it.” Swan Valley Lutheran was organized about 1904. An exact date is not known, because the original church records were destroyed in a fire at the home of the church secretary B. A. Hefte in 1926.

• July 21, 1994 - The past week produced two filings by members of the Staples Motley School Board, but not for reelection. Two of the twelve school board members filed for election to the Minnesota House of Representatives. Erv Bjerga filed for the District 4-B seat, while Barbara Schmitt filed for the House 11-B seat.

10 YEARS Ago - 2009

• July 16, 2009 - With a history of both peaks and valleys, but with a strong optimistic look to the future, an area housing development will soon be celebrating its 40th anniversary. Sylvan Shores, located mostly in Moran, Fawn Lake and Turtle Creek

townships just southeast of Staples, boasts over 2,200 lots and some 25 parcels of common space, such as their clubhouse, community center, campground and other recreational areas. Today the majority of the property in Sylvan Shores is privately held. This includes property on four different lakes, Fawn Lake, Pine Island Lake, Little Pine Lake and Turtle Lake. A portion of Sylvan Shores also borders the Long Prairie River. Beginning in 1969, Sylvan Shores was created out of all or parts of some eight different farms in the area. The land was a mix of cropland and heavily wooded areas around the four lakes.



Mystery solved

Last week’s mystery photo published in the July 11, 1985 edition of the Staples World featured area youth named ‘Best Putter (9 holes)’ in the nine and under age category. Pictured, from left, are Heather Hasselberg, Kathy O’Keefe, Trevor Peterson, Paul Droubie. Chris Mayhew correctly identified all and noted it was a golf outing at Terrace Golf Course. Thanks for participating in our Mystery Photo.

School board agenda

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TCC (Headstart) Lease agreement
• Approve the 2019-2020 agreement with Big Stone Therapies
• Approve the 2019-2020 Resolution of Sponsorship with Community Concern for Youth Program with Todd-Wadena Community Corrections \$4,864.00
• Approve the 2019-2020 PSEO contract with CLC
• Approve Kathy Johnson as LEA (Local Education Authority) Person of the District (Standard Annual Approval for NCLB/Title I

Programs)
• Accept the resignation of JoMarie Michel; Elem. Paraprofessional; eff. Aug. 31, 2019
• Accept the resignation of Cindy Koopmann; Bell Choir Director; eff. immediately
• Approve the 2019-20 contract for Kristina Haataja; Orchestra; BA +13
• Approve the Fall 2019 Extra-Curricular and Coaching assignments
• Approval of Financial Report and Authorize the Vouchers
• Approve the LTFM project proposal
• Approve the 2019-20 Transportation Contracts with Greig Bus Service and Johnson Bus Service
• Approve the 2019-20 Chromebook Policy and Usage Handbook
• Approve the 2018-19 School Meal Prices/Fee Schedule
• Policy Discussion
• Approve the renaming of the Motley site to: Staples-Motley Early Education Center

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Preliminary data show decline in opioid deaths in Minnesota

Preliminary statewide data show a decrease in overall drug overdose deaths in Minnesota, with deaths dropping 17% from 733 in 2017 to 607 in 2018. While promising, overdose rates remain at historic highs and indicate the amount of work still needed in prevention and treatment of substance use disorder.

Chief drivers were decreases in heroin deaths and deaths that involved prescription opioids. All opioid deaths declined 22% from 422 in 2017 to 331 in 2018. There was a 32% decrease in prescription opioid-involved deaths from 195 in 2017 to 134 in 2018. Heroin deaths decreased 23% from 111 in 2017 to 85 in 2018.

The preliminary data released by the Minnesota Department of Health (MDH) shows deaths related to synthetic opioids, primarily illicitly manufactured fentanyl, continued to increase. A vast majority of the synthetic opioid deaths involved fentanyl. Of the 195 deaths, 184 (94%) had fentanyl listed as contributing to the death on the death certificate. Synthetic opioids are now involved in the greatest number of overdose deaths for all drugs, surpassing commonly prescribed opioids.

"It's encouraging to see this turn-around in the trend in 2018 as Minnesota has implemented a broad range of efforts to prevent opioid misuse and combat the overdose crisis," said Minnesota Commissioner of Health Jan Malcolm. "This is good news, but we want to emphasize that this is still preliminary data and that overdose deaths continue to remain at historic highs. There is still much work that needs to be done to end this crisis and mitigate its effects."

This decrease is just the second one seen since 2000 in a rising trend of opioid-involved deaths, if the preliminary data does not substantially change. MDH's final drug overdose numbers tend to increase as the health department receives additional death certificates for Minnesota residents who died of opioid-involved overdoses in

other states. For example, last year Minnesota's preliminary count rose from 694 in May to 733 in the fall.

Paralleling the drop in opioid-involved deaths, nonfatal emergency department visits for opioid-involved overdoses remained stable from 2,037 in 2017 to 1,946 in 2018.

There were also neutral or positive trends related to non-opioid overdose deaths. Psychostimulant-involved (e.g., methamphetamine) deaths remained level from 2017 to 2018 (161 deaths). Benzodiazepine-involved deaths decreased 29% from 2017 to 2018 (65 deaths), continuing the downward trend. Cocaine-involved deaths also decreased 25% from 2017 to 2018 (51 deaths) (data not shown on graphs).

Minnesota has several initiatives underway to address opioid misuse, such as increasing access to the overdose-reversal drug naloxone (brand name Narcan®). The state's Opioid Prescribing Work Group created opioid prescribing guidelines for Minnesota. More than 16,000 health care providers serving Minnesotans on Medicaid and MinnesotaCare are receiving reports comparing their opioid prescribing rates to those of their peers. Additionally, an upgrade of the Minnesota Prescription Monitoring Program will include alerts for prescribers about patients potentially misusing opioids.

The Minnesota Department of Human Services will also soon release State Opioid Response grants of \$8.87 million per year for two years, which will fund naloxone distribution, expand treatment resources including medication assisted treatment and work to build the treatment workforce.

Human Services Commissioner Tony Lourey recognized the positive trend, but believes more work needs to be done. "Minnesota is working to end the opioid crisis by investing in a range of prevention, emergency response, treatment and recovery strategies," Lourey said. "The decrease we're seeing in opioid deaths tells us our approach is the right one."

We must continue to help those who are struggling with addiction and stop the damaging effects illicit opioid use has on people, families and communities."

The Minnesota Department of Public Safety Bureau of Criminal Apprehension (BCA) established the Minnesota Anti-Heroin Task Force in 2018 to help local agencies address the heroin crisis. It works to disrupt the flow of heroin into Minnesota and assists in overdose death investigations. Legislation signed into law by Governor Walz includes an additional \$1.3 million per year from the General Fund to support investigations of heroin and other drug crimes. It also enables the addition of six forensic scientists to reduce the current drug evidence turnaround time at the BCA lab. The BCA is also partnering with public health and public safety experts in a Drug Monitoring Initiative to better understand the trends, patterns and threat of illicit opioid use and provide information to make decisions about resources, initiatives and prevention efforts.

"Opioid abuse is stealing the lives of our friends, neighbors and loved ones every day in every corner of the state. It's an epidemic that requires a comprehensive approach, because arrests alone won't curb the problem in our communities," said John Harrington, commissioner of the Minnesota Department of Public Safety. "While law enforcement agencies across the state are working hard to disrupt the supply of this poison in our communities, we also need to find ways to reduce the demand by connecting people with the resource they need to break free of addiction."

Read the Preliminary 2018 Drug Overdose Deaths (PDF) report on the MDH Opioid Dashboard. Visit the Opioid Dashboard to learn more about overdose data, opioid emergency response, lifesaving naloxone and preventing the demand for drugs.

From the Minnesota Department of Health

Fighting robocalls

By U.S. Senator Amy Klobuchar

If you have a phone, then chances are you've received at least one unsolicited robocall—likely more.

"Congratulations! You've won an all-expenses paid vacation." Or, "Alert to the vehicle owner, your loan is set to expire." You know the sound and the experience—a recognizable number calls and you pick up realizing that the robot on the other end doesn't actually have your next vacation planned.

This experience is not unique.

One Minnesota resident, Rosey, who moved from Iowa many years ago, says she often gets calls from local area codes in Iowa. Robocallers are hoping that she'll pick up.

Over half of all Americans report getting more than one robocall per day and more than 93 percent said they get at least one per month.

In 2018, the number of robocalls to Minnesota households doubled. And just last month, there were 4.5 million calls made to the (507) area code alone. That's an average of over 150,000 robocalls every day. There are few things more annoying than when your phone rings and you hear a recorded voice on the other end trying to sell you something, or worse, scam you out of your hard earned money.

We all know what it's

like to have family dinners interrupted by these unwelcome calls. And it's probably why unwanted robocalls and telemarketing spoofs are the top consumer complaint to the Federal Communications Commission (FCC). Last year, the FCC received 232,000 complaints regarding robocalls, and the Federal Trade Commission (FTC) received more than 3.7 million robocall complaints.

These robocalls aren't just unwanted and disruptive—most are illegal. New technology has enabled scammers to "spoof" or alter their phone numbers so that the calls appear to be local, making them nearly impossible to recognize or track. Worse still, they often target seniors who are particularly susceptible to these scammers, which has led, in extreme cases, to the loss of their entire life savings.

We need robocall legislation that is as sophisticated as the people trying to scam us. That's why I've been working to shut down robocallers. Just this May, legislation aimed at better protecting consumers and increasing robocall penalties against fraudulent telemarketers that I cosponsored passed the Senate. But we still have more work to do. That's why I recently introduced the Deter Obnoxious, Nefarious, and Outrageous Telephone (DO NOT) Call Act, legislation that will strengthen penal-

ties against scammers by increasing fines and adding criminal liability to deter this illegal conduct.

