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The Pelican Lake Ice Fishing Derby-this weekend!

The Pelican Lake Are Chamber of Commerce will be hosting their 42nd Annual Ice Fishing Derby on Saturday, February 29, with registration beginning at 9 a.m. at Gerrits Lakeview on County G. Fishing is from 7 a.m. until 4 p.m. All must purchase an orange cash raffle ticket to register a fish.

Come and enjoy the event even if you don't wet a line. There is a cash raffle with a first place prize of \$500, 2nd of \$200 and 3rd of \$100. The cost of a ticket is \$5.

The Sportsmen Raffle, with only 400 tickets sold, features an Ion G2 8 inch power ice auger for first place, a Barnett Whitetail Hunter STR crossbow for 2nd, a Marcum Recon 5 Plus underwater camera for 3rd, and 4th place is an ice fishing package worth \$150 plus.

The big Meat Raffle will be drawn at 6 p.m., with tickets costing \$5 and only 400 tickets sold. The winner will be able to walk into Fischer's Meat Market with a \$400 credit and load up their freezer with the meat of their choice.

Everyone is invited and welcome to come and enjoy the day!

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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 lcc@co.forest.wi.us.

As the days get longer and warmer, people will start heading to the sap woods and get their sap shacks in order. In a previous article I wrote about how climate change will affect the trees in Northern Wisconsin This week on the local news, there was a segment regarding this change and the possible impact to our maple syrup industry.

A team of natural resource managers from the Chequamegon-Nicolet National Forest used the Adaptation Workbook to evaluate the potential impacts of climate change on the Chequamegon-Nicolet's Twenty-mile Creek and Marengo River watershed. Impacts could make conditions less suitable to important tree species in Wisconsin, including the sugar maple, northern white cedar, and quaking aspen.

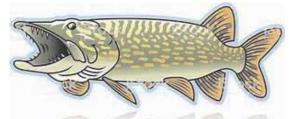
The Adaptation Workbook is a structured process to consider the potential effects of climate change and design land management and conservation actions that can help prepare for changing conditions. The Workbook was created by the Northern Institute of Applied Climate Science, and this process is described in Forest Adaptation Resources: Climate change tools and approaches for land managers, 2nd Edition.

The natural resource managers found that potential impacts could also affect Wisconsin's agricultural sector. Wisconsin ranks 4th in the Nation for maple syrup production, according to the 2019 Wisconsin Agricultural Statistic.

In the news segment, owner of Maple Hollow, Joe Polak, said he doesn't see it as a big problem, he's only experienced the season starting earlier than usual. "We all have to be ready sooner in the year," said Polak. "The producer has to prepare earlier than the calendar tells him."

Polak said he is concerned for areas a little further south. "It's drastic for the southern parts of the maple world, like southern Indiana, southern Ohio, and Kentucky," said Polak.

If you'd like more information about Climate Change and the Northwoods, you can access the Climate Change Field Guide for Northern Wisconsin Forests document on the Forest County Conservation website, www.forestcountylandandwater.org. If you have questions/concerns, call 715-478-1387 or email me: lcc@co.forest.wi.us.



Fish-O-Ree this weekend in Laona at Silver Lake

The Laona Volunteer Fire Department and Cook Elfors VFW Post 6823 is holding their big 8th Annual Fish-O-Ree on Saturday, February 29 at Silver Lake.

The fishing is from 8 p.m. until 4 p.m. There will be no weigh-ins after 4 p.m. There will be cash prizes for the winning fish, first through third place for northern pike, walleye, bass and panfish.

Be sure to buy plenty of raffle tickets, because the first place is half a cow that has been processed by Ken's 45 Meat Market. Second place is a Bear X Saga Crossbow. Third place is \$200, 4th \$100, 5th and 6th \$50, and 7th and 8th \$25.

Bring an appetite! There will be chili, chicken noodle soup, hot dogs, brats, burgers and all served in the heated Silver Lake Pavilion.

Have fun!

County towns show strong support for broadband grant

As Forest County anxiously awaits the Wisconsin Public Service Commission decision on the county's \$1,898,400 broadband grant application, Forest County towns are showing strong support by approving memorandum of understanding agreements with the county. A decision on the grant application is expected to come in the next two to three weeks. Broadband availability has been a topic of primary discussion at recent County Towns Association meetings. At both the October and most recent February meetings, the town representatives voted unanimously in support of the county's broadband initiative.

"It is so encouraging and impressive to see the support of this broadband expansion for our county," stated Mark Ferris, County Broadband Commission Chair. "Local Town Board officials have shown such a great understanding of how critical this issue is for the future of Forest County. We are currently at 10 of 14 of towns and the City of Crandon approving the memorandum of understanding agreements to move forward with grant funding." The remaining towns are scheduled to act on the agreements at upcoming meetings. Ferris went on to specifically mention the Town of Popple River Town Board decision on the agreement. "Here we have a town with literally the smallest population in the county and they overwhelmingly support the initiative. They have a clear understanding of how important this is to our county's future."

"We still have some work to do as we really want a 100% show of support. I believe we have seen those indications, but still need to get to that point." Agreements

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Become a Forest County youth advocate for community health

Do you know a teen, or are you a teen that is interested in a health or wellness career or is interested in developing leadership skills related to community health? If so, the Forest County Coalition on Activity and Nutrition (Forest County CAN!), in partnership with the UW-Madison Division of Extension Forest County, has a great opportunity for Forest County high school students interested in becoming a teen voice on the CAN! Coalition. As a Forest County Youth Advocate for Community Health (YACH), teens will participate in Coalition monthly meetings, develop skills related to health and community development, work side-by-side with community members on projects related to health and well-being, and represent Forest County at State and National trainings.

UW-Madison Extension educator Michelle Gobert will work with youth to ensure their voice is heard within the CAN! Coalition. Representatives from all School Districts within Forest County are needed!

