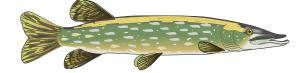


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Roberts Lake Fishing Tournament



The Roberts Lake Fishing Tournament is Saturday, February 1st, from 7 a.m. until 3 p.m. The warming tent with the food and refreshments, along with the bucket raffles will be at Wild Rose. The raffles include meat, fishing gear, cash, booze, 50/50 raffles and more. There will the raffle for the 1st prize Vesilar FLX-28 and cash prizes as well.

The fishing prizes will be for northern pike and large mouth bass only, and pre-registration is required.

The proceeds from the tournament will be used to aid the walleye restoration on Roberts Lake sponsored by the Sokaogon Chippewa, the Roberts Lake Association and Wild Rose.

Wild Rose has entry tickets or call Lyle Weyers at 715-473-2219.

Sugar Bush Sno-Mo-Wheelers and LMT Poker Run



The 36th Annual Sugar Bush Sno-Mo-Wheelers and LMT Poker Run is Saturday, February 1st. There is money to be won, with 100% payback to participating snowmobilers!

The last stop is Charlie's Lake Metonga Resort, where there will be lots and lots of raffles for everything from booze to meat.

Have fun and help keep the trails in shape, with all proceeds to benefit trail maintenance.

Conservation Corner

Conservation Corner is a weekly article produced by the Forest County Land & Water Conservation Department. For more information, contact Steve Kircher, County Conservationist-Land Information/GIS Director, at 715-478-1387 or by e-mail at Icc@co.forest.wi.us.

This week I'd like to present a couple funding programs that are available to Forest County landowners. The first program is the Environmental Quality Incentives Program or EQIP. The tentative application deadline for the next round of funding for this program (EQIP) is February 28, 2020. The EQIP is a voluntary conservation program that provides technical and financial assistance to rural landowners. Common projects include the development of erosion control and water quality improvement, wildlife habitat development, and tree planting, thinning, and other forest stand improvement activities, as well as the development of forest management plans and fish & wildlife management plans. A full list of eligible conservation practices and financial assistance payment rates may be downloaded from the national NRCS State

Forest County Forestry Dept. back to full staff-An all girl team!



From the left is Katie Schallock, Carly DeVet and Mindy Samz By Mike Monte

Forest County once again has a fully staffed forestry department. The new Forest Administrator is Carly DeVet. Carly is originally from Gladstone, Michigan and is a graduate of Michigan Tech at Houghton. Carly holds a degree in Forestry and a minor in Ecology, which should be a good combination for the job. She was working in the Lower Peninsula of Michigan when she applied for this job, and has had experience in both forestry and in parks, having worked in both fields during college and since graduation.

Carly said, "I am looking forward to the opportunity and the learning experience." She added that, "Everyone has been helpful."

Katie Schallock is the Assistant Forester, and is a Town of Nashville native with a Forestry degree from Stevens Point and comes from a family of loggers for many generations.

Katie said, "My goal is to help keep the forest sustainable for future generations."

The new Administrative Assistant Mindy Samz, an Argonne resident who said she is learning the new job. Her goal, she said, is to "...keep things organized and efficient."

We wish the new forestry crew great success with maintaining both our county forests and the Veteran's Memorial Park on Lake Metonga.

Nicolet College Foundation urges future & current students to apply for scholarships

The Nicolet College Foundation will accept scholarship applications from Feburary 1 to February 29 for the 2020-21 academic year at Nicolet.

The Foundation expects to award more than 250 scholarships ranging in value from \$250 to \$2,500, said Foundation Executive Director Heather Schallock.

"Scholarships can go a long way in helping students pay for college and we encourage anyone who **Continued on page 12**

Crooked Lake/Mountain Lions donate to Christian Food Pantry



State officials visit Hometown Trolley in Crandon



During a series of events on Friday, Administration Secretary Joel Brennan, Workforce Development Secretary Caleb Frostman and Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation (WEDC) Secretary and CEO Missy Hughes are sharing Governor Evers' message of rural prosperity that was highlighted in Wednesday's State of the State address.

The secretaries are visiting Stevens Point, Crandon, Shell Lake and Cumberland to listen to members of the community and showcase agency initiatives aiming to address worker training and retention, rural economic development, transportation and health care.

Governor Evers' State of the State Address focused on investing in rural communities, reducing student debt, and nonpartisan redistricting.

"The people of Wisconsin expect their elected officials to work together on the challenges facing our state," said Secretary Brennan. "Meeting with different companies in rural Wisconsin is a great way for our agencies to share the governor's message and collaborate with the people in the community."

"The projects visited today demonstrate how state agencies, with the help of the private sector, can

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Predator Hunt to support the Crandon High Trap Team

The Crandon Cardinal Trap Team Predator Hunt is being held on February 8th. The sign up is at May's Bar, on Hwy 8 east of Crandon about five miles. The sign up is from 4-7 p.m. A bonus is that everyone who signs up will receive a free ticket to the Spring Brush Run Races.

On Saturday, February 8th, the activities will be at the Crandon Community Building, starting at 4:30 p.m. The weigh-in for coyotes and fox is from 4:30 p.m. until 6:30 p.m. There will be raffles and door prizes along with good food, and the public is invited!

All proceeds go to the Crandon High Trap Team. For more info, call Norm Braun at 715-889-1588, Fay Statezny at 715-889-1588, or Tom May at 715-889-

Payment Schedules webpage.

Special EQIP initiatives are offered for the establishment of honey bee and other pollinator habitat, including woody and herbaceous plantings; wildlife habitat development and invasive species control, within the Great Lakes watershed; soil health, including cover crops and no-till farming; organic farming; energy conservation; and High Tunnel Systems (aka "hoop houses").