While Congress plays a critical part in deterring robocalls, federal agencies play significant roles as well. Last month, the FCC made an important new ruling to help protect consumers from robocalls by allowing carriers to block them. This means that consumers should receive fewer annoying, unwanted, and potentially fraudulent calls. Also, the Federal Trade Commission (FTC) announced a new crack-down on illegal robocalls which included nearly 100 cases targeting operations around the country that are responsible for more than one billion robocalls pitching a variety of products and services including credit card interest rate reduction services, money-making opportunities, and medical alert systems.

While these are promising steps, we still must make sure we are protecting consumers' choice and ensuring that the price of using these call-blocking technologies does not get passed on to the consumers. I will continue to work to pass legislation that will better protect Minnesotans from these unsolicited calls.

We can and must do more to protect consumers from illegal robocalls and crack down on the scammers responsible for them. It's time to stop them once and for all.

Nature Rx: prescribing nature for well-being

From Penn Today, University of Pennsylvania

Calm days on the beach, the quiet of a forest, or even the whistle of wind gusting through the trees on Locust Walk: a new initiative at Penn aims to highlight these moments in nature as not just leisure, but therapy.

Chloe Cerwinka, landscape planner in the Office of the University Architect in the Division of Facilities and Real Estate Services, led the proposal for the Nature Rx program at Penn, proposed as part of the "Your Big Idea" wellness challenge that invited students, staff, and faculty to crowdsource ideas that would improve the lives of people who are part of Penn's campus. Cerwinka's winning idea was to leverage the University's 100 acres of open space, as well as unique status as the only urban campus arboretum, as a way to curb anxiety and depression among stressed students and the larger Penn community by advocating time in nature.

This initiative was a partnership between Chief Wellness Officer Benoit Dubé, the Office of the Provost, and the University Faculty Senate. The Wellness Challenge ultimately selected three projects to fund from 14 semifinal-

ist proposals pitched at an April 25 event. Ideas were for programs, amenities, or resources, and were encouraged to unite departments and schools.

Nature Rx gets to the heart of that, with support from a robust number of programs, centers, and schools throughout the University that expressed interest in working to support the concept.

"The idea [of Nature Rx] is that clinicians and health partners would write prescriptions for people to spend time in nature," explains Cerwinka. "It's really simple. You can spend time in nature any way you want to. And there's scientific research that shows spending as little as five minutes outside in nature can help improve your health."

In a three-minute pitch presented to a committee, Cerwinka cited research that shows anywhere from five to 20 minutes of time spent in nature can boost energy levels and decrease common symptoms of anxiety and depression while boosting the immune system.

"It was a difficult decision for the judges, but we ultimately selected Nature Rx as one of the funded proposals because it highlights readily accessible resources and can be beneficial to all members of the Penn community," says Dubé.

Cerwinka says she began to think about Nature Rx in 2016, after speaking with a group at Cornell University that implemented a similar program; that initiative, loosely based on the Park Rx in America partnership co-run by the National Park Service, advocated not just scripts from clinicians, but a community culture that encourages students to look out for one another and prescribe nature to each other. Inspired, Cerwinka then spoke with representatives from the Morris Arboretum, the Penn Center for Public Health Initiatives, and others to gauge interest and discuss the possibility of a similar concept at Penn. When the Wellness Challenge finally surfaced this spring as an opportunity, she knew the timing was right.

By coincidence, a major player in bringing Nature Rx to Cornell, Greg Eells,

joined Penn in March as director of Counseling and Psychological Services and co-authored a book on the topic that published in May.

Eells notes that cities have always speculated that nature is a necessity for well-being, pointing to New York City's Central Park as a prime example of maintaining green space for wellness.

"I think that, in some ways, Nature Rx is a reminder of things we already know," says Eells. "But a reminder, in a way, that's a little different but helps people get outside of their heads and back into nature."

Civilizations, he adds, have historically found spiritual and emotional solace in nature, especially indigenous cultures that felt profound psychological and emotional impacts from, say, a mountain.

"The challenge in our modern world is we've moved away from that," Eells says. "We focus much more on control, and I think the natural world reminds us much more of serendipity and meaning and flow, and confronts us more with things we often try to avoid, like cycles of life and death."

"And so, I think nature is pretty amazing at reminding us of those things, helping us lean into some things we oftentimes avoid in our technological world."

Cerwinka's hope is that the language of Nature Rx will have a positive effect on the Penn community.

"It's kind of the idea that if you talk about it as a prescription, people will start to take it more seriously," she says, adding that there's even a prescription card that's been designed.

"It's also not necessarily that hard to do," says Cerwinka. "You can take advantage of nature in different ways that appeal to you. Maybe you want to walk to work if you can, or there's a park nearby. The important thing is to get people to spend time in nature, and the prescription is one but it doesn't have to be the only way."

Looking ahead, she'll continue to have discussions with University partners to develop a Penn-specific plan for the idea that, she hopes, will remind students, faculty, and staff how important open space is to have—and how much of it Penn has.



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Craig Peterson will bring classic country and rock to Music in the Park

Local musician Craig Peterson will perform at the Music in the Park Series in Staples on Sunday, July 21, at 7 p.m.

Expect to hear classic country and classic rock music from Peterson, who sings and plays guitar.

A self-taught musician who plays by ear, Peterson has been performing with bands and as a solo artist since 1973.

His musical journey began with the band 'Hill Toppers,' along with his parents, Richard and Phyllis Peterson. Fronted by fiddle player Herman Johnson, the group played mainly polkas and waltzes.

He went on to play in the band, 'The Country Jubilees,' along with his parents and guitarist Gary McGillvary; and in 1978, formed 'The Jubilee Three' with his brothers Mark and Ron Peterson, playing country music throughout Minnesota. They were joined occasionally by their sisters, Sandy Lorber and Vickie Hanley.

Following a one-year break, the brothers came back together with a new name, 'Foothills Gold.' A few years later they changed their name again to 'Neon Nites,' continuing in the tradition of country and classic rock and roll. Over the next eight years, the band stayed busy play-



Local musician to perform

Craig Peterson will perform at Music in the Park Series in Staples on Sunday, July 21, at 7 p.m. (Submitted photo)

ing at a variety of venue throughout Minnesota, from Leader to the Twin Cities. They developed a following and were always booked back at the venues they played, Peterson recalled.

In 2000, Peterson suffered a stroke while lifting weights and as he was the lead singer of 'Neon Nites,' the band could not continue.

Following his stroke, Peterson said he used sing-

ing as part of his therapy. "I could sing, but couldn't speak fluently," he shared. "Through God's grace and the love of family and friends, I was able to recover though it took some six to nine months."

Since his recovery, Peterson has been enjoying performing as a solo artist, playing his favorite songs from the classic country and classic rock genres. He keeps busy playing at a variety of venues and is looking forward to sharing his music in Staples.

The Music in the Park Concerts are held in the Northern Pacific (NP) Park on Sunday evenings at 7 p.m. and will run through August 11. For more information on the Music in the Park series as well as the regular concert series, check out www.staplesmotleyarts.org.

Northern Pacific (NP) Park is located at 625 6th St. NE. Go north on 6th St. at the junction of Hwys 10 and 210 and go six blocks. In case of rain, the concerts will be moved to Faith Lutheran Church.

The Music in the Park Series is funded by the Staples Host Lions Club. The Series is organized by the Staples Motley Area Arts Council, with the assistance of the Staples Motley Public Schools and the City of Staples.

Asfelds to Host U of MN Extension Dairy Field Day in Todd County

Bruce and Rose Asfeld of Osakis will host the 2019 Todd County Dairy Field Day on Tuesday July 30th from 10:30 a.m. -12:30 p.m. Asfeld's farm is located at 10804 137th Ave, Osakis, which is right at the top of the I-94 West Union exit. Watch for signs. Refreshments and ice cream treats will be provided.

Bruce and Rose Asfeld started dairy farming in 1994 at their current site near West Union. Their farm has undergone many exciting changes over the years. They currently milk about 125 Holsteins in a double 8 swing parabone parlor with automatic take-offs that was retrofitted into their tiestall barn in 2009. The freestall barn started out as a compost barn and 104 stalls were installed in 2012. Part of the barn remains as a compost bedded area for special needs cows. Future farm goals are to build a new heifer raising facility as well as a hay shed.

To promote good herd health practices when visiting farms, please wear clothes that have been washed and not worn in other livestock facilities since washing. Plastic boots will be provided. For more information or any questions contact Brenda Miller at the Todd County Extension Office: 320-732-4435 or nels4220@umn.edu

Mark Your Calendar

July 17

STAPLES ALL VETERANS AND COMMUNITY PARK ASSOCIATION MTG Wed., July 17, 5:30 p.m., Timbers Restaurant and Event Center, Staples. Public invited.

BRAINERD CHAPTER #738 NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF ACTIVE AND RETIRED FEDERAL EMPLOYEES MTG Wed., July 17, Skillet Restaurant in NE Brainerd. Social time, 11:30 a.m., lunch at noon. Presentation by Lou Owens, Alzheimer's and Dementia.

July 19

LAKES AREA MUSIC FESTIVAL'S PRELUDE SERIES featuring Altius String Quartet, Fri., July 19, 7:30 p.m., Motley United Methodist Church. The Altius Showcase concert will be held Wed., July 31, 7:30 p.m., at Tornstrom Auditorium, Brainerd. Donation-based admission, no tickets required. For more info., www.LakesAreaMusic.org/Prelude-Series.