Teens interested in participating are encouraged to apply online at http://forest.extension.wisc.edu. Applications are due by 5 p.m. on Friday, March 27. For more information about the program, please call Michelle at 715-478-7797.

Wolf management effort now underway in Wisconsin



Would you like to be part of an effort for the state to control the Wisconsin wolf population? There is a movement to do just that.

Hunter Nation is a group that is dedicated to the sport of hunting, keeping public lands public and they are making an effort to delist the gray wolf from the Endangered Species Act and give control of the populations of the wolves back to the individual states.

Some western states have regained control of their wolf populations, but the problem can't be solved in all locations with these methods. Delisting is the ultimate tool in providing the management of this predator to individual states. As is well known, the goal of having a total of 350 wolves in Wisconsin has been reached, and it appears that the population is now triple that number. This makes it hard to maintain a deer herd, especially in the northern end of the state, that satisfies deer hunters.

There will be a town hall meeting held by Hunter Nation in each of the eight congressional districts of the state. For the 7th Congressional District, the meeting will be held in Spooner on March 19th at Hank's Bar & Grill Civic Center from 6-9 p.m.

For those that find that difficult to attend, there is another option. A petition can be signed at the Hunter Nation website, which is HunterNation.org. The site is easy to navigate, and if you have concerns about the management of the wolf in Wisconsin, it would behoove you to add your name to the petition.

Oconto County Snowmobile Alliance donates \$5,000 to ambulance services and rescue squads



Chute Pond Snowmobile Club President Deb Uhlenbrauck (right), presents a \$500 check from the Oconto County Snowmobile Alliance to Captain Charlie Anderson of the Mountain Ambulance Service on February 24.

The Oconto County Snowmobile Alliance (OCSA), which is made up of the nine snowmobile clubs in the county, is donating \$5,000 to the local Ambulance Services and Rescue Squads that serve Oconto County snowmobile trails. Bagley-Brazeau Joyriders, Chase Sno-Chasers, Chute Pond Snowmobile Club, Gillett Sno & ATV Riders, Iron Snow Shoe Recreation Trails, Lena Snow Drifters, Oconto Falls Sno-Jokers, Paul Bunyan Riders, and Red Arrow Snowmobile ATV Club representatives will be presenting \$500 donations to each of the ten Ambulance Services and Rescue Squads that respond to medical emergencies that occur on the 480 miles of snowmobile trails in Oconto County.

According to Oconto County Snowmobile Alliance President Dan Guendert, "Safety on the trails is of utmost concern to us. Our clubs work diligently to make sure there is proper signage on the trails to maximize rider safety and enjoyment. Trail grooming is also done to provide a smooth, safe riding surface. But, in spite of all precautions, accidents do happen and we're proud to be able to support the agencies that respond to those situations."

The nine snowmobile clubs in Oconto County work together as the OCSA to provide safe and well groomed trails for snowmobilers, as well as publishing the Oconto County snowmobile trail map. To learn more, please follow us on Facebook- Oconto County Snowmobile Alliance.

Submitted by Dan Guendert, President, Oconto County Snowmobile Alliance

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(UNOFFICIAL RESULTS) TABULAR STATEMENT OF VOTES CAST - FEBRUARY 18, 2020 SPRING PRIMARY OCONTO COUNTY CLERK, KIM PYTLESKI

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| T Breed W1 | 63 | 7 | 6 | 1 | 77 | 8:13 p.m |
| T Chase W1-5 | 132 | 61 | 24 | 0 | 217 | 9:00 p.m |
| T Doty W1 | 31 | 13 | 3 | 0 | 238 | 8:37 p.m |
| T Gillett W1&2 | 111 | 22 | 7 | 0 | 140 | 8:21 p.m |
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| T Lakewood W1 | 75 | 33 | 6 | 2 | 117 | 8:22 p.m |
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| T Lt River W182 | 67 | 17 | 4 | 0 | 88 | 8:20 p.m |
| T Lt Suamico W1-8 | 261 | 94 | 21 | 0 | 376 | 8.56 p.m |
| T Maple Valley W1 | 57 | 14 | 9 | 0 | 80 | 8:18 p.m |
| T Morgan W182 | 73 | 19 | 7. | 0 | 99 | 8:28 p.m |
| T Mountain W1 | 60 | 29 | 9 | 0 | 98 | 8.48 p.m |
| T Oconto W1-3 | 94 | 44 | 9 | 0 | 148 | 8:08 p.m |
| T Oconto Falls W182 | 63 | 30 | 10 | 0 | 105 | 8:11 p.m |
| T Pensaukee W1&2 | 71 | 29 | 5 | 0 | 106 | 8:23 p.m |
| T Riverview W1&2 | 45 | 25 | 9 | 0 | 79 | 9:04 p.m |
| T Spruce W1&2 | 77 | 9 | 5 | 0 | 91 | 8:17 p.m |
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| T Townsend W1 | 94 | 41 | 11 | 0 | 146 | 8:20 p.m |
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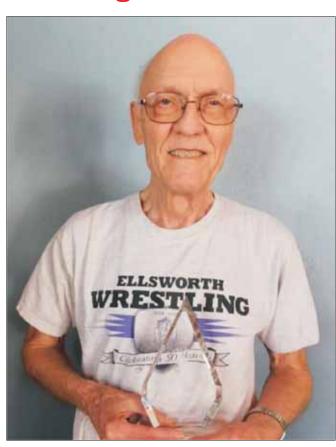
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| Ed Fallone | 274 | 8% |
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| Total Votes Cast = | 3441 | |
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| Estimated Population for Oconto County of Voting Age = | 30446 | |
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Richard Culver inducted in Ellsworth Wrestling Hall of Fame

