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Laona State Bank in lakewood opens new location

The Lakewood branch of the Laona State Bank has moved to their new location. The new branch is located at 15570 Highway 32. The old location, located at 15290 Highway 32 closed at the end of the of the business day on Wednesday, August 7. All business was conducted at the new location on August 8.

Senator Baldwin visits the Blackwell Job Corps Center



Senator Baldwin talks with one of the students in the carpentry class at Blackwell Job Corps Center.

By Mike Monte

On Tuesday, August 6th, Senator Tammy Baldwin visited the Blackwell Job Corps. Baldwin was one of those who was responsible for saving the institution from a shut down by the federal government. When thanked for her efforts, she said she had plenty of help, it wasn't just her efforts that kept the institution alive. It was obvious that whatever her part was in the effort to keep the Job Corps center operating, there were grateful people, both on the staff and in the student body.

Baldwin toured the carpentry class, the welding class, the nurses training facility and the masonry class, as well as taking a look at a dormitory. She looked at a freshly laid sidewalk, just completed by the students.



ULTRA4 Cars & Stars return at 50th Off-Road World Championships



HISTORIC CORNER: Considered the most iconic turn in all of offroad motorsports, Crandon's infamous Forest County Potawatomi Turn One will come alive with the big V-8 powered ULTRA4 cars once again this Labor Day weekend. (Photo: Coelette Chenier)

Preparing for the largest event in its 50-year history, Crandon International Raceway is releasing the first of several major announcement it expects to make over the coming weeks regarding Labor Day weekend's Crandon World Championship Off-Road Races®.

Returning a highly popular component to the largest off-road short course race in the world, officials at Crandon today announced a renewed alliance with Hammerking Productions to bring its impressive unlimited ULTRA4 vehicles back to Crandon after a successful debut in 2018.

Under the expert direction of promoter Dave Cole, Hammerking Productions not only executes the ground-breaking King of the Hammers event in Johnson Valley, California but also the national Nitto ULTRA4 National Championship series and similar events around the world.

Last year, 2019 King of the Hammers champion Jason Scherer dominated the first ULTRA4 appearance at Crandon since 2012, winning both of the weekend's races. The field included ULTRA4 stars Shannon, Wayland and Bailey Campbell, as well as Loren Healy, Casey Currie and others.

"As last year's return to Crandon proved, the alliance between Hammerking Productions and the world's oldest and largest short-course off-road race showcased the ULTRA4 racers in a very positive way," explained Cole. "Crandon's fans loved it, our racers loved it and the 'Big House' rolled out their unique hospitality to all of us. We look forward to being part of a very historic year at Crandon."

The unlimited 4-wheel drive ULTRA4 cars will take part in two special races at the 50th Crandon World Championship weekend. On August 31st the ULTRA4 class will be the Saturday finale of racing under the lights as they take on an updated UltraCross hybrid course using both Crandon's Off-Road Park and sections of the famed 1.75-mile short course track. On Sunday, September 1, the top racers will move on to the ULTRA4 World Cup short-course race, a day that also features the world finest Pro 4, Pro 2, Pro Lite, Pro SXS, Pro Buggy and Pro Modified Kart classes.

New leadership for the School District of Laona



Jim Bradley has been named the District Administrator for the School District of Laona. Bradley has been serving the district as the high school principal since the 2012 school year. He will now be serving the district in a dual role as both District Administrator and high school principal.

Bradley has 29 years of experience in education. Prior to coming to the School District of Laona, he taught at the School District of Crandon for twenty-two years as an elementary and middle school teacher. He was also the varsity girls' basketball coach throughout those years.

Jim stated, "Throughout the course of the last seven years I have worked with a great group of people here in Laona. It has been rewarding to see continuous growth within the district during this time. Our team of educators has worked together to create a positive learning and working environment for all, which is one of the key variables to the success of our students and staff members. As their coach, it is my goal to provide our students, staff, and community with opportunities for continued growth. Knowing is growing!

"There are a lot of great opportunities out there waiting for our students to be a part of. Our goal is to help them prepare for whatever path our students choose to take and help them become good people. Remember

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Trump Lake Walleye Fundraiser Saturday Aug. 17

The Trump Lake Walleye Fundraiser will be this weekend, Saturday, August 17, at the Trump Lake Pavilion from noon to 6 p.m. This event will provide resources to help stock walleyes and address other needs of Trump Lake's natural habitat.

Meat raffles and tool raffles will be held throughout the day. A silent auction and a kids' sawdust pile will also be featured. Bring an appetite for booyah, food and drink!

If you look at the plank, which I think will be part of a bench, it says "Crandon International Offroad Raceway." The Job Corps gets involved in doing work for area non-profits in a 50-70 mile radius. It saves money locally and provides training for the students.

The tour was led by Steve Peloquin, the vocational development specialist, and Craig Wolfertz, the work program officer. According to Wolfertz, many of the buildings at the center were built by students through the years to teach the trades.

He also said that the amount of former students who don't do well at their jobs after graduation is a very small percentage.

It should also be noted that they train some of their students in firefighting, and their help in some of the western forest fires has been very helpful.



In addition to competing for a total ULTRA4 cash prize of \$5,000 and ultimate bragging rights in Saturday night's feature race, ULTRA4 racers will also be competing for a chunk of Crandon's \$200,000 World Cup cash and prize purse -- along with earning coveted Crandon World Championship rings and Olympic-style medals.

Pre-race entrants include Dawson Allington, Patrick Peterson, Erik Miller, Chad Hundt, Loren Healy, Eric Blaies, Jeff McCullough, Michael Heston, Shaun Rajski, Stan Haynes and the always potent Campbell family.

Along with a full slate of Lucas Oil Midwest Short Course League Pro and MORR Sportsman racing, Crandon's 50th annual World Championship weekend will feature the fourth annual Crandon World Cup. Hosted and sanctioned by Crandon International Raceway on Sunday, September 1, the special day has been created to attract the world's best off-road racers and teams to compete for Crandon World Championships in a variety of Pro-level classes. For the fourth consecutive time in the sport's 50-year history, Pro racers from around the country will have their own version of "Super Bowl Sunday," racing on a completely level playing field with the biggest single day payout in the sport in front of the biggest crowds and the best television and live stream coverage available.

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Crandon Library presents the Wisconsin Spudmobile



The Crandon Library invites community members to check out the Wisconsin Spudmobile on Friday, August 16 between 2 p.m. and 4 p.m. The Spudmobile is a mobile education and entertainment center focused on potato and vegetable production in the great state of Wisconsin. Visitors of all ages will be taken on a virtual journey from the Wisconsin farmer's field right to the dinner plate.

Patrons will learn about the different varieties of potatoes grown in Wisconsin, how they are planted and harvested, and which are the most nutritional. Young patrons are also invited to play games on the interactive potato touch table.

But wait, there's more: Everyone who comes to the library and visits the Spudmobile will be get a free loaded baked potato! We hope to see you there!

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If it rains on Wednesday night we will have the Fun Night on Thursday, Aug. 15, 4-8 p.m.





Escape Room to benefit the Forest County Humane Society

An escape room has formed in Crandon. The Forest County Humane Society is proud to announce that they have their own escape room.

The escape room is located in the training center at the humane society. The theme is animal based. A dog has been dropped off at the shelter and is trapped in his cage. It is up to the group to use the clues to rescue our furry friend. The time limit is 1 hour and you can have a group of 4 to 10 people. The cost is \$20 a person and all of the proceeds go to the animals at the shelter.

The shelter did say that they will change up the themes in time and you must have an appointment to go through the escape room. To make an appointment, call Angie at 715-367-2412. The shelter is located at 701 Industrial Parkway in Crandon.