Another program is the Conservation Stewardship Program (CSP). Applications are being accepted for on a continuous basis. Farmers and forestland owners may apply at any time, for the next round of funding, with an application deadline anticipated in late winter or early spring. The CSP is essentially a conservation rewards program, for working agricultural lands, which provides financial payments for operators' existing level of conservation, plus incentives to implement additional conservation enhancement activities. The minimum annual payment is \$1,500 per operator.

Similar to EQIP, a full list of eligible CSP conservation activities and financial assistance payment rates may be downloaded from the national NRCS State Payment Schedules webpage. Additional information, including CSP job sheets is available at the national CSP website. For more information, contact Steve Kircher, County Conservationist-Land Information/GIS Director, at 715-478-1387 or by e-mail at lcc@co.forest.wi.us.

The Christian Food Pantry, formerly located in St. John's Lutheran Church in Townsend, has relocated to the old Laona State Bank building downtown Lakewood. There was some remodeling to be done and a big shopping to restock the shelves.

The Crooked Lake/Mountain Lions Club is proud to assist with the upkeep of the food pantry by making two donations each year. Membership Chairperson Lion Dar Berntson is pictured presenting a \$1,000 check to Pantry Vice President Jim Zittlow.

The Food Pantry hours are the same as before, the second and fourth Wednesday of each month at 9 a.m. and again at 6 p.m. 2568.

Forest County Chamber Honors 2019 Members of the Year

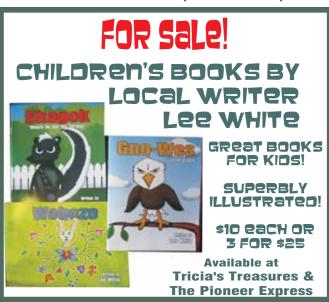


The Chamber Board joined by State Senator Tom Tiffany

The Forest County Chamber's Annual Banquet took place January 22 at the Potawatomi Carter Casino Hotel Conference Center, gathering 60 guests. Chamber President Mark Ferris welcomed everyone and acknowledged elected officials. Attendees mingled, had a great meal, and heard an overview and celebration of accomplishments and collaborations during 2019. Both Ferris and Executive Director Stacey Jameson presented the 2019 Members of the Year, which are determined annually by input from the Board of Directors.

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Forest Larger Parish helps the Oconto Humane Society



JoAnne Gipp (right) of the Mission/Evangelism Committee of Forest Larger Parish is pictured with a donation of pet supplies destined for the Oconto Humane Society. Pictured at left is the representative of the vet's office that is facilitating the transfer of supplies. The church congregation collected for their "Christmas for Critters" program since Thanksgiving to remember all of God's creatures this holiday season.





The 2019 Retail Member of the Year went to Forest TV & Appliance, Bob and Allan Smith. Forest TV & Appliance opened in 1979. A Partnership with Paul Strong's TV & Appliance until 1984, and was expanded into Rhinelander in 1992. Bob and Allan took ownership on January 1, 2017, expanding their storefront to the Lakewood location in 2005, and most recently are super proud of their new store, state of the art website, which will serve as their third store front and

expand the business into the e-commerce world with hopes to provide full (competitive) pricing and purchasing capability by the end of this Year.





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I know many of you cannot physically or financially get this done. Please consider finding a way by asking for help from family, friends or neighbors. It will help you in the long run by avoiding a claim and that helps keep everyone's rates down.



The 2019 Tourism Member of the Year, Johnnie's Resort, John and Cheryl Aschenbrenner, were recognized for providing a quality Northwoods experience since 1947. Johnnies is a family owned Fishing Resort located on Wabikon and Riley Waters and Woodlands. Nestled amongst the two highest-ranked lakes in Wisconsin for their natural beauty values, Johnnies is also located on the 100 Mile Snow Safari Trail and is coined by "Johnnie" as the snowmobile capital of the Northwoods! Johnnie made mention that his location services the snowmobile tourism highly by providing a warm stop on the 100 Mile Snow Safari Trail, a place to grab a pizza, a place to fuel up, as well as lodging accommodations.



The 2019 Business, Professional, Industrial Member of the Year was Connor Human Restoration, Laura Connor. Honored for their chiropractic and functional medicine clinic, Connors brings a unique business to Forest County, combining chiropractic care with nutritional counseling to create health from within. At the beginning of February, the office will have a new location just North of Palmer Park in Crandon.



The final award of the night was the 2019 Legacy Award. Wayne Link of Wayne Link CPA, was recognized for his 40 plus years of providing his business service to Forest County. Wayne has been a valuable asset to the Chamber as well as to the residents of Forest County. He also has served and donated his time to numerous nonprofit organizations. Most significantly, helping to transition from the original Millennium Board of Directors to what is now the Forest County Economic Development Corporation. The evening ended with the door prize drawings as well as Mole Lake Casino promo bucks handed out to all. Acknowledgement to Potawatomi Carter Casino Hotel Conference Center and staff for their efforts and extends appreciation to everyone who attended.



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AREA EVENTS



the world and presents a great opportunity for cultural exchange," observes local PAX Community Coordinator, Deb Kruger. Through PAX-Program of Academic Exchange (PAX), local families are invited to "Share Your America," including holiday traditions such as Valentine's Day with a high school exchange student from one of 70 European, South American, Asian, or African countries. upcoming school year. They are 15-18 years old, have studied English for at least three years, and are motivated to learn more about the U.S. by attending high school and living with a host family. PAX students are eager to experience American activitiesholidays, backyard barbecues, sporting events, and family celebrationswith their host families. They are covered by comprehensive medical insurance and have their own spending money for incidentals. bed, a quiet place to study, a seat at the dining table, a warm and supportive home environment, and encouragement to engage in everyday American life. All types of familiessingle parents, young couples, retirees, and parents with teenagersare welcome to host. organization and one of a select few U.S. Department of State designated Exchange Visitor Program's chosen to participate in its prestigious U.S. government-sponsored FLEX and YES programs. Each year, more than 1,100 teenagers visit the U.S. as PAX exchange students. For more information, call Deb Kruger at 715 276-7404 or visit www.pax.org.

