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Community Center options are back in discussions

By Mark Anderson
News Editor

The Staples City Council is planning a special meeting to discuss options for the Staples Community Center. The building is in need of upgrades and repairs. City Admiinistrator Jerel Nelsen said he would try to set up a meeting in January, after he contacts potential partners to collaborate on the project.

A plan to build an addition to the community center was submitted to the state bonding bill but was not included in the state funding. Council member Ron Murray reminded the council that feedback from that proposal indicated that they were looking for more partners to help with the project.

Nelsen said potential partners include Lakewood Health System, Staples-Motley School District, Central Lakes College and National Joint Powers Alliance. He said the city is not able to renovate the building because because they don't have the finances for such a big project.

"We can start with a dialogue on how to collaborate with other entities, what their interest is in working with us," said Nelsen.

Casey's project

The council set a public hearing date to consider vacating an alley to make room for a new convience store and gas station to be built along Highway 10.

Casey's General Store has purchased land between 7th Street and 8th Street NE along Highway 10 to build a convenience store and gas station. The company requested the council approve vacating the portion of the block that is reserved for an alley but has nothing built on it currently.

The request includes an offer to build a side alley that can connect with the residential properties that would be losing the alley access.

Utility rate increases

Public Works Director Doug Bendorf gave an update from the Public Works Commission meeting. He said the electric rate increase started at the beginning of November.

The commission approved small rate increases for water and sewer for next year. Bendorf said the water rate will cost residential customers only 80 cents more per month, but industrial customers will have bigger increases. He said the water and sewer increases were necessary because usage was down. He said energy efficient appliances and wet summers contributed to low usage.

Bendorf also said the electric service territory expanson is complete, with six electric customers switched to the City of Staples system.



Expressing thanks





People of all ages have been given the opportunity to add their 'thanksgivings' to a bulletin board at the Staples Public Library in keeping with the holiday tradition. It was an idea that emerged during a brainstorming session with library staff. Pictured above, from left, are Sadie Richter and Annika Wolff, both 10. At right is Ember Munger, nine; and in lower right photo is Ticiana Janssen, nine. The girls, all from Staples, cited a number of things they are thankful for. Sadie mentioned her family and pets; Annika, family and friends; Ember, friends; and Ticiana said she is "thankful for a family that loves me." Ember shared that she has written a poem for the Thanksgiving holiday that she plans to recite to her family at some point that day. Other "thanksgivings" shared on the bulletin board to date include: Going to Yellowstone; My job; Everything in the World; Michael, playing games and laughing; and School. The board will remain up during the month of November, so there is still time to add your own words of Thanksgiving. (Staples World photos by Dawn Timbs)



Top chefs help students cook

Chef Brian Diument, the Executive Chef at Cragun's, visited Staples-Motley High School on Nov. 9 to demonstrate cooking for the ProStart cooking class and instructor Emily Hoeschen. He also brought Jordan Doering, the head chef for Irma's Kitchen, the newest restaurant at Craguns. They helped the students cook chicken noodle soup and demonstrated how to cook tomato bisque. Pictured, Diument, right, demonstrates cutting techniques for Staples- Motley students, from left, Tyler Gosch, Zach DeMars, Parker Thompson, Madeline Rutheford. Earlier in the semester, the students visited the Craguns kitchen to learn about restaurant cooking. Diument said "I like teaching kids to cook, I see a lot of talent in the schools." He said they have hired line chefs right out of high school. (Staples World photo by Mark Anderson)

Hospitality is hot in high school courses

More than 300 students are enrolled in new chef-inspired courses at area high schools, thanks to a $60,000 grant from the Minnesota Chamber's Business Education Networks program.

The grant is helping Aitkin, Brainerd, Pequot Lakes, Pillager and Staples-Motley High Schools enhance their hospitality and culinary programs with a curriculum called ProStart. Funds paid for teacher training, curriculum and classroom kitchen equipment.

Area resort and restaurant leaders worked with the Brainerd Lakes Chamber of Commerce, Central Lakes College, Bridges Career Academies & Workplace Connection and Hospitality Minnesota to bring the ProStart classes to life.

ProStart is a program developed by the National Restaurant Association Educational Foundation that focuses on practical curriculum, industry connections and hands-on work experience. Starting with an overview of the industry, students will learn kitchen essentials, including equipment, sanitation and culinary techniques, as well as critical management skills like communication and customer service. They will also have an opportunity to compete in future cooking competitions with other Minnesota schools, similar to those featured on the Food Network.

Students enrolled in Bridges ProStart classes have the ability to earn a certificate and receive an honor cord and special recognition at high school graduation. Some students may also have the opportunity to participate in state and national competitions and be eligible for industry scholarships, internships and be "the first in line" for

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Todd County adopts 2018 fee schedule

By Karin L. Nauber
Todd County reporter

No public input was received at a hearing regarding the proposed fee schedule for Todd County. The hearing was held during the commissioners regular meeting Nov. 7.

Commissioner David Kircher asked if they planned to approve this schedule every January so that everyone was on the same page or if they were going to continue to approve it in November?

He said that it was his understanding that this was one of those things that was supposed to be done at their meeting in January.

County Coordinator Joe Hatch said that with input and feedback from the department heads, he was working on a 2018 Finance Committee Schedule that

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Smiling with Santa

Matthew and Levi Larsen pose for a photo with Santa at the Staples Community Center's Holiday Arts & Craft Sale on Nov. 18.



All I want for Christmas

Cameron Martin goes over his wish list with Santa at the Staples Community Center's Holiday Arts & Craft Sale on Nov. 18. (Staples World photos by Mark Anderson)

Hello, Readers,

A man in Phoenix calls his son in New York the day before Thanksgiving and says,"I hate to ruin your day, but I have to tell you that your mother and I are divorcing; forty-five years of misery is enough. "Pop, what are you talking about?" the son screams. We can't stand the sight of each other any longer," the father says. "We're sick of each other, and I'm sick of talking about this, so you call your sister in Chicago and tell her." Frantic, the son calls his sister, who explodes on the phone. "Like heck they're getting divorced," she shouts, "I'll take care of this." She calls Phoenix immediately, and screams at her father, "You are NOT getting divorced. Don't do a single thing until I get there. I'm calling my brother back, and we'll both be there tomorrow. Until then, don't do a thing, DO YOU HEAR ME?" and hangs up. The old man hangs up his phone and turns to his wife. "Okay," he says, "they're coming for Thanksgiving and paying their own way."

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Students share their work at Project Showcase

Attendees of the recent 'Project Showcase Night' at National Joint Powers Alliance (NJPA) in Staples, had the opportunity to see an original play, hear topical speeches; and view a variety of displays...all of which showcased the work of students in the Connections Program High School.

The Connections Program, now in its fifth year, is a program within Staples-Motley High School. There are currently 14 students in the project-based learning program: six seniors, three juniors and five sophomores.

Project Showcase Night was held Nov. 14; and mainly featured the fall-semester work of the younger students. The Robin Hood play was presented by Rylie Rau, Lizzie Boyer, Isaac Kern and Tyler Gosch. A presentation on 'Haws Syndrome' was given by Rau; and Kern gave a presentation on 'The Bubonic Plague.' Some of the academic requirements fulfilled by their work includes World History, Critical Writing and Public Presentation.

"With our smaller group of students, it's been a cozy school year, with more time for individual attention and projects," said Christine Trout, one of two teachers at the Connections High School Program. "I've always been a big believer in project-based learning, but this year has been extra special because of the smaller group," she added. Trout said that there is some concern that the Connections Program does not have any ninth graders this year.

Other staff within the Connections High School Program include math teacher Joy Rippentrop who helps students with IT (Information Technology); and Tina Mitts, program secretary.

Trout said that a Spring Project Showcase is already in the works, and will feature in-depth research projects by the seniors.



Robin Hood play

Connections High School Program students performed a play about Robin Hood at their recent Project Showcase Night held at National Joint Powers Alliance in Staples. Pictured from left are sophomores Lizzie Boyer, Tyler Gosch, Rylie Rau, Isaac Kern.



Giving his presentation

Isaac Kern gave a presentation about the Bubonic Plague at the Connections High School Program's Project Showcase Night on Nov. 14. Kern is a sophomore at Staples-Motley High School. (Staples World photos by Dawn Timbs)

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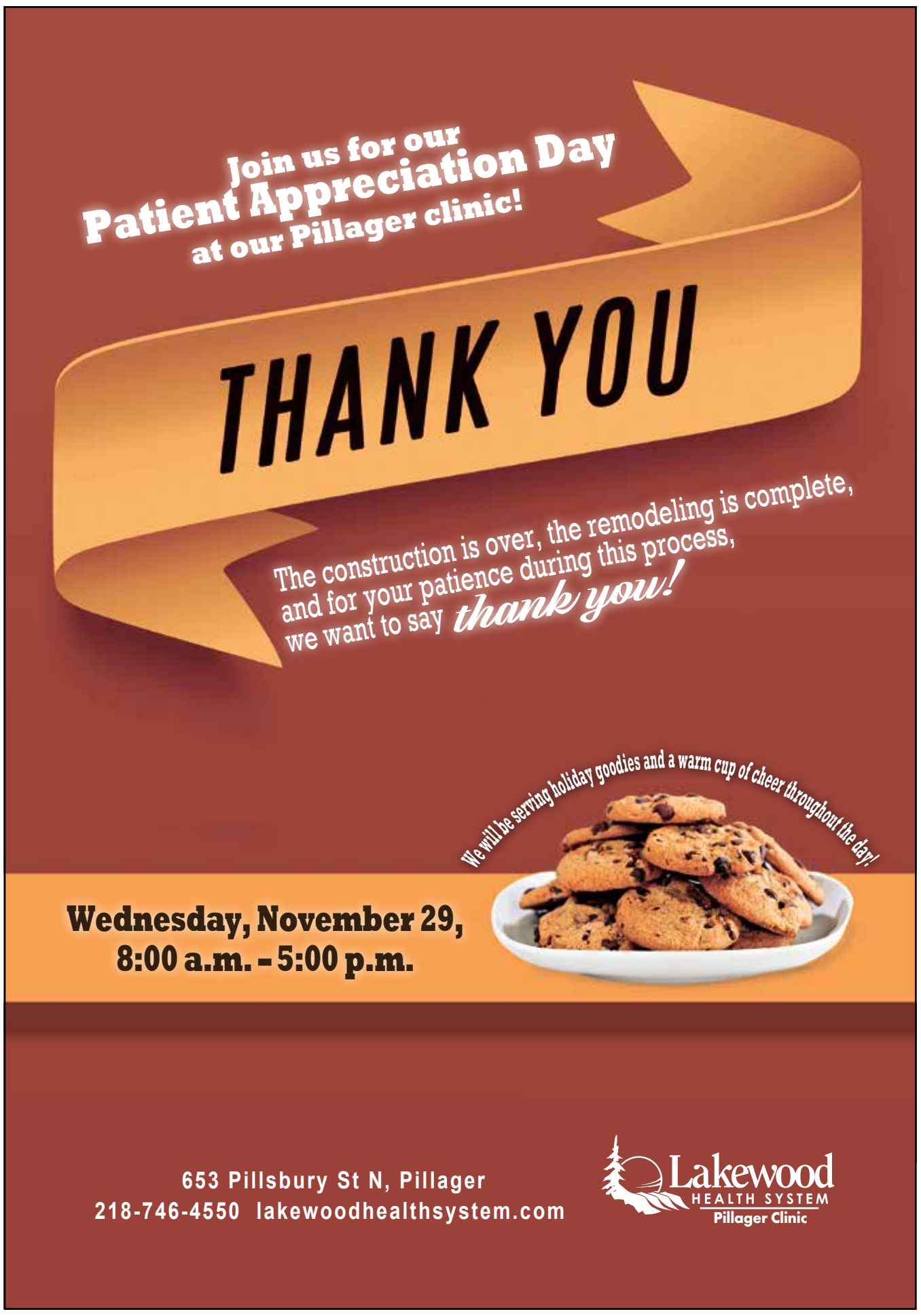
Student art display

Alyssa Vanderhoof, right, had a few of her paintings on display at the recent Project Showcase Night at National Joint Powers Alliance in Staples. Vanderhoof, a senior at Staples-Motley High School, is part of the Connections High School Program and will be doing a more in depth art project for her senior project. Also pictured, from left, are fellow seniors Shelby Brusewitz and Calie Schweninger. Brusewitz serves as president of the Connections High School Program.