Learn more about PSEO program for homeschooled high school students

Central Lakes College will host a virtual information session for those who want to learn more about the college's Post-Secondary Enrollment Options (PSEO) program for homeschooled high school students.

The session, which will be hosted through Zoom, will be at 10 a.m. on Tuesday, July 30. To sit in on the information session, simply go to <https://minnstate.zoom.us/j/348882838> and click "join".

Students who are interested in learning more about participating in college courses online while in high school are encour-

aged to attend this virtual session. Parents and guardians are also welcome.

"This is a great way to learn about earning college credits at the same time as you complete your homeschool high school diploma," Phil Olsen, CLC PSEO Advisor. "Our current home school students love the convenience of working toward a college degree from their home, without ever having to come to campus."

For more information, contact Tajia Anderson, CLC PSEO Specialist, at 218-855-8079 or tajia.anderson@clcmn.edu.

Bluegrass gospel concert at Central Methodist Church

The Purple Hulls of East Texas

East Texas band The Purple Hulls, along with Abby Hartley, will perform a bluegrass gospel concert at Central Methodist Church on Thursday, Aug. 8, at 7 p.m.

The church is located on

Cty Rd. 26 six miles north of Hwy 10.

"Come and enjoy an evening of toe tapping, easy listening bluegrass music," say church members.

A free will offering will be taken.

Auditions set July 22 for 'Pinocchio'

Performances will be Friday, July 26 in Staples

Auditions for Prairie Fire Children's Theatre's original musical production of "Pinocchio" will be held Monday, July 22, from 5-7 p.m. at Centennial Auditorium, 401 Centennial Dr., Staples. The week long event is sponsored by the Staples Motley Area Arts Council.

Two performances will be held; Friday, July 26; at 5 p.m. and at 7 p.m. at Centennial Auditorium. Tickets available at the door.

Up to 75 local young people are needed to play the roles of Pinocchio, the Blue Fairy, Cricket, Cat, the Spirits of the Forest, the Townsfolk, the Vermin, the Hooligans and the Puppets.

Auditions are open to anyone ages seven through 18. The audition process lasts up to two hours and all those auditioning are required to stay for its entirety. No advance preparation is necessary. There's a registration fee to participate.

The cast will be announced at the end of the two hour audition; each cast member will



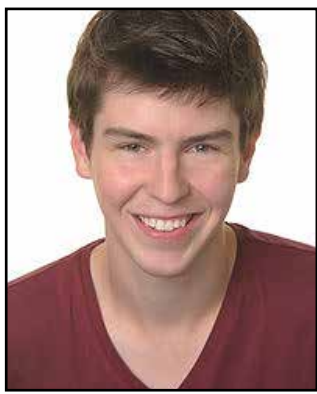
Mikhayla Clausen

receive a rehearsal schedule for the week. A portion of the cast will be required to stay following auditions for a short rehearsal.

Rehearsals will be held from; 5-9 p.m. Monday through Thursday.

Two professional actor/directors from the staff of Prairie Fire Children's Theatre will direct the production and play the roles of the Geppetto/Tempesto, the Puppet Master and the Fox.

Mikhayla Clausen, playing the role of the Fox, was born and raised in Belle Plaine. She graduated last year from Minnesota State



Kody Hopkins

University in Mankato with her Bachelor of Fine Arts in Musical Theatre. She's assistant directed and musically directed "The Little Mermaid" at Belle Plaine High School and she's ridden the rails with the Polar Express Train Ride in New Orleans. After having toured as Aunt Polly in "Tom Sawyer" and Serafina in "Beauty and the Beast," Mikhayla is back for her third tour with PFCT.

Kody Hopkins, originally from Hickory, NC, and now from St. Petersburg, Fla., will be playing the role of Geppetto and Tempesto the Puppet Master. He earned his Bachelor of Fine Arts in Acting with a minor in Psychology from the University of North Carolina at Greensboro. He's been a teaching artist with American Stage where he helped middle schoolers, high schoolers and adults develop original work. This is Kody's first tour with PFCT.

Previous residencies with the Staples Motley Area Arts Council by Prairie Fire Children's Theatre include "Sleeping Beauty," "Midsummer Night's Dream," "Cinderella," "Jack and the Beanstalk," "Aladdin," "Tom Sawyer" and "The Wizard of Oz."

For more information contact Tonia at 218-640-2111.

Blood drive in Motley

An upcoming blood donation opportunity, sponsored by the America Red Cross, will be held Wednesday, July 24, 12 - 6 p.m., at the Motley United Methodist Church. The church is located at 847 3rd Ave. S.

Walk-ins welcome.

For more information or to make an appointment online visit www.redcross-

blood.org; or call 1-800-733-2767.

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UP TO 75 YOUNG PEOPLE ARE NEEDED to play the roles of PINOCCHIO, the BLUE FAIRY, CRICKET, CAT, the SPIRITS OF THE FOREST, the TOWNSFOLK, the VERMIN, the HOOLIGANS, and the PUPPETS. Auditions are open to anyone age 7 and up. The audition process lasts up to two hours and all those auditioning are required to be in attendance the entire time. The cast will be announced at the end of the two hour audition; each cast member will receive a rehearsal schedule for the remainder of the week. A portion of the cast will be required to stay following auditions for a rehearsal session. Two professional actors/directors from Prairie Fire Children's Theatre's Staff will direct the production and play the roles of GEPPETTO/TEMPESTO, the PUPPET MASTER, and the FOX. No preparation is necessary to audition.

Public Performances: Friday, July 26
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13-U baseball team makes state tournament

The Staples-Motley 13-U Babe Ruth baseball team is headed for the state tournament.

"It was unexpected," said coach Brian Smith. "We had been playing okay all year but we didn't make the right play at the right time. Last week we turned the corner."

The Cardinals beat the top seed, Perham and also had a win against Frazee before they lost to Park Rapids in the championship. The top two teams qualify for state.

Staples-Motley will play in the 16 team state tournament in Paynesville on Thursday and Friday, July

18-19, for pool play rounds. If they advance, they will play again Saturday, July 20.

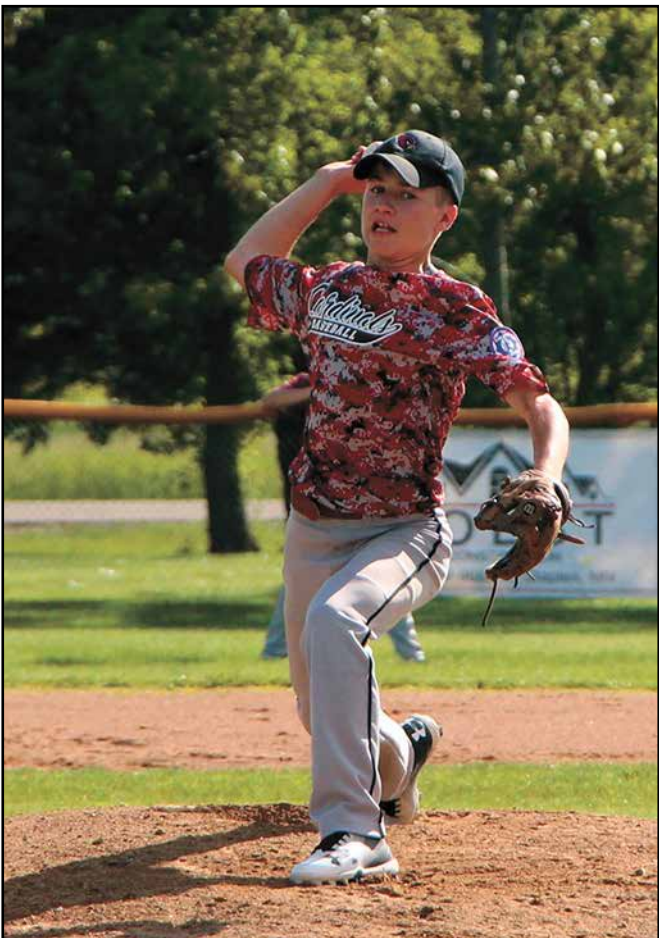
To prepare for the tournament, the team is able to draft pitchers and catchers from teams in the league who did not make it to state.



Baseball action

Babe Ruth 13U catcher Peyton Mithun reaches for the ball for a play at the plate during a game earlier this

season. (Staples World photos by Mark Anderson)



Ben Tyrrell



Alex Schultz



Eli Smith



State tournament team

Babe Ruth 13U team after a game this season. Front row from left, Logan Martin, Wesley Parker, Jack Carlson, Griffen Bettis, Dylan Lawrence; middle row, Hayden Rutherford, Carson Trantina, Andrew Salcido, Eli Smith, Kevin

Miller, Brayden Salcido and Ben Tyrrell; back row, coaches JR Bettis, Brian Smith, Corey Lawrence and Jim Tyrrell. Not pictured: Hayden Rychner. They play their first state tournament game Thursday, July 18. (Submitted photo)



Andrew Salcido



Kevin Miller

Hérons hunt solo, but nest sociably

In animals, as in humans, there is usually a correlation between numbers and noise. The more individuals that are gathered together, the greater the likelihood that the gathering will be noisy.

My daughter and her visiting boyfriend were pedaling bikes off the beaten path on one of the access roads that leads to cabins and vacation homes on the lake where our family cabin sits. The road penetrates a forest of tall conifer trees, whose branches meet above the roadway to obscure the sun and sky, the diffuse green light giving a sense of seclusion despite the busy lake life here.