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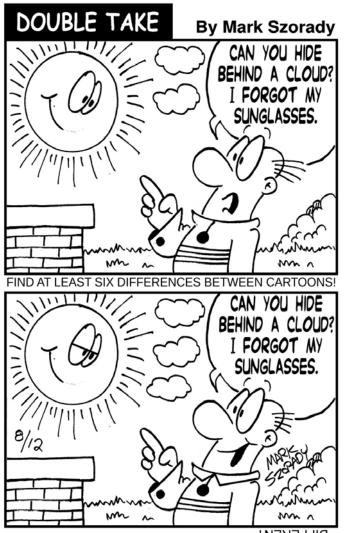
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Regional West Nile virus monitoring for ruffed grouse to continue this fall



Hunters can help monitor West Nile virus in ruffed grouse by requesting a self-sample kit from their local wildlife biologist.Photo credit: Paul Carson

MADISON -Ruffed grouse hunters can assist wildlife health officials in a multi-year study monitoring for West Nile virus in ruffed grouse by submitting samples from their harvested ruffed grouse. The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources is collaborating with the Minnesota and Michigan Departments of Natural Resources, the Ruffed Grouse Society and the Wisconsin Conservation Congress to conduct the study.

This effort will focus on the core ruffed grouse range in the central and northern forests.

The DNR has assembled 500 self-sampling kits for ruffed grouse hunters to use in 2019. The WNV sampling kits contain detailed instructions and all the supplies needed to collect and ship one sample. Hunters will be asked to collect a small amount of blood, a few feathers and the heart from their harvested grouse. If a hunter has a leftover, unused kit from 2018, they can use that kit and send it in this year for processing, as there is no expiration date for the materials included in the kit.

People who hunt the central and northern forests and would like to participate in the West Nile virus study can request sampling kits through their county wildlife biologist and will be available for pickup in early September. The number of kits provided per individual may be limited to ensure samples come from a large geographic area.

Hunters will be provided test results via email. However, testing of samples will not begin until after the grouse season has closed, and final results will not be available for several months after the close of the season. WNV is transmitted by the bite of an infected mosquito, and there is no evidence that WNV can be spread by handling dead birds or by consuming properly cooked game. It is one of several bird diseases afflicting native bird species.

Old printers and televisions have recently been dropped off at the Forest County Humane Society. These items are NOT accepted as donations and have cost the humane society more than \$250 to remove. This is money that could be used towards the upkeep of the shelter and the care of the animals that reside there.

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Sick and Dead Birds

In addition to collecting samples from harvested ruffed grouse, the DNR is asking the public to report any sick or dead grouse observed while out in the field. Anyone who sees a ruffed grouse that appears sick or emaciated, who finds a freshly dead grouse should take note of the location and promptly call a county wildlife biologist for possible testing and to help track reports statewide.

People who are willing to collect the carcass for testing, should keep the entire bird intact and place it into a plastic bag and keep the bird cool but not frozen. Bring the whole ruffed grouse carcass to a county wildlife biologist the same or next day. Prompt collection of ruffed grouse is necessary to prevent decomposition or scavenging. It is recommended people wear gloves whenever handling dead animals, even those that appear healthy.

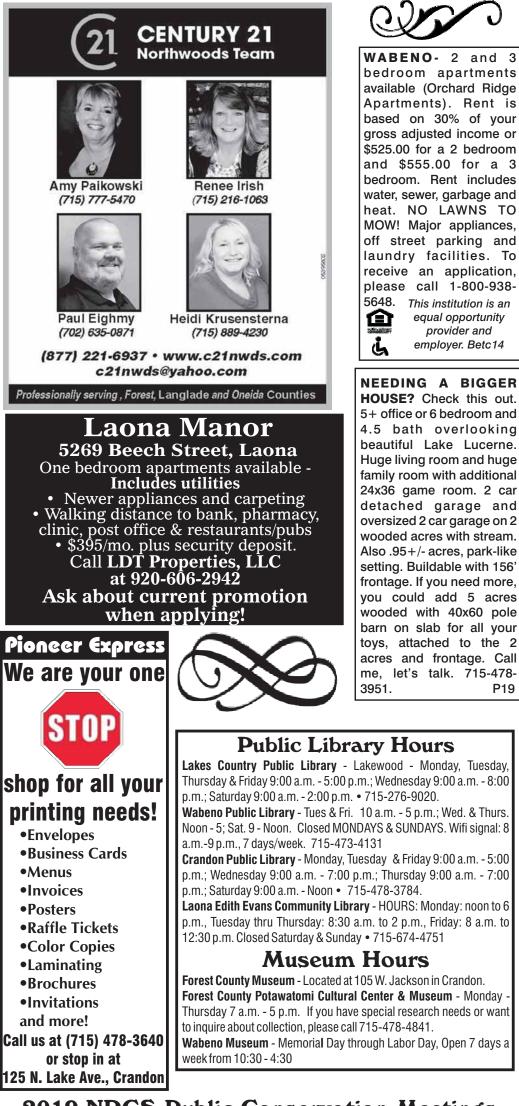
If refrigeration and prompt delivery are not possible, carcasses should be frozen and submitted to county wildlife biologists as soon as possible.

Carcasses in poor condition (scavenged with openings into the body cavity, having an odor, more advanced decomposition) will not be usable for testing, but people should still take note of the location and report these sightings to county wildlife biologists.



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Lakes Country Public Library - Lakewood - Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.; Wednesday 9:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.; Saturday 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. • 715-276-9020.

Wabeno Public Library - Tues & Fri. 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.; Wed. & Thurs. Noon - 5; Sat. 9 - Noon. Closed MONDAYS & SUNDAYS. Wifi signal: 8

Crandon Public Library - Monday, Tuesday & Friday 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.; Wednesday 9:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.; Thursday 9:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.; Saturday 9:00 a.m. - Noon • 715-478-3784.

Laona Edith Evans Community Library - HOURS: Monday: noon to 6 p.m., Tuesday thru Thursday: 8:30 a.m. to 2 p.m., Friday: 8 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Closed Saturday & Sunday • 715-674-4751

Museum Hours

Forest County Museum - Located at 105 W. Jackson in Crandon. Forest County Potawatomi Cultural Center & Museum - Monday -Thursday 7 a.m. - 5 p.m. If you have special research needs or want to inquire about collection, please call 715-478-4841. Wabeno Museum - Memorial Day through Labor Day, Open 7 days a

2019 NRCS Public Conservation Meetings

Farmers, Landowners, Organizations, and Agencies Encouraged to Attend

The Headwaters Local Work Group (LWG) will meet on September 10th, in Antigo, to set priorities for conservation programs that are administered by the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS). These voluntary programs are available to farmers forestland owners, to improve natural resources on private lands. The meeting is open to the public and will take place from 9 to 11 AM, at Northcentral Technical College, Room T 131, 312 Forrest Ave, in Antigo. The Headwaters LWG includes Florence, Forest, Langlade, Lincoln, Oneida, and Vilas counties; it is one of 18 such groups, in Wisconsin. "Local Working Groups offer a seat at the table for interested individuals and groups to advise NRCS on how best to set priorities and locally implement conservation programs," said Angela Biggs, State Conservationist. "Members are diverse, with an interest and focus on local agriculture and various natural resource issues," added Biggs. Farmers, forestland owners, interested citizens, and representatives of agricultural and environmental organizations and public agencies are encouraged to attend.



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"Our programs are more effective, when we have local input," said Michael Stinebrink, District Conservationist. "We cannot achieve our mission 'Helping People Help the Land' without participation from agricultural producers and support from conservation partners."

The Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP) and Conservation Stewardship Program (CSP) will be the focus of the discussions at the LWG meetings. EQIP offers technical and financial assistance to help landowners address concerns relating to soil erosion and soil health, water quality and water conservation, wildlife habitat, and other natural resources. And, CSP offers payments for participants' existing level of conservation of cropland, pasture, and forestland, as well as technical and financial assistance to implement additional conservation activities.