Creative minds

Josh Carlson (left) and Hunter Dietman, juniors in the Connections Program at Staples-Motley High School, used math equations on a computer to design a logo.







Cooks and more

Students in the Pro-Start class don't just cook, they also make the meal presentable for their classmates and share the work. Pictured, Elizabeth Kobliska, Kaitlyn Smith and Jasmine Braith work on table settings while Xander Lane, Connor Fox and Christian Scheler wash dishes in the background. (Staples World photos by Mark Anderson)



Sharing the soup they all made

Sitting down as a group to eat the soup they all helped make, Owen Bjerga serves the soup to the people in his group, clockwise from top, Tiffany Achermann, Robin Bourne, Jens Kelmm and Cade Schmidt.

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'First in line' hospitality inspired

jobs. Learn more at www.BridgesConnection.org/ProStart.

"The Minnesota Chamber's Business Education Networks' purpose is to directly connect employers with students so that they know about and can prepare for great jobs and careers available in their communities," said Laura Bordelon, Minnesota Chamber senior vice president for advocacy. "The hospitality industry is such an important part of our economy in northern Minnesota. ProStart and the partners involved in the program will help make sure we have the talent needed for these businesses and the jobs they provide to succeed well into the future."

To establish this new program, instructors from the five schools attended a special, national ProStart training during the summer. The participating schools also benefited from thousands of dollars in kitchen equipment and tools, such as specialized knives, immersion blenders and induction pans.

"It's such a treat to offer students the latest tools and new equipment, " said Emily Niestadt, instructor at Brainerd High School. "Professional grade equipment is expensive, but its important students learn on the same type of equipment they'll be using in the real world."

Another critical component of the Bridges ProStart program is the participation of local industry professionals. Each high school is matched up with chefs and managers from the area's top hospitality businesses, including Kavanaugh's Resort, Ruttger's Bay Lake Lodge, Grand View Lodge, Cragun's Resort, Madden's on Gull, Breezy Point Resort and 3 Cheers Hospitality.

Tom Kavanaugh, Coordinator of the ProStart program and owner of Kavanaugh's Resort, helped recruit his peers and prepare them for this mentorship role.

"Every chef I called was thrilled to participate," said Kavanaugh. "They want to make a connection with these students and pass along their passion for the profession."

Area resorts and restaurants are eager to find employees who understand what the service industry is all about and who are willing to learn new skills and discover new opportunities.

Students work alongside a professional chef while learning about nutrition, preparing and serving food, and restaurant operation. A heavy emphasis is placed on safety and sanitation, including preparing and serving safe food and preventing accidents and injuries.

The professional mentorship also offers a vital connection for students needing a reference or referral for that first job or an internship. The Bridges Career Academies & Workplace Connection will be launching a new internship program for the summer of 2018 using select hospitality students from these Bridges ProStart classes.

Since this program explores hospitality careers from the kitchen to the business and management side, classroom activities combine interactive and group instruction to help students master management skills.

"Students will build work-readiness skills, like teamwork, professionalism, time management, accounting, communication, and the ability to think on their feet," said Kelly Bast, instructor at Aitkin High School. "These are skills that are transferrable to any professional industry."

The ProStart-themed classes are the newest addition within Bridges' Career Academies program. Career Academies are sequential classes taught at a local high school within a defined career pathway that offers knowledge and skills in a specific career field. Each course teaches technical skills, employability skills and includes a real-world business experience.

In addition to the academic enrichment offered by the Career Academies, Bridges' programs also offer career exposure or career experiences to local students through activities such as business tours, speakers in the classroom, camps, mobile labs or the annual Career Exploration Day. Each of these programs seeks to fundamentally change the way students explore and determine their future careers.

"High school students need to better understand their career options before pursuing a post-secondary education," said Mary Gottsch, Executive Director of Bridges. "Local businesses and industry are eager to partner with Bridges in an effort to grow a knowledgeable and skilled employee base and positively impact our local economy."

The Bridges Career Academies & Workplace Connection was developed to better integrate work-based learning between schools and business. Created by the Brainerd Lakes Chamber of Commerce, its education Association and Central Lakes College, Bridges provides leadership to engage and empower students and educational professionals within our local school districts.

Bridges is funded in part by: Central Lakes Carl Perkins Consortium Funding, the Initiative Foundation, the National Joint Powers Alliance, the Otto Bremer Foundation and the Region Five Development Commission.

For information about the Bridges Career Academies & Workplace Connection program, visit www.BridgesConnection.org, or call 218-822-7117.



Enjoying the product of the class

Ready to eat the chicken noodle soup their group made in class, from left, Isaiah DeMars, Gary Kittelson, Anna Willgohs, Nic Allhouse and Zeke Cline.





Secret ingredient: cooking with classmates

Christian Scheler stirs the pot, while Xander Lane, left, and Connor Fox help out. Right, Matt Miller and CJ Johnson add spices to their soup pot.



Voice of Democracy

Staples-Motley High School students submitted essays to the VFW Voice of Democracy contest, sponsored by the Wadena VFW. Pictured from left, Rose Han, 2nd place, Abbigail DiGiovanni, 1st place, and Torii Nienow, 3rd place. DiGiovanni read her essay at the Veterans Day program on Nov. 10. (Submitted photo)









Abraham Lincoln's proclamation made Thanksgiving official

By Tom Emery

The first Thanksgiving is often associated with the Pilgrims. Over two centuries later, President Lincoln was the first to make it official.

The official designation of 1863 is the most lasting of the nine proclamations for a day of thanks issued by Lincoln during his presidency.

The idea of a thanksgiving was nothing new. On Oct. 3, 1789, George Washington had issued a proclamation for a day of thanksgiving, scheduled for Nov. 26 of that year. It had been celebrated on various days throughout the nation, as many states had their own designations.

"Thanksgiving had much of its actual origins in religious proclamations by bishops," said Dr. James Cornelius, Curator of the Lincoln Collection at the Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library and Museum in Springfield. "Forms of thanksgiving had been celebrated throughout much of New England, and continued through colonial times."

The impetus for an official national day of Thanksgiving came from Sarah Josepha Hale, the 74-year-old editor of Godey's Lady's Book, a popular women's magazine. Hale had written to several previous presidents asking for such a holiday, to no avail.

On Sept. 28, 1863, she wrote Lincoln, urging him to declare "a day of our annual Thanksgiving made a National and fixed Union festival." Noting "an increasing interest felt in our land to have Thanksgiving held on the same day, in all the states...it now needs national recognition and authoritative fixation, only, to become permanently an American custom and institution."

Lincoln had actually made several Thanksgiving proclamations during his administration. On Nov. 28, 1861, he had ordered all government departments to shut down for a local day of thanksgiving, and he requested national days of "humiliation, prayer, and fasting" on multiple occasions. Lincoln also proclaimed thanksgiving for "signal victories" in the Union war effort in April 1862 and another remembrance on Aug. 6, 1863.

On Oct. 3, 1863, Lincoln heeded Hale's call. He issued his own proclamation, declaring the last Thursday in November "as a day of Thanksgiving and Praise." In 1863, that date would have also been Nov. 26.

"It was not only the anniversary of Washington's proclamation, but it also fell on the same day of the week," said Cornelius. "There's a sense of history in Lincoln's effort."

The words were actually penned by Secretary of State William Seward, and the original draft was later sold to benefit Union soldiers. To be sure, the proclamation was certainly heavy with military reference. Passages such as "in the midst of a civil war of unequaled magnitude and severity" and "the advancing armies and navies of the Union" called to light the national tragedy of the war.

Still, 1863 had been productive for the North, with key victories at Gettysburg, Vicksburg, and elsewhere. "There was reason to celebrate the progress of the war," said Cornelius. "Those were important victories, and Lincoln wanted to remember them."

Scholars have long debated the extent of Lincoln's Christianity, but the 1863 proclamation makes repeated religious references. Phrases as the "watchful providence of Almighty God," "the gracious gifts of the Most High God," "our beneficent Father," and "the Almighty Hand" are sprinkled throughout the document.

"Lincoln saw the day as an appropriate time to give national gratitude for God's plan and goodness," said Dr. Cullom Davis, a nationally recognized Lincoln scholar from Springfield. "It was yet another reason to be thankful."

"To top it off, the year of 1863 brought a pretty good harvest," remarked Cornelius. "Lincoln saw plenty of reasons to celebrate, and they are all summarized in the Thanksgiving proclamation. References to historical tribute, the military, religion, and agriculture are all found in the document."

The first official Thanksgiving Day in 1863 would bring even more reason for the North to celebrate. On Nov. 25, the day before, Union troops earned an important victory at Chattanooga. The holiday was exactly a week after Lincoln delivered his Gettysburg Address.

Many also credit Lincoln as the first President to ceremoniously pardon a turkey, now an annual White House tradition. Lincoln pardoned the bird at the behest of his young son Tad in 1864.

In 1941, Congress authorized a resolution that switched Thanksgiving from the last Thursday in November to the fourth Thursday of the month.

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One of America's best high schools is thankful

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Staples-Motley Schools



By Mike Schmidt
Staples-Motley High School Principal

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This fall when we were notified that we were named "One of America's Best High Schools" by U.S. News and World Report, it was received with pride by the students and staff. As it should be.

We've worked hard to improve our MCA Scores, offer a variety of College In Schools courses, Career and Technical classes and electives.

In addition, we've known that our students need us in countless ways for more than just our educational venture. We've secured more time for our social worker to assist students and families, put a career counselor in place to connect the dots for those wondering what to do after high school and diligently worked to insist our students attendance is emphasized as an important expectation.

However, we're more than that! The staff here continues on a daily basis to expect of themselves to educate the whole student. The staff's minds, hearts and souls have blended together with their licenses and accreditations to provide a very special place for students here at Staples-Motley High School.

Take a look at "all things high school" and go deeper than the headings, course offerings, activities, arts and athletics: these areas are not to be assumed. They're to be appreciated and celebrated.

Perhaps that's why the U. S. News and World Report was right in recognizing the high school? We are "One of the America's Best!"

To the community of ISD 2170, I'm not only proud of the high school staff, I'm proud of each and every staff member we have from one building, department and classroom to the next...together, they make it all happen for our students and families.

Happy Thanksgiving, everyone!

Living a new story for a sustainable future

By Ann Manning and Sharon Day

Are you feeling an underlying sense of anxiety in our nation today? Even if your life seems to be going well right now, many of us can sense the angst that pervades our society. From scenes of hurricanes, fires, floods and droughts to white supremacists marching in Charlottesville or another senseless mass murder in Las Vegas, we've had a lot to feel uneasy about lately.

Many of us know in our bones that we are living on the edge economically, environmentally and socially. The U.S. stock market is at an all-time high, yet most people are not benefiting from what is reportedly a "strong economy." Meanwhile, we are drawing upon the source of our wealth, Mother Earth, at unsustainable levels to hold up that market.

Mother Earth is pushing back hard.

What can we do?