In this quiet spot, away from the wash of waves and whine of outboard motors, they heard raspy, squawking calls from high overhead, in volume and direction clearly part of a large chorus, not a solo voice. Despite the noise level, the cause was out of sight. There is an abundance of wild turkeys hereabouts, and they posed that possibility when they paused to talk to a woman they met walking the road.

Hours later, our bikers having long since returned to our cabin, there came a knock on our door. It was the woman they had met on the road, who—when they met—had asked my daughter the whereabouts of our cabin. She had put out a query on a Facebook page maintained for those who have property on this lake. "Great blue heron rookery"

was the response that one of the locals had posted. This was what she shared with us when she knocked on our door.

"Great blue heron" shouldn't have been a surprise. It is one of the birds most frequently sighted on our lake, its slow wing-beat and lumbering flight so remindful of an overburdened cargo plane. We see them in their comings and goings, and sometimes find ourselves wondering why we'll see one heron winging its way down the shore to the west, and at the same time see it cross paths with another heading down the shore to the east. Does some instinct lead them to expect better hunting for fish, frogs, or crayfish at the end of their flight? Is this the heron version of "the grass is always greener on the other side of the fence?"

We often see herons standing on our dock, or the dock of a neighbor; sometimes on the canvas cover of our boat lift. Does this vantage point help them see prey? Their usual mode of hunting is stalking the shallows on foot, on those long, stilt-like legs. Are the herons that make use of docks and boat lifts adapting to life with us, using humans' creations to hunt more successfully?

Hérons are wary, and not very tolerant of human presence. If I appear in the doorway, or open it just wide enough for a telephoto camera lens, a heron at the end of our dock more than 100 feet away will freeze like a statue, but generally not for long. Usually it will take flight, presumably to land again where it does not feel the weight of human eyes, or hear the click of a camera shutter.

But back to the rookery. With its long, stick-like legs and broad wingspan, a great blue heron does not seem like a bird designed

to spend time in trees. It hasn't the goshawk's or the grouse's speed and agility. Even several species of ducks—like the wood duck, merganser, and goldeneye, which nest in hollow tree cavities—seem far better suited to an arboreal life.

Some herons do, in fact, build their nests on the ground. But the classic great blue heron nesting protocol is the rookery, where dozens to even hundreds of nests may be built in close proximity to one another. The heron is not a bird of the forest under-story. It's a bird of the canopy, the top tier of a forest where they build a nest mostly of sticks, lined with softer materials like reeds, grasses, or moss.

The term "rookery" comes from a European member of the crow family, the rook, which—like the great blue heron—nests in colonies in the tops of trees. Perhaps because nesting colonies located in treetops are unusual for birds, the term rookery came to be used for most any bird that has this tree-top nesting habit.

But why nest so close together in the first place? After all, many birds are highly territorial, and will do battle with others of their kind to secure a choice nesting area. Two of the explanations given by ornithologists—bird scientists—are that birds nest in colonies either for protection from predators, or because they learn about food sources from their neighbors. It's possible in some birds that this nesting behavior is advantageous on both counts.

But the great blue heron is a solitary feeder. When you see one stalking prey in the shallows of a lake or wetland, it will be alone. So colony nesting to share food source information in all probability was not part of the heron's evolutionary

history.

Protection from predators is likely the explanation for great blue herons. The behavior probably helped them be successful and survive in evolutionary competition. A closely-packed multitude of large birds armed with dagger-like beaks might deter many predators from attempting to rob nests of their eggs or young, or attempt to take on an adult. The nests most vulnerable to predation are likely to be those on the outer fringes of a nesting colony; so the larger the rookery, the greater the percentage of nests that will be in the interior, and therefore less vulnerable.

The world of wildlife art and limited-edition wildlife prints is pretty much dominated by deer, ducks, geese, upland birds like grouse or pheasants, and—to a lesser extent—fish. Non-game species are poorly represented. One exception is a piece painted by famous Minnesota artist Les Kouba, entitled *The Great Blue Heron Rookery*, which memorialized a scene visible and recognizable to thousands of vacationing motorists who over many years drove a county road that encircled Gull Lake in North Central Minnesota.

Storms eventually took down many of the nesting trees there, and this great blue heron rookery is no more. Factors like changing land use, food availability, and factors unknown to us may play a part in the creation, demise, or relocation of a great blue heron rookery. But they're a unique natural phenomenon while they're thriving, like the one where our lake's complement of great blue herons apparently nest.

Inside the Outdoors



Mike Rahn

VA publishes interim final rule on cash-out home loans to further protect Veterans

Veterans Notes
David A Anderson
Wadena County Veteran
Service Officer

U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs announced that it has published an interim final rule relating to VA-guaranteed cash-out refinance loans to further protect Veteran home-loan borrowers from predatory lending practices. This rule implements certain provisions of the Economic Growth, Regulatory Relief, and Consumer Protection Act, and provides new regulatory safeguards relating to VA-guaranteed cash-out refinance loans. Such loans generally allow borrowers to convert home equity into cash.

In many cases, the principal balance of the new refinance loan is larger than the payoff amount of the loan being refinanced. This means the Veteran will generally receive some amount of cash at closing. The cash can then be used at the Veteran's discretion to pay off debt, fund education, make home improvements and more. VA's cash-out home-loan program can also be used to refinance a non-VA loan into a VA-guaranteed loan.

Certain borrowers can use VA-guaranteed cash-out refinance loans to borrow up to 100 percent of the value of their home. "VA has taken significant steps to make the home-loan benefit the most competitive loan program available to Veterans," said VA Secretary Robert Wilkie. "We want to ensure the home-loan program remains strong, attractive and accessible to all who are eligible, while creating a framework for lender accountability to Veterans and taxpayers." The rule will help protect Veterans from predatory refinance practices and minimize risk to taxpayers and the secondary mortgage market. For example, the rule specifically requires that lenders disclose clearly, both at the time of application and again at closing, a plain comparison of the existing loan's cost with that of the new loan. These disclosures will help Veterans understand the impact of the refinance loan. This is in line with VA's current policy on Interest Rate Reduction Refinance Loans. Further, the rule imposes loan seasoning and "net tangible benefit" standards. To meet the

seasoning requirement, at least 210 days must pass and six monthly payments must be made prior to refinancing an existing loan. The cash-out refinance loan must also provide the Veteran with at least one of eight "net tangible benefits" defined by VA in the rule. Since 1944, VA has guaranteed over 23 million home loans worth more than \$2 trillion. Veterans with questions about the VA Home Loan Program should call 877-827-3702. For more information on the VA Home Loan program, visit www.benefits.va.gov/homeloans/. [Source Donnie La Curan in Veteran News February 19, 2019]

As always see your local County Veterans Service Officer if you have any questions. You can contact your local VSO at (218) 631-7617 or by email at david.anderson@co.wadena.mn.us and as always have a great week.



Park concert moved indoors

Due to severe weather, the acoustic trio of Menten, Thunem & Nye brought their eclectic show indoors, performing at Faith Lutheran Church in Staples instead of Northern Pacific Park. Pictured, from left, are Keith Thunem, Bemidji; Jeff Menten, Park Rapids; and Paul Nye, Walker. The trio, part of the Staples Motley Area Arts Council's 'Music in the Park' series, performed a variety of music, including Ashokan Farewell, Stairway to Heaven; and Orange Blossom Special. (Staples World photo by Dawn Timbs)

Donation to Staples in honor of Selvey

At the July 9 Staples City Council meeting, City Administrator Jerel Nelsen said the family of Ron Selvey has contributed \$2,300 to be used for the Dower Lake Recreation Area. "Ron was a 40 year employee and he loved the city," said Nelsen. The city is now deciding how to honor Selvey at the park. The money came from memorials after he

died. Also at the meeting, the council approved \$17,000 in expenditures for the shovel ready application. Nelsen said a window of opportunity has come up for funding for the city's new wastewater treatment plant, so they will start the bidding process and possibly start construction this fall if the funding is approved.

Staples City Council agenda

The Staples City Council will meet Tuesday, July 23, at 7 p.m. at Staples City Hall. Items on the agenda include:

- Public Hearing for 2020-2024 Capital Improvement Plan
- Consider approvals for Railroad Days
- Consider approving agreement between City of Staples and the Board of Trustees of the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities on behalf of Central Lakes College Campus to provide a School Resource Officer

- Consider authorizing Darci McGillivray to have transaction authority for accounts at First International Bank and Trust effective August 1, 2019
- Consider approval of agreement to transfer FAA Airport Entitlements in the amount of \$26,902 to Little Falls/Morrison County – Lindbergh Field
- Consider setting date for special meeting regarding the 2020 budget
- Committee Reports: Planning and Zoning; Parks and Recreation

Don't forget about bees in conservation planning

Birds and deer are often the objective as to why a landowner seeks out a conservation planting on their property. On top of species specific wildlife, soil and water benefits we can often forget about species such as bees and pollinators. We must consider these species when deciding what to do. The benefits of bee and pollinator conservation plantings go beyond just the benefits of pollination. The plantings often include an array of native wildflowers that showcase wonderful aesthetics. Seed mixes also include a few species of native grasses and the combination of wildflowers and grasses make excellent brood rearing sites for upland birds and provide great birthing habitat for deer and other mammals. The

dense stands of grasses and wildflowers are great cover for game animals in the fall and often pose as hunting and wildlife viewing hotspots. Pollinator plantings will also provide many additional benefits to the soil health and water quality of the site and surrounding areas. There may be programs available to help improve bee and pollinator habitat on private lands. If you are interested in learning more about available programs or are interested in doing a conservation planting for bees and pollinators you should stop into your local USDA service center at: 607 9th street NE Long Prairie, MN 56347 OR call us at: (320) 732-6618.