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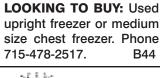
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School District of Laona 2nd quarter honor roll

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Top Honor Roll 4.00 Seniors Markelle Chrisman, Rebekah Goodacre-Reinke, **Ethan Westimayer** Juniors Matthew Bauer **Sophomores** Braylee Chrisman, Lavara Gilpin, Elizabeth Krawze, Josie Lempel Freshmen Mya Chrisman, Hunter Cronauer, Grace Krawze, Kaylyn LaRock, Isabella Retzlaff 8th Grade Malerie Krawze, Cameron Sorenson 7th Grade **Timber Cronauer** High Honor Roll 3.5-3.99 Seniors Angel Bey, Carson Kalata, Georgia Matuszewski, Marissa Milan Juniors Halia Babich, Taylar Cleereman, Madelin Keepers, Zack McLaughlin **Sophomores** Kyle Chitko, Natalie Newton, Frank Shepard Freshmen Aryanna Keepers, Kara Lane 8th Grade Gavin Connor, Dominic Keepers, Marissa McLaughlin, Abagail Peterson, Tanner Piton, Galen Schumacher, Brady Shepard, Emma Smith, Evan Vander Velde, Rylee Yaeger



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Juniors

Thomas Gryboski, Seth Lempel, Bambi Shepard, Jackson Smith, Michael Stamper, Evan Townsend

Sophomores

Jordan Aschinger, Lyric LaRock, JaKota Milan, Nathan Reeves, Tanner Rosio

Freshmen

Raymond Keepers, Talyn Nystrom, Maliki Stewart 8th Grade

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If you want more information contact Doug Curler at 715-623-2253 or dougcurler@gmail.com or http://www.facebook.com/DeerbrookBridgeRunnersSnow mobileClubClassicCruise. PIONEER EXPRESS PAGE 5, FEBRUARY 3, 2020

Position Vacancy

The Forest County Office on Aging is accepting applications for a part-time **Bus/Van driver** position.

Applicants must possess a valid Wisconsin's Driver's License, and have a good driving record. This position requires a Passenger Endorsed CDL or the ability to obtain one.

Applications and Job Descriptions are available at the County Clerk's office. Applications should be returned to the County Clerk's office, 200 East Madison St. Courthouse Crandon, WI 54520, by 4:30, Friday, February 14, 2020.

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Are you into antique and vintage snowmobiles then the 17th Annual Classic Cruise of the Deerbrook Bridge Runners Snowmobile club is the place to be. This event happens on February 1, 2020, at Neva Corners, Wisconsin; about five miles north of Antigo. The start to finish is at Quinn's Bar, N5298 County Road B, Deerbrook, 54424. It is at the intersection of County Road A and County Road B, just off Highway 45.

Langlade County offers almost 500 miles of groomed trails. This cruise gives you the opportunity for five loops from 2 miles, for the older machines, to 70 miles for the newer. We welcome the older as well as the newest machines.

Registration begins at 11a.m. and the send off is at 12 p.m. Maps of the routes are provided or join a group with a leader. All riders are asked to return by 5pm for a chance to win \$100. This is part of the benefit of registering. We usually attract over 150 sleds of all types.

After 5 p.m. there is free food, refreshments are available, music, numerous raffles to enter, with the big raffle at 8 p.m. This raffle is for the first prize of a 1981 440



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The Lumberjack Memorial Trails Snowmobile Club (LMT) would like to thank all who came out to Wild Rose and supported the Booyah Bash/Meat Raffle Fundraiser on January 25. Special thanks to Todd & Staff at Veeser's Wild Rose for hosting, Ken's HWY 45 Meat Market for supplying the meat, Mark Coenen (Coon) for the great job emceeing and all of the volunteers who helped make this event a huge success! We would also like to thank the following businesses for their donations— Wall-Eye Lodge, Burgt's Last Resort, EZ Dock Floating Docks, Lotter's BP (Crandon & Pickerel), Charlie's Lake Metonga Resort, Smith Sport & Hobby, Hotel Crandon, Crandon Docks & Lifts, Duck's Bar, Log Cabin Café, Schaefer's IGA, Jansen's Septic, Best Western, Pack 'Em Inn, Laona Shell, JARs, Laona Bar & Grill, Northern Power Sports, Double Buck, Johnnie's Resort, Green Shack, Laona Machine Supply, Rockin' Robin's, Cassidy's Café, Krist Oil, R Place, Pour Judgement, Laona State Bank, Wild Cat Den, Shelley's Windfall Inn, Buck's Big Dog Saloon, Water's Edge Lodge, Central Beer Distributing & Rusty's Wabeno Bowl. **Thank You**

The family of Stephen J. Conway Jr. extends their very sincere gratitude to all who joined us in person and in spirit as we bid farewell to our beloved husband, father, grandfather and great-grandfather. The kindness and concern shown to Dad over the last few years of his life and to the family on his passing is appreciated more than you will know and will not be forgotten. We want to especially thank the staff members of the NuRoc and Crandon nursing homes for caring for him with kindness, respect and dignity during his last years with us. Also, our thanks to Dr. Joelle Millikin; Dr. Bob Aylesworth; the Weber-Hill Funeral Home; Flowers from the Heart; Pastor Adam Woods; Pastor Rich Hutchison and his wife Kathy; the United Methodist Women; the American Legion Honor Guard; Luke Flannery and the members of the Masonic Lodge; Tim Bahr for his cemetery flyover; those who donated food to the family and to the luncheon; those who sent flowers and cards, called on the phone or posted condolences on Facebook; all who contributed to the Shriner's Hospitals for Children or other memorials in his memory; and to all who took time to join us for his visitation and/or services to offer condolences and honor his memory. It was a special day for a very special man — and we thank a special community and very special people for helping us celebrate and honor this incredible life. Bette Conway, Dan Conway, Becki Perry, Shelly Falk, Cindy Bahr and Steve Conway III and their families

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Marsh. Cocktails 4:30 p.m.