We need a new story, a new way of thinking about how to live together in harmony with Mother Earth. That means understanding that we are living beyond our means from a sustainable-Earth perspective. By Aug. 2 this year we'd already spent this year's "budget" of the Earth's renewable resources. And we've been doing that for decades; in fact, every year the date moves up. We couldn't do that in our personal households, and we certainly can't sustain it as a species.

Healthy economy depends on a healthy Earth

It's time to move beyond an economic system that views the Earth and its resources as a wholly owned subsidiary of our economy. The reality - if you think about it for even a minute - is the exact opposite. A healthy economy depends completely on a healthy Earth, and we are quickly reaching the limits of that.

One way to change the story is to change what we measure. We measure things based on how industry is doing, for example, the GDP. If we shifted to measuring our common wealth and public health based on how we the people are doing, how healthy the Earth is, we would shift laws, policies and norms quickly - and we'd all benefit. The Earth, humans, oceans, whales, forests, bees and butterflies would start living in harmony with life again. Future generations would call us "Beloved Ancestors."

What do you think they will call us if we keep living the way we are today?

What can you do in daily life?

What can you do in your daily life to begin living, creating the new story?

- Become part of the political community. Attend mayoral and governor's forums. Ask: What is your theory of government? Tell them you want them to rethink the role of government. That it should be to protect the common wealth and public health of all Minnesotans, all Americans, not the corporations and the wealthy. The Women's Congress for Future Generations has a Companion for Political Change that you can use with your neighbors as a study guide.
- Every day, give thanks to the water; make a list of three things you will do to clean up our waterways. Acknowledging what is sacred in our lives has great power.
- Do your homework. Find out what environmental justice is all about. Work with others to actively promote racial and gender justice. March, sing, do good! Attend the Women's Congress on Nov. 3-5 to learn more about environmental justice and how you can make a difference.
- Grow some of your own produce next spring. Even those in apartments and condos can often grow a little food on a balcony or patio. Some say putting your hands in the soil transforms the DNA. It will provide a connection between you, the earth and plant life.
- Get to know your neighbors. Share lawn mowers and other household goods that sit idle most of the time. Be part of creating a supportive, beloved community.
- Get to know someone who is different from you racially and ethnically. You will broaden your horizons and you will likely create lasting friendships that enrich your life enormously.
- Dream big and then act on it. Link arms with others. This is not a time to be alone. Try something new!

Last but not least: Do not add to the divide in this country. YES, stand for your principles and your ideals. And at the same time, live by this motto: Be Kind. Be Kind. Be Kind.

Ann Manning is the director of the Women's Congress for Future Generations and associate director of the Science & Environmental Health Network. The 3rd Women's Congress for Future Generations will be held Nov. 3-5 in Brooklyn Center.

Sharon Day is an Ojibwe elder, executive director of the Indigenous Peoples Task Force, and founder of Nibi Walk.

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November 24

CARE Community Meal - Thanksgiving Dinner Thurs., Nov. 23, noon, Faith Lutheran Church, 430 12th St. NE, Staples. Free. For info, 218-894-1546.

November 27

Bosom Buddies Breast Cancer Support Group Mtg Mon., Nov. 27, 5 p.m., Lakewood Health System Care Center, Staples, activities room. All breast cancer survivors encouraged to attend. For info., 218-894-2627.

Staples City Council agenda

The Staples City Council will meet Tuesday, Nov. 28, at 7 p.m. at the Staples City Hall, 122 6th St NE, Staples.

Preliminary agenda items include:

- Annual library update - Cathy Perish, Library Services Coordinator.
- Consider nominations to the NJPA Board of Directors.
- Discuss updated tobacco ordinance.
- Consider removal of Phil Lindaman as an authorized signer and the approval of Diane Archer as a new authorized signer on the City of Staples Wells Fargo Investment Account, effective Dec. 1.
- Consider removal of Phil Lindaman as an authorized signer from all accounts at First International Bank and authorize Diane Archer to have all signatory and transaction authority, effective Dec. 1.
- Committee reports including the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board and the Planning and Zoning Commission..
- Open forum.
- City Administrator's report.

Region Five seeks comment on plan

The thirty-day comment period for Region Five Development Commission's Comprehensive Regional Economic Development Strategy (CREDS) opened Wednesday, Nov. 15 and will close Thursday, Dec. 14.

The draft document can be found at www.regionfive.org under the Economic Development tab. Comments and questions regarding this plan can be directed to Dawn Espe at despe@regionfive.org or 218-894-3233.

To learn more about the 2016-2021 CREDS visit www.eda.gov/ceds or www.regionfive.org.



November birthdays and anniversary

The Staples Senior Citizens held their Birthday/Anniversary celebration Nov. 14 at the Staples Community Center. Jan and Steve Pogreba, front; were celebrating their anniversary; back, those observing birthdays in November included; left to right: Ethel Dezell, Gloria Marden, Martha Holsapple, Arlene Skov and Neil Grover. Those celebrating their special days were given small decorated cakes, personalized cards and singing Happy Birthday and Happy Anniversary. A short program, drawings for prizes, concluded with a noon meal was enjoyed by everyone.

The December Birthday/Anniversary party will be Dec. 12 at 11:30 a.m. RSVP before noon, Dec. 11. Everyone is welcome.

The Staples Senior Citizens' will hold their annual Christmas party Weds., Dec. 13 at 11:45 a.m. The celebration will include a visit from Santa and Mrs. Claus, entertainment, drawings for cash and prizes followed by a festive holiday meal. Everyone welcome. Membership dues and Senior Echoes subscriptions for 2018 may be paid that day. Reservations/RSVPs required by noon Friday, Dec. 8 by calling 218-894-2556.

Tri-County EMS offering free 'Stop the Bleed' kits

The Tri-County Health Care Emergency Medical Service (EMS), Wadena is championing a national Stop the Bleed initiative in Wadena, Todd and Otter Tail counties. The goal is to provide free resources and education to the public on how to stop life-threatening bleeding following an emergency, man-made or natural disaster.

"Major bleeding is the second-leading cause of death from injuries," said Mike Ittner, Tri-County EMS manager. "However, anyone can save a life at a scene if they know what to do."

The EMS has assembled Stop the Bleed kits to hand out free of charge to anyone in the community who needs one. Each kit includes gloves, absorbent gauze and tourniquets, as well as a flyer containing first aid tips. Upon delivery of the kit, the EMS will provide free training on how to use the items and the best methods for controlling bleeding. Ittner especially recommends keeping Stop the Bleed kits near AEDs.

Victims of a massive bleed can die within five to 10 minutes if it isn't controlled. Serious bleeding could be caused by a number of incidents, including falls, shop accidents, car crashes and man-made or natural disasters. Stop the Bleed kits allow bystanders to immediately begin controlling a bleed until emergency responders arrive.

"The more blood we keep in the body, the better chance a person has of surviving," Ittner said. "This Stop the Bleed campaign will help us further increase safety for the public, and we hope community members will take advantage of these free kits and training."

Funds for Stop the Bleed kits were contributed by the local VFW, American Legion, Lions, Elks, St. Helen's Episcopal Church, First Congregational United Church of Christ Lamson Fund and the Tri-County Health Care Foundation.

To request a Stop the Bleed kit, call Ittner at 218-631-7464.

Stop the Bleed is a national campaign started by a workgroup of The White House National Security Council. For more information, visit bleedingcontrol.org.

Paintworks, yoga, cookies and more at Community Ed.

Staples-Motley Community Education offers a variety of classes and activities for lifelong learners. Activities for the next few weeks are listed.

For class descriptions and rates or to register see the Community Education brochure on counters in the community or on Staples-Motley Schools website at www.isd2170.k12.mn.us. Click on the Community Education tab. Online registration can also be found there or by calling 218-894-2497.

- Beginner Yoga: Mondays, 6-7- p.m.; Staples Community Center
- Power Yoga: Mondays, 7:15-8:15 p.m. ; Staples Community Center
- Zumba and Strong by Zumba: Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, 6-7 p.m.;Staples-Motley Elementary
- Beginner Hair Braiding: Nov. 27, Dec. 4, 11 and 18, 6 p.m.; SMHS
- Decorating Cookies and Gingerbread Houses: Dec. 2 and 9, 9 a.m-12 p.m.; Staples-Motley High School (SMHS)
- Paintworks 'Cozy Campfire': Dec. 4, 6 p.m.; Stomping Grounds
- Long Term Care: Dec. 12, 11:15 a.m and 12:15 p.m. ; Timberlake Hotel
- Tie Dye: Jan. 8 and Feb. 1, 7-9 p.m.; SMHS
- Essential Oils: Jan. 9, 16 and 23, 6:30-8 p.m.; SMHS
- Timbers Cooking Series-Beat the Chill/One-Pot Meals: Jan. 11, 6-8:30 p.m.; Timbers Event Center
- Paella: Jan 18, 6-9 p.m.; SMHS
- Trips: Savannah, Jekyll Island and Charleston, SC; Sister Act; Chanhassen Dinner Theatre.

Residential solar financing study seeks participants

The Southwest Regional Development Commission (SWRDC) and Region Five Development Commission (R5DC) along with Rural MN Energy Board, are interested in hearing thoughts about a residential solar financing model.

Over the past decade, alternative energy products and services including solar systems have seen a significant increase in interest and as a result, the Regional Development Commission (RDC) has received several inquiries for lending programs that bolster system deployment.

With funding support of the McKnight Foundation, the two RDCs are partnering with utility providers, contractors and homeowners to fully understand the opportunities and barriers around a potential residential Solar Energy Lending Program.

A survey is designed for residents of our region. All residents and homeowners are encouraged to fill out an online survey which will take approximately 5-10 minutes to complete.

https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/SELPhomeownerfinal

For more information about this project, contact Staci Headley, Regional Development Planner, sheadley@regionfive.org

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Wedding

Ludovissie, Henson



Alexis Ludovissie and Logan Henson were married October 14, 2017 at the Immanuel Baptist Church, Paducah, Ky.

Parents are Paul and Stephanie Ludovissie, Paducah, Ky. and Steven and Jean Henson, Gilbertsville, Ky.

Alexis and Logan are graduates of Murray State University, earning degrees in Occupational Safety and Health. Alexis is an Environmentalist Safety and Health Project Lead at AECOM in Paducah and Logan is a Safety Professional at Safety Services in Murray.

The couple are making their home in Paducah.

Hello World

Births reported at Lakewood Health System Hospital included:

Born to Lisa and Nick Smeby of Swanville, a baby girl, Violet Rochelle weighing nine pounds, eight ounces on November 13, 2017.

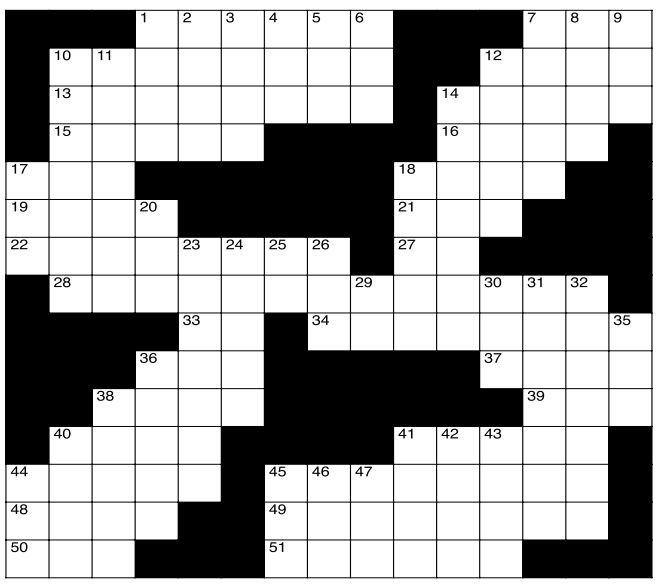
Born to Katie and Dustin Wiese of Pequot Lakes, a baby boy, Levi Tyler weighing eight pounds, 12 ounces on November 13, 2017.