Submitted by Todd County NRCS

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 p.m.

First Congregational Church, UCC
firstcongaucstaples@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
Sunday Worship Service.....9:00 a.m.
Sunday School and Coffee Fellowship.....10:05 a.m.

Sacred Heart Church
310 4th St. NE, Staples.....218-894-2296
Church.....218-894-2296
Pastor Fr. Gabriel Walz
Youth and Young Adult Ministry
Coordinator:
Monica J. Simmons.....218-414-0081 cell/text
MASS:
Thursday and Friday.....8:30 a.m.
Saturday.....5:00 p.m.
Sunday.....8:30 a.m.

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

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

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

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

Aldrich

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

Cushing

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

Lincoln Evangelical Free
1354 320th St., Cushing.....218-575-2449
www.lincolnefree.org Facebook Lincoln E Free
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
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
Sandy Knight, Synodically Authorized Minister of Word and Sacrament
Leader.....218-397-2470 (Rural Pine River)
Worship and Sunday School.....9:00 a.m.

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

Motley

Motley Free Methodist
33 Wellwood St. E
Motley 56466.....218-352-6888
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
www.motleyumc.net
Sunday Worship Service.....9:00 a.m.
Monday AA meetings.....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.....10:30 a.m.

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

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

Hewitt

Church of the Nazarene
114 Front Street, P.O. Box 146 Hewitt, MN
218-924-2028
Pastor Wayne Haffert
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
Childrens' 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.

"It's Already Paid"

Pastor Bob Hepokoski, Staples Alliance Church

It was my first trip on public transportation, the morning after my arrival in Lima, Peru. Gabe, my local host explained the custom in that South American country, that you did not pay when you board a bus, but when you get off. He also cautioned me that I should have my fare ready because the drivers are impatient with anyone not ready to pay promptly. He said that some drivers will actually keep going and not let you off if you aren't ready to pay. Before I knew it, Gabe said, "This is our stop," and he walked briskly up to the front of the bus, paid the fare and stepped down onto the street. But I was unprepared. Still unfamiliar with local currency, I didn't know how to pay. The driver said something in Spanish. I didn't understand. He repeated it more urgently. I began to panic, fearing that I would not be allowed off and I would be lost in an unknown, foreign city. One more time I heard the driver say with impatience, "Ya está pagado."

Only then did my limited Spanish kick in and I realized what the driver had been saying with such urgency. He was trying to tell me, "It's already paid."

I looked down to Gabe, now standing on the street, waving for me to follow him. He had already paid my fare. And yet there I had stood in fear, not understanding the words of the driver, ignorantly trying to pay what had already been paid for me. With a smile and great relief, I stepped down and followed my friend.

The message of the gospel is not "Pay what you owe." That would not be good news because by our efforts we could never pay for our sins. Mercifully, the gospel of Jesus says "It's already paid." Jesus died on the cross to cover the debt of your sins. And if Jesus has paid for your sins, you don't have to.

Hear the good news of Jesus. Believe in the Savior who paid your debt. And follow Him gratefully.

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Central Lakes College announces 2018 - 2019 graduation List

Central Lakes College, Brainerd and Staples, has announced its 2018 - 19 graduates. These students have completed degree, diploma or certificate programs.

The list includes all but those students with data privacy requested. Local students named includes:

Motley

Nicholas Anderson, Jonathan Carlson, Jonathan Decker, Erick Peters, Gavin Smith, Jeremie Vanek, MacKenzie Zetah.

Pillager

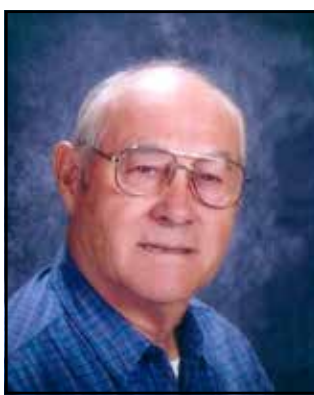
Gregory Gentry II, Jennifer Grondahl, Kailynn Heide, Brooke Holsapple,

Anthony Horak, Thor Johnson, Jenifer Kappler, Angela Masurka, Brian Twiss.

Staples

Jacob Bakken, Kelly Bendson, Haley Christofersen, Tyler Davidson, Hannah Dolezal, Nicholas Finken, Matthew Fisher, Lauren Fleming, Taylor Heldman, Chelsea Hofmann, Megan Host, Kirsten Johnson, Sydnie Johnson, Brooklyn Kovach, Claire Mayhew, Jaxon Olander, Nathaniel Olson, Alexandra Raiden Ritter, Samantha Schimpp, Shelby Smith, Sadie Thompson, Sydney Wallace, Griffin Webster.

Obituary



Ivan Voeltz

Ivan "Pete" Voeltz, Jr. 92, of Staples, passed away July 4, 2019, at Lakewood Care Center, Staples.

The celebration of life memorial service for Ivan will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Friday, July 26, at the Thomastown Covenant Church, rural Staples. Visitation will be held Thurs., July 25 at the Verndale Chapel from 6:00 until 8:00 p.m., and will resume at the church on Friday from 9:30 a.m. until the time of service.

Burial will be in Evergreen Hill Cemetery, Staples, MN.

Ivan "Pete" Erick Voeltz was born to Ivan E. and Mata M. (Klindt) Voeltz on June 17, 1927, in Lockhart. In 1935 the family moved to Verndale. He graduated from Verndale High School. He served in the US Army from 1951-1953. After his discharge he returned to farming. He married Janice Geiger in June 1955.

Ivan farmed for most of his life on a farm outside of Staples. Outside employment over the years included logging, construction laborer and driving Head Start bus. He and Janice were faithful, active members in their church. He also served as a 4-H leader while their children were in school. Ivan was a Staples FFA Honorary Chapter Farmer in 1974. Hearing what his four children, 12 grandchildren and 24 great-grandchildren were up to was always very important to him.

Ivan is survived by one son, Mark of Minto, ND; two daughters, Julie Carlson of Minnetonka and Becky (Bruce) Fuhrman of Staples; grandchildren and great-grandchildren; one sister, Wilma Johnson of Seven Bays, WA; two brothers, Gordon of Muscatine, IA and Manuel (Ruth) of Staples; along with many other family members.

He is preceded in death by his wife, Janice, on April 27, 2018; parents, Ivan Sr. and Mata; one brother, Russell and one son, Don.

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

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Summer time fun at Storytime

It was Summer Fun at the monthly Storytime held at the Staples Library. Fun summer stories were read and the children made a watermelon craft from the book "The Watermelon Seed" by Greg Pizzoli. Snacks were provided by The Friends of the Library.

The next Storytime will be held Weds., Aug. 14 at 10:30 a.m. For ages 0-8, please call the library to sign up,

218-894-1401. Keep up with all the events at the library by following us on Facebook or our webpage, www.griver.org.

Above: Plates of "watermelon" are on display, front: Ava Moor and Ella Engebretson. Back: Jaxon and Jose Andal, Storyteller Heidi Haase, Lexi Dailley, Ella and Parker Enberg. (Submitted photo)

Work begins on new St. Paul's Newman Center at NDSU

Pastor is son of Cheney family, rural Staples

St. Paul's Newman Center, which serves North Dakota State University (NDSU), has broken ground on a new Newman Center, chapel and faith-based student housing facility. The \$21.5 million project will replace the existing Newman Center, which has been serving Catholic students at NDSU since 1958. To date, the Newman Center has raised just over \$18 million of the goal.

"It is with great thanksgiving to God that we look forward to the next chapter of service to the students of NDSU through the award winning campus ministry program of St. Paul's Newman Center," said Father James Cheney, Pastor of St. Paul's Newman Center and son of Gale and Marge Cheney of rural Staples. "Faith based practices during the critical formation period of the college experience will produce healthier relationship, better marriages, better coping skills, work habits centered on character formation and a life

perspective informed by hope," Fr. Cheney added.

Joining Fr. Cheney in the ground breaking ceremony were the Most Reverend John Folda, Bishop of Fargo, and NDSU President Dean Bresciani.

"Sharing the Catholic faith with young people is one of the most important missions of the Church in our time," said Bishop John Folda. "The new St. Paul Newman Center will help us continue this mission at NDSU for decades to come. We thank God for bringing us to this day, and we're especially grateful to all the donors who are helping to build this spiritual home for the NDSU community."

"NDSU welcomes this enhancement of the University community and the community surrounding our University," said President Bresciani.

The new Newman Center will consist of a two-story main chapel that will seat 450 people. The gathering and hospitality areas will feature a student commons area, a

great hall/multi-purpose room, a kitchen, coffee house, Catholic bookstore and a 325-seat ballroom. The space will also include classrooms and a library, as well as staff office space.

One of the highlights of the new Newman Center will be student faith-based housing with 88 beds, a Cardinal Muench discernment hall for men to further discern the priesthood, and a rectory for priests.

"The Newman project will help build a broad based value in NDSU," said Fr. Cheney. "It will allow for a deeper engagement in university life, contribute to greater retention rates, and promote NDSU's long standing tradition of excellence. This project, combined with nationally recognized programming, presents a tremendous benefit to our community: changing hearts, changing lives, and forming future leaders - bisonCatholic."

The projected project completion date is July, 2021.

Hello World

BIRTHS REPORTED AT LAKEWOOD HEALTH SYSTEM HOSPITAL IN STAPLES INCLUDED:

Born to Katelyn and Kenneth Sakry of Wadena, a baby girl, Brinley Ann weighing seven pounds, 14 ounces on July 4, 2019.

Born to Lyndsay Frisch and Joe Pugsley of Baxter, a baby boy, Oakley Lavern weighing six pounds on July 8, 2019.