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For information, contact Kathie Marsh, 715-276-6515. Reminder postcards are being mailed to persons attending at least one of the 2019-20 socials. All that is required to receive notice by postcard is to attend one of the socials. Dates of socials are listed in the Bugler Newsletter, s u b m itted to the newspapers and posted at the Legion Hall.

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connect the dots between education and employment, health care and quality of life, and diversity and economic growth," said Secretary Frostman. "The Department of Workforce Development is eager to showcase how successful businesses and communities leverage state resources to attract, develop and retain talent here in Wisconsin."

Secretary Hughes added, "One of the best parts of my job at WEDC is seeing firsthand the innovative approaches Wisconsin businesses and local leaders are taking. I'm so pleased that Secretaries Brennan and Frostman will be joining me, especially as WEDC and our agencies explore new ways to help our rural communities grow and thrive."

In Crandon, the tour visited Hometown Trolley and learned a bit about making a unique product.

With help from WEDC, Hometown Trolley has developed a \$20 million-a-year manufacturing business with more than 50 employees in the heart of Crandon. The third-generation, womanowned company started out in the 1990s making hand-crafted replicas of turn-of-the-century trolley buses for tour companies and shopping districts. The company's line has expanded to include custom-made tour buses, with sales of both products throughout the U.S., Canada and South America.



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Death Notices

On Sunday, January 26, 2020 **James Riley Flannery**, age 90, passed away peacefully in Tomahawk WI. with his four children by his side. Jim was born April 13, 1929, in Pelican Lake, WI to Clifford M. and Mabel C. (Kornely) Flannery.

Jim grew up in Pelican Lake and Jennings, WI. He was 1 of 14 siblings. He entered the U. S. Air Force at a young age. A natural

leader, he was quickly promoted to Sargaent, based at Wurtsmith SAC Air Force base, Oscoda MI. It was there that he met and wed, the love of his life, Myrna (Riebow). Shortly after, Jim was deployed to Korea as a crash and rescue fire fighter.

Following his service, Jim graduated from Michigan State University in 1958 on the G.I. Bill. While there, he became a member of the Inter-Collegiate Pistol team and received the All-American Award from the United States Revolver Association. His career continued and eventually took him to the Chicago area. He was a dedicated employee of Sears Roebuck & Co. as Chief of Security with Sears Roebuck & Co., eventually managing over 250 uniformed officers at the Catalog distribution Center and Sears Tower. After 33 years with Sears, Jim took an early retirement, and went back to his roots.

He and Myrna built a home on Lake Metonga, while wintering in Largo, FL. They loved being on the water and spending time with their children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren, and the extended family that lives locally.

Jim was a true family man and an avid outdoorsman. He loved hunting, fishing, racing and riding horses. As a young man his pride and joy was a war horse named "Smokey." His adoration for competition led him to racing Smokey and challenging anything on wheels to try and beat him. Legend has it, he even outran the Chicago Northwest train that ran through Northern Wisconsin. Hunting and fishing was a great pleasure for him as long as his brothers, or sisters, nephews, nieces, cousins or any relation or friend were a part of it. His prized Plott hound, "Molly" was always by his side unless she was chasing down a bear, bobcat or coyote. He lived in the moment and loved every second of the hunt. The love of water made him a great fisherman. He conquered the elusive muskie, but never gave up on "the one that got away." Muskie tournaments, fishing and fishing stories were always a big part of family time that he treasured and looked forward to with any of his relation.

Jim was a devoted husband to Myrna and they were married for 64 years. Myrna preceded him death. Jim is survived by his four children, Shelley (Jim) Pasma, Carla (Butch Feldheiser) Harvey, James "Jake" (Janice) and Lynn (Steve) Livas; eight grandchildren; 12 greatgrandchildren; sisters, Sally Pyka, Karen Guth, Linda (David) Offner, Cindy (Bob) Matheny and Joan Marsalli; his brother, Alan (Marsha) Flannery; and many nieces and nephews.

He is preceded in death by his wife, Myrna; his parents, Clifford and Mabel; as well as his siblings, Wade, Melvin, Joe, Robert, Betty, Alice and Mary.

Services for Jim will be held Saturday, February 1, 2020 at St. Luke's United Methodist Church in Crandon, with Pastor Adam Wood officiating. Visitation is from 9-11 a.m. With service to follow. Weber-Hill Funeral Home is assisting the family with arrangements. Online condolences may be left for the family at www.weberhillfuneralhome.com.

The family would like to thank the staff at Milestone Senior Living Tomahawk, for their loving daily care and doting attention. Also, the exceptional staff at Ascension Hospital in Tomahawk and the wonderful people at Ministry Hospice. Memorial donations may be made to Forest County Humane Society.

Larry Ronald Joas, Sr., 78, of

Michael John Ashbeck, age 76, of Wabeno, died peacefully at The Bay at Nu-Roc in Blackwell, Wisconsin, on January 26, 2020.

Mike was born on January 22, 1944, to

Theodore Herman and Annie May (Adams) Ashbeck of Wabeno, Wisconsin. He proudly served his country in the United States Army. Mike lead a full and active life. He worked many jobs throughout his life. They include: working for an electrician, a machinist, driving truck for Renkas Distributing, maintenance at Nu-roc Nursing Home and Dorm Supervisor at Blackwell Job Corp.