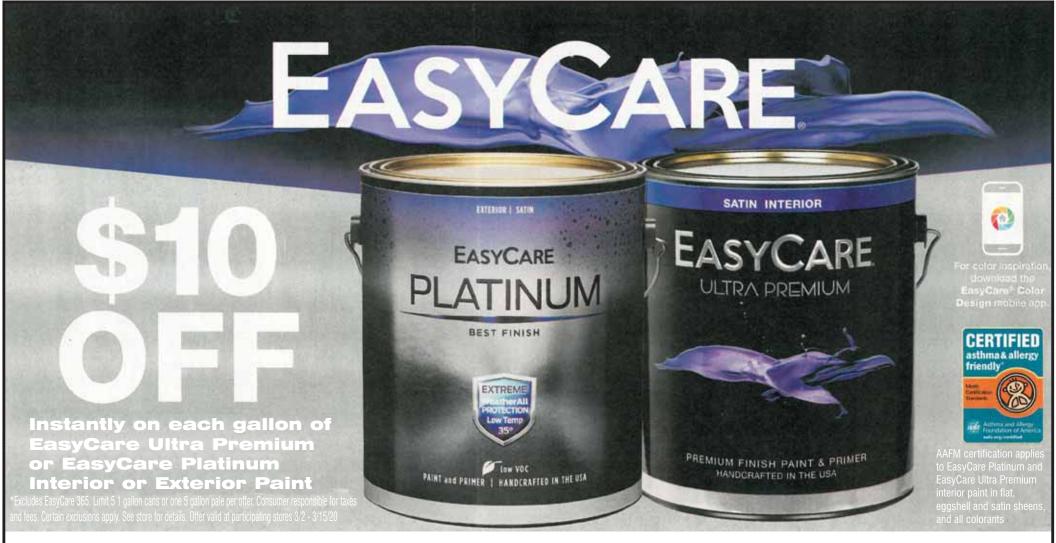
Richard Culver of Townsend was recently inducted into the Ellsworth Wrestling Hall of Fame. Richard was on the first wrestling team in Ellsworth in 1958-59 which was the year that wrestling started in high schools throughout Wisconsin. Ellsworth scraped a team together with Kirby Symes as the coach. It was a beginning. That first year as a senior Richard had an 8 and 0 winning season and was cocaptain with his twin brother Robert Culver.

Richard Culver's wrestling career got a very good start at River Falls State College. He had an exceptional coach, Byron James, who was a good friend of Kirby Symes. His first year was mostly a learning experience, but he was Wisconsin State Champion in 1961 in the 137



pound class, and in 1962, and 1963 he was State Champion in the 147 pound class. In 1963 Richard was a National Association of Interscholastic Athletics All American and took third place at the N.A.I.A. National Tournament. He believed the best coached and toughest competition in the Wisconsin Conference was on his own team. To help his old high school team Richard would practice with them on holidays.

After graduating from college Richard joined the US Air Force as a second lieutenant in 1964 and did wrestle for the USAF for a month at the Air Force Academy for the Inter-Service Tournament. He retired in Townsend and now enjoys watching an occasional high school wrestling match.



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Mar. 8 - The Trial and the Denials (John 18:12-27)

Mar. 15 - The Civil Trial Phase 1 (John 18:28-38)

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Forest County Ties That Bind Us and Pack Em Inn join forces to help support local cancer patients

Mark your calendars for Pack Em Inn's 9th Annual Kentucky Derby Party Fundraiser! Proceeds from this year's event will be given to the Forest County Ties That Bind Us (TTBU). This family-focused festivity will take place under the huge tent on May 2, 2020 behind Pack Em Inn, just off of main street in Crandon, WI. There will be basket raffles throughout the day, 50/50 raffles, kids activities, and corn hole. Food will be available for purchase.

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Basket Raffle Sponsor \$50/\$75/\$100 - A basket will be put together for the donated amount and your name will be displayed on the basket the day of the Derby

Basket Raffle Donation - We welcome anyone who would like to create their own basket of goodies to donate to the raffle.

Donations can be dropped off at Pack Em Inn or contact us and we will be happy to pick them up!

For more information, please contact: Ties That Bind Us at 715-478-6342 / email: fcttbu@gmail.com or D a w n a t 9 2 0 - 5 3 8 - 5 8 1 1 / e m a i l : dawnmvolz74@hotmail.com

By supporting the TTBU Annual Fundraisers, you are providing an opportunity to contribute not just financial, but also emotional support to our community members and their families who have been impacted by cancer.

The Ties That Bind Us is a local non-profit organization started in 2013 to support cancer patients in the communities of Forest County and works in partnership with the Saint Mary's Hospital Foundation, a 501 (c)(3) organization.

Around the Area



Appearing March 6 at the Three Lakes Center for the Arts Three Lakes, WI at 7:30PM

Adults \$20, 12 and under \$5

Information and tickets at: tlcfa.org

After touring and playing concerts for over 41 years, you would think that musician and songwriter Bill Staines might think about slowing down, but that's just not the case. Bill continues to perform more than 175 shows a year and drives close to 70,000 miles getting to them. He is one of the most durable and beloved singers on the folk music scene today.

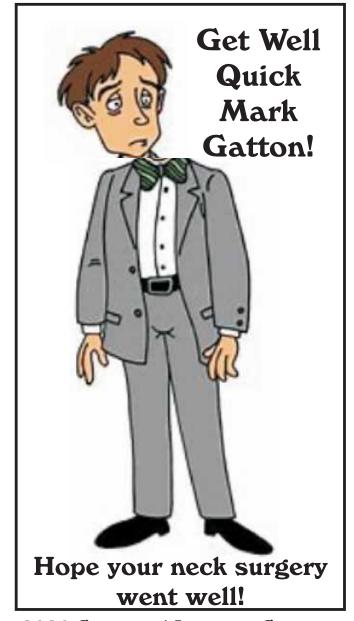
Staines has twenty-six recordings to his credit and has written over three hundred songs, many of which have been recorded by the likes of Peter, Paul, and Mary, Makem and Clancy, Nanci Griffith, Glen Yarborough, and Jerry Jeff Walker. His music is sung at campfires and folk music gatherings, in homes and churches, all around the country. Songs like "All God's Critters," "The Roseville Fair," "Child of Mine," and "River," have become folk music classics. Composer David Amram once described Bill as "a modern day Stephen Foster. His music will be around a hundred years from now."