Born to Alex and Trevor Lisson of Browerville, a baby boy, Thomas Albert weighing nine pounds, five ounces on July 8, 2019.

Born to Autumn Koloski and Josh Spindler of Brainerd, a baby boy, Lukas Robert weighing eight pounds, nine ounces on July 10, 2019.

WELCOMING HOME TO MOTLEY...



Maverick
Beautiful son of
Brittany & Keith
Born 5/21/19 in Staples.

TO STAPLES...



Levi
Beautiful son of
Vanessa & Lance
Born 5/1/19 in Staples.



Hudson
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Allison & Wade
Born 5/15/19 in Staples.



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Beautiful son of
Jessica & Terry
Born 5/17/19 in Staples.

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HIDDEN BENEATH
Life is a wildfire burning whatever once existed in me to share
Hidden, buried in the center of my heart, so as not to tear everyone else apart.
Confiding no more, buried there. No emotions left to share I am but an empty vessel
A shadow in a life I can hardly bear.
The biggest battle is with ones own self and mind.
When you're left with only silence The voices in your head are deafening. The words from the darkness cast the most light.
Death as a preference Is the illuminated path I fight.
So I have life's path with the most resistance
For chaos is peace as peace is chaos.
The loss of you in my life will never lessen but the light of your spirit will always shine.
Miss you, Mom.
Mitchell Koppes
12/27/1984 - 7/12/2008

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Todd County Commissioners Minutes

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE TODD COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS JUNE 4, 2019

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 4th day of June, 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 Kircher and seconded by Becker, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To approve the agenda as presented with the removal of item 8.1 Resolution to Appoint Deputy Director for Emergency Management and addition of a new item 8.1 Wild Parsnip Spring Spraying - Noxious Weed Grant.

Consent Agenda
On motion by Erickson and seconded by Neumann, the following motions and resolution were introduced and adopted by unanimous vote:
To approve the Commissioner's Meeting Minutes for May 21, 2019 as presented.

To approve a 1-Day Temporary On Sale Liquor License for the Long Prairie Lions Club for July 31, 2019 at 24257 Riverside Drive, Long Prairie, MN (Long Drive In).

To approve a 1-Day Temporary On Sale Liquor License for the Long Prairie Lions Club for August 24, 2019 at 24257 Riverside Drive, Long Prairie, MN (Long Drive In).

To approve the hire of Paul Perish as an Equipment Operator in the Solid Waste Department.

To approve to hire Aaron Gould as a part-time jailor effective June 4, 2019 at a Grade 6, Step 1.

To approve to hire Ty Klimek as a Seasonal Recreational Assistant effective June 4, 2019 with a wage of \$12.00 per hour.

To approve Abbie Massmann to fill the open Social Worker position.

Auditor-Treasurer
On motion by Becker and seconded by Neumann, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous Roll Call vote: To approve the May 2019 Auditor Warrants number (ACH) 900320 through 9000370 in the amount of \$5,612,610.14, (Manual) 510 through 510 in the amount of \$812.10 and (Regular) 233626 through 233790 in the amount of \$3,460,187.45 for a total of \$9,073,609.69.
On motion by Kircher

and seconded by Erickson, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous Roll Call vote: To approve the Commissioner Warrants number (ACH) 400238 through 400251 in the amount of \$2,505.48 and (Regular) 51579 through 51659 in the amount of \$75,187.24 for a total of \$77,692.72.

On motion by Neumann and seconded by Becker, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous Roll Call vote: To approve the Health & Human Services Warrants number 515128 through 515153 in the amount of \$56,225.99 and warrants number 705096 through 705158 in the amount of \$59,344.40.

Planning & Zoning
On motion by Kircher and seconded by Becker, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To revoke the old Conditional Use Permit (C20061003642) as per the conditions in the new Conditional Use Permit (CUP-2019-002) for Hollermann Dairy on PID 06-0022600 and PID 06-0022700.

Solid Waste
On motion by Erickson and seconded by Kircher, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To sign the letter of support for CAP Grant and Bonding for the Solid Waste Facility.
On motion by Becker and seconded by Neumann, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To schedule June 13, 2019 at 9:00 a.m. for the Solid Waste Spring/Summer Board Meeting at the Todd County Transfer Station.

Ditch/Ag Inspector
On motion by Becker and seconded by Kircher, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To hire Central Applicators from Foley to spray wild parsnip in Township (Twp) road rights of way that have been identified as having wild parsnip, and to spray the Twp road rights of way that are surrounding the Palmer Amaranth fields. The total will not exceed \$12,000. Any funds not needed to spray Twp rights of way will be used on wild parsnip in County Road rights of way.

Auditor-Treasurer's Report
The Auditor-Treasurer Office reported on projects in progress including the 2020 budget preparations.

Commissioner's Report
The Commissioners reported on meetings attended.

Coordinator's Report
The Coordinator

reported on meetings attended and projects in progress.

Recess
Chairperson Kneisl recessed the meeting until June 18, 2019.

AUDITOR WARRANTS	
Vendor Name	\$ Amount
AMERICAN HERITAGE BANK	\$4,105.00
CLIFTON LARSON	
ALLEN, LLP	30,000.00
GALLAGHER BENEFIT SERVICES INC.	2,000.00
LONG PRAIRIE OIL CO.	19,062.10
LONG PRAIRIE SANITATION INC.	4,572.68
MN STATE FOREST NURSERY	4,716.00
PETERS LAW OFFICE, P.A.	7,040.00
PRAIRIE LAKES MUNICIPAL SOLID WASTE AUTH.	78,672.00
STOECKEL JAHNER INC.	5,370.00
23 PAYMENTS LESS	
THAN \$2,000	11,249.47
AMERICAN HERITAGE BANK	43,248.61
ANOKA CO GOV'T CENTER	14,915.00
BHH PARTNERS	2,548.00
CARDMEMBER SERV.	2,841.04
COUNTIES PROVIDING TECHNOLOGY	5,071.00
COUNTRYSIDE REST.	4,491.20
EBSO INC.	218,719.50
FLEET SERVICES/ WEX BANK	6,311.58
MIKE MOTORS ON MINNESOTA	24,609.00
MINNESOTA POWER & LIGHT	2,817.42
MN DEPT OF FINANCE	6,752.00
MORRISON COUNTY	24,847.00
NUSTAR PIPELINE OPERATING	4,425.20
SCHUMACHER'S NURS. & BERRY FARM.	8,060.75
STEP	8,259.17
WEST CENTRAL TECH SERVICE AREA	3,899.42
WONDERLICH/SCOTT A.	7,382.00
30 PAYMENTS LESS	
THAN \$2,000	17,436.81
AMERICAN HERITAGE	1,718.60
FARM-RITE EQUIPMENT, INC.	7,403.93
GALLAGHER BENEFIT SERVICES INC.	2,000.00
STAPLES ADVANTAGE	3,138.48
VOYANT COMMS, LLC	3,498.50
50 PAYMENTS LESS	
THAN \$2,000	11,059.47
KUHL CONSTRUCTION LLC.	11,572.00
PHEASANTS FOREVER	14,345.00
VERIZON	3,563.66
18 PAYMENTS LESS	
THAN \$2,000	9,639.64
1 PAYMENT LESS	
THAN \$2,000	812.10
AMERICAN HERITAGE BANK	992,221.06
BIG SWAN LAKE IMPROVEMENT DIST	9,243.21
CITY OF BERTHA	99,518.14
CITY OF BROWERVILLE	140,055.90
CITY OF BURTRUM	13,025.51
CITY OF CLARISSA	105,254.36
CITY OF EAGLE BEND	156,934.67
CITY OF GREY EAGLE	55,388.86
CITY OF HEWITT	35,156.98
CITY OF LONG PRAIRIE	552,023.94
CITY OF OSAKIS	105,593.42
CITY OF STAPLES	499,742.14
CITY OF WEST UNION	7,607.08
REGION V DEVELOPMT COMMISSION.	14,905.25
SAUK RIVER WATER SHED DISTRICT	43,129.06
SCHOOL DISTRICT 213	416,338.11
SCHOOL DISTRICT 2170	490,861.97
SCHOOL DISTRICT 2753	\$ 1,097,650.55
SCHOOL DISTRICT 2759	2,097.80
SCHOOL DISTRICT 486	223,929.84
SCHOOL DISTRICT 487	3,693.73
SCHOOL DISTRICT 740	44,107.75
SCHOOL DISTRICT 743	387,315.17
SCHOOL DISTRICT 786	295,130.52
DEBT DIST 86	40,855.44
SCHOOL DISTRICT 787	532,425.20
SCHOOL DISTRICT 787-DEBT DIST 87	57,725.61
SCHOOL DISTRICT 818	25,055.51
TOWN OF BARTLETT	48,480.44
TOWN OF BERTHA	50,879.93
TOWN OF BIRCHDALE	76,497.75

TOWN OF BRUCE	79,423.97
TOWN OF BURLEENE	41,810.56
TOWN OF BURNHAMVILLE	86,574.33
TOWN OF EAGLE VALLEY	54,419.20
TOWN OF FAWN LAKE	96,759.17
TOWN OF GERMANIA	33,386.93
TOWN OF GORDON	138,100.15
TOWN OF GREY EAGLE	111,959.34
TOWN OF HARTFORD	88,611.41
TOWN OF IONA	33,742.41
TOWN OF KANDOTA	52,601.40
TOWN OF LESLIE	97,020.86
TOWN OF LITTLE ELK	47,962.98
TOWN OF LITTLE SAUK	65,647.14
TOWN OF LONG PRAIRIE	80,147.23
TOWN OF MORAN	63,706.42
TOWN OF REYNOLDS	49,023.16
TOWN OF ROUND PRAIRIE	97,569.15
TOWN OF STAPLES	83,539.16
TOWN OF STOWE PRAIRIE	55,559.68
TOWN OF TURTLE CREEK	44,932.93
TOWN OF VILLARD	116,740.70
TOWN OF WARD	66,143.92
TOWN OF WEST UNION	62,755.01
TOWN OF WYKEHAM	50,434.79
5 PAYMENTS LESS	
THAN \$2,000	4,539.46
Total	\$9,073,609.69