Additional information, including a full schedule and map of all 18 Local Work Groups, may be found on the Wisconsin NRCS website [https://www.nrcs.usda.gov/wps/portal/nrcs/site/wi/home/]. Otherwise, please contact your local NRCS District Conservationist or visit your local U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Service Center. Please contact Michael Stinebrink, at (715) 362-5941, Ext. 111, or michael.stinebrink@usda.gov, if you would like more information about the Headwaters LWG.

AREA CHURCH SERVICES

• Cathedral Church of the Northwoods Arbutus\Lutheran Church, ELCA, W6607 Church Ln., Pearson, invites any and all to worship with them Sunday mornings at 10:30 a.m. Sunday School is at 11 a.m. Communion is open to all on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month. For more information, call 715-484-5055 or 715-623-6850.

 Forest Larger Parish Presbyterian Church – Sunday Worship: Lakewood – 8:00 (15552 Hwy. 32), Wabeno – 10:00 (4347 North Branch St.), Laona – 11:30 (5265 Linden St.). Call 715-473-3603 for more information.

• St. John's Lutheran Church - N8934 State Highway 55. Sunday Worship at 9 a.m..Located at the corner of 55 and Cty. A in Pickerel. VBS starts July 22nd and runs to the 26th. 9 a.m. to noon. Call 715-484-3382 for more information.

• Good Shepherd Lutheran Church (LCMS)- 1507 N Lake Ave, Crandon. Sunday Service 9:30 a.m. 715-478-3555.

• St John Lutheran Church (LCMS)- 5502 Beech Street, Laona, Sunday Service at 8:00 a.m. 715-674-3836.

Trinity Evengelical Church (WELS) - 1741 Forest Avenue, Wabeno. Sunday morning service at 9:30 a.m.; Youth Bible Study at 3:30 p.m. on Wednesday.
 Bethel Baptist Church - 1761 East Ave., Wabeno. Sunday Worship Service at 9

AM, Wednesday Prayer & Bible study 6 PM (winter-time 2PM). Pastor Benjamin Larson (715) 610-1420

• Lakeland Baptist Church - Sunday Service at 10 a.m, Sunday School 9 a.m. Sunday night at 5 p.m. Prayer meeting Wednesday 6 p.m.

• St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church (WELS) - 501 N. Park Avenue, Crandon. Sunday worship service will be at 9:15 a.m. starting Aug. 4; Youth Bible School (grades pre k - 8) on Wednesday at 3:30 - 5 p.m. 715-478-5620.

• Christ Lutheran (WELS) located at 9139 S Main St in Hiles. Worship on Sunday at 7:45 a.m. beginning Aug. 4. NorthwoodsLutheran.org

• **Praise Chapel** - 200 East Sixth St., Crandon, Sunday Service - 10 a.m., Wed. kid's Club - 3:15 p.m., Bible Study Wed. - 6:30 p.m.

• St. Joseph's Catholic Church - 208 N. Park Ave., Crandon, Saturday Service 5 p.m. Sunday Service 9 a.m. 715-478-3396.

• **St. Luke's United Methodist Church** - 301 South Lake Ave., Crandon, Sunday Service 8:45 a.m. 715-478-3797.

• Argonne United Methodist Church - 7945 Pine St., Argonne, Sunday Service 10:15 a.m. 715-478-3797.

• Gospel Mission Fellowship - 1901 Hwy 8 E. in Monico, WI. Sundays 10:30 a.m. – come join us in worship, prayer and a time in God's word. www.gospelmissionfellowshippcg.org

• Upper Room Church -18805 State Highway 32, Townsend, Prayer 9:30 a.m., Sunday worship at 10 a.m., Bible Study 10 a.m. Tuesday. Pastor Jim 715-850-0733

• **St. John Lutheran Church (LCMS)**, 17963 Hwy 32, Townsend, worship at 5:30 p.m. Saturday and 9 a.m. Sunday, with Sunday School at 10 a.m. Call 715-276-7214 for more information.

• St. Mary's Catholic Church N9184 WI-55, Pickerel, WI 54465. Mass on Wednesdays and Thursdays at 9 a.m., Saturday at 4 p.m. and Sundays at 10:30 a.m.

• Living Faith Church of God - 202 S. Hazeldell, Crandon. Services Sunday at 10:30 a.m. & Wednesday evening at 7 p.m.

COMMUNITY BILLBOARD

• The Silver Lake Preservation Association, Inc. (SLPA) will hold an annual meeting on Saturday, August 17, 9 a.m. at the Laona Community Center, 5233 Beech St., Laona.

• **The Pickerel Area 50 Plus Club** will hold a Pontoon Ride and Picnic on Thursday August 8, 2019 at Jim Huss's home. The address is 9039 Page Lane, Pickerel. Pontoon Ride begins at noon. Picnic begins at 3 p.m. - Bring a dish to pass. RSVP: 715-484-3406

Volunteers Needed - Armstrong Creek Gardener. First 10 receive a free t-shirt.
Please call Donna Mrugala at 1-715-336-2329 for more information.

• Town of Wabeno has set the first Tuesday of each month at 6 p.m. to hold Town Board Meetings.

• Crandon American Legion Post 94 - First Thursday of every month (except Sept.) at 7 p.m. at the new American Legion Hall.

• Overeaters Anonymous meeting - Thursday at 4:15-5:15 p.m. in Associated Bank at 210 S Lake Ave., Crandon. Contact Debra at 715-784-0031 for more information.

• Stitch'n Sisters Needlework Group - We invite anyone interested in needle arts to join us Tuesdays from 9 a.m. – noon in the Associated Bank Community Room, located at 210 S. Lake Ave., Crandon.

• Elcho Area Community Food Pantry moved into a new location at 11224 Antigo St., Elcho, WI 54428. It will be open each week: Mon. 11 a.m. – 1 p.m.; Wed. 4 - 6 p.m. and Thur. 11 a.m. – 1 p.m. If any further information is needed please contact David A. Schindler at (715) 610-5886.

• Forest County Humane Society - Open to public Monday - Friday, 7 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. and Saturday from 7 a.m. to 1 p.m. Call for more info. 715-478-2098.

• Forest County Humane Society Meeting - Every fourth Tuesday at 5:30 p.m. at the training center at the shelter. The public is always welcome.

• Crandon Lions Membership Meeting - 3rd Monday of month. Social hour 5:30 p.m., dinner at 6:30 p.m. & meeting at 7 p.m. at the Crandon City Beach

• Bridge Community Dental Health Clinic - This project serves people of all ages in Forest County for people who have Badger Care, medical Assistance & UNINSURED to schedule an appointment call (715) 848-4884.

• Town of Lincoln Board Meetings - 2nd Monday of each month, 6 p.m., Town of Lincoln Hall.

• Tops - will meet at Wabeno Town Hall on Mondays. Weigh in at 7:45 a.m. with meeting following at 8:00 a.m. For more info call 715-473-2613. Support Group for Parent of Children with Disabilities - (0058. · Survivors of Suicide Support Group - Support group for those who have lost a loved one to suicide will gather the third Saturday of each month from 10 a.m. until noon at the Curran Building located at 315 South Oneida Avenue in Rhinelander. For info call Sue at 715-275-5399. · Crandon Public Library Board Monthly meeting. 6 p.m. Lower Level. 715.478.3784. www.crandonpl.org. Second Wednesday of the Month. · Town of Nashville Board Meetings - August 21, 2019 at 7 PM at the Nashville Town Hall - 4265 State Hwy 55, Crandon Nashville Town Hall Craft & Flea Market, located at Hwy 55 and B, south of Crandon, opened every Wednesday, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Forest County ATV Association - Monthly meeting the second Saturday of the month at 9 a.m., in the Laona Senior Community Building, back entrance.