Thank Yous and Personals

Special Thank You

A special thank you to Vicky Ratty, Jerry Banie, John Neilitz, Christian Mothers, Ladies VFW and John and Dawn Lord for all your help and a wonderful meal.

The Zahringer family



2020 Seasonal Invasive Species Technician Positions

The Wild Rivers Invasive Species Coalition (WRISC) is a cooperative group consisting of several state, federal, and local partners across the counties of Florence, Forest, Marinette (WI), Dickinson, and Menominee (MI). WRISC is looking to hire several seasonal positions for the 2020 field season to conduct various invasive species activities, including education, outreach, mapping, and control work. The positions are Seasonal Invasive Species Strike Team Technician and Seasonal Watercraft Inspector. WRISC may hire multiple persons for each position as funding allows.

The positions will be funded by multiple grants and hired through the Dickinson Conservation District (the WRISC fiscal agent). Staff will operate out of the Dickinson Conservation District office in Kingsford, MI, but conduct work duties across the five county area using District-owned vehicles.

Duties of Watercraft Inspector Position: Work under the direction of the WRISC Coordinator and/or Project Manager. Conduct Clean Boats Clean Waters (CBCW) outreach and watercraft inspections at boat landings and operate a portable heated high-pressure washer to decontaminate watercraft. Collect required data on paper forms and integrate into WRISC computer records and online. Responsibly operate and maintain all provided equipment and materials, including the towing of the trailer-mounted boatwash unit. Participate in various water quality monitoring activities, utilizing a variety of watercraft and tools. Communicate with the WRISC Coordinator, and other WRISC Partners as needed, in regards to work activities. Assist as needed at volunteer workdays, trainings, and other outreach events. Be willing to work Wednesday thru Sunday for a variety of shift hours as early as 4 a.m. to as late as 8 p.m. Also be willing/able to work summer holidays.

Duties of Strike Team Position: Work under the direction of the WRISC Coordinator and/or Project Manager. Survey and identify invasive plant species (primarily terrestrial/wetland species) and record locations using a handheld GPS unit. Conduct manual and chemical control of invasive plants on private and public land (including garlic mustard, Japanese



knotweed, leafy spurge, wild parsnip, phragmites, purple loosestrife, and more). Collect required information on paper forms and integrate into WRISC computer records and online database. Responsibly operate and maintain all provided equipment and materials, including the towing of trailered watercraft and all management equipment such as backpack sprayers and hand tools. Participate in various water quality monitoring activities, utilizing a variety of watercraft and tools. Communicate with the WRISC Coordinator, and other WRISC Partners as needed, in regards to work activities. Assist as needed at volunteer workdays, trainings, and other outreach events. Be willing to work long hours with early start times in a variety of weather conditions. Be able to complete certification testing to become Certified Pesticide Applicator. Qualifications:

• Must be 18 years of age or older • Must have a valid state driver's license and good driving record . Be willing to submit to random drug testing • Be able to work in a variety of outdoor terrain and weather conditions • Safely carry a 3 gallon backpack sprayer for extended periods of time and able to lift 50 pounds • Capable of operating both motorized and non-motorized watercraft • At least survival swimming skills . Ability to work on a team and independently . Outgoing personality (able to converse with members of the public and co-workers in a friendly, positive manner) · Ability to operate mechanical equipment in a safe and responsible manner • General knowledge of the threat posed by invasive species Experience with plant identification and GPS use preferred (training provided) • GIS experience preferred but not required • Michigan or Wisconsin Pesticide Applicator Certification or ability to obtain certification by start date Work Period: May/June August/October; 30-40 hrs/wk

Start and end dates are variable, although we would prefer employees begin in May and end in August/September, or even into October if available and as funding allows. Hours and weekly work schedules will also be variable. As these positions are almost entirely field based, with some office data entry work, applicants should recognize that hours per week and schedules may often change last minute due to weather.

Watercraft Inspector schedules will be highly variable and will include work on most weekends. Strike Team schedules will be variable and may include work on weekends.

Pay: \$11.00 - \$13.00/hr. *Pay rate may change based on experience, qualifications, start/end date availability, or funding availability. Opportunities for growth throughout the season!

To Apply: Submit cover letter, resume, and three references to:

Lindsay Peterson 420 N Hooper St Kingsford, MI 49802 (906) 774-1550 ext.102 wildriverscwma@gmail.com

Applications are due March 1st, 2020! Note: Applications will be reviewed as they are received and positions filled as suitable applicants are found. Dickinson Conservation District/Wild Rivers Invasive Species Coalition is an equal opportunity provider and employer.



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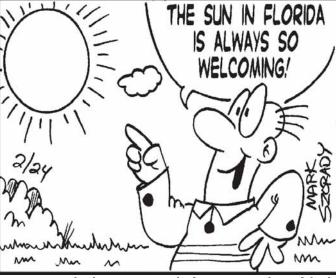
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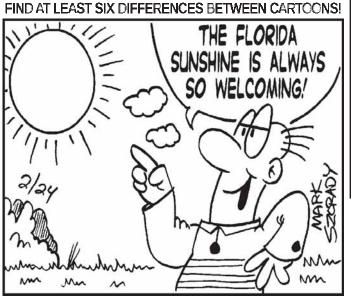
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Geraldine B. Cibik (nee Zetting), "Jeri", age 92, West Bend, passed away peacefully, surrounded by loving family, at her home. Jeri was born August 17, 1927 to Joseph and Jane (nee Hagemann) Zetting in Milwaukee. WI.

