THURSDAY, JANUARY 3, 2019

HOMETOWN NEWS SINCE 1862

Chaska Herald

BREAKING NEWS ONLINE AT WWW.CHASKAHERALD.COM

NEW YEAR, NEW HOPE

WISHES FOR 2019

" I WISH PEOPLE WOULD SAY 'HI.' **"**

Michael Brindisi
Chanhassen Dinner Theatres artistic director

" MY WISH FOR **2019** IS THAT MORE YOUTH AND THEIR **FAMILIES** WILL CONNECT WITH **NATURE** YEAR-ROUND. **"**

Marnie Wells
Camp Fire Minnesota CEO

" THE BOTTOM LINE IS ... WE NEED TO BE MORE RESPECTFUL OF EACH OTHER. **"**

Tom Abts
Deer Run Golf Club golf pro

" I HOPE THE NEW YEAR BRINGS GOOD HEALTH AND LOVE. **"**

Carolyn Spargo
"All Things Nordic" columnist

BY UNSIE ZUEGE & ALEX CHHITH

Helping others, taking a deep breath, and just saying hello.

These are a few answers the newspaper received when we asked area residents, leaders and writers to tell us their hopes for the new year.

What are your hopes for 2019? Send an email to editor@chaskaherald.com, or post your thoughts on our Facebook page.

Happy new year from the Chaska Herald!

READ MORE ABOUT NEW YEAR WISHES ON **PAGES 17-18.**

PHOTO BY MARK W. OLSON

Victoria resident Genevieve Lane, with her daughter River, 5, a kindergartner at Victoria Elementary School. Lane is active on the American Indian Parent Advisory Committee.

Cultural bridge

American Indian parents advocate for education

BY MARK W. OLSON
editor@chaskaherald.com

As a child, Alena Boklep danced with a ballerina as part of a Redwood Falls school program.

However, Boklep performed as a fancy shawl dancer, showcasing an athletic and colorful style of American Indian dance.

Juxtaposed with traditional European ballet, the cross-cultural event was meant to spark a community conversation.

"I grew up with these types of things already in place," recalled Boklep, who is Dakota and a member of the Sisseton Wahpeton Oyate (Nation) in South Dakota. As

HOW TO REACH US

SUBSCRIBE: 952-345-6682
EDITOR: 952-345-6471 OR EDITOR@CHASKAHERALD.COM
ONLINE: CHASKAHERALD.COM

SOCIAL MEDIA LINKS

FACEBOOK.COM/ CHASKAHERALD

TWITTER.COM/ CHASKAHERALD