COMMISSIONERS WARRANTS	
Vendor Name	\$ Amount
ELECTION SYSTEMS & SOFTWARE INC.	18,282.50
HEARTLAND TIRE INC.	2,467.48
MORRISON CO DEPT OF PUB WORKS.	19,957.87
MORRISON CO PUBLIC HEALTH SERV	3,715.91
SEACHANGE PRINT INNOVATIONS	2,409.36
SERVICEMASTER CLEAN OF BRAINERD	4,096.81
WHEELCO TRUCK AND TRAILER PARTS	2,158.20
88 PAYMENTS LESS	
THAN \$2,000	24,604.59
Total	\$77,692.72

HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES WARRANTS	
Vendor Name	\$ Amount
BRENNY FUNERAL CHAPEL - BRAINERD	3,500.00
DHS - SWIFT FRESHWATER ED.	15,024.66
DISTRICT	17,905.00
LIND FAMILY FUNERAL HOME - ALEXANDRIA	4,750.00
PERISH/ALAN SCHULLER FAMILY FUNERAL, BERTHA	4,150.00
57 PAYMENTS LESS	
THAN \$2,000	11,064.71
Total	59,344.40

Vendor Name	\$ Amount
CARLSON/BARBARA J.	3,200.00
DHS - ANOKA METRO RTC - 412	4,709.00
DHS - MSOP-MN SEX OFFENDER PROG	5,595.00
DHS - ST PETER RTC - 472	8,745.00
LUTHERAN SOCIAL SERV. OF MN - ST PAUL	14,313.96
MID MINNESOTA DRUG TESTING INC	5,276.00
#15615	2,850.00
PAYMENTS LESS	
THAN \$2,000	11,537.03
Total	56,225.99

On a motion by Neumann and seconded by Erickson, the preceding minutes of the County Board meeting held June 4, 2019 were duly approved by unanimous vote at the Todd County Board of Commissioners at the Regular Board Meeting held on June 18, 2019.

Witness my hand and seal:

Gary Kneisl,
County Board Chairperson

Denise Gaida, Todd County Auditor-Treasurer

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Any violation of this section is a misdemeanor.

The entire statute may be found at: www.revisor.mn.gov/statutes/cite/160.2715

A copy is posted at the town hall and a copy will be available to pick up at the regular scheduled monthly meeting.

Jan Jares, Clerk
Bartlett Township

NOTICE OF AERIAL SPRAYING TO TAKE PLACE AT:

Staples Wildlife Management Area (WMA) in Todd County

Herbicide labeled for aquatic use will be used to control narrow leaf and hybrid cattail. The purpose of this treatment is to improve waterfowl habitat. Aerial spraying to occur between July 20 - August 15.

All affected public access points will be posted at time of treatment.

Comments or questions can be directed to: DNR AREA WILDLIFE OFFICE

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NOTICE OF SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a special town meeting of the Villard Township electors will be held on Thursday, July 25, 2019 at 8 a.m., at the Villard Town Hall in Philbrook, MN for the following purpose:

To open and award sealed bids for the River Project in conjunction with the Motley Cemetery. Discussion of the River Project will be held at this time.

All interested parties are encouraged to attend, but only town electors are authorized to vote at the meeting.

Given under my hand this 11 day of July, 2019.

Mary Trantina Koenig, Clerk
Villard Township

NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

Date: June 24, 2019

YOU ARE NOTIFIED THAT:

1. Default has occurred in the conditions of the Mortgage dated June 12, 2014, executed by Henry

A. Becker and Jennifer L. Becker, married to each other, as Mortgagors, to Compeer Financial, FLCA f/k/a AgStar Financial Services, FLCA, as Mortgagee, and filed for record June 16, 2014, as Document No. 489913, in the Office of the County Recorder of Todd County, Minnesota. The land described in the Mortgage is not registered land.

2. The Mortgage has not been assigned.

3. The original principal amount secured by the Mortgage was \$184,500.00.

4. No action or proceeding at law is now pending to recover the debt secured by the Mortgage, or any part thereof.

5. The holder of the Mortgage has complied with all conditions precedent to acceleration of the debt secured by the Mortgage and foreclosure of the Mortgage, and all notice and other requirements of applicable statutes.

6. At the date of this Notice the amount due on the Mortgage, and taxes, if any, paid by the holder of the Mortgage is \$117,571.66.

7. Pursuant to the power of sale in the Mortgage, the Mortgage will be foreclosed, and the land located in Todd County, Minnesota, described as follows:

The W1/2 of NE1/4 and the NE1/4 of NE1/4, Section 36, Township 130, Range 33, Todd County, Minnesota

will be sold by the County Sheriff of Todd County, Minnesota, at public auction on August 15, 2019, at 10:00 a.m., at the Todd County Sheriff's Department, located at 115 Third Street South, Long Prairie, Minnesota.

8. To the best of Mortgagee's information, the property being foreclosed has a property address of 28275 - 280th Street, Long Prairie, MN 56347, and has tax parcel identification number 12-0039000.

9. The time allowed by law for redemption by Mortgagors or Mortgagors' personal representatives or assigns is twelve (12) months after the date of sale.

10. The property must be vacated by 11:59 p.m. on August 15, 2020, provided the Mortgagors have not reinstated the Mortgage under Minnesota Statutes, Section 580.30 or redeemed the property under Minnesota Statutes, Section 580.23. If the foregoing date is a Saturday, Sunday or legal holiday, then the date to vacate is the next business day at 11:59 p.m.

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FREEWILL DONATION SALE: Thurs., July 18, Fri., July 19, Sat., July 20, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Motley Fairgrounds. All proceeds go to Dan Wentworth and family. Dan was in an accident May 4 and remains in the hospital with head trauma.

w28-ssw29p

SOLD HOUSE! HUGE MOVING SALE: 26821 128th St., Staples, Christie Berg. Fri., July 19, Sat., July 20, 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Kitchen goods, home décor, clothing: Harley Davidson, young men's, women's; bedding, misc. Everything great cond. and must go!

w28-ssw29p

STAPLES A/G MISSIONS SALE #2: Thurs., July 25, Fri., July 26, 8 a.m.-7 p.m. 915 3rd Ave. NE, Staples.

w29-ssw30c

SWAN VALLEY LUTHERAN CHURCH RUMMAGE, QUILT AND BAKE SALE: Thurs., July 25, Fri., July 26, 8 a.m.-5 p.m., Sat., July 27, 8 a.m.-3 p.m. AND Fri., Aug. 2, 8 a.m.-5 p.m., Sat., Aug. 3, 8 a.m.-3 p.m. Swan Valley Lutheran Church located 13 mi. N of Motley on Hwy. 64, Leader. 7548 State 64 SW, Motley, signs. Proceeds go towards building maintenance.

29-30p

Todd County Sheriff's Office/Dispatch reports

The following incidents were recently reported to the Todd County Sheriff's Office (TCSO) and dispatch.

July 4: David Whalen (56) of rural Long Prairie was stopped for having expired registration and equipment violations. As a result of the traffic investigation Whalen was arrested for 3rd degree DWI and held in custody pending formal charges.

July 4: TCSO responded to a one vehicle crash at the intersection of County Road 26 and County 7. A 2002 Pontiac Grand Prix was traveling eastbound on County 26 when it had failed to negotiate the curve leaving the roadway causing the vehicle to roll. The driver was wearing a seatbelt, was injured and transported to the Lakewood Hospital. TCSO was assisted on the scene by Staples Police Department, Staples Fire and Rescue and Staples Ambulance.

July 3: John Espree (50) of Long Prairie was stopped for poor driving conduct on State HWY 287. Espree was issued a citation for Open Container of Alcohol.

July 1: TCSO received a report of theft of fuel at a residence at 450th St in Bartlett Township. Approximately 150-200 gallons of diesel fuel was taken.

July 1: TCSO responded to a report of damage to property in Burnhamville Township where multiple signs were spray painted around the weekend of June 29.

TCSO Report: During the week of June 23 through June 29, the Todd County Sheriff's Office responded to 204 calls for service including: 59 traffic stops, 14 civil process, 13 suspicious activity complaints, 3 damage to property complaints, 4 alarms, 2 thefts, 2 burglaries, 5 assist other agencies, 2 accidents, 6 traffic complaints, and 1 domestic. Todd County Dispatch received 148 - 911 calls during the week.

July 1: TCSO received a call of a burglary that occurred at Pro Ag in Eagle Bend. Just after midnight, a suspect forced entry into the store and the feed building.

June 30: Todd County Sheriff's Office received a report that occurred near the bridge on 331st St., north of the County 12 intersection. Someone had spray painted the reflective signs causing damage. A black colored car occupied by a younger male and younger female were seen in the area.

June 30: 12:25 a.m. TCSO responded to a report of a pick-up that hit a horse on County 78 near 175th Ave, Eagle Bend. The driver of the truck, Darlene Boman and a passenger were not injured. The truck received extensive damage and the horse died as a result of the crash.