Mike enjoyed going to Wabeno High School events to watch his grandchildren play sports and watch them act/sing in the school plays. Mike also enjoyed going on ATV rides with family and going to the local tractor shows. Mike was known for his fudge and cookies which he gave to many family and friends.

Mike is survived by two sons, Mick (Brenda) Ashbeck and Steve (Raletta) Ashbeck, both of Wabeno; and four grandchildren, Zack Ashbeck, Kaitlyn Ashbeck, Abigail Ashbeck and Kassidy Ashbeck. Mike is also survived by two brothers, Albert Ashbeck of WI and Tom Ashbeck of GA. He is further survived by many nieces and nephews.

Mike was preceded in death by his father, Theodore; mother, Annie; sister, Grace; and brothers, Ed and Theodore (Carl).

Visitation will be held on Saturday, February 1, 2020 from 10 a.m. to noon at the Trinity Lutheran church in Wabeno. A Memorial Service will follow at noon with Pastor Cody Hauch officiating. Lunch to follow. Burial will be held at a later date.

Lloyd Fulcer, Funeral Director 715–473–2541, is assisting the family.

The family would like to thank The Bay at Nu-Roc and the Milwaukee Veterans Hospital for their outstanding care of Mike over the years.

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Beware: New Medicare Card Scam

Medicare beneficiaries are reporting a new scam involving a call from "Medicare Insurance Company" stating that every Medicare beneficiary is getting a new plastic, chip-embedded card mailed to them and that they are calling everyone and verifying their number. Medicare is NOT sending chip-embedded cards. Medicare does not call Medicare recipients. Do not give out your Medicare number, Social Security number or any other personal information.





Forest County Commission on Aging



<u>CRANDON, WABENO, LAONA</u>

Monday - Feb. 3 - Chef salad with turkey, egg, tomato, cucumber, vegetable barley soup, breadstick, apple cake Monday - Feb. 10 - Pork boiled dinner with potato, carrots, rutabaga and cabbage, corn muffin, apple crisp CRANDON, WABENO, LAONA, ARMSTRONG CREEK Tuesday - Feb. 4 - BBQ chicken, roasted potato, baked beans, wheat bread, peach cobbler

Tuesday - Feb. 11 - Fish with tartar sauce, baked potato with sour cream, peas and carrots, sourdough bread, raspberry lemon bar

CRANDON, LAONA, ARMSTRONG CREEK

Wednesday - Feb. 5 - Beef lasagna, green beans, fruit, garlic bread, jello with fruit

Wednesday - Feb. 12 - Chicken pot pie with veggies and biscuit top, kale salad, fruit, oatmeal raisin bar

WABENO CONGREGATE & HOME DELIVERED

Thursday - Feb. 6 - Beef lasagna, green beans, fruit, garlic bread, jello with fruit

Thursday - Feb. 13 - Chicken pot pie with veggies and biscuit top, kale salad, fruit, oatmeal raisin bar ALVIN

Thursday - Feb. 6 - Chicken and rice, green beans, pears, bars

Thursday - Feb. 13 - Beef stew with peas, carrots and potatoes, mixed salad, whole grain roll, cookie JARS

Thursday - Feb. 6 - 1) Chicken sandwich on a bun with lettuce, tomato and mayo, fresh fruit, banana bread and milk

2) Taco salad, banana bread and milk

Thursday - Feb. 13 - 1) Chicken pot pie with a whole grain crust, applesauce, blueberry Bundt cake and milk
2) Chicken chef salad, whole wheat roll, apple crisp 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.

Please register with Commission on Aging - 478-3256.

JARS - 4863 Elm St., Laona, WI 54541. Serving 11 a.m.-1 p.m. on Thursday. Site Manager is Sue Luleaszwski at 920-980-8383.

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 Sue Luleaszwski at 920-980-8383. Meal served at 12:00 p.m. Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday.

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



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Suring, WI passed away Saturday, January 18, 2020 at Manitowoc Health & Rehab, Manitowoc. Larry was born April 6, 1941 in Townsend, the son of William and Katherine (O'Brian) Joas.

Surviving are daughters, Debra Sears of Wabeno and Julie (Greg) Moran of Omro; sons, David

(Tammy) Joas of Suring, Larry (Kelly) Joas of Cleveland and Brian Joas of Omro; 12 grandchildren; 11 greatgrandchildren; and brother, William Joas of Milwaukee.

Larry spent most of his spare time building lawn furniture and ornaments. He also, with help from his son, David, organized a yearly fund raiser for nearby fire and ambulance services.

Honoring his wishes, no services will be held at this time. Burial will take place in June at the Forest Home Cemetery in Townsend, WI.

If you wish to help the family or attend the burial please contact his son David A. Joas, 12525 Knollwood Ln, #17, Suring, WI 54174.

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

Tuesday - Feb. 11 - 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**: Pam Blank

Wednesday - Feb. 12 - Alvin, Nelma, Laona and Crandon to Rhinelander - Bus driver: Pam Blank

Thursday - Feb. 13 - Hiles, Argonne 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**: Pam Blank

For reservations please call the bus driver for that day.

Pam Blank: 715-784-1079

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.



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CHURCH SERVICES AREA

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 715-219-6363.

• 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 Hwy 55, Pickerel - Sunday: 8 a.m. Bible Class, 9 a.m. Worship; Wednesday: 4-4:30 p.m. 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 Lutheran (WELS) - 501 N Park Ave, Crandon. Sunday worship at 9:15am. 715-478-5620 NorthwoodsLutheran.org

• Christ Lutheran (WELS) - 9139 S Main St, Hiles. Sunday worship at 7:45am. 715-478-5620 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. and Sundays at 10:30 a.m.

· Living Faith Church of God - 202 S. Hazeldell, Crandon. Services Sunday at 4 p.m. & Wednesday evening at 7 p.m.