Bids & Notices

Laona Free Breakfast/Lunch Program

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Laona School District is participating in a Free Breakfast and Lunch program for the current school year 2019-2020 This alternative is referred to as the Community Eligibility Provision. All students enrolled at the following school(s) may participate in the School Breakfast Program and the National School Lunch Program at no charge. Household applications are not required to receive free meals, but applications may be distributed by the school to collect household income data for other programs that require this information.

All students will be served breakfast and lunch at no charge at the following sites:

Laona School District

5216 Forest Ave. Ste. A

Laona, WI 54541

For additional information please contact: Laona School District, Attention: Jim Bradley, Administrator, 5216 Forest Ave. Ste. A, Laona WI 54541or call or e-mail at 715-674-2143 Ext. 201 or jbradley@laona.k12.wi.us

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(2) fax: (202) 690-7442; or
(3) email: program.intake@usda.gov.
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SCHOOL DISTRICT OF WABENO AREA - PUBLIC NOTICE REBEL FANS 2019-2020 ATHLETIC EVENT PASSES AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE

The School District of Wabeno Area will be selling passes for Rebel athletic events for the 2019-2020 school year. These passes are good for all Laona/Wabeno Rebel home sporting events. Passes will go on sale in the high school office starting Monday, August 12th. Prices will be as follows:

Students \$10.00 Adults \$25.00 Family \$50.00

Any student in grades 7 - 12 who was involved in an extracurricular activity during the 2018-2019 school year will be issued a free student pass for the 2010-2020 school year.

Citizens 55 and older can receive free Rebel athletic passes in the HS office or the district office.

Citizens 62 and older can receive free conference athletic passes in the district office.

None of these athletic passes are good for WIAA Tournament

games.

NOW OPEN

The new Lakewood location of Laona State Bank is now open. It is located at 15570 Hwy 32.

The old location, located at 15290 Hwy 32, will close at 4 p.m. on Aug. 7, 2019. All business will be at the new location starting Aug. 8, 2019.

Laona School District Regular Board Meeting

Monday, August 12, 2019 at 5:30 p.m. Room 24, C.L. Robinson Elementary School

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Pledge of Allegiance Jim Aschinger
- 3. Approval of Agenda
- 4. Public Forum (10 Minutes)
- 5. Consent Agenda
- A. Bills and Claims
- B. Meeting Minutes
- 6. Items for Discussion and/or Action
- A. 2019-20 In-service Plan
- B. Milk Bids for 2019-2020 School Year
- C. Band/Music Teacher
- D. Set Annual Meeting Date for October

E. Educator Effectiveness (EE) Data Retreat Results from Teacher Survey

- F. Inservice Agendas for the 2019-2020 School Year
 - G. Resignation
 - H. Personnel
 - I. 2019-20 Snow Removal Bids
 - J. Seclusion and Restraint Data
 - 7. Informational Items
 - A. Business Manager's Report
 - B. High School Principal's Report
 - C. Administrator's Report
 - D. Board Member Reports

8. Enter Closed Session pursuant to Wisconsin Statutes 19.85(1)(c) for considering employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee.

FREE: ThermoPride wood furnace. Good condition. FREE. Call 715-889-3338. P18

PLEASE RETURN the log cabin bird feeder that was taken on Saturday, July 20, 2019 from 8804 Bailey Ave (Hwy. 55) in Argonne. It was next to a burn pile along the highway and appeared that I no longer wanted it. The little cabin was made by a friend of mine and had been a gift to my mom from me (both have passed away). I'd really like it back. Kathy Deaton, (715) 649-3435. P19

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AREA AA MEETINGS

• **AA Meetings - Back Door Group** - Open meeting Thursday nights at 7 p.m., Lakewood Lakes Country Library. Call Mary at 715-276-2318 or Bill at 715-882-3512.

• AA Meeting - Saturdays, 9 a.m., Wabeno Fire Station, side entrance.

• **AA Meeting** - Antigo Hospital, Saturdays at 7:00 p.m.

• **AA Meeting** - White Lake, Sundays at 10 a.m. at the White Lake Community Center on School St.. Mike at 715-882-8901 or Bill at 715-882-3512.

• **AA Meeting** - Every Tuesday at 7 p.m. at Carter Springs. Contact Peggy at 715-889-3116 for more information.

• Wellbriety 12 Step Meeting (AA/NA) - Mondays at 6 p.m. - ? lower level of FCP Museum, Mish • Ko • Swin Lane, Crandon. Call Brooks Boyd for info at 715-889-4902.

• Lost Marbles Group - Open AA meeting - Saturday mornings at 9 a.m. Wabeno Fire Station, side entrance.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING TOWN OF LAONA

Notice is hereby given that on August 21st, 2019 at 7 p.m. at the Laona Community Building, 5233 Beech Street, there will be a public hearing on a proposed amendment to Ordinance 9.06(4) Boating Regulations –

Current Ordinance: No person shall operate a motor boat between the hours of 7 p.m. and 9 a.m. on any Town lake or waterway at a speed of more than 8 miles per hour or between the hours of 9 a.m. and 7 p.m. at a speed of more than 40 miles per hour.

Proposed Ordinance: No person shall operate a motor boat between the hours of 6 p.m. and 9 a.m. on any Town lake or waterway at a speed of more than 8 miles per hour or between the hours of 9 a.m. and 6 p.m. at a speed of more than 40 miles per hour.

Erin Lane, Clerk/Treasurer

A. Personnel

9. Return to Open Session to possibly take action on items discussed in closed session.

10. Adjourn:

Notes: "This meeting is a meeting of the Board of Education in public for the purpose of conducting the School District's business and is not to be considered a public community meeting. There is time for public participation during the meeting as indicated in the agenda."

The agenda could be subject to last minute change(s).



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Technician will have to obtain a Wastewater Operator Certification from the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (WI DNR) within one year of hiring. All work will be done in compliance with WI DNR, EPA, Hazmat and OSHA safety rules and regulations.

If you have prior experience in a maintenance role, we encourage you to apply for this position, however, we are willing to train someone without experience and background who possesses a willingness to learn.

Position guarantees a minimum of ten hours per week. Applicants must have a valid driver's license and pass a drug screening.

If interested contact the Lakewood Sanitary District at 715-276-1830 or send resume to Lakewood Sanitary District, P.O. Box 309, Lakewood, WI 54138.



HELP WANTED: Bartender and cook at Blue Roof Saloon in Armstrong Creek. Apply in person Wednesday through Sunday. Open at 11 a.m. P19

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY FOREST COUNTY FORESTRY ADMINISTRATOR

Forest County is currently accepting applications for the full-time position of Forestry Administrator. This position is full time, forty (40) hours per week. The Forestry Administrator will work under the direction of the Forestry and Recreation Committee.

Applicants must have experience in and knowledge of forest conservation, laws, codes, and regulations affecting departmental operations, reforestation and forest management principles, working knowledge of office management and record keeping, plan, assign and supervise the work of others and the ability to establish and maintain good working relationships with governmental officials, employees and the public. Educational requirements: Bachelor Degree of Science in Forestry or related field and five years' experience of forest management experience; or advanced education or experience in public administration with 5 years' experience in forestry.

Application materials, including the position description and summary of benefits may be obtained at www.co.forest.wi.gov or in the County Clerk's Office, Forest County Courthouse, 200 E Madison Street, Crandon, Wisconsin 54520 or by calling (715) 478-2422. The deadline for applications and resumes returned to the County Clerk is Friday, August 16, 2019. by 4:30 p.m.