Born to Bailey and James Sherman of Backus, a baby boy, Lincoln James weighing nine pounds, one ounce on November 14, 2017.

Born to Gail Welshan of Bertha, a baby boy, John Franklin weighing nine pounds, nine ounces on November 14, 2017.

Crossword Puzzle

Week 47

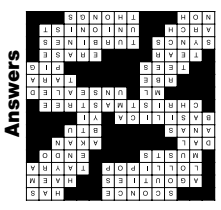


CLUES ACROSS
1. Holds candles
7. In possession of
10. Rodents
12. Type of cofactor (Brit. sp.)
13. Hard candy on a stick
14. Animal of the weasel family
15. Things that should not be overlooked
16. "Silence" author
17. Dried, split lentils
18. People native to Ghana
19. Barros and Gasteyer are two
21. British thermal unit
22. Large oblong hall
27. Ethnic group in Asia
28. Holiday decoration
33. Milliliter
34. Open
36. Health physics concept (abbr.)
37. Tantric meditation
38. Where golf games begin
39. Birth swine
40. Rip
41. Remove
44. Puts together in time
45. Rotary engines
48. Skeletal structure
49. Member of a labor organization
50. Japanese classical theater
51. Undergarments

CLUES DOWN
1. "Snake Tales" cartoonist
2. Religious group
3. Singer Redding
4. __ and tuck
5. Head honcho
6. Second sight
7. Composer
8. About aviation
9. Senior officer
10. Forecasts weather
11. Seasoned Hungarian soup
12. Town in Hesse, Germany
14. Thought to derive from meteorites
17. Hit lightly
18. Seemingly bottomless chasm
20. Title of respect
23. Warms up
24. Man and Wight are two
25. Type of scan
26. Atomic mass unit
29. Article
30. Incriminate
31. Passes by
32. Most nerve-inducing
35. David Alan Grier sitcom
36. Achieve
38. Freshwater fish
40. Beginner
41. Dark brown or black
42. A newlywed wears one
43. DiFranco and Vardanyan are two
44. Diego, Francisco, Anselmo
45. Ancient Egyptian King
46. Old name (abbr.)
47. Brazilian city (slang)

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Answers



Todd County Historical Society report

Submitted by,
Alice Siegle

At their Nov. 6, meeting at the county museum Gary Stracek was re-elected as president; Alice Siegle was re-elected as secretary; Gene Tschida, newly elected trustee. Re-elected trustees are David Freeman, Joan Pesta and Joe Marte, for the Todd county Historical Society.

The museum coordinator's report included:

- The roof of the fairgrounds building is leaking badly. The board needs to talk with Deb Durheim about a solution or find a different building to store artifacts. Several estimates are needed.
- Thanks to everyone who helped at the Autumn dinner.
- Mike Hintz will do a Premium Insurance audit Nov. 8.
- Long Prairie Red Hats will tour the museum on Nov. 9.
- A memorial card was sent to the Eckes family.
- The Long Prairie Lions will meet at the museum on Nov. 13 for a Sloppy Joe dinner followed by a museum tour.
- St. Mary's will bring 28 children for a tour of the museum as part of their history class.
- A cleaning day needs to be scheduled.
- Hopefully there is a grant available for the purchase of more archival boxes.

The Diversicare stocks are now in the possession of the society.

The potluck Christmas Party will be held Dec. 4 at 1:30 p.m. in the museum.

Syd Kjeldahl's program was on WWI, the nine million people who were killed in the participating countries and the inception of the Gold Star Mothers.

Obituaries

Dennis Lucas



Dennis Lucas, 64, of Motley, passed away peacefully November 18, 2017, at the Lakewood Health System Care Center in Staples, following a courageous, 17-year battle with Parkinson's disease.

Funeral services were held Nov. 22, at St. John's Lutheran Church in Motley, with Reverend Paul Koehler officiating.

Arrangements were with the Brenny Funeral Home of Staples.

Dennis Walter Lucas was born August 27, 1953 in Moorhead, to Ray and Evelyn (Hales) Lucas. He grew up in Fargo and graduated from Fargo South High School. He married Nancy Motl on May 13, 1994, in Brainerd. Dennis worked at Morey's Seafood in Motley for 37 years. He was a member of the Motley Lions club, was a Minnesota Twins and Vikings fan and enjoyed hunting and fishing. He loved and valued his family and the time he spent with them.

Dennis is survived by his wife; one stepson, Jeremy (Jodi) Jasmer of Alexandria; one brother, Ed (Hope) Lucas of Staples; three sisters, Carol (Richard) Edgerly of West Fargo, ND, Linda Lucas of Motley and Sandy (Jim) Griebel of Delano; many nieces, nephews, grandnieces and grand-nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents; grandparents and one brother, Raymond.

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Erma Pavlacky



Erma Pavlacky, 93, of Staples, passed away peacefully November 17, 2017 at her home.

Services were held Nov. 20 at Faith Lutheran Church in Staples, with Pastor Carl Larson officiating.

Interment was at West Lyons Cemetery in Verndale.

Arrangements were with the Brenny Funeral Home, Staples.

Erma was born February 9, 1924, to Christ and Anna (Raddohl) Swenson in Hazel Run. She went to school in Clarkfield and was confirmed into the Lutheran faith there. Erma moved to the Staples area with her family. She married Don Pavlacky on October 23, 1943 in Staples. Erma worked in the woods cutting pulp, at the Cozy Café, the Staples hospital and at the Carter-Ringer plant. She was a member of Faith Lutheran Church. Erma enjoyed crocheting, dancing, playing cards, gardening, flowers, cooking, baking and canning. Most important to Erma was her family.

Erma is survived by one son, Butch (Gail) of Vergas and one daughter, Gail (Dale) Betz of St. Peter; 12 grandchildren; many great-grandchildren and great great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband; two daughters, Donna Klause and Connie Dailey; son-in-law, Jim Dailey; parents and seven siblings.

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Robert Erickson



Robert "Bob" Endon Erickson, 68, of Staples, passed away unexpectedly, November 13, 2017 at his home.

Services were held Nov. 18 at the Brenny Funeral Chapel in Staples, with Father Joe Korf officiating.

Interment with Military Honors was held Nov. 21 at the Minnesota State Veterans Cemetery near Little Falls.

Arrangements were with the Brenny Funeral Home in Staples.

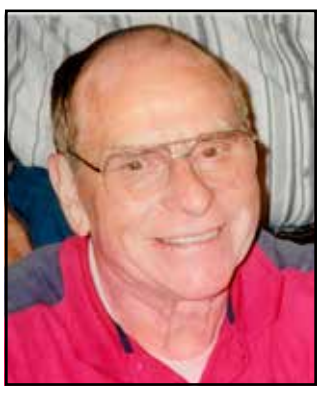
Bob was born January 14, 1949 in Idaho Falls, Idaho to Lowell and Irise (Sarff) Erickson. He grew up in a Military family and graduated from high school in Germany. After high school, he enlisted in the U.S. Navy and served for five years. Bob was united in marriage to Kathryn Mary Williams on July 26, 1975. Bob worked for many years at Williams Floral in Staples. After retiring, he began driving school bus, which he loved. He also enjoyed spending time with his family, sportsman's club, camping, shooting at the rifle range and spending time with his grandchildren.

Bob is survived by his wife; two daughters, Sara (Jeremy) Klomp of East Gull Lake and Erin (Travis) Lynch of Staples; two sons, Rory Erickson and Liam Erickson, both of Staples; six grandchildren; one sister, Karen (Frank) Longworth; three brothers, Dennis (Cheryl) Erickson, Keith (Carol) Erickson, Mark (Tonya) Erickson and many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

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Eugene Resch



Eugene Robert Resch, 89, of Staples passed away peacefully at home November 17, 2017, with his family by his side.

Mass of Christian Burial was held Nov. 22 at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Staples.

Arrangements were with the Brenny Funeral Home, Staples.

Eugene was born in Milford, Iowa on February 15, 1928, to John and Mary (Tinkham) Resch. He grew up on the family farm, and was drafted into the U.S. Army during WWII. He was married to Eileen Gaffke and they had eight children. Gene and Eileen worked together at their flooring business, Resch Tile and Carpet, in Staples. Eugene later married Judy Lamkin. He was a member of Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Knights of Columbus and the American Legion in Wadena. During their years together, Eugene and Judy enjoyed traveling and entertaining.

Eugene is survived by his wife, Judy, of 34 years; five daughters, Marcy (Cliff) Cederholm of Baudette, Yolanda (Mike) Koppes, Melissa Shriver, Carla Kuchinski and Christine (Todd) Tollefson all of Staples; one son, Jim Resch of Brainerd, 17 grandchildren; many great-grandchildren; one brother, Dale (Nancy) Resch of Fish Trap Lake.

He was preceded in death by his parents; infant son, Leroy; one daughter, Patty; two sons, Robert and Daniel; one grandchild, Cindy Cederholm; one sister, Gen Ludovissie and three brothers, Clarence, Tony and Jerome Resch.

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Five generations

A number of friends and relatives gathered in Staples recently, to celebrate the 90th birthday of Donald Hanson of Staples. Pictured above, from right, are five generations: great-great grandfather Donald Hanson holding Parker; great-grandmother Jean Dailey, Staples; father Trevor Enberg, Verndale; and grandmother, April Enberg, Verndale, holding Ella. Donald was born Nov. 12, 1927, at a farm home 15 miles north of Motley. He was delivered by Dr. Cook, who drove to the farm in his new, 1927 car. (Submitted photo)

Credit card hack alert

An area resident reported Nov. 17 that his personal Mills Fleet Farm credit card account had been billed $417.28 for a purchase that he never made. The card was used at VONS in California on Oct. 13

Larry Knosalla of Staples wanted to share the information with area residents that his card had been hacked and that people should be diligent in checking their credit card bill. He immediately called and canceled the card.

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Student Achievements



Motley-Staples Middle School

Students of the Month awarded at the Motley-Staples Middle School were: Brynn Bestland, Melissa Anderson, Luke Bjerga, Brooklynn Huwe, Skyler Self, Deven Johnson, Kierra Zivkovic, Mason Michael, Sabina Moe, Kyra Stangle, Kyanna Burton, Ashlyn Vogel, Emali Jimenéz-Kloeckl, Chris Moench, Mandy Carter, Sarina Huepenbecker, Ellie DiGiovanni, Topanga Braith.



Staples-Motley Elementary School

Bucket List winners at SMES were,
front, left to right: Jacob Reeck, Sam Olsen, Madisyn Zetah, Grace Smith, Zeva Kriesel
Back: Zandar Markie, Roman Engebretson, Lydia Roelofs, Kyleena Rudlang, Chloe Badger, Jett Kasper



Sacred Heart Area School

Students of the Month awarded at SHAS were, front, left to right:
Kaylee Perius, Clara Maros, Piper Hanson
Back: Lilly Tyrrell,
Eli Rutten, Joey Opelia

These area businesses offer their support and congratulations to the overall excellence exemplified by the Student Achievements awards

Staples Eye Clinic
Staples Precision Metalcraft
Burger King
Burrows Auto Body
Busker Concrete
Tower Pizza
Central Building Supply
Orth Insurance Agency
Ernie's
Freshwater Education District
Area Learning Center, Staples
Giovanni's Pizza
Giza Plumbing & Heating
Ideal Construction Company, Staples
The Spot Café
Wayne's Electric of Staples, Inc.
Insurance Advisors, Staples
Mid-Minnesota Federal Credit Union
James Soule Auto Sales
Japke Decorating, Carpet & Gifts
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Mayer, Porter & Nelson, Ltd., CPA's
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Countryside Restaurant
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Northwind Grocery
PHB Excavating
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Becker Construction
Thrivent Financial
Precision Polishing and Plating, Inc.
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Trident Seafoods, Corp.
Staples True Value
Stern Rubber Company
Arvig Communication System
Brenny Funeral Home
Ken's Collision Repair/ SouthSide Mini Mart
Staples Ace Hardware
SuperAmerica
Staples Dairy Queen
Unity Bank
Staples World

Freshwater Education District Minutes

MINUTES

REGULAR BOARD MEETING FRESHWATER EDUCATION DISTRICT #6004 WADENA, MN 10/25/17

CALLED TO ORDER at 5:30 p.m. by C. Wolf, Chair.