On June 28, 1958 she married Emil Cibik in Milwaukee. Jeri worked at JCPenney's for over 23 years before retiring and moving up north to Crandon,



which was their home until Emil fell sick. She has lived in West Bend off and on for eight years. She was a member of Holy Angels Church in West Bend and St. Mary's Church in Pickerel, WI.

Jeri will be missed by her loving daughters, Dianne (Michael) O'Connor and Janice Corbeille: her cherished grandchildren, Kelly Swain, Rob Hildebrandt (Jean) and Kathleen (Rob Simek) Hildebrandt; her special granddaughter, Julene Swirth; 13 great-grandchildren and eight great-great-grandchildren. She is further survived by a sister, Charlotte Reinke; a brother, J. Franklin Zetting; special nieces, Jeanne, Cheryl, and Ellen; other nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

Jeri was preceded in death by her loving husband, Emil; her sisters, Betty Ann Kaminski and Muriel Zindl; brothers, Lawrence, Walter, and Edward Zetting; sister-in-law, Helen Junkano; and granddaughters, Sherry Swain and Lisa Sonsthagen.

A Funeral Service will be at 1 p.m. on Saturday, February 29, 2020, at The Phillip Funeral Home (1420 W Paradise Dr. West Bend) with Deacon Mark Jansen officiating. Visitation will be at the funeral home from 11 a.m. until 12:45 p.m. In lieu of flowers, consider donations to DIG, (Development In Gardening).

Family would like to thank Bright Star for their generous, kind, and loving care, as well as Horizon Hospice.

The Phillip Funeral Home of West Bend, (262) 338-2050/www.phillipfuneralhome.com, is assisting the

Bonita M. Brunette, 75, of Lakewood, WI passed away Thursday, February 20, 2020 at the Lakewood Assisted Living in Lakewood. Bonita was born September 24, 1944, the daughter of Francis Farrell and Caroline Anderson.



Surviving Bonita are her daughter, Nadine (Rodney) Figueroa of Pittsville; sons, Bob Brunette of

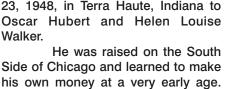
Oneida and Dennis (Beth) Brunette of Appleton; 13 grandchildren; 12 great-grandchildren; and sisters, Sally Herritz of McFarland and Jackie Proveaux of Milwaukee.

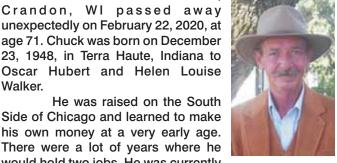
She is preceded in death by her parents; daughter, Denice Minten; and sister, Patricia Garmon.

Memorial Services will be held at 11:30 a.m. on Friday, February 28, 2020 at St. Pius X Catholic Church in Appleton with Fr. Tom Farrell officiating. Visitation will be held from 10:30 a.m. to time of service. Luncheon 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.

Charles L. Walker, Crandon, WI passed away unexpectedly on February 22, 2020, at age 71. Chuck was born on December 23. 1948, in Terra Haute, Indiana to Oscar Hubert and Helen Louise





would hold two jobs. He was currently employed full time when he had passed away. He excelled in becoming self-sufficient and was a jack of all trades who loved fishing.

Chuck never finished high school but furthered his education by obtaining a GED. He was married three times and divorced three times.

He met his lifelong partner, Cindy Nawrocki, in 1988. They moved up north to Crandon and Chuck built his own house where he resided until his untimely death with Cindy and his good friend, Marvin.

Chuck is survived by his mother, Helen Walker; his children, Charles, Tammy, Christian (Debra) and Christopher (Jennifer); and his grandchildren, Ethan, Emma, Destiny and Jeremiah Walker. He is also survived by his two sisters, Mae Harris and Helen Woods; and many nieces, nephews, relatives, and friends.

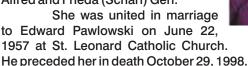
He was preceded in death by his father, Oscar Walker; and his niece, Paula.

Celebration of life is planned for spring.

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

Death Notices

Clare Jean Pawlowski, 94, of Armstrong Creek, WI passed away Monday, February 17, 2020 at The Bay at Nu Roc Health and Rehab in Blackwell. Jean was born February 9, 1926 in Newald, WI, the daughter of Alfred and Frieda (Scharf) Gerl.



Jean enjoyed listening to WRVM Radio, dancing, cooking, gardening, and visiting with family, friends, and neighbors. She was committed to her church and loved playing the organ at St. Stanislaus-Kostka Church. She loved to travel and was a wonderful wife and mother.

Surviving are her daughters, Kathryn Pawlowski (Steve Montgomery) of Vallejo, CA and Mary Jane (Mark) Easter of Tappahannock, VA; son, John (Mary Joan) Pawlowski of Armstrong Creek; grandchildren, Richard (Anna) Easter, Lydia (Bradley) Easter, Valerie (Joe) Clark and Nathan Montgomery; and great-grandchildren, Rachel, Michael, Elaina, Mary Catherine, Joey, and

She was preceded in death by her parents; sister, Gwen (Web) Schmelling; son, Bruce Edward Pawlowski; and Godson, Dean Schmelling.

Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 11 a.m. on Thursday, February 27, 2020 at St. Stanislaus-Kostka Catholic Church in Armstrong Creek, with Fr. Timothy Brandt officiating. Visitation will be held from 9 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.

Sylvia J. Pemma, "Majigabwik", "Leaves Standing Woman", 73, of Wabeno, WI passed away Wednesday, February 19, 2020 at Aspirus Langlade Hospital, Antigo. Sylvia was born October 2, 1946 in Laona, WI, the daughter of Archie Biddell and Ramona Pemma.