Bids & Notices

TOWN OF CRANDON RESIDENTS CHANGE OF MEETING DATES

The Town of Crandon will hold their regular monthly meetings on the first Monday of the month instead of the second, starting in 2020.

The meeting for February will be on Monday the 3rd at 7. Regular start time.

All special meetings will be posted at that time.

> Ron Cole, Clerk Town of Crandon

Wabeno School **Breakfast Menu** Feb. 3-7 Monday - Biscuits and gravy, mandarin oranges, fruit juice, milk Tuesday - Breakfast croissant, tater tots, peaches, fruit juice, milk Wednesday - Cheese omelets, baby red breakfast potato, applesauce, fruit juice, milk Thursday - Boston cream pie crepe, granola bar, mixed berry cup, fruit juice,

milk Friday - Early risers, oranges, fruit juice, milk

Is Food a

Problem

715-784-0031.

Wabeno School Lunch Menu Feb. 3-7 Monday - BBQ pork sandwich, potato salad, watermelon, garden bar, milk Tuesday - Taco bar,

spanish rice, corn, kiwi, garden bar, milk Wednesday - Cheesy broccoli soup, whole grain breadstick, peaches, garden bar, milk

Thursday - Turkey/ham sub sandwich, chips, apple slices, Scooby snacks, garden bar Friday - Chicken pot pie, winter fruit salad, garden bar, milk



2020-2021 OPEN ENROLLMENT **APPLICATION PERIOD** SCHOOL DISTRICT OF GOODMAN-**ARMSTRONG CREEK**

The Goodman-Armstrong Creek School District will be accepting applications for Public School Open Enrollment. The applications will be accepted between the dates of February 3, 2020 and April 30, 2020 until 4 pm. Late applications will not be accepted for any reason. Parents may apply on-line at https://dpi.wi.gov/oe.

Wisconsin's inter-district public school open enrollment program allows parents to apply for their children to attend school districts other than the one in which they live. More information may be obtained from the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction-Public School Open Enrollment Program by calling 1-888-245-2732 or you may visit their web site at https://dpi.wi.gov/oe. You may also contact the Goodman-Armstrong Creek School District at PO Box 160, Goodman, WI 54125. Phone: 715-336-2575, ext. 203. Important dates: February 3 April 30: parents must submit applications online or directly to the nonresident school district. June 5: nonresident school districts must mail notices of approval or denial. If the application is approved, the school district must notify the parents of the specific school or program to which the pupil is assigned. If the application is denied, parents have 30 days to file an appeal. June 12: resident district must notify applicants if the application is denied. If the application is denied, parents have 30 days to file an appeal. June 26: parents of accepted applicants must notify the nonresident district if the pupil will attend the nonresident district in the 2020-21 school year. If the parent fails to make this notification, the nonresident district may refuse to allow the pupil to attend the district. *Please note: If your child is already attending the* Goodman-Armstrong Creek School District through Open Enrollment, you do not have to reapply.

PUBLIC SCHOOL OPEN ENROLLMENT APPLICATION

The School District of Wabeno Area will be accepting Open Enrollment applications for the 2020-2021 school year from February 3 to April 30, 2020. Applications must be received in the District Office no later than 4:00 P.M., April 30, 2020. Parents may also fill out and submit the application on-line. The on-line application will be available from midnight February 3 until 4:00 P.M. on April 30, 2020. You may submit an on-line application at: https://dpi.wi.gov/oe.

Wisconsin's inter-district public school open enrollment program, often referred to as "school choice", allows parents to apply for their children to attend school districts other than the one in which they live. Parents must apply to the nonresident school district they would like to have their child/children attend.

This program is open to Wisconsin residents who have students in grades Kindergarten to 12. There are no tuition costs to parents for their children's participation in Open Enrollment. However, in most cases, parents are responsible for transporting their children to and from the nonresident school.

Additional information may be obtained from the School District Office.



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Feb. 2 - The Qualities of Love (1 Cor. 13:4-7)

Feb. 9 - The Humility of Love (John 13:1-17)

Feb. 16 - The Distribution of Spiritual Gifts (John 13:18-30)

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2020-2021 OPEN ENROLLMENT **APPLICATION PERIOD** SCHOOL DISTRICT OF LAONA

The School District of Laona will be accepting applications for Public School Open Enrollment. The applications will be accepted between the dates of February 3, 2020 and April 30, 2020 until 4 p.m. Late applications will not be accepted for any reason. Parents may apply on-line at https://dpi.wi.gov/oe.

Wisconsin's inter-district public school open enrollment program allows parents to apply for their children to attend school districts other than the one in which they live. More information may be obtained from the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction-Public School Open Enrollment Program by calling 1-888-245-2732, option 2, or you may visit their web site at https://dpi.wi.gov/oe. You may also contact the School District of Laona @ 5216 Forest Avenue, Suite A. Laona WI 54541, Phone: 715-674-2143, extension 1. Please note: If your child is already attending the School District of Laona through Open Enrollment, you do not have to reapply.

COMMUNITY BILLBOARD

The Pickerel Area 50 Plus Club will hold a Valentine luncheon on Thursday February 13, 2020 at noon in Pickerel at the Northwoods Restaurant. We welcome new members

• 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 Wednesday - Friday, 2 to 6

p.m. and Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4 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 Ducks for Oct, Nov., Dec. and Jan.

· 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 - Call Chris at 715-784-0058

• 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. · Nashville Town Hall Craft & Flea Market, located at Hwy 55 and B, south of Crandon, will be closed until spring 2020. · Forest County ATV Association - Monthly meeting the second Saturday of the month at 9 a.m., in the Laona Senior Community Building, back entrance.



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.





Bids & Notices

Our Core Purpose: Personalized Proficiency for All

Our Mission: As a culturally diverse community, the School District of Wabeno Area will work in harmony with respect for one another, providing a safe and superior learning environment, enabling individuals to reach their fullest potential and become caring, contributing life-long learners in our ever-changing local and global society.