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SPECIAL EDUCATION AIDE POSITION

The Laona School District is looking for a Special Education Aide for the 2019-2020 school year. This position is approximately 29 hours per week and will start on August 27, 2019. The position requires working with students in the high school, which covers grades 7-12. Because we are a Title I Schoolwide district the candidate must have either an Associate's Degree, have 48 credits post-secondary education or successfully complete a proficiency test to qualify. This position will remain open until filled.

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HELP WANTED LAONA SCHOOL DISTRICT

The School District of Laona is looking to update their substitute teacher list for the 2019-2020 school year. Any person holding an Associate's Degree or a 4 year Bachelor's Degree is eligible for a substitute teacher license through the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction. The current pay is \$120 per day. We are also updating our teacher aide substitute list. There are no degree requirements for this substitute position.

If you are interested, please call Jim Bradley / District Administrator at 715-674-2143 ext. 211.

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HELP WANTED: Hiring carpenter/labor. Experience preferred but not a must. Be willing to learn. Call Travis at 715-889-1461. B19



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KING OF CRANDON: Last year reigning King of the Hammers champion Jason Scherer shined bright at Crandon, driving his #76 ULTRA4 to victory on both rounds of racing -- including Sunday's Red Bull Crandon World Cup. (Photo: Coelette Chenier)

For the past two years, Crandon International Raceway has attracted more than 50,000 fans over two days at the World Championship weekend, a record expected to be shattered this year.

"Showcasing the world's best ULTRA4 racers at our Crandon World Championships and World Cup is a great addition to our event," explained Crandon President Cliff Flannery. "Last year they put on a great show, and we are working to make that experience even better for their racers and our fans. This is gonna' be fun! "

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New Medicare BFCC-QIO for Wisconsin started June 8th

For the past five years, KEPRO has been the Beneficiary and Family Centered Care Quality Improvement Organization (BFCC-QIO) in Wisconsin and 32 other states. Under a new five-year contract by the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS), a company called Livanta will take over as the quality improvement organization for Wisconsin Medicare beneficiaries.

The change will occur on June 8th, 2019. Both Livanta and KEPRO have put transition information on their respective websites to ensure appropriate contact information is available.

The QIO contractor reviews quality of care complaints under Medicare. The QIO also handles hospital discharge appeals and denials of Medicare coverage in skilled nursing facilities. All complaints and appeals must be initiated by calling the beneficiary helpline.

Some examples of quality of care concerns include:

a medication mistake;

· being discharged before you are ready to leave;

- picked up an infection while in the facility;
- · wrong treatment or care provided;

• running into barriers to receiving care; or

• other health care errors.

IMPORTANT APPEAL NOTE: Beneficiaries who no longer meet the guidelines for Medicare coverage in a skilled nursing facility are served a Medicare Notice of Non-Coverage document approximately 24-48 hours prior to the cessation of Medicare coverage. If this notice does not state the correct QIO appeal entity and contact information, then it is not considered a valid notice. The notice must properly inform Medicare beneficiaries where and how to appeal the denial in order to be effective.

Livanta Beneficiary Helpline: 888-524-9900 Livanta's website: https://livantaqio.com/en





Bus Schedule

Tuesday - Aug. 13 - Wabeno, Laona and Crandon to Rhinelander by 9 a.m. Walmart complex and Aldi's only. No lunch. Depart Rhinelander at 11:45 a.m. -Bus driver: Dan Pedersen

For reservations please call the bus driver for that day.

Dan Pedersen: 715-478-4254

We are on the hunt for a new driver. If you or anyone you know is energetic, has a great personality, loves driving and looking for a parttime job, please pick up an application at the County Clerk's Office.

Forest County Office on Aging provides transportation to residents 55+ and the disabled. Bus route trip stops may include Aldi's, Crandon Library, Schaefer's and other area businesses including doctor appointments.





CRANDON, WABENO, LAONA

Monday - Aug. 12 - Roast pork, parsley potato, sweet and sour cabbage, dinner roll, fruit sorbet

Monday - Aug. 19 - Chicken veronique, baked potato with sour cream, green beans, dinner roll, carrot cake

CRANDON, WABENO, LAONA, ARMSTRONG CREEK Tuesday - Aug. 13 - Chicken alfredo over pasta, broccoli, fruit, pumpkin pie - BINGO: Armstrong Creek

Tuesday - Aug. 20 - Beef chili with beans, tossed salad with cheese, raisins, sourdough bread, ice cream MUSIC: Armstrong Creek; BINGO: Crandon

CRANDON

Wednesday - Aug. 14 - Beef tips with onions and mushrooms, mashed potatoes, carrots, dinner roll, applesauce

Wednesday - Aug. 20 - Pork boiled dinner with potato, carrots, rutabaga and cabbage, corn muffin, apple crisp LAONA, WABENO CONGREGATE

Thursday - Aug. 15 - Beef tips with onions and mushrooms, mashed potatoes, carrots, dinner roll, applesauce

Thursday - Aug. 22 - Pork boiled dinner with potato, carrots, rutabaga and cabbage, corn muffin, apple crisp **ALVIN**

Thursday - Aug. 15 - Boiled dinner ham, potatoes, cabbage, carrots and rutabaga, applesauce, bars

Thursday - Aug. 22 - Pulled pork sandwich, chicken soup, baked beans, noodles, carrots, jello with fruit, bars JARS

Wednesday - Aug. 14 - 1) Grilled chicken sandwich on a bun with lettuce, tomato and mayo, 3 bean salad, dessert and milk 2) Taco salad (lettuce, spring mix, tomatoes, onions, black beans, black olives, crushed Doritos, shredded cheddar, hamburger taco meat, salsa and sour cream), whole grain dinner roll, dessert and milk The local number for the ADRC: 478-2162 is no longer in service. The only number for the ADRC is the 800-699-6704.



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Please register with Commission on Aging - 478-3256.

JARS - 4863 Elm St., Laona, WI 54541. Serving 11 a.m.-1 p.m. On Wednesday. Site Manager is Peggy Alderton at 715-889-3116.

Crandon site manager Pat Raml is at 715-478-0742 (home) or 715-478-3040 (site). Serving at 12:00 p.m. On Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday.

Alvin site manager Florence Kostka at 715-545-4063 (home) or 715-545-3323 (site). Meal served at 4 p.m. on Thursday.

Laona site manager Peggy Alderton at 715-889-3116 (cell). Meal served at 12:00 p.m. Monday, Tuesday and Thursday.

Wabeno site manager Linda McEwan at 715-889-0123 (cell). Meal served at 11:30 a.m. on Monday and Tuesday. Home delivered on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday.

Armstrong Creek site manager Sharon Giles at 715-674-3532 (home) or 715-336-2218 (site). Meal served at 11:30 a.m. on Tuesday.





For Old Time's Sake

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This would appear to be a switch engine used at the Rogers Lumber Co. sawmill in Nashville, a former village located in the southwest corner of Forest County. Some of you may actually have a relative or two posing in this photo if your family was here before 1914, or thereabouts, when the Rogers mill burned down and the village started its decline. It is woods today, with very little trace of a bustling sawmill town remaining.

The company did have a bigger steam engine that hauled in logs and possibly cars of lumber into Pelican Lake.







SCHAEFER'S IGA PULL-OUT SECTION

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Death Notices

Donna J. Blasius, 92, of Crandon, WI, passed away Sunday, August 4, 2019 at The Bay at Nu-Roc Nursing Home. Donna was born January 29, 1927 in Crandon, the daughter of Albert and Phyllis (Minton) Heath.

She was united in marriage to Lawrence Blasius on December 11, 1943 in Waukegan, IL. He preceded her in death on August 1, 2007

Donna was very active in the creating of the Forest County Humane Society and an active member of the Animal Resource Fund.