Surviving Sylvia are her daughters, Lori McGeshick of Mole

Lake and Raymonda Basina of Mole Lake; sons, Raymond (Louise) McGeshick of Mole Lake and Landon Daniels of Wabeno; sisters, Asthasia Delgado of Milwaukee, Macky McGeshick of Wabeno, April McGeshick of Mole Lake, Lois Miller of Green Bay, Tina Daniels of Stone Lake and Frances Shepard of Carter; and brothers, Allen McGeshick of Green Bay and Arlin McGeshick of Mole

She was preceded in death by her parents; daughter, Linda Pemma; and brothers, Dennis Shepard, Big-Z Shepard and Joe Shepard.

Visitation will start at 5 p.m. on Friday, February 21, 2020 at the Potawatomi Cultural Center in Crandon. Services will start at 10 a.m. on Saturday, February 22, 2020 at the Potawatomi Cultural Center with Mr. Martin Thunder officiating. Burial to follow at Potawatomi Tribal Cemetery in Blackwell.

Weber-Hill Funeral Home is assisting the family with the arrangements. Online condolences for the family

Dean's List Announcements

The following students have been named to the 2019 fall semester Dean's List at the University of Minnesota Twin Cities:

Crandon, WI

Robert F. Brauer, Freshman, Carlson School of Management

The University of Wisconsin Oshkosh announced:

Argonne, WI Leah Watermolen, Honor Roll

Laona, WI Danielle Johnson, Honor Roll Allisen Novak, Honor Roll

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Letters to the Editor

We welcome letter to the Editor; however the letters should be legible, in good taste, not libelous and pertinent to current issues. Names will not be withheld upon request, except for very special circumstances. NAME AND PHONE NUMBER SHOULD BE INCLUDED FOR VERIFICATION PURPOSES. We reserve the right to reject any and all letters.

Baldwin Calling on Trump Administration to Take Action and Support Wisconsin Hardwood Businesses Hurt by Trade War

"Wisconsin's hardwood industry is facing severe challenges from the retaliatory tariffs China has placed on American hardwoods as part of the ongoing trade wars."

WASHINGTON, D.C. U.S. Senator Tammy Baldwin is calling on the Trump administration to provide relief and support for Wisconsin's forest products economy and hardwood businesses targeted by retaliatory tariffs from China.

In just the first year of President Trump's trade war with China, American hardwood lumber exports were down by \$615 million, undermining the export markets that hardwood businesses spent years to build and develop, and that could take years to rebuild. In her letter to U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Secretary Sonny Perdue and U.S. Trade Representative Robert E. Lighthizer, Baldwin is urging the administration to provide the same trade aid for these affected hardwood lumber companies that other tariff-impacted businesses have received.

In her letter, Senator Baldwin writes, "Wisconsin's hardwood industry is facing severe challenges from the retaliatory tariffs China has placed on American hardwoods as part of the ongoing trade wars. Because of the retaliatory tariffs, our hardwood businesses have faced dramatic losses in sales of hardwood logs and hardwood lumber to China. They have asked the U.S. Department of Agriculture for help, and I urge you to act swiftly to provide it."

She continues, "Hardwood stakeholders have indicated a willingness to work with USDA to establish a fair and reasonable approach to address the severe impacts of retaliatory tariffs on their commodity, which is covered by the same authorities used to provide aid to soy, corn, cotton, and other products. I am discouraged to hear that they have not secured a solution and assistance that other producers have. The forest products economy is a key driver in many parts of the United States, and it is critical to jobs and the economy in Wisconsin."

Baldwin concludes, "I urge you to take immediate action to provide relief to the tree farmers, family woodland owners, and related small businesses in the hardwood industry, and make sure they are not overlooked while aid is provided for other commodities. These small businesses are often major employers in our rural communities, and without attention to this matter, job and wage losses could severely harm our local economies."

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Cyber Hero Academy Feb. 27, 28 at Nicolet College

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While the Academy is open to anyone, professionals from small and medium sized businesses as well as local government entities and municipalities are especially encouraged to attend, said Nicolet Chief Information Officer Greg Miljevich, who helped organize the academy.

"Large organization often have the resources to have robust IT security teams," Miljevich said. "What we've found is that many small and medium sized organizations in the Northwoods simply don't have the same means. The overall focus over the two days will be to help professionals in these organizations with a variety of their IT security needs."

The Cyber Hero Academy will run from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m., Thursday, February 27, and from 8 am. to 4 p.m., Friday February 28, in Northwoods Center 207-209 on the Rhinelander Campus.

Cost is \$1,295 and includes meals both days. For more information, and to register, visit nicoletcollege.edu/cyberhero or call (715) 365-4544.

The Academy will be taught by Kevin Hayes, chief information security officer at Merit Network, Inc. in Ann Arbor, Mich. Hayes has extensive experience in the field of IT security with almost 15 years of professional working knowledge of the industry. He is a part-time instructor for Wayne State University College of Engineering, teaching Intro to Applied Cybersecurity and Network Penetration Testing courses. Hayes is also a frequent presenter at regional and national technology and cybersecurity conferences, including Educause, Merit, ISACA, and MUSIC. He is a member of REN-ISAC, a higher education and research cyber security collaboration organization; a team leader for the Michigan Cyber Civilian Corps (MiC3), and a member of Information Systems Audit and Control Association and FBI Infragard (Detroit Chapter).

Workshops will include:

Threat on your Doorstep: Cybersecurity for Technical Managers – Comprised of several 50-minute modules, this workshop will focus on the current threat landscape, social engineering, critical controls, common attack vectors and more. You'll receive an in-depth overview of the various types of hackers, the nature and role of training programs, warning signs of an attack, and you'll also participate in a phishing demonstration. The content will provide an analysis of the current threat landscape to ensure your organization is prepared to address cybersecurity incidents and threats.