Board Present: C. Wolf-LPGE, R. Thalmann-Henning, V. Hinojos-WDC, J. Kangas-Menahga, S. Veronen-Verndale, B. Lund-SM, P. Benning-Browerville, C. Funk-Sebeka, R. VanDenheuvel-BH, Supt: D. Fjeldheim-Sebeka, Others: J. Nesland, L. Murdock, S. Thiel.

MOTION BY VanDenheuvel, seconded by Benning to approve the 8-23-17 minutes as presented. VOTE- U/C

MOTION BY Funk, seconded by Kangas to approve the Agenda as presented. VOTE- U/C

OLD BUSINESS

MOTION BY Lund, seconded by Veronen to approve Supt Advisory Council Minutes from 9.13.17 and 10-11-17. VOTE- U/C

NEW BUSINESS

ECFE/SR REPORT

REVIEWED ECFE/SR 17/18 by Schedule, Informational Brochure and Four Start Parent Aware Award for Districts of *Bertha-Hewitt, Browerville and Long Prairie-Grey Eagle.*

SPECIAL EDUCATION REPORT

UPDATE- Staffing for 17/18 SY is complete; Information shared on ECSE General Ed. Aid calculation.

ALC/TS REPORT

MOTION BY Benning, seconded by VanDenheuvel to approve the NJPA *Small Project Partnership Grant* in the amount of $2,267 for the Mid-Level ALC site. VOTE- U/C

REVIEWED ALC's 10-1-17 Enrollment and Attendance per each Site.

MOTION BY Funk, seconded by Hinojos to approve the *Todd-Wadena Electric Co-op Grant* in the amount of $1,000 for the Mid-Level ALC site. VOTE-U/C

MOTION BY Kangas, seconded by Lund to approve the agreement with the Rising Phoenix for cleaning services for the Wadena ALC site. VOTE-U/C

TECHNOLOGY REPORT;

REVIEWED cost/benefit of the Freshwater Wide Area Network (WAN)

REVIEWED the 17 year funding trend of E-Rate reimbursement program.

MEMBER SERVICES

MOTION BY Thalmann, seconded by VanDenheuvel to approve the FED Health Ins. renewal, of the three current plans, effective 1-1-18, as recommended by the FED Health Benefits Committee. VOTE- U/C

MOTION BY Funk, seconded by Thalmann to hereby take board action to Commit the amount of $128,880 in a General Fund reserve account, for possible future invoicing from the FCC regarding E-Rate reimbursement to three Freshwater Schools. ROLL CALL VOTE- The following voted in Favor: C. Wolf, V. Hinojos, S. Veronen, P. Benning, R. VanDenheuvel, R. Thalmann, J. Kangas, B. Lund, and C. Funk. Voting Against: None. Motion Carried.

MOTION BY Hinojos, seconded by Veronen to approve Revision I of the FY18 budget as presented.

FY-18 BUDGET REVISION I;

FUND 01 General: REVENUE, $8,718,211; EXPENDITURES, $9,455,927

FUND 04 Community Service: REVENUE, $606,953; EXPENDITURES, $608,014

VOTE- U/C

MOTION BY Lund, seconded by VanDenheuvel to set the 2018 FED Board Organizational Mtg. for 5 p.m. at the FED Offices located at the CLC campus in Staples on the date of 1-24-18. VOTE-U/C

REVIEWED the proposed 2018 FED Regular Board and Supt. Advisory Council Mtg. Schedules.

REVIEWED the Actuarial Valuation of the Two Year GASB 75 Statement.

UPDATE of 20/20 Facility Planning Project; *Ground breaking in the spring of 2018 at a new location.*

NJPA- ORB- GORDIAN- BHH are the groups leading the project. At this time, it is anticipated that the facility will be able to be utilized in the summer or fall of 2019 with the proposed ranking uses of the facility to be; the Level IV Program, Special Education Staff, and the Administrative Staff. Following the special education staff move, the US 10 Freshwater building will be sold.

UPDATE of "Excess Sale" held on 7-25-17; total receipts for the sale were $229.25.

MOTION BY Lund, seconded by Veronen to purchase, from the city of Wadena, approximately 7.39 acres of land, located South of Wadena on Hwy 71, at a purchase price of $45,000 for the Sped Level IV *Strategic Investment* Facility Improvement Project, per the terms and conditions of the proposed Purchase Agreement and the herein amendment to this Purchase Agreement that requires the closing date to follow the completion of the city annexation of this property. The following voted Favor: R. Thalmann, J. Kangas, B. Lund, C. Funk, C. Wolf, V. Hinojos, S. Veronen, P. Benning, and R. VanDenheuvel. The following voted Against: None. Motion Carried.

SpEd Director, L. Murdock publically stated her appreciation of J. Nesland and for all the hard work he has put into this project.

UPDATE of FED Legislative Day; Weds., Dec. 6, from 9 a.m.-11a.m., located at FED/CLC, Staples.

MOTION BY Thalmann, seconded by Benning to approve the submittal of the Title IX Annual MDE report acknowledging compliance with State and Federal Laws Prohibiting Discrimination. VOTE: U/C

MOTION BY VanDenheuvel, seconded by Hinojos to accept anonymous donation of $700 to the Gabe Rapatz Scholarship. VOTE: U/C

COMMITTEE REPORTS

REVIEWED 10-4-17 Health Benefits Committee Minutes.

REVIEWED 8-23-17 TCC Annual Minutes and FACTS Informational Brochure.

BUSINESS, FINANCE, AND OTHER NEW BUSINESS

MOTION BY Benning, seconded by Veronen to approve the 8-18-17 through 10-19-17 cash reports and payments of checks numbered 119878 - 120094. VOTE-U/C

MOTION BY Funk, seconded by Hinojos to approve disposal of some depreciated fixed assets. VOTE: U/C

MOTION BY Lund, seconded by Kangas to approve the interview scheduling and finalization of naming one prequalified contractor, per the terms and conditions of the NJPA national ezIQC bidding process, as coordinated by ORB/NJPA and approving the contract for the project architect firm of BHH. VOTE- U/C

MOTION BY Funk, seconded by Thalmann to request an audit cost proposal for the FY18-19. VOTE: U/C

PERSONNEL TOPICS AND CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

MOTION BY Benning, seconded by VanDenheuvel to approve the following personnel items as follows: Hiring of S. Lee, J. Rice, J. Allen; Lane Change of S. Holper, G. Newman, M. Parker, K. Witthuhn, K. Marstein and J. Hnedrickx; FMLA Leave of M. Robertson, VOTE- U/C

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION BY Hinojos, seconded by VanDenheuvel to adjourn the meeting at 6:46 p.m. VOTE- U/C

Respectfully submitted:
Scott Veronen
Freshwater Education
District #6004

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Public Notices

STATE OF MINNESOTA DISTRICT COURT COUNTY OF TODD SEVENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT PROBATE DIVISION Court File No.: 77PR-17-1085

In Re: Estate of BLAKE ALEXANDER DIXON a/k/a Blake A. Dixon, Decedent,

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

It is Ordered and Notice is given that on December 19, 2017, at 1:15 p.m., a hearing will be held in this Court at Long Prairie, Minnesota, on a petition for the adjudication of intestacy and determination of Decedent's heirs, and for the appointment of AMANDA R. DIXON, whose address is 30509 US 71, Browerville, MN 56438 as personal representative of the Decedent's estate in an unsupervised administration.

Any objections to the petition must be raised at the hearing or filed with the Court prior to the hearing. If the petition is proper and no objections are filed or raised, the personal representative will be appointed with the full power to administer the Decedent's estate, including the power to collect all assets; to pay all legal debts, claims, taxes, and expenses; to sell real and personal property; and to do all necessary acts for the Decedent's estate.

Notice is further given that, subject to Minn. Stat. § 524.3-801, all creditors having claims against the Decedent's estate are required to present the claims to the personal representative or to the Court within four (4) months after the date of this notice or the claims will be barred.

BY THE COURT
Dated: November 9, 2017

/s/ Daniel Benson
Judge of District Court

Rhonda Bot
by Patti Johnson
Court Administrator

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PUBLIC NOTICE NOTICE TO OPERATE (AERATION SYSTEM)

An aeration system has been installed and will be operating approximately Nov. 30, 2017, on Lake Shamineau on the South shore about 1-1/2 miles East of West end of the lake, located in Morrison County, Twp. 132, Range 31, Section 16, which will result in thin ice and open water.

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CITY OF STAPLES NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER THE VACATION OF AN ALLEY

NOTICE is hereby given that the City Council of the City of Staples will hold a public hearing at 7:20 p.m. on Tuesday, December 12, 2017 at the Staples City Hall to consider a request to vacate a portion of the north-south alley located north of U.S. Highway 10, between 7th and 8th St. NE. The legal description is as follows:

1. The alley located between Lots 1-4 and Lots 9-12, Block 25, Staples Mill, according to the plat of record in the Todd County Recorder's office, Todd County, MN.

All persons interested are invited to attend this hearing and be heard on this matter.

Diane Archer, City Clerk

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Staples Area Church Directory

Staples

Staples Alliance
1512 8th St. NE, Staples 218-894-2891
Pastor Bob Hepokoski, Paul Johnson
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
Youth Pastor Julie Boone
Discipleship Class.....9:15 a.m.
Sunday Worship.....10:30 a.m.
Evening Prayer .....6:00 p.m.
WEDNESDAY
Sonlight & Youth .....6:30 p.m.

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

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

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

Sacred Heart Church
310 4th St. NE, Staples
Church.....218-894-2296
Pastor Fr. Joe Korf
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
Pastor Nathan Hillman
Sunday School .....9:45 a.m.
Sunday Worship.....11:00 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.....10:15 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

Congregational, United Church of Christ
One block S. of Hwy. 10, Aldrich
Pastor Dave Seaton.....218-445-5831
Sunday Worship,..... 9:00 a.m.
Communion .....1st Sunday of Month

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
www.bethanylutherancushing.com.
Rev. Jean M. Megorden
Lay Pastor Bob Mueller
Sunday Worship.....9:00 a.m

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
www.cushingbaptistchurch.org
Pastor Dan Holmes.....320-749-2583
Sunday School .....9:30 a.m.
Worship.....10:30 a.m.
WEDNESDAY
Bible study .....7:30 p.m.

Leaf River Township

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

Leader

Swan Valley Lutheran
Leader 218-397-2470
Pastor David Stevens
Sunday Worship.....11:00 a.m.

Maple Hill Lutheran
Pastor David Stevens
Leader .....218-397-2470 (Rural Pine River)
Worship and Sunday School .....9:00 a.m.

Motley

Motley Free Methodist
33 Wellwood St. E
Motley 56466.....218-352-6888
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. Joe Korf
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.org
Sunday Worship Service.....9:00 a.m.
Monday AA meeting.....8:00 p.m.