SCHOOL DISTRICT OF WABENO AREA **REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING** Wednesday, February 5, 2020 High School Library - Wabeno Junior High / High School 6:00 P.M. Agenda

Call Meeting to Order

- Π. Roll Call Verification of Quorum
- III. Verification of Meeting Notice (Compliance with Open Meeting Law Notification (Wis. Stats. 19.84(2))
- IV. Pledge of Allegiance
- V. Agenda Revisions
- VI. Agenda Approval
- VII. Public Participation at Board Meetings - See Board Policy 0167.3
 - a. Welcome and Guidelines for Public Comments (5 Minute Maximum per Person)
 - b. This is a listening session for the community to address the Board. The maximum time limit for this section is 30 minutes. The purpose of this segment of the meeting is for the Board to listen to the views of our community.
- c. Public Participation VIII.
 - Approval of Minutes
 - a. Approval of the minutes of the Regular School Board Meeting on January 8, 2020,
 - b. Approval of the minutes of the Impact Aid Meeting on January 8, 2020,
 - c. Approval of the minutes of the Special School Board Meeting January 15, 2020.
 - d. Approval of the Closed Session Minutes of December 4, 2019.
 - e. Approval of the minutes of the Laona/Wabeno Co-Op Meeting on December 16, 2019. Approval of Vouchers and Payroll
- IX. Х. Informational Items
 - a. Jeff Walsh District Administrator will present updates and information.
 - b. Bill Taylor, Jr./Sr. High School Principal will present updates and information.
 - c. Tim Brauer, Elementary Principal will present updates and information.
 - d. Bob Tucker, Director of Special Education will present updates and information.
 - e. Board Member Reports.
- XI. Action Items
 - a. Review Achievement Gap Reduction (AGR) end of fall semester report regarding progress made on growth objectives.
 - b. Retirement(s)/resignation(s)
 - c. Discuss and take action regarding Policy po 2340
 - d. Discuss and take action on Administrative Guideline ag 2340A
 - e. Discuss and take action on Administrative Guideline ag 2340C
 - f. Discuss and take action on Administrative Guideline ag 2340E
 - g. Discuss and take action on overnight baseball tournament.
 - h. Discuss and take action on overnight softball tournament.
 - i. Discuss and take action on E-Rate equipment proposals.
 - j. Discuss and take action on new vanity and sinks for upper elementary bathrooms.
 - k. Discuss and possible action on Strategic Planning format.
 - I. Discuss and possible action on bus purchase.
- XII. Motion and roll call vote to go into closed session. Pursuant to Wisconsin Statues 19.85(1)(c)(e), the Board may convene in closed session for the purpose of :
 - a. Discussion and potential action on procedural status update on employee complaint.
 - b. Discussion of Elementary and High School Teacher Evaluations.
 - c. Discuss future evaluations involving District Administrator.
- XIII. Motion and roll call vote to return open session to announce or take action, if any, and if appropriate.
- XIV. Discussion of Establishing Dates for Future Board Meetings and Establish Future Agenda Items. No substantive discussion will occur concerning future agenda items. Adjourn
- XV.

NOTE: THE AGENDA IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE AS ALLOWED BY LAW.

Approved for Publication/Posting by: Superintendent of Schools Upon reasonable notice, the District shall make reasonable accommodation to accommodate the needs of people with disabilities through appropriate aids and services including the provision of informational material in an alternative format for a disabled person to be able to attend this meeting. For additional information or to request this service, contact the District Office at 715-473-2592 Sent to: Board of Education Administrative Team

Pioneer and Lake/Forest Beacon Newspapers

The agenda as noted above was sent more than twenty-four hours prior to the meeting date. Due to this fact, the Agenda published in the newspaper(s) listed above may have been altered after delivery to the above listed newspaper(s). The most up to date Agenda information is also available on District Website: https://www.wabeno.k12.wi.us/#

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State health agency responds to the **2019** Novel Coronavirus outbreak

The Wisconsin Department of Health Services (DHS) announced today testing is in process for five people for the 2019 novel coronavirus (2019-nCoV) in our state. Results are pending in these cases. Test results for an additional patient under investigation were negative.

"DHS is actively monitoring this outbreak and working with our local, state, and federal partners to be able to respond quickly and effectively when people have symptoms of this virus and a likelihood of exposure," said State Health Officer Jeanne Ayers. "While all information we have so far shows there is low risk to the general public, we take new infectious diseases seriously and are taking precautions."

We are closely coordinating with local health departments and our federal partners to stay on top of this issue. Our local partners are helping us conduct interviews, collect specimens, and follow up with patients to see who they have been in contact with.

DHS has asked health care providers to alert us if a person with recent travel to Wuhan, China has become sick with fever or respiratory symptoms. When people under investigation for novel coronavirus are evaluated, clinical samples are collected and submitted to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) for testing. That testing can take several days. If there is a confirmed case in Wisconsin, details and protective recommendations will be shared with the affected person, or persons, and the public.

Coronavirus isn't rare. In fact, seasonal coronavirus activity typically increases in Wisconsin this time of year, along with influenza and other respiratory viruses. Attention is heightened in this outbreak because it is a novel, or new, form of the virus.

"We know people are wondering what to do to protect themselves and their families from this virus. Our best advice is to follow the same steps for avoiding colds and flu, including staying home when you're sick, covering coughs and sneezes, and frequently washing hands," Ayers said.

People who are planning a trip to China should keep an eye on news reports and be aware of this rapidly changing situation. People who have returned from China and are feeling sick should contact their health care provider and let them know about the travel and symptoms before going to a clinic, office, or emergency room.

DHS is providing updates on 2019 novel coronavirus, including case counts, on our Outbreaks and Investigations webpage. It will be updated by 2 p.m. each afternoon.