Surviving Donna are her son, Lawrence (Angela) Blasius of Crandon; grandchildren, Christina (Brent) Breithaupts of Chicago, IL and Michelle Blasius (Jimmy), Plymouth, MN; great-grandchildren, Wesley Breithaupts, Amelia Alva, and Ashley Schutz; step-sister, Susan Seals of Wheat Ridge, CO; and sister-in-law, Lucille Blasius of Grayslake, IL.

She is preceded in death by her parents; grandparents, Casper (Emma) Minton; and sister, Shirley Monroe.

Graveside services will be held Thursday, August 8, 2019 at 1 p.m. at Crandon Lakeside Cemetery with Pastor Bill Farr officiating. Visitation will be held from noon to 1:00 p.m. at the Weber-Hill Funeral Home in Crandon.

Online condolences for the family may be directed to www.weberhillfuneralhome.com.

Gerald J. Mattson, 84, of Crandon, went to be with the Lord on Sunday, July 28, 2019 while under the services of Hospice Care and son, Jay Mattson, while at home in Crandon. Gerald was born March 1, 1935 in Wabeno, WI, the son of Charles R. Mattson and Lucille F. (Bedal) Mattson. Gerald was united in marriage to Enid L. Marsh, June 29, 1957 in Townsend, WI.



Gerald was a graduate of Wabeno High School.

After high school, Gerald moved to Milwaukee, living there a short while before entering the military in 1958. Around 1960 he and Enid moved up north to Mountain, WI going into business with brother-in-law Carl Marsh, at the grocery store called the "Junction."

In 1966, he moved to Wabeno and eventually became partners with brother PJ (Russell) Mattson, in his second small business endeavor, "Wabeno Bottling Works" until the late 70's.

He then purchased the Mattson's Mobil Gas Station and Bait Shop in Lakewood.

In 1984, he and Enid created Mattson's Drive-In where they worked long hours together. They also began going to Florida in the winters every year. While in Florida, he worked as a security guard and helped Enid with cleaning jobs at Clerbrook resort for almost 20 years.

After his 4th business endeavor, he was employed at Nicolet Country Club in Laona, WI until he retired.

Jerry enjoyed bowling, playing softball, hunting and golf. He watched the Badgers, Packers, and Brewers faithfully, but preferred to watch from his own chair and own TV, rather than attend any games. He also enjoyed the company of so many friends and family. He spent his later years following the social and athletic adventures of all his grandchildren. He was very appreciative of his visitors that stopped in to play cards, or just say hi. He lived a long, happy and satisfying life.

Gerald is survived by sons, Jay Mattson of Crandon, Bret (Stephanie) Mattson of Crandon, Bart (Sue) Mattson of Keshena, Grant (Stacy) Mattson of De Pere and Gregg (Doreen) Mattson of Seymour; 11 grandchildren Howard L. Schroeder, 90, of Pearson, WI passed away Wednesday, July 31, 2019 at the Friendly Village Nursing Home in Rhinelander. Howard was born September 14, 1928 in Antigo, the son of Ralph and Magdalene (Waldvogel) Schroeder.

He was united in marriage to Eilene Matchie on August 8, 1948. She preceded him in death on July 8, 2007.

Howard was a graduate of Antigo High School. He was a conductor on the Chicago Northwestern Railroad for 40 years, retiring in 1989. He was a member of the St. Mary's Catholic Church in Pickerel.

Howard loved spending time with his family and his dog, Flossie. He enjoyed camping, auto racing (NASCAR), and "tinkering."

Surviving are his son, Dale (Julianne) Schroeder of Pearson; daughters, Darlene (Michael) Fischer of Burlington and Diane Rhode of Milwaukee; six grandchildren; twelve great-grandchildren; and two greatgreat-grandchildren; sister, Helen Burkhart of Antigo; brothers, Donald Schroeder of Antigo and Joseph (Carol) Schroeder of Antigo; and sister-in-law, Yvonne Jensen of Milwaukee.

He was preceded in death by his wife of 59 years, Eilene; parents, Ralph and Magdalene Schroeder; brother, Alvin Schroeder; four sisters-in-law; three brothers-in-law; son-in-law, David Rhode; and greatgranddaughter, Nicole Schroeder.

Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 11 a.m. on Saturday, August 10, 2019 at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Pickerel, WI with Fr. David Zimmerman officiating. Burial to follow at St. Mary's Catholic Cemetery, Pickerel. Visitation will be held from 10 a.m. to time of service at church.

Weber-Hill Funeral Home is assisting the family with the arrangements. Online condolences for the family may be directed to www.weberhillfuneralhome.com.

Dorothy M. (nee Vogel) Prindiville-Abney joined our Lord January 30, 2019 at age of 99 years. She was the beloved wife of the late Ira S. Abney and the late James Prindiville; dear mother of Doreen (Dan) Schaetz; grandmother of Cristine (Javier) Fernandez, Dan Schaetz Jr, and Brian (Olivia) Schaetz; great-grandmother of Alex, Javier Jr, Emma, Grace, Ingrid and Abney and sister of Sally (the late Jerome Husak). She is further survived by other relatives and friends.

Dorothy began her music teaching career in the Crandon School District in 1941. She often expressed fond memories of teaching music and art to her students of all ages. Dorothy was an accomplished pianist and continued to play the piano until 2 weeks before she passed away.

Visitation will be held on Saturday, August 17, 2019 at the United Methodist Church in Crandon, WI from 10 a.m. until time of Memorial Service at 11 a.m. Lunch following the service. Internment will follow lunch at the Crandon Cemetery.



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Genevieve (Gen) Leone Rogers, 93, Crandon, passed away peacefully on Monday, August 5, 2019, surrounded by her family.

Gen was born on June 1, 1926 in Newald, Wisconsin, to Hugo and Susan (Koch) Aschinger. She moved to Crandon with her family in 1942 and graduated from Crandon High School in 1944.



Shortly after graduation, her good friend Betty (Rogers) Krohn introduced her to Curt Rogers who she married on June 1, 1946. Through the years, Gen and Curt welcomed seven children, 14 grandchildren and eventually 29 great-grandchildren into their family. In their younger days, Gen and Curt loved to dance and spent many nights at dance halls in the area listening to the bands and dancing the night away. They enjoyed more than 45 years of marriage before he preceded her in death in 1991.

When Gen wasn't busy raising her family, she spent 10 years working at Schaefer's Grocery Store and 20 more working for Bemis. When she retired, Gen spent many days driving her friends to appointments and wherever they needed to go. In between driving days, Gen spent many hours visiting her friends – and anyone who looked like they needed a friend – at the nursing home.

Gen's faith was a very important part of her life. She was a member of St. Joseph's Catholic Church and the St. Joseph Altar Society. She volunteered for many church activities including funeral dinners and rummage sales. She was also a charter member of the American Legion Auxiliary and held many different leadership positions throughout the years.

While Gen enjoyed many things, what she loved most in life was her family. She loved spending time with them and hosting holidays, special occasions and just ordinary Sunday dinners. She loved cooking and baking and was famous for her fried chicken, apple pie and Christmas fudge. She had a knack for making everyone believe they were her favorite which resulted in a lot of good-natured teasing about who the REAL favorite was.

One of her favorite times of year was deer hunting season. She would spend the week at the hunting shack with Curt and their sons as the designated cook. Additionally, she enjoyed crocheting, knitting, making Christmas stockings for the whole family, crafts of all kinds and traveling.