Security on a Shoestring - Protecting your organization is getting tougher as prices for security products and services have skyrocketed over the last decade. While larger organizations are able to purchase necessary equipment and hire staff dedicated to security, small and medium sized businesses are not able to keep up. Hackers know this and have redirected their efforts in hopes of pulling off the next large-scale breach. There are plenty of low cost and no cost solutions available to organizations that have slim budgets. Find affordable

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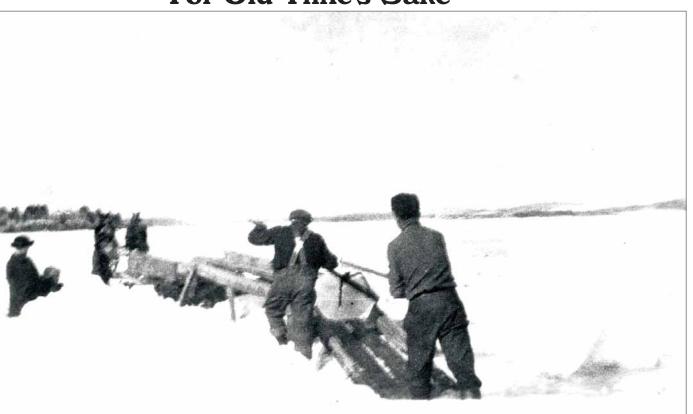
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| Lincoln, Wards 1-3 | 46 | 1 | 0 | 71 | 58 | 1 | 0 | 115 | 37 | 13 | 0 |
| Nashville, Ward 1 | 16 | 4 | 0 | 46 | 20 | 0 | 0 | 56 | 17 | 6 | 0 |
| Nashville, Ward 2 | 20 | 2 | 0 | 4 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 13 | 19 | 0 | 0 |
| Nashville, Ward 3 | 19 | 5 | 0 | 43 | 27 | 0 | 0 | 104 | 46 | 7 | 0 |
| Popple River | 5 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 6 | 0 | 0 |
| Ross | 5 | 0 | 0 | 12 | 8 | 0 | 0 | 17 | 1 | 4 | 0 |
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Lifeline programs and free cell phones

Many Wisconsin telephone and internet providers offer discounts or free services for certain qualifying individuals through the Lifeline program. In the past, several providers not only offered phone service and internet bundles, but would also provide a free cell phone.

Unfortunately, many providers (including the popular Safelink) have discontinued free phones as part of their bundles. For many plans, discounted services may only be added to already existing, compatible phones. For people without a compatible phone, one can be purchased through the company, but no longer provided for free.

Because of the quickly changing nature of these plans and also the localized service areas, the Public Service Commission (PSC) of Wisconsin provider list (now available on the GWAAR website) should be used. You will get to know the specific plans offering services in your area (and there may be more available than what is included in this list). Please check with the providers directly, as changes occur frequently.

It is important to note that there have been no changes to the eligibility requirements through the Lifeline program, which include having a household income below 135% of the Federal Poverty Level (FPL), or receiving one of the following benefits:

- Homestead Tax Credit;
- · Wisconsin Works;
- Medical Assistance (Medicaid);
- · Badger Care;
- Supplemental Security Income (SSI);
- FoodShare;
- · State or Federal Home Energy Assistance (LIHEAP or WHEAP);
 - Federal Public Housing Assistance; and
- · Temporary Assistance for Needy Families
 - Some Tribal Assistance Programs.

If you have any questions about discounted phone and internet services in your area, you should reach out to providers directly.

For more information, see https://psc.wi.gov/Documents/USF/lifelineContacts.pdf

https://psc.wi.gov/Pages/Programs/LifeLineLinkup.aspx.

FOREST COUNTY **COMMISSION ON AGING** RANSPORTATION

Bus Schedule

Tuesday - March 10 - 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 - March 11 - Alvin, Nelma, Laona and Crandon to Rhinelander - Bus driver: Pam Blank

Thursday - March 12 - 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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Nutrition Program SENIOR MEALS

CRANDON, WABENO, LAONA

Monday - March 2 - Potato, egg and chive frittata, fruit, biscuit, berry cobbler

Monday - March 9 - Roast pork, parsley potato, sweet and sour cabbage, dinner roll, applesauce

CRANDON, WABENO, LAONA, ARMSTRONG CREEK Tuesday - March 3 - Chicken veronique, baked potato with sour cream, peas and carrots, oat bread, apple pie square

Tuesday - March 10 - Turkey tetrazzini casserole with noodles, carrots, spinach salad, jello with fruit

CRANDON, LAONA, ARMSTRONG CREEK

Wednesday - March 4 - Beef chili with beans, tossed salad with cheese, raisins, dinner roll, brownies

Wednesday - March 11 - Lemon chicken, parsley potato, green beans, fruit, wheat bread, ice cream

WABENO CONGREGATE & HOME DELIVERED

Thursday - March 5 - Beef chili with beans, tossed salad with cheese, raisins, dinner roll, brownies

Thursday - March 12 - Lemon chicken, parsley potato, green beans, fruit, wheat bread, ice cream **ALVIN**

Thursday - March 5 - Chicken and rice, bread, coleslaw, green beans, applesauce, bars

Thursday - March 12 - Lasagna, garlic bread, salad, pairs, cookies

Thursday - March 5 - 1) Hamburger rice casserole, fresh fruit, cherry dump cake and milk

2) Taco salad, whole wheat roll, cherry dump cake and

Thursday - March 12 - 1) Tomato soup, grilled ham and cheese on whole wheat, fruit cup, apple crisp and milk 2) Chicken chef salad, whole wheat roll, apple crisp, and

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 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 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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are pending with Forest County Potawatomi; with a March Intergovernmental Relations meeting scheduled. It is expected that a meeting with the Mole Lake Sokaogan will occur soon. Ferris went on to say, "I don't think there is any question that everyone understands how important this issue is to our county's residents. I believe we just need to answer some of those questions that our communities ask."