Oylen

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

Pillager

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

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

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

Hewitt

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

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

Verndale

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

Family Life Church
402 NE Clark Drive, Verndale
Church.....218-445-5568
VerndaleFLC@gmail.com
Pastor Amos Self 218-371-7189
Childrens' Pastor Kenneth Kjeldergaard
Prayer.....8:30 a.m.
Coffee & Fellowship.....8:45 a.m.
Worship..... 9:10 and 11:00 a.m.
Prayer or Life Groups.....6:00 p.m.
WEDNESDAY
6:00 p.m. ..... Family fellowship meal
6:30 p.m ..... Ministry Groups/Bible study

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.



"Then Jesus told his disciples a parable to show them that they should always pray and not give up."

Luke 18:1

Why we should pray

It is possible to live a virtuous life by simply adhering to the universal rules of morality which every moral philosophy and religion dictates: Be honest, respect other's property, help each other when they are in need, etc.

But it is not possible to live a godly life without prayer, for without prayer we lack that openness to the experience of God which is required if we are to be true Christians. God's grace is abundant, but it cannot be given without being asked for; grace must be freely asked for and freely given. This can only happen through sincere and heartfelt prayer. Over and over again we see throughout the Bible that God's chosen ones come to him on bent knees with prayer and supplication.

The godly call upon God in their time of need whereas the godless rely upon their own strength. Prayer is nothing more than a spirit of openness to what God is telling us, but it is also a conversation, with us asking God for help, and thanking Him for his many gifts to us.

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Longbella Drug Store — "The Prescription Store" — 2nd Ave., Staples • 218-894-2242 — Motley and Pillager

Ernie's Food Market — Groceries - Gas - Convenience - more — Staples, MN 218-894-1072

Staples Veterinary Clinic — "Complete Animal Care" — Staples, MN 218-894-1775

Mid-Central Federal Savings Bank — Fully Insured to $250,000 — Staples, MN 218-894-3900

Central Building Supply — Bob Reeck, Manager — Hwy. 10 West, Staples, MN

Staples World — Your community newspaper since 1890 — 224 4th St. NE, Staples, MN 218-894-1112

Tower Pizza — Pizza, Pasta, Salads, Sandwiches — Staples, MN 218-894-3299

Staples True Value — "Just Ask Rental" — Open 7 days a week. — Staples, MN 218-894-3263

Todd County discusses new election equipment



Voting machines

Todd County Election Administrator Jolene Sabrowsky gave a presentation about the new voter assisted machine as well as the tabulation machine and the grant which could help pay for some of the new equipment. She is pictured with the DS200 Precinct Scanner which the county test piloted for the absentee precinct processing in 2016. (Photo by Karin Nauber)

By Karin Nauber
Todd County reporter

Todd County Election Administrator Jolene Sabrowsky presented information about the new grant available to help with the purchase of voting equipment at the Nov. 7 work session of the county commissioners.

The past

In 2002 and 2004 federal and state laws which were passed that required every polling location used in Minnesota for any federal, state or local election to be equipped with an assisted voting technology machine that allows voters with disabilities the opportunity to cast their vote in private.

In 2005 and 2006 the county established a workgroup that created a formal plan for the implementation of the voting equipment.

This plan, adopted by the county board Mar. 13, 2006, also spelled out who would be responsible for the on-going equipment needs and costs.

"Todd County's vision was to maintain uniformity in all Todd County election precincts," said Sabrowsky.

The plan was that the municipalities would take care of maintenance agreement costs each year if there were no grant/rental funds available. Sabrowsky pointed out that grant funds were available six out of the past 11 years to help with this cost.

The municipalities would also be responsible for the software, upkeep of the machine, purchase of additional machines and any damage to the machines.

The county would maintain the financial reporting for grant money, provide storage and insurance for all the units at no charge while on the county premises.

Additionally, the county would provide the training, execute all the maintenance agreements, repairs and scheduled maintenance. They would also perform programming, set-up and testing for all elections which takes weeks to do.

The 2006 Help American Vote Act grant purchased the AutoMark assistive voting devices at $5,969 each and the precinct tabulation machines at $5,789 each. These were purchased for every voting precinct in the county.

The present

That was nearly 12 years ago and things have changed quite a bit in technology, not to mention the average life of these election machines is between 10 and 15 years.

In 2017 legislation was passed for another voting equipment grant with $7 million appropriated toward the purchase of voting equipment.

- Optical Scan Counters at a 50 percent match
- Assistive Voting Devices at a 50 percent match
- Electronic Roster Devices at a 75 percent match.

Sabrowsky said that minimum grant per precinct would be $1,699. That's if every precinct in the state applies for the grant.

The maximum grant would be $5,000.

"The likelihood of receiving more than the minimum is minimal," said Sabrowsky.

The county's goal for 2017 is to upgrade the M100 Tabulator machine to the DS200 Precinct Scanner.

"The county test piloted the DS200 for the absentee precinct processing in 2016 and we give it our stamp of approval," said Sabrowsky.

The DS200 costs $5,375 each. They would be able to get $500 for a trade in on the M100 and ballot boxes and either the minimum or maximum grant from the state which will leave each municipality with a cost of $2,437 with the max state grant or $3,176 with the expected minimum grant.

The DS200 has a lot of features including a large touch screen with larger print. It will also look at the area around the odd-shaped marks in and around the oval for voting. It will also have the ability to capture images for write-in votes for easier end of the day tallying. The legislation is still pending on that so they'll still have to manually tabulate the write-in votes at this point.

The DS200 is also compatible with the currently used AutoMark machines and the future replacement the ExpressVote machine.

The life expectancy is 10-15 years.

The annual maintenance cost is $225 which is in line with what they already pay.

Sabrowsky also listed the timeline which includes developing the final equipment plan on Nov. 21, approving the grant application in December and receiving the funds in January 2018. Then, of course, it would take time to get the equipment and train the 2018 election judges on how to use it.

The first election in 2018 will be the primary in August.

The county's been asking for letters of support or a resolution from each municipality during the month of November.

The future

Sabrowsky also spoke about the ExpressVote machine which would be a replacement for the AutoMark machines.

These machines are not included in the 2017 budget. Sabrowsky said that legislation is needed to make this a reality.

"Many precincts would like to replace the AutoMark which weighs 75 pounds. The ExpressVote machine weighs 20 pounds," said Sabrowsky.

The ExpressVote ballots are not compatible with the M100 tabulator equipment.

They cost $3,500 each.

Another discussion item was the Pollbook or electronic roster. These are $350 each and would be used for electronic registration.

The DS200 and ExpressVote machines would cost an estimated $6,500 and would be phased in over a one-two year timeline.

The Pollbooks would be an option for the future with quite a bit of interest being shown by the precincts.

The county board is charged with adopting an updated Local Election Equipment Plan when the new technology is purchased.

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Todd County website redesign approved

would help keep them on track and eliminate duplication of efforts.

Auditor/Treasurer Denise Gaida said that the board wouldn't typically approve a fee schedule now, except that Health and Human Services Director Jackie Och needed it approved for the increased licensing fees.

"We need it now so that we have time to send the letters out and get them back (from the establishments) before Jan. 1 when they are due," said Och.

She also brought up a policy for the all in one document which would have all county fees listed.

"Maybe we want to keep the environmental health fee schedule separate?" Och questioned.

Kircher said, "I think we need to be consistent - change things the first of the year - either update the fees or leave them the same in January."

Gaida said, "Things got funky because she needed to get her letters out."

"We need to get the environmental health fee changes out now or they will get the old schedules which won't keep us budget neutral," said Och.

The 2018 county fee schedule was approved effective Jan. 1, 2018.

Later in the meeting when Och specifically discussed the environmental fee schedule changes, Kircher voted against the increases. The fee schedule changes were approved, however by majority vote.

Och said the fees increased two percent for 2018. She added that it had been last updated two years earlier with two-three percent increases in the fees.

"I don't like raising fees. I think two percent is a big jump. It bothers me that we do that..." said Kircher.

"It will cost more taxpayer dollars if the fees aren't increased," said Och.

In other business:

- Because the AMC (Association of Minnesota Counties) Conference is Dec. 5, the county board meeting was rescheduled to Dec. 6 at 9 a.m.
- With Kircher voting "no" the board approved the resolution from the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources for the sale of certain tax forfeited lands.
- Approved giving the Todd County Board of Commissioners support of the city of Eagle Bend's pursuit of Local Road Improvement Program (LRIP) funds for the Phases 2 and 3 Street Improvement Project, and agreed to sponsor their LRIP application to MnDOT and act as the city's fiscal agent for this project.
- Acknowledged receipt of a Hold Harmless Agreement for Ditch Maintenance on County Ditch 33 from Glen Middendorf in Reynolds Township Section 20.
- Approved a Hold Harmless Agreement for ditch maintenance from Wayne Carstensen to clean approximately 1,000 feet on County Ditch 19 in Hartford Township Sections 2 and 3.
- The Todd County Sheriff's Office is in need of a new in-squad camera system as the current system is outdated.

Sheriff Don Asmus wishes to purchase the system, consisting of a computer tower, software and two in-squad cameras, from Watch Guard at the quoted amount of $16,850. This system in not budgeted in the 2017 budget, but the sheriff's office has adequate funds to cover this purchase.

Asmus said that he plans to budget each year to replace the systems as they replace squads.

Kircher said that the last time they had purchased the in-squad cameras it had been paid for through a grant.

Asmus said that the new system has the capability of adding body cameras.

Kircher suggested they fund the whole project next year so that all the in-squad cameras are using the same system.

The board approved the purchase as listed for this time.

- Approved the hiring of Guadalupe Botello-Becerra and Mitchell Preusse as part-time jailor/dispatchers effective Nov. 12.
- Todd County MIS has been exploring website redesign options and has met with the county board through work sessions to share this information.

Quotes have been received and reviewed and the recommendation is to accept the proposal from Spectrum Design and Marketing of $15,000. Ongoing maintenance upon completion of the website redesign will be a monthly rate of $225.

After discussion, the board accepted the proposal from Spectrum Design and Marketing.

MIS Director Chris Pelzer was able to secure a grant through the NJPA Small Project Partnership for $2,500 to help pay the cost. Other funding for the redesign will come from the MIS budget. Pelzer said that the NJPA grant is available annually. She thanked the board for the suggestion to reach out to NJPA with a request.

- After hearing an update from Sue Hilgart and Darla Hoemberg from Rural Minnesota CEP, the board approved the contract for CEP to provide MFIP and DWP Employment Services for 2018 at a cost of $187,794.
- In like manner, counties are required to have a Biennial Service Agreement approved by the Minnesota Department of Human Services to receive consolidated funds for the Minnesota Family Investment Program (MFIP).

The purpose of the Biennial Service Agreement is to provide DHS with information about services and strategies intended to meet program measures with the goal of increasing the economic stability of low income families using MFIP.

The board approved the 2018-2019 MFIP Biennial Service Agreement for program administration by Todd County.

- The board approved adoption of the Minnesota Department of Human Services funeral expense policy.
- According to Och, "The Child Support team is in need of an additional staff position due to the elimination of a position in 2015, and the promotion of a Child Support Officer to Supervisor in March of 2017.

"The Child Support Officer position was not filled in hopes the office could complete the work with existing staff, and if not, have time to assess the needs of the team. We're seeing a decrease in our performance numbers and an increase in timelines in establishing and modifying orders and paternity."

A Support Enforcement Aide (SEA) obtains information, documents and collects genetic materials for use in establishing paternity and child support orders within the State of Minnesota; initiates the sanction process on child care and public assistance for uncooperative custodial parents; enters required information into the computer system to ensure data integrity and determines next case action; monitors accounts for compliance with court ordered payment plans; opens and closes cases; and may maintain a specialized caseload.

The board approved this hire.

The average caseload had 178.33 clients in 2014. That number has risen to 221.11 clients in 2017.