Gen is survived by her children, Mary (Russ) Shallow, John (Kelly) Rogers, Jim Rogers, Ruth (Kelvin) Johnson, Chuck (Sandy) Rogers, Alice (George) Gilman and AnnMarie (Pat McGeshick) Rogers; her grandchildren, Stacy (Pat) Bouchard, Kristy (Todd Schaller) Rogers, Wendy Rogers, Lynn (Sean) Fleck, Jennifer (Chad) Voelker, Stephanie (Ryan) Carignan, KC Johnson, Heather (Carl) Nemitz, Rick (Kathryn) Rogers, Melody (Frank) Wilson, Brian (Kate) Rogers, Curtis (Maggie) Gilman, Kimberly Gilman, Anthony (Brittany) Rogers; 29 great-grandchildren; sister-in-law, Sandy Rogers; and many nieces, nephews and friends.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Curt; daughter-in-law, Donna Rogers; sisters, Joyce (Ed) Lambert and Dorothy (Ray) Lambert; brothers, Win (Tillie) Aschinger and Arlyn (Ruby) Aschinger; and in-laws, Betty and Sid Krohn and Bob Rogers.

Friends may call at Weber-Hill Funeral Home, 302 S. Lake Avenue in Crandon, on Thursday, August 8 from 4-8 p.m. Visitation will continue at St. Joseph Catholic Church, 208 N. Park Avenue, Crandon, on Friday, August 9 from 9-10:45 a.m. Funeral mass will begin at 11 a.m. with Father Callistus Elue presiding. Burial will follow at Lakeside Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers and other expressions of sympathy, the family asks that you make donations to St. Joseph Catholic Church. The family extends a heartfelt thank you to the staff at Nu Roc Health and Rehabilitation Center where Gen was a resident and to the staff at Crossroads Care Center in Green Bay where she spent the last several weeks. "If there ever comes a day where we can't be together, keep me in your heart. I'll stay there forever." -Winnie the Pooh Online condolences may be left for the family at www.weberhillfuneralhome.com.

and 11 great-grandchildren.

He is preceded in death by his parents, Charlie and Lucille Mattson; wife, Enid: sisters, Florence and Agnes; and brothers, Claude and Russell Mattson.

Memorial Services will be held at Northwoods Bible Fellowship Church in Lakewood, WI on August 16. Visitation will be 2-4 p.m. with a service and meal to follow.

Weber-Hill Funeral Home is assisting the family with the arrangements. Online condolences for the family may be directed to www.weberhillfuneralhome.com.

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This right and has issued a stay on all Blue Water Navy Claims. This delay should allow the VA to establish new

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programs and allows Veteran increased options for their health care.

The major change is increased eligibility for Veterans to receive care locally if they choose not to get care and widows who may now be eligible do? at a VA facility, and they meet these expanded eligibility criteria. In future articles we will discuss the entire health care system in detail.

This article is being penned to ensure all Veterans

First is the MISSION Act that went into effect on

have access to the latest information as it pertains to their

benefits. It will highlight two huge changes that have taken

June 6th. It is an overhaul of all of the VA's Community Care

effect in the last 60 days, and what that means to you.

HEALTH CARE

The other historic change that the MISSION Act authorizes is the use by Veterans, enrolled and current in the VA Health Care system, to visit Urgent Care (Walk-In) clinics. This benefit is available only at In-Network Urgent Care facilities. If the Urgent Care Clinic is not In-Network the bill for services will be solely the responsibility of the Veteran.

Use only a VA IN-NETWORK URGENT CARE facility. As of July 23, 2019, the only VA authorized In-Network Urgent Care facilities within 50 miles of Forest County are: The Marshfield Clinics Urgent Care facility in Minocqua, Aspirus locations of Forest County Potawatomi, Rhinelander & Antigo. Be sure to let them know that you are Veterans Service Office. (715) 478-3722 utilizing your VA benefit. The most up to date list of In-Network Urgent Care facilities is available online at, https://vaurgentcarelocator.triwest.com/Locator/Care **BLUE WATER NAVY**

Earlier this year the Blue Water Navy Vietnam application forms. Veterans Act was signed into law. This will expand the number of Veterans who will be allowed disability for the presumptive illnesses associated with exposure to Agent Orange. The bill contained a provision that allowed the VA to delay implementation of the law. The VA has exercised

parameters for qualification (ie define the new mile marker granting exposure), and get rules in place. What do Veterans

If you filed before or since the new ruling, whether 1. you were denied or a decision has not been reached, just realize that the clock has stopped and no one at the VA will do anything with your claim.

If you have filed an Intent to File; nothing changes. 2 You need to ensure that you file the claim with in one year of the Intent.

If you have not filed, either a claim or an Intent to File, З. and believe you may become eligible due to the Blue Water Navy expansion, stop by the office and file an Intent to File.

This applies to both Veterans, and widows of Veterans who died of one the presumptive illnesses caused by exposure to Agent Orange, and may qualify under the Blue Water Navy Vietnam Veterans Act.

If you have questions please call the County Check out our webpage at: www.co.forest.wi.gov Follow us on Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/Forest-

County-Veteran-Services-311760256045426

I can and will assist you in completing all required

Robert W Koplien

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vear's measles outbreak is a key reminder of how quickly diseases can spread when children aren't vaccinated. Some diseases that are preventable with vaccines like whooping cough and chickenpox, remain common in the United States. Some infections that are preventable by vaccines, like HPV (Human Papillomavirus), can also lead to serious health problems later in life. Over 30,000 men and women in the United States are diagnosed with cancers caused by HPV each year. By following the recommended immunization schedule from your doctor or pediatrician, you can help protect your health and your family's health from vaccine-preventable diseases.

internationally, you could come into contact with

international travelers anywhere in the community. This

During the month of August, The Forest County Health Department encourages you to talk to your doctor, nurse or call the Health Department to see if you and your family members are up to date on recommended vaccines. You can visit CDC's Interactive guide at www.cdc.gov/vaccines/growing/ to learn about what vaccines are recommended during pregnancy and throughout your child's life. As your children head back to school this fall, make sure vaccination is at the top of your checklist.

Children ages 0-18 years of age that are Medicaid eligible, uninsured, American Indian or Alaska Native or Underinsured are eligible to receive VFC vaccine only through a Federally Qualified Health Center (FQHC) or a Rural Health Center (RHC). Call the Health Department to see if your child is qualified at 715-478-3371.



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Laona Pharmacy, Nicolet Propane LLC, Yaeger Oil, Laona Machine Supply, Northern Power Sports, Collin's Auto, JARS, Johnnie's Resort, North Branch Maple Syrup, Chicago Distilling Co. Creative Screen Printing, Northwoods Insurance, Tony's Wabeno Redi - Mix, Stone and Boulder, Tricia's Treasures, La Plant Family. We would also like to thank the community members who helped with the organization and work to make the Souper Run go so smoothly. Without the additional help of these great people, the Rescue Squad members would have been hard pressed to conduct the race. Dan, Mary Graham, Jim & Dot Aschinger, James and Kathy Aschinger, Dennis, Tony, Jaye, Jeff, Maddy, Libby, Mitch, Nick and Sharon Hess, Pauline Heagle, Elaine and Jim Chrisman, Maline Enders, Sharon Gile, Penny Sturzl, Chuck Enders, Don Belland, Sue and Dan Geraty, Jim Heagle, The lead singers of the National Anthem, Jon Leach and Family. The La Plant Family for donating the bowls for the top runners in each class and of course all of the 192 runners who registered for the run. This was our 40th anniversary of the Souper Run!

Senator Johnson statement on mass shootings

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SHOULD BE INCLUDED FOR VERIFICATION PURPOSES. We reserve

the right to reject any and all letters.

WASHINGTON — U.S. Sen. Ron Johnson (R-Wis.), chairman of the Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee, said the following after two mass shootings occurred over the weekend:

"I appreciate the president's comments this morning condemning the violent extremism that led to this weekend's horrific domestic terror mass shootings. We must remain committed to tenaciously rooting these cancers out of our society.