Because we are still in flu season and the flu is also a serious respiratory disease, we continue to encourage everyone to get a flu shot, if you are able.

February Is American Heart Month

In celebration of American Heart Month this February, the Forest County Health Department wants to help increase awareness of high blood pressure, which is often times referred to as the "silent killer." Normal blood pressure is 120/80 or less. Nearly half of the American population over age 20 has high blood pressure and many do not even know it. You may not feel that anything is wrong, but high blood pressure could be guietly causing damage that could threaten your health.

Certain risk factors for high blood pressure cannot be controlled, such as, family history, race/ethnicity, age and gender. Take control of your risk factors. Don't smoke and avoid second hand smoke, reach and maintain a healthy weight, eat a healthy diet that is low in saturated and trans fats and rich in fruits and vegetables, whole grains, and low-fat dairy products, reduce your daily intake of sodium, be more physically active, limit alcohol intake.

High blood pressure can lead to stroke, vision loss, heart failure, heart attack, kidney disease, and sexual dysfunction. The best prevention is knowing your numbers and making changes to prevent and manage high blood pressure. For more information, please go to the American Heart Association website at www.heart.org.

The Forest County Health Department encourages you to increase your activity level this month. Challenge yourself to get 150 minutes of physical activity per week. You can start small with 10 or 15 minutes at a time and work your way up. You could try walking on your lunch break or walking in place at home. You can track your times by jotting them on the calendar each day, you will be amazed at how it adds up, even just 10 minutes three times a day.

The Health Department Nurses will be visiting each Senior Meal Site this month to offer blood pressure screenings and information about ways to control blood pressure and information about conditions that affect heart health.

-Alvin Town Hall: February 13th from 2:00 to 3:00,

- -Armstrong Creek Meal Site: February 11th from 10:30
- -11:30 Crandon Community Building: February 19th from 11:30-12:00
- -Laona Senior Center: February 12th from 11:00-12:30

-Wabeno Town Hall: February 25th from 10:30-11:30

You can also walk in to the health department Monday through Friday 7:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. to have your blood pressure checked.

Visit our website and Facebook page or call us for more information. 715-478-3371 www.forestcountypublichealth.org

Wabeno Jr/Sr High School 2019-20 Quarter 2 Honor Roll Hignest Honors (4.0 GPA)

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plans to attend Nicolet next year to fill out the application," Schallock said. "There are requirements but the application process is fairly easy and straightforward. The Nicolet Foundation is here to assist students financially and scholarships can make a big difference in students' lives as they work their way to graduation."

All applications must be submitted online at nicoletcollege.edu/scholarships. The application will be available starting February 1.

Nicolet scholarships are available for both new and continuing students enrolling at the college for the upcoming Fall 2020 term as well as the Spring and Summer terms of 2021. Funds are applied directly to the cost of tuition and books.

Both part-time and full-time students with a cumulative grade point average of 2.5 or higher are eligible to receive scholarships.

Schallock noted that the scholarships are available only because of the generosity of Foundation donors.

"They truly believe in the value of a college education," she said. "They see how it can improve the lives of individuals and also benefit the communities in which graduates live and work."

For more information about scholarships, contact the Nicolet College Foundation office at (715) 365-4518, 1-800-544-3039, ext. 4518; TTY 1-800-947-3529 or 711 relay; or by email at hschallock@nicoletcollege.edu.



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JUNIORS- Emma Harris, Kylie Higgins, Grace Novak and Matthew Seeber

SOPHOMORES- Reed Christianson, Jesse Prasser and Myla Volk

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7th GRADE- Jaden Danielson and Joseph Lampereur

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Wisdom from the internet



So, who built those old rutted roads?

Imperial Rome built the first long distance roads in Europe (including England) for their legions. Those roads have been used ever since

And the ruts in the roads?

Roman war chariots formed the initial ruts, which everyone else had to match for fear of destroying their wagon wheels. Since the chariots were made for Imperial Rome, they were all alike in the matter of wheel spacing.

what was arguably the world's most advanced transportation system was determined over two thousand years ago by the width of a horse's hind end.

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Railroad Tracks-The U.S. Standard railroad gauge (distance between the rails) is 4 feet, 8.5 inches. That's an exceedingly odd number.

Why was that gauge used?

Because that's the way they built them in England, and English expatriates designed the U.S. Railroads.

Why did the English build them like that?

Because the first rail lines were built by the same people who built the pre-railroad tramways, and that's the gauge they used.

Why did 'they' use that gauge then?

Because the people who built the tramways used the same jigs and tools that they had used for building wagons, which used that wheel spacing.

Why did the wagons have that particular Odd wheel spacing?

Well, if they tried to use any other spacing, the wagon wheels would break on some of the old, long distance roads in England, because that's the spacing of the wheel ruts.

Therefore, the United States standard railroad gauge of 4 feet, 8.5 inches is derived from the original specifications for an Imperial Roman war chariot.

In other words, bureaucracies live forever.

So the next time you are handed a specification, procedure, or process, and wonder, 'What horse's hind end came up with this?', you may be exactly right.

Imperial Roman army chariots were made just wide enough to accommodate the rear ends of two war horses.

Now, the twist to the story:

When the Space Shuttle was sitting on its launch pad, you may have noticed that there were two big booster rockets attached to the sides of the main fuel tank. Those were the solid rocket boosters, or SRBs. The SRBs were made by Thiokol at their factory in Utah.

The engineers who designed the SRBs would have preferred to make them a bit larger, but the SRBs had to be shipped by train from the factory to the launch site.

The railroad line from the factory happened to run through a tunnel in the mountains and the SRBs had to fit through that tunnel.

The tunnel is slightly wider than the railroad track, and the railroad track, as you now know, is about as wide as two horses' behinds.

So, a major Space Shuttle design feature of

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