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Cardinals Special Olympics competes at state bowling

Over the course of four days, Nov. 9-12., Minnesota Special Olympics State bowling games were held in seven locations across Minnesota with more than 4,000 athletes competing this year.

Staples-Motley Cardinals set off for Jack's House in Brainerd Nov. 9 to compete in the Minnesota Special Olympics State bowling competition.

This year 10 Unified Teams compete in Unified Bowling. Unified Sports includes one high school Unified Partner who competes with a Staples-Motley Olympic Athlete as a team. Teams each bowled two games and were placed in divisions based on qualifying scores provided by coaches prior to state competition.

Thursday's competition yielded the following results in their division:

Gold medals (1st place): 3
Silver: (2nd place): 3
Bronze (3rd place): 0
4th Place: 4

On Nov. 10 the team returned to Jack's House for continued Minnesota Special Olympics State bowling competition with 16 Staples-Motley Cardinals who came to compete this time in traditional (solo) bowling. Again, two games were played, with divisions earned based on qualifying scores. Students on our traditional team ranged from 8 to 21 years old.

Friday's competition results:

Gold medals (1st place): 5
Silver: (2nd place): 5
Bronze (3rd place): 3
4th Place: 2
Participation award: 1

All delegations that compete at State Bowling will have their team's average posted the week after State Bowling to see how they compared to other delegations across the state. Check the Minnesota Special Olympics website for information.

Team officials offer a special thank you to all coaches, paraprofessionals, peer volunteers, family, friends and Unified Partners who came out to support the Cardinal team.

This year, to date, Staples-Motley Special Olympics team has grown to include 19 Olympic Athletes and 15 Unified Partners. Next, the team is preparing to compete in swimming as well as basketball.



Medalist

Cardinal bowler Ariana Imgrund shows the hardware she received at the state tournament.



Teamwork on the lanes

Taylor Smith and Hailey Halvorson team up to send the bowling ball down the alley. (Submitted photo)



Thumbs up for bowling

Max Strickland, Logan Paklonsky and Scout Strickland give thumbs up at state bowling, with Colton Fraley in the background. (Submitted photo)



With their new books



A number of area children received free books recently, thanks to the Reading for the Future program sponsored by Freshwater Education District. Lisa Wick, Early Childhood Coordinator for Freshwater Education District, is pictured above with pre-school students at Sacred Heart Area School (Parker, Bentley, Charlie, Kate, Finlay, Aro); and in lower photo, with students at Magic Forest Daycare (Bentley, Tatum, Isabel), both in Staples. (Submitted photos)

'Reading for the Future'

Freshwater Education District continues to sponsor Reading for the Future (RFF).

Books are purchased using funds donated generously by local businesses and organizations. Additionally, Lisa Wick, Early Childhood Coordinator for Freshwater Education District, applied for a grant through the Initiative Foundation of Little Falls and was awarded funding to help with purchasing books.

As a result of the joint efforts, over 2,000 books a year have been distributed in school districts and other organizations that serve young people. Over 500 parents, students, teachers and administrators are involved in this program locally each year.

The goal of RFF is to help young people discover the joy of reading, get kids reading and work to build a literate community and nation, one child at a time. "Our focus with RFF books is to allow children to choose (a book), take home as their own to read and enjoy with their families," Wick shared.

Through the RFF program, books have been provided to Early Childhood Family Education, School Readiness, Head Start, local Parent Aware rated daycares, private preschools and WIC.

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Wild turkeys abound all around Minnesota

By Ray Gildow

The wild turkey is a bird of great historic significance in America. Since the colonial days, the wild turkey represents the symbol of freedom, toughness, independence and survival. They are also cunning, shrewd, territorial and smart. They are active during the day and roost in trees overnight. They have one toe that locks around branches allowing them to hang onto trees through strong winds and nasty storms. They spend most of their days foraging for insects, grubs and seeds, their primary food source. They have become a major game bird for hunters in many states and to some hunters harvesting a giant "tom" turkey, or male turkey, is just as an important trophy as bagging a big whitetail buck.

By all accounts, the reintroduction of wild turkeys back into the wild in Minnesota has been a huge success story. According to the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources (DNR), 29 adult wild turkeys were trapped in Missouri and transplanted to Houston County in extreme southeastern Minnesota between 1971 and 1973. Today, the DNR estimates that Minnesota has a turkey population of more than 70,000 birds. One of the reasons the turkeys are doing well is because Minnesota has been experiencing some very mild winters which greatly helps the birds find food.

As both human populations and turkey populations grow some very interesting confrontations are happening across the state. Last year, I was working at the Northwest Sports Show at the Minneapolis Auditorium. I was walking to the show one morning through the skyway system when I looked out the window and at the main entrance of the auditorium, there stood a hen turkey, in downtown Minneapolis. I saw the same bird that night on the evening news.

Other reports around the state are recounting strange episodes involving wild turkeys. One tom turkey attacked a mailman, another chased some dogs down the street, others have been seen attacking parked cars and some have even attacked people sitting at a park bench. Many of these reports are from urban areas. I've had more than one tom stare at me through our basement window and puff up like he was going to smash in the window. Yikes!

The DNR reminds everyone not to try to tame wild turkeys, don't feed them and don't even make it comfortable for them being in the area. The best bet is to chase them away at every opportunity. After all, they are wild and need to be treated as such.

It is very common to see the turkeys all over the state and yet one hard winter could cut this population dramatically. Minnesota has experienced three mild winters in a row and some of the early forecasts are predicting a winter that could be much colder with more normal snowfalls. This could make it very difficult for turkeys to find food and survive to spring. Time will tell, but it's cool to see these magnificent birds make a comeback in Minnesota.

Ray Gildow, Staples, is the author of "Legends & Legacies, A History of the Nisswa Guides' League" and is owner of Gildow Guide Service. More information can be found at raygildow.com.



Turkey in the yard

A peeping tom at the author's house

Deer disease again sounds a sour note for hunters

After a slow start due to wet weather and unharvested crops in agricultural parts of the state, the 2017 Minnesota deer harvest seems to have picked up steam. Hunter success during the following week was considered largely responsible. Once the results of the late season are known, including the December muzzleloader hunt, it's thought likely that the 2017 deer harvest will reach the target of 200,000 that the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources (DNR) was hoping for. That would add up to a success rate of about 40 percent for the state's roughly half million deer hunters. It's good news, after some disappointment over recent deer season harvest numbers.

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Inside the Outdoors



Mike Rahn

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Unfortunately, some bad news to temper the good came in a report that more Minnesota deer have tested positive for the brain-destroying and fatal chronic wasting disease (CWD). Five deer among 700 tested during the first three days of the season in one deer management area in Southeast Minnesota were confirmed to be carrying CWD. Four more deer from this permit area were initially identified as CWD-positive and are awaiting final test results. If positive, this would bring the total of new 2017 CWD cases in this one area of the state to nine. Nine so far, that is. Between those deer sampled during the first week of the season and additional deer expected to be harvested during later special hunts, DNR hopes to test up to 1,800 deer in this permit area. If nine out of 700 are CWD-positive, it remains to be seen whether that number will rise if 1,800 are tested.

This area, near communities like Winona, Preston and Spring Valley, is now an annual focal point for CWD testing and for good reason. Eleven wild deer had tested positive for CWD in that region before this season. It's widely believed that wild deer initially contracted CWD after coming in contact with captive deer or elk on farms in that area, farms with stock known to be infected with CWD. Such operations raise animals for sale, commonly for pay-to-play "hunts" on enclosed preserves, something not permitted in Minnesota. The transport of such animals among different states is considered a major vector in the spread of CWD. Beyond the potential danger posed by captive big game farms in the Southeast, the area is just a swim across the Mississippi River from Wisconsin, where CWD has a solid foothold.

But Southeast Minnesota is not the only area of concern. Mandatory testing was also done on opening weekend this year in two other regions within Minnesota, after captive farmed deer were diagnosed with CWD in 2017. One such farm is in Crow Wing County, near Brainerd, the other in Meeker County, near Hutchinson and Willmar. As a result, on this season's opening weekend hunters in 14 deer permit areas in parts of 11 counties were required to stop at a DNR checkpoint and have their deer tested.

The goal is to determine whether the CWD found on these two game farms may have spread to wild deer in those areas. Based on the harvest in these areas on the opening weekend and samples DNR has taken, the agency will be testing almost 10,000 deer, nearly twice the number they had hoped to collect. So far no results from the North Central and West Central test areas have been announced.

Another measure taken to thwart the disease's spread among wild deer is a feeding ban in the counties near where the new game farm CWD cases were found in 2017. In all, or portions, of eleven counties, residents have been told they're not to artificially feed deer. The infectious CWD agent is transmitted in saliva, urine and feces. Because it's extremely resistant to natural breakdown forces, it can be spread not only by direct animal-to-animal exposure, but by a deer coming into contact with the CWD agent in the soil, or in feed. Artificial feeding unavoidably concentrates deer. This increases the chance that a healthy deer might contract CWD through direct contact with a carrier, or by the agent passed by an infected deer into their environment.

CWD has been generally believed to be non-transmissible to humans, though hunters have been cautioned to avoid consuming brain or nerve tissue, the parts of deer anatomy where the vectors of CWD are concentrated. But recent Canadian laboratory tests on monkeys have made the picture seem less black-and-white, and have led the U.S. Centers for Disease Control to issue a caution against consuming a deer – any parts of a deer – that has tested positive for CWD.

Fortunately, and relatively inexpensively, a hunter can have his deer tested. The U of M's Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory will test a tissue sample for a fee and results are generally available within two weeks. The DNR's deer hunting regulations – either the physical booklet, or online – describe the test submission process and the DNR web site has a video that shows how to remove a deer's lymph nodes for testing.

One might reasonably ask why captive game farms are allowed to persist if they may pose a threat to wild deer populations; wild deer that are so important not only to a great tradition, but an important economic force via retail purchasing and tourism dollars that hunting generates. The easiest answer is "it's complicated." Because the animals are held on acreage that can be characterized as "farm," deer-raising enterprises have been governed by the State Board of Animal Health, which governs cattle farms. But many, including within the DNR, feel that the board does not take the threat to wild deer seriously, and puts farmers' interests ahead of protecting the natural resource that deer represent.

It's been proposed that the authority to oversee deer and elk farms be transferred from the Board of Animal Health to the DNR. That's as it should be. Putting deer inside a fence does not make them cattle and cattle are the proper focus for the State Board of Animal Health. A Holstein cow or an Angus bull could break down a fence and amble onto a federal Waterfowl Production Area or a state Wildlife Management Area. But that wouldn't make them a DNR or Fish & Wildlife Service responsibility. Each has its own expertise and clientele.

Only the DNR is likely to take seriously the threat that CWD-infected farmed deer and elk pose to wild whitetail deer, Minnesota's most important big game animal. It's time for the jurisdiction and authority over big game, inside or outside of fences, to be vested in one agency.

That can only be the DNR.

Wolhowe signs with BSU

Bemidji State University women's basketball Head Coach Chelsea DeVille announced the signing of six student-athletes to National Letters of Intent during the early signing period today. The freshmen will join the program beginning with the 2018-19 season.

Trinity Myer, Shea Oman, Coley Rezabek, Taylor Vold, Molly Wenner and Claire Wolhowe each signed National Letters of Intent to play for Beavers Women's Hoops. All signees are contingent upon admission to BSU and compliance with NCAA rules, including certification by the NCAA Eligibility Center.

From Bemidji State: Claire Wolhowe, a 6-0 forward from Staples, is a seven-time letter winner from Staples-Motley High School. She earned three letters in basketball while earning All-Mid-State Conference during her sophomore and junior seasons. During her junior season, Wolhowe was selected Mid-State Conference MVP. She also earned all-conference honors three times with the Cardinals tennis team. Wolhowe was also named to the academic all-state team in tennis during the 2017 season.