June 29: Darrell Baum (37) of Long Prairie was stopped on County Road 12 in Pillsbury for poor driving conduct. Baum was arrested for DWI.

TCSO Report: During the week of June 16 through June 22, the Todd County Sheriff's Office responded to 209 calls for service including: 66 traffic stops, 22 civil process, 15 suspicious activity complaints, 3 damage to property complaints, 4 alarms, 2 thefts, 2 disturbances, 6 assist other agencies, 3 accidents, 4 traffic complaints, 2 domestics.

Todd County Dispatch received 151 - 911 Calls during the week.

June 24: Reyna Hernandez Chavez (24) of Long Prairie was stopped on County 21 near Browerville for a traffic violation. Hernandez Chavez was

issued a citation for Driving After Cancellation.

June 24: TCSO conducted a traffic stop on US 71, south of Long Prairie. Two occupants inside of the vehicle were arrested for controlled substance charges. A third subject was also placed under arrest for a controlled substance charge. Deputies located approximately one gram of methamphetamine and multiple drug paraphernalia. All subjects are currently being held at the Todd County Detention Center for controlled substance, possession of drug paraphernalia, assault, and DWI charges.

June 21: 11:00 p.m. the

Todd County Sheriff's Office responded to the Browerville Liquor Store for an assault. Lionel Colon, 39, was arrested for 2nd Degree Assault. The victim, Domingo Rosa, 43, was transported to the CentraCare Hospital in Long Prairie for multiple head lacerations. Rosa was later released from the hospital. Browerville Ambulance and Browerville First Responders assisted.

June 21: TCSO investigated a theft in rural Browerville. A blue Ford Ranger along with a red and silver H&S manure spreader had been taken sometime in the middle of the night from a farm.



Accident west of Staples, two injured

Minnesota State Patrol (MSP), the Staples Police Department and Staples Fire Department were at the scene of a single vehicle accident west of Staples July 12, at approximately 1:30 p.m. According to the MSP report, Diara Lashay Hill, 28, of Perham was traveling east on Hwy 10 at 241st St. when her vehicle left the roadway and drove into the ditch.

Hill stated that the front passenger side of her car had been struck by a red Impala, but the driver of that vehicle did not stop. Hill also reported injuries to herself and her juvenile son. Both were transported by the Staples Ambulance to Lakewood Health System Hospital in Staples. (Staples World photo by Dawn Timbs)

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Minimum qualifications include Bachelor's Degree in Corrections, Criminal Justice, Criminology, Counseling Psychology, Education, Law, Law Enforcement, Psychology, Social Work, Sociology or a Human Services related field; successful completion of a 400 hour internship or volunteer/paid experience as a Corrections Agent/Security Caseworker; valid MN driver's license and auto insurance; and reliable transportation. Must pass agency background check requirements prior to employment. Convictions, continuances or stays for crimes other than minor traffic offenses may disqualify the applicant from being hired.

Starting salary range is \$20.91 - \$31.41 per hour.
Contact Katherine Langer, Director, at 320-732-6165 or kathy.langer@co.todd.mn.us for an application packet. Submit cover letter, resume and completed application to Katherine Langer, Director, Todd-Wadena Community Corrections, 221 First Avenue South, Suite 200, Long Prairie, MN 56347. Position will remain open until filled. First round of application reviews scheduled for August 6, 2019.
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Staples Host Lions Club donations



The Staples Host Lions Club recently donated \$500 to the Staples Area Women's Chorus. Pictured above, from left, are chorus members Judy Jenkins and Beth Fabian; and Staples Host Lions Vice President Bob Schafer. In lower photo, Lion Schafer presents a \$400 check to City of Staples Administrator Jerel Nelsen on behalf of the city. The funds will be used to purchase new flags throughout town. (Staples World photos by Dawn Timbs)



Staples Host Lions Club donations

The Staples Host Lions Club recently donated \$350 to the Staples-Motley Middle School for their field trip; and \$500 to the Todd County Sheriff's Office for the purpose of purchasing drones. Pictured above, from left, are Lisa Przybilla, middle school teacher;

Principal Jon Regan; Staples Host Lions Vice President Bob Schafer; and middle school teacher Dawn Weite. Below, from left, are Lonnie Marcyes, Chief Deputy; Lion Vice President Schafer; and Sheriff Steve Och. (Staples World photos by Dawn Timbs)



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Deb's daycare is 37-year legacy for kids

care providers. Over the course of 37 years, Deb gained the love and trust of children and parents alike. Lisa Anderson of Staples can't say enough good about the woman who cared for her daughter, Lettie, for nearly two years.

When searching the internet for a daycare provider, Lisa read about several places, but kept coming back to Deb and Kids Kountry Kastle. "I knew without even meeting her" that Deb was the perfect choice, Lisa said, adding that she had circled her name about 18 times.

Although she wasn't sure at first that Deb had any more openings, ultimately little Lettie was added to the roster.

Lisa's gut feeling about Deb proved to be true. "She has the kindest heart...she is so loving to all the children, not just Lettie."

As a first-time mom, Lisa said she appreciated so much the parental guidance and wisdom Deb offered to her, especially since she was new to the area and her own mother didn't live nearby. "She is so helpful," Lisa said, recalling that she went to Deb with any number of questions. "What size of shoes should Lettie be wearing?" "Is this a tooth?" "What kind of food should I be feeding her?"

In addition to her wisdom, Deb always offered a spirit of joy to all who entered Kids Kountry Kastle. Watching Deb interact with the children always made her smile, Lisa said. "She sings and dances...she's not afraid to be goofy."

In 2018, Deb was named 'Provider of the Year' by Wadena County. It's an honor that was well-deserved, Lisa said, adding that Deb will be missed by many.

She will miss them too, Deb says of the children and the parents she's come to love over the years.

Deb is grateful to have had the opportunity to plant positive seeds in the lives of so many little ones,



Flowers for Miss Deb

Jackson Vangsness picked some dandelions to give to 'Miss Deb,' his daycare provider, on her last day of work. Deb Hausmann recently retired after 37 years of operating Kids Kountry Kastle in rural Staples. (Staples World photo by Dawn Timbs)



Reminiscing

During her career which spanned nearly four decades, Deb Hausmann cared for 261 children and dealt with a variety of situations along the way. She is pictured looking at an article from years past which highlighted her care for a disabled child. Hausmann recalled one Valentine's Day when she had to handle an emergency situation with this child. Everything worked out in the end, but it was "scary," she said. (Staples World photo by Dawn Timbs)

but she's looking forward to focusing her attention on planting seeds in her flower gardens.

She won't be saying 'goodbye' to all children, however. There are six grandkids that will still be stopping by Kids Kountry Kastle on occasion, Deb says, mentioning Abby, Drew, Lennon, Waylon, Vayda and Cora.

They'll undoubtedly want Grandma to read them a story or two, and perhaps lead them in singing, "I love you, you love me, we're a happy family. With a great big hug and a kiss from me to you, won't you say you love me too?"

Ah, yes. There will always be seeds of love to plant.



Just a swingin'

The playground area at Kids Kountry Kastle was always a highlight for children over the years. Pictured above,

Dale Hausmann pushes Noah Funk and Wyatt Pogreba on the swing set. (Staples World photo by Dawn Timbs)

Massive rail movement out of Camp Ripley

Over 2,000 pieces of military equipment from the Minnesota National Guard will be loaded onto rail cars for movement from Camp Ripley, July 13-26, 2019.

Soldiers of the 1st Armored Brigade Combat Team, 34th Infantry Division, mostly from Minnesota, along with supporting units, are moving their equipment in preparation for an eXportable Combat Training Capability (XCTC) exercise at Fort Hood, Texas, later this summer.

"Our team has put forth countless hours of hard work, planning, and coordination to accomplish this incredibly complex movement plan," said Capt. Tracy Mankowski, Minnesota National Guard Supply Management Supervisor of the Distribution Management Division.

Once in Texas, the exercise will include testing the collective professions of over 5,200 Soldiers from the famed 34th Red Bull Infantry Division. Prior to that, the brigade will need to safely and efficiently execute the movement of

their equipment from Minnesota.

"Timely and accurate logistical support is key to enabling overall exercise success for the 1st Brigade and the Minnesota National Guard," added Mankowski. "It takes a lot of collaboration and diligence to execute a movement of this magnitude across multiple states working with both military personnel, civilian contractors and our Guardsmen and women are doing an amazing job."

Commercial railroads, such as Burlington Northern - Santa Fe, have assisted the Department of Defense with the movement of military equipment for many years. This assistance comes as part of the Cold War system known as Strategic Rail Corridor Network (STRAC-NET) which was designed for the mobilization of military units across the country in the event of an emergency. Today the system maintains its use as an economically and environmentally responsible method of moving

heavy equipment.

With over 170 soldiers, railroad personnel and vehicle operators, rail operations could take up to 12 days depending on the weather conditions. Personnel will load close to 475 cars, as part of several trains, by the time the operation is completed.

Traffic passing through the area may see an increase in rail traffic through their daily travel routes during the evening hours within the period of July 13-26, 2019. Additionally, roads north of Little Falls may be temporarily closed while the train passes. This is the largest rail transport the Minnesota National Guard has done.

"As an entire installation we are proud to directly support our soldiers as they train to meet their federal requirements," said Brig. Gen. Lowell Kruse, Camp Ripley Senior Commander. "We will continue to be optimistic that as Camp Ripley develops, our capabilities will continue to grow and we are ready to provide the best support

we can."

Rail Operation Numbers

2,064 Pieces of rolling stock, container, and racks of equipment shipping via line haul and rail haul out of MN

143 20' containers
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