"For years, we have experienced a coarsening of our culture, and have been witnessing what Senator Patrick Moynihan accurately termed 'defining deviancy down.' Although there are no guick fixes guaranteed to prevent future tragedies, I believe there are effective, bipartisan actions that can be taken. For example, multiple commissions formed in the aftermath of school shootings have issued widely agreed upon recommendations that can be applied both in schools and in other public spaces to prevent and mitigate mass violence. We also need to seriously re-evaluate how our society treats mental illness to keep firearms out of the hands of people who pose a danger to themselves and their communities. But the longterm solution lies in renewed faith, strengthened families, and less virtual socialization and more genuine human to human interaction in real communities."

Perason Lions Club, Antigo Lions Club, Northwoods Inn & Restaurant, Pickerel, Northern Firelite Supper Club, Pickerel, Hills Still Supper Club, Pearson, Wild Rose Supper Club, Roberts Lake, Lotter's BP, Pickerel, Lil' Hummers Bar & Grill and Campground, Pearson, The Red Cross, FS Antigo, Schaefer's IGA, Crandon, Langlade Co. Police Dept., Larry Shadick Coroner, and the Fire Depts. of Pickerel-Pearson, Langlade, and Wolf River. If we missed anyone I sincerely apologize and let us know so we can personally thank you.

We sincerely thank you all The Michiel Family Louis, Linda, Tracy & Brenda

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Thank you

We would to thank all of our friends, neighbors, EMTs various power line men who came to give their help and support to the Pickerel-Pearson area in the days following the July 2019 storm.

Being on oxygen was a bit scary with no power and no telephone service for that long, so we are especially grateful for your help.

I won't name names, because I may forget someone. You all know who you are and just know that Jim and I thank you so much! May God bless you all!

Jim & Nancy Maahs, Pearson, WI



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folks, it takes a community to raise a child and your continued support is greatly appreciated by the students and staff of the School District of Laona!"

Melissa Chrisman, a 1994 Laona alumni, has been named the elementary principal for the School District of Laona. She started her teaching career in the Howard-Suamico School District where she taught for 15 years as an elementary teacher. In 2014, Melissa started in a leadership role as a principal in the Neenah Joint School District, which she has held for the past 5 years.

Melissa stated, "This was a big move for our family, but one that we are really excited about! I am looking forward to working with the staff, students, and families of the School District of Laona. Coming home and being the principal of the school I once attended is a very special opportunity!"

DNR warns of hunting and fishing license scam

MADISON, Wis. - The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources is urging the public to beware of online

If you think you may have already been scammed by one of these sites, you can file a complaint with the Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer



Operation Deer Watch



Operation Deer Watch is underway, offering citizenscientists the opportunity to participate in crucial deer research with the Wisconsin DNR

Operation Deer Watch is an opportunity for Wisconsinites to participate in white-tailed deer monitoring while enjoying the state's abundant wildlife.Photo credit: DNR

MADISON - Operation Deer Watch, an annual citizen-science survey that collects information on Wisconsin's white-tailed deer, gives residents an engaging opportunity to assist with deer herd management efforts.

Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources researchers ask participants to report their deer sightings via an easy-to-use online form. The data collected provide insights into the reproductive status of Wisconsin's deer herd and help shape deer management for the state. Participants are asked to record all bucks, does and fawns seen during the day from August 1 to September 30.

Many participants carry a printable tally sheet with them in the car to record sightings and then enter their results online at a later time. For safety, participants should

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To view, contact Denny at 920-851-2847. Mail bids to: Town of Freedom, "Truck Bid", PO Box 159, Wabeno WI 54566





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Endangered Resources License Plate



MADISON - More Wisconsin car owners renew their vehicle registrations in August than any other month, making it a great time for people to consider switching from a standard license plate to an Endangered Resources plate that helps fund work to keep Wisconsin's rare species from vanishing and its state natural areas pristine.

People making the switch keep their same registration renewal date but commit to paying an extra \$25 annually that is a tax-deductible donation to the Endangered Resources Fund.

"Endangered Resources license plates are a great way to show your love for nature and help fund important conservation work," says Drew Feldkirchner, who directs DNR's Natural Heritage Conservation staff charged with protecting and restored rare and native species and state natural areas. "You're helping keep endangered species from vanishing while making your car look great!"

Endangered Resources license plates come in two designs: a bald eagle design unveiled in fall 2015 that uses a full-plate photograph of our nation's symbol, and a wolf design, introduced in 1995 and featuring a drawing of a gray wolf. A badger design is no longer available for sale but motorists who currently have the badger plate can continue to display that plate on their car.

"Wisconsinites' donations to the Endangered Resources Fund through their license plates and tax returns are critically important for endangered species and state natural areas," Feldkirchner says.

"We are grateful for everyone who has supported Wisconsin's Endangered Resources in this way, and we encourage others to switch to an Endangered Resources license plate so we can do more great work together."

Plate sale revenues and other donations have helped keep hundreds of rare plant and animal species from vanishing from Wisconsin and have helped restore bald eagles, trumpeter swans, osprey and more to Wisconsin skies, land and waters.

Details on getting an Endangered Resources license plate Get your Endangered Resources License Plate

Local DMV customer service centers do not have Endangered Resources license plates for immediate issue but can process applications and the plates are mailed.

Download and fill out Form MV2858 and mail it in or fill it out at the DMV customer service center near you. The plate will be mailed to you by the Department of Transportation.

Vehicles qualifying for the Endangered Resources license plates are:

**Automobiles

Motor homes (annual registration only,

**Trucks, 4,500, 6,000 or 8,000 pounds gross weight including dual purpose farm and dual purpose motor home; 12,000 pounds gross weight farm truck

You can buy Endangered Resources license plates at any time from the Wisconsin Department of Transportation. However, it is most economical if you buy the plate at the time you renew your registration and you may renew your plate up to six months early. Nearly 340,000 car owners renewed their plates in August in 2018, the month with the most automobile registration renewals.

That is because the initial cost of getting the plate is \$40, \$15 of which goes to the DOT for the plate itself, and the \$25 donation to the Endangered Resources Fund. If you switch plates at renewal time, you get use of the ER plate for the full 12-month period. If you switch in the middle of your renewal cycle, you could pay the \$25 donation twice in a calendar year that first year because your renewal date remains the same.

To learn more about Endangered Resources license plates and the conservation work they help fund, visit dnr.wi.gov and search "ER license plate."

THE PUBLIC IS INVITED!

NEWCAP, Inc., is a Community Action Agency serving the needs of low- and moderate-income people in Northern and Northeastern Wisconsin. Every three years we solicit information and input to learn about the problems and concerns of the residents we serve, as well as, the viewpoints of those who represent the residents of our service area. Gathering this information is how we design and grow high-quality programs to meet the needs of those who live in the counties of: Brown, Florence, Forest, Langlade, Marinette, Menominee, Oconto, Oneida, Shawano, and Vilas.





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Please join us for a focus group and lively discussion on what you think are the needs in your community.

Tuesday, August 13 at 10:00 am Northern Advantage Job center - conference room B 51-A North Brown Street (parking entrance on Courtney street) Rhinelander AND Tuesday, August 13 at 2:00 pm Newcap Crandon office 212 North Lake Ave Crandon

Also, please help us by completing the survey on the links below. It should only take about 5–10 minutes of your time. The information that you give us will help us assess those needs and be the basis for planning Newcap's future programs as well as the creation of community partnerships and initiatives.

> Customer needs - https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/8MYKB2Q Customer satisfaction - https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/8GXKQF2 Stakeholders - https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/8HVHKPM

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 16 Cadillac SRX Luxury (R3644) 44k mi
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 17 Lincoln MKZ Prem. (P3713A) 19k mi
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 16 Toyota Sienna SE (190474A) 45k mi
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