Wolhowe is a member of the National Honor Society and honor roll at Staples-Motley High School. Her father, Craig, and grandfather, Tom, both played basketball at Concordia for four years. Claire's brother, Derek, played basketball for four seasons at Bethel University and her sister, Grace, currently plays at Concordia College.

"Claire will extend our offense with her shooting ability," DeVille said. "With her length, she will be a tough mismatch for defenses inside and out."



Wolhowe to Bemidji State

Staples-Motley athlete Claire Wolhowe signed a letter of intent to play basketball at Bemidji State University next season. Wolhowe is starting her senior year for the Cardinals. With her are her parents Michelle and Craig, who is also the Staples Motley girls basketball coach, and Principal Mike Schmidt. (Submitted photo)

Staples alum coaches team to VB nationals

Heidi (Dumpprope) Smith, the head volleyball coach at St Cloud Technical and Community College since 2011, took her team to the NJCAA Volleyball Tournament this season. The Cyclones placed fifth in the nation at the tournament, held in Rochester Nov. 9-11.

Smith started her volleyball career at Staples-Motley High School where she was a defensive specialist and setter on the varsity team for 3 years, earning All-Conference honors and also played softball. She graduated in 2000 and attended North Dakota State College of Science in Wahpeton, ND, where she played defensive specialist and coached for the Moorhead Juniors volleyball club. During her sophomore season at NDSCS her team competed at the NJCAA National tournament and the Wildcats placed 2nd in the nation. Smith moved on to finish her bachelor's degree at St. Cloud State University and coached volleyball for the Sauk Rapids-Rice School District.

At the national tournament, SCTCC went 2-1, falling to Columbus State of Ohio, and beating Queensborough College of New York and Northampton College from Pennsylvania. They finished with a 25-7 record.

Smith and her husband Jeff, and daughter Elizabelle, reside in Rice.



Heidi Smith



Biggest buck

Derrold Winter with his 207.6 pound buck that was the biggest deer in the Staples True Value Big Buck Contest. Winter got his deer on opening weekend. Other big bucks were Jim White 200, Rick Otteson 193, Bonnie Zimmerman 192, Mike Andert 186, Zach Ziegler 184, Jodi Reeck 182, Travis Platzer 181, Chad Coauette 180, Duane Kobliska 170, Dave Olson 169, Greg Platzer 154, and Sue Lund 150. (Submitted photo)

Prize doe

Alyssa Gillette with the 13.2 pound doe that was the biggest doe registered in the Staples True Value Big Buck contest. Other big doe submissions included Jayce Kolbliska 134, Lee Jenkins 131, Kyle Jansson 129, Cindy Wiese 128, Kurt Weishair 124, Eve Otteson 123, Huck Holst 121, Tieg Waulters 121, Blake Neelan 119 and Dale Allen 115.



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Motley City Council to discuss 2018 final budget and levy

By Dawn Timbs
Staples World reporter

The Motley City Council will discuss their 2018 final budget and levy at a work-session meeting Tuesday, Nov. 28, at 5:30 p.m., at city hall. As noted in a subsequent public notice, no council action will be taken at the work session, however, a quorum of the council may be present.

The decision to set this work-session was made during the council's regular meeting Nov. 13.

In other matters the council:

• HEARD a summary of a closed meeting held Oct. 30, regarding the performance review for Lacey Smieja, City Clerk/Treasurer. Smieja received 43 out of 56 possible points, which Mayor Al Yoder reported as being highly satisfactory. The council commended her on doing a good job.

• APPROVED, as recommended by the planning commission, a Conditional Use Permit to add used auto, motorcycle and RV sales along with associated signage to an existing trailer sales business in the C-2 Commercial Zoning district.

• ORGANIZED a committee to review the city's Rental Housing Ordinance and recommend possible amendments, repeal or enforcement. Committee members include City Clerk/Treasurer Lacey Smieja; council members Steve Johnson and Amy Hutchison; Fire Chief Todd Judd; and Scott Sadusky, the City Building Official.

• APPROVED the City of Motley Policy updates, which included the Public Purpose Expenditure Policy, Fund Balance Policy; and Council Liaison Policy.

• DISCUSSED a request from resident Bob Jenkins for a $3,000 monetary donation for Music in the Park events. Jenkins reported that the music event held in Veterans Park this past October went well and he would like to begin booking acts for next summer. The council would like to see more specific information as to where the money will be going, as well as a statement from LEAP (Leadership, Engagement, Advocacy, Positiveness), the non-profit organization that is acting as fiduciary for Motley's Music in the Park.

• ACCEPTED requests to waive the meeting room rental fee for both Cass County 4-H Federation and Busy Bee 4-H groups.

• APPROVED a resolution certifying the 2017 unpaid utilities to the Morrison County Auditor in the amount of $15,563.71.

• APPROVED a motion not to waive the monetary limits on municipal tort liability established by Minnesota Statutes, section 466.04. Motley is a member of the League of Minnesota Cities Insurance Trust (LMCIT), the company from which they obtain their liability coverage.

• HEARD monthly fire department report from Chuck Gerads, 1st Asst. Chief, which included a total of 17 calls.

• APPROVED a request from Gerads to take a leave of absence from the fire department while he is deployed with the national guard.

• APPROVED, in a roll call vote, a pension increase for the Motley Fire Department Relief Association, bringing it to $2,000 per year of service. For several years, the pension had been at $1,600 per year of service. All council members voted 'yes' except for Jace Carlson, who abstained because he is a member of the fire department.

• HEARD monthly police department report from Chief Ron Smith, which included a total of 120 calls in October. Smith noted in his report that the Crown Vic squad car had been repaired; and that Officer Jason Borash has made several drug-related arrests since attending Drug Interdiction and DMT training. Smith also noted that they are at 1,712 calls for service in 2017. He said that they ended 2016 with 1,488 calls for service; and prior to 2015, the yearly calls for service average was 600. Mayor Yoder said he understood that the department (which has two full-time officers) is very busy; however, he would like to have Smith include having an officer scheduled for the night shift on a regular basis.

• APPROVED a motion to pay the remaining balance of $150 for repairs to the Crown Vic, using donated funds.

• HEARD monthly maintenance report from Bruce Brotherton, Public Works Director who noted that the new well piping installation and well drilling were complete; as was the fall hydrant flushing. In the Streets and Parks department, Brotherton noted that several items had been completed in the Streets and Parks department, including replacing a door and installing a generator at the fire hall; and planting a memorial tree in the Pet Stop Park.

• APPROVED a request from Brotherton to have the skid-steer repaired at a shop in St. Cloud. If the price exceeds $1,500, he will need to contact the department liaison.

• ACKNOWLEDGED a thank you letter from Tom and Robin Kramer, who had a new driveway put in when the city was installing a new well. The city has an easement on the Kramer property.

• HEARD monthly administration department report from Smieja. She noted that the monthly water usage report is the best it's been since February.

• APPROVED Smieja's request to have the city join the Morrison County Regional Safety Group and permit staff to attend training sessions as necessary, including mileage if applicable.

• CLOSED the regular meeting at 7:50 p.m., at which time a closed session was held to conduct a performance evaluation of Public Works Director Bruce Brotherton. The meeting was closed at Brotherton's request.

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Recent reports from the Motley Police Department (MPD) included the following:

Nov. 15 - The MPD issued a speeding citation to Delbert Wolbeck, 56.

Nov. 15 - The MPD responded to a report of a juvenile that was out of control at Motley Staples Middle School.

Nov. 13 - The MPD issued a citation to Samuel White, 18, for driving without a license.

Nov. 10 - While driving southbound on Hwy 10 in Motley, the MPD observed a northbound vehicle with only one headlight. The officer turned the squad car around to make contact with the subject vehicle, at which point the subject vehicle turned east onto Eledredge St. and north onto Norway Ln. The vehicle then stopped and turned off its lights. During the traffic stop, the officer asked both occupants what they were doing and they said they were in town visiting a friend. They then proceeded to run from the vehicle. Drug paraphernalia and methamphetamine were found in the car. The female driver, 40-year-old Leisa Lynn Pickar, was later located and cited for driving after revocation and fleeing on foot. The male passenger, 39-year-old James Marlin Stewart, was later located at a Conoco gas station and arrested. He was transported to the Morrison County Jail.

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Cassidy Barthel, Destiny Dukowitz, Gen Groetsch, Sabina Moe, Emma Gerard, Emily Veronen, Cortnie Cottrell, Aleeah Halverson, Lili Schneider, Evelyn Gonzalez, Brooke Ferdon, Val Lozano, Olivia Holmberg, Mikayla Williams, Mazie Hopp, Joelle Bounds, Mandy Carter, Aften Robinson, Autumn Nelsen, Jaden Engebretson, Adriana Dickey, Jayma Lawson, Breanna Jasmer, Bel Birkholtz.



CARDINAL TENNIS TEAM
Front, left to right: Lauren Rutten, Jenna Dvorak, Georgia Kruchten, Starr Hofstedt, Tori Nienow, Amy Rollins, Ronnie Noska, Kendall Salter
Back: Lexi Tweeter, Rose Han, Tiffany Achermann, Tasha Achermann, Katie Johnson, Brittney Lisson, Claire Wolhowe, Anna Willgohs, Bryn Williams, Haley Dietman, Bethany Johnson, Kelsi Peterson, Haley Cichos, Haylee Wold



CARDINAL BOY'S CROSS COUNTRY TEAM
Front, left to right: William Thew, Isaac Christoffersen, Emmet Anderson, Hunter Klimek, Austin Johnson, Connor Judd, Issiah Tabatt, Grant Johnson, Alex Brings, Will Dolezal, Gaven Christensen.
Back: Steve Fligge, Connor Fox, Bently Christensen, Ben Bartczak, Jack Tyrrell, Brayden Christensen, Trenton Plopper, Nicholas Tabatt, Garret Carlson, Jacob Schmitz, Head Coach Bruce Fuhrman.



CARDINAL GIRL'S CROSS COUNTRY TEAM
Front, left to right: Assistant Coach Kristie Johnson, Kyanna Burton, Kira Sweeney, Addyson Chicos, Ashley Robben, Ari Brings, Madysen Hull, Gaven Christensen.
Assistant Coach Steve Fligge, Addison Lorber, Ameara Chenoweth, Kaitlyn Smith, Abby Brown, Head Coach Bruce Fuhrman.



CARDINAL FOOTBALL TEAM
Front, left to right: Alex Giza, Christian Thompson, Sam Jennissen, Damon Halverson, Dusty Koval, Ryker Beckner, Izaiah DeMars, Matt Miller (student manager). Second row: Coach Chris Kappler, Coach Nick Schultz, Nathanial Rodrigues, Matt Fischer, Ryan Gerard, Kyle Serich, Luke Schmieg, Braden Tyrrell, Isaac Swendsrud, Griffin Webster, Mason Nyhus, Dalton Holmberg, Evan Nanik, Scout Strickland, Jordon Carlson, Jasiah Paskewitz, Coach Travis VanOverbeke. Back row: Jeff Sundstrom, Alex Ross-Bahn, Ryan Wick, Cole Winkels, Shaine Guggenberger, Derek Kennedy, Issac Kronenberg, Cole Foss, Emmitt Winkels, Chase Davis, Josh Lombard, Dominic Hamann, Logen Weite, Cade Schmidt, Blaine Dumpprope



CARDINAL VARSITY VOLLEYBALL
Left to right: Ashley Vasquez, Bella Martin, Kaila Erbe, Alix Peterson, Rayna Guzman, Camryn Banaka, Sydney Wallace, Tabetha Allen, Kiera Dumpprope, Kiara Storry, Mackenna Bjerga.
Missing: Alex Davis

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