If approved, the grant will solve the ongoing problem of inferior or lack of internet service that extends throughout the county. The Broadband Commission, has identified the three most significant priorities that are compromised by poor service. With the grant, Forest County emergency services would have full connectivity throughout the county which currently does not exist. District Administrators for area school districts have stated that without quality internet available throughout the county, curriculum is compromised. Finally, with the growing need for e-medicine services, county residents can find accessibility to those services at a level that does not meet patients' needs.

Ferris went on to say that while the Commission has identified the three top priorities of Emergency Services, education, and e-medicine, there is so much more that quality broadband can provide; economic impact and development, quality of life issues, and making residency in Forest County attractive. Should you have a question on the broadband issue, Ferris encourages people to contact him at the Forest County Economic Development Partnership office located at the Forest County Chamber of Commerce in Crandon.





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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
- 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
- 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 a.m., Wednesday Prayer & Bible study 6 PM (winter-time 2PM). Pastor Benjamin · 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 10:00 a.m. 715-478-3797.
- Argonne United Methodist Church 7945 Pine St., Argonne, Sunday Service 8:30 a.m. 715-478-3797.
- Gospel Mission Fellowship 1901 Hwy 8 E. in Monico, WI. Sundays 10:30 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-
- 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.

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
- 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
- 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 February, March and April.
- 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 • 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-
- 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. • 14th Annual Goodman-Armstrong Creek PTO Smelt Fry: Sunday, April 5th,
- 12:00-4:00pm Rocque's 8 Hi Club Goodman, WI. All you can eat smelt, homemade fries, baked beans, coleslaw & desserts. (Take outs available) Adult: \$8.00 / 5-10 yrs old: smelt or hotdog plate \$4.00 / 4 yrs old under: smelt or hotdog plate \$2.00

Raffles all afternoon. Profits from this fundraiser will be used for our grade school and high school programs, educational materials, and other needs throughout the year.

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-
- 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-
- Lost Marbles Group Open AA meeting Saturday mornings at 9 a.m. Forest Larger Presbyterian Church. 4374 N. Branch, rear entrance, side door. Park in back next to High School.

Bids & Notices

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

Wabeno School **Breakfast Menu** Mar. 2-6

Monday - Biscuits & gravy fruit, Mandarin oranges juice, milk

Tuesday - No School Wednesday - Cheese omelets, baby red breakfast potato, apple sauce, fruit juice, milk

Thursday - Boston cream pie crepe, granola bar, mixed berry cup, fruit juice,

Friday - Early risers, oranges, fruit juice, milk

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Meetings held every Thursday in Crandon at Associated Bank, 210 S. Lake Ave., from 4:15-5:15

p.m. Contact Debra at 715-784-0031.

Wabeno School **Lunch Menu** Mar. 2-6

Monday - BBQ pork sandwich, potato salad, watermelon, garden bar,

Tuesday - No school Wednesday - Cheesy broccoli soup, whole grain bread stick, garden bar,

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





Development Day

The Laona School District will be holding a Child Development Day on Friday, March 6, 2020. Parents are encouraged to bring their children who will be 3 or 4 years old before September 1, 2020.

Two sessions will be held: 9 a.m. – 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. – 2 p.m. Plan to have your child spend about 45 minutes meeting new friends and seeing the classroom!

If you have not received information in the mail and you would like your child to participate, please call 715-674-2143, Ext. 2 or email: kshepard@laona.k12.wi.us to sign up for

We look forward to meeting our future students!

Smoke Detectors for low income families

The Crandon Fire Department as part of its mission to save lives and property has purchased some smoke detectors to be given away to low income families to help keep them safe. The moneys for this purchase came from fire personal donating time at the Crandon International Off Road Raceway and receiving donation money from the raceway for the help. Fire prevention and life safety is part of the mission of the Crandon Fire Department. The department has partnered with NEWCAP of Crandon to give out these detectors. Anyone that feels they are low income and need a detector should stop by NEWCAP to get one while supplies last. The NEWCAP food pantry is open Mondays and Thursdays from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

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.

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.

School District of Wabeno Area Special School Board Meeting Wednesday, February 19, 2020

The meeting called to order at 6:02 P.M. by School Board President Dave Seeber.

Board members Present: Dave Seeber, Katryna VanEperen, Trinity Shepard, Dawn Jakubiec, Janet Opiela, Lori Mattern, and Dan Christianson. Administration: Jeffrey Walsh, District Administrator, William Taylor, Jr./Sr. High School Principal, Tim Brauer, Elementary Principal, and Robert Tucker, Special Education Director.

Board Members Absent: None.

Notification (Wis. Stats. 19.84(2))

Others Present: Terri Brauer, Alena Collins, Diane Ashbeck, Sherry Birschbach, Rick & Rachel Melcher, Betty Jo Derozier, Katherine Yingling, Caroline Coughlin Lampereur, Jodie Harris Verification of Meeting Notice (Compliance with Open Meeting Law

Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion by Trinity Shepard seconded by Janet Opiela to approve the amended agenda. Carried 7 to 0.

Introduction of Deb Gurke, Gurke Consulting, by Jeff Walsh.

Work Session with the public on Strategic Planning for the School District of Wabeno Area. Worked on Practical Vision - what do we want to see in 3 to 5 years as a result of our actions? Broke into groups. Individually, wrote down visions of 7 words or less. As a group, picked 2 that we wanted to post on the wall and share with the entire group. Slowly, each group added 2 more visions at a time to the board, grouping those of similar nature into columns based on their overall message. Discussed which columns were the most achievable and which were the most difficult to achieve. Which visions affected others, good or bad? As an entire group, we then created "catchy" slogan headings for each column. Next session will focus on Underlying Contradictions.

Next meeting is Thursday, March 5, 2020 at 6 P.M. at the Wabeno Jr./Sr. High School Commons and is open to the public.

Motion by Dawn Jakubiec seconded by Trinity Shepard to adjourn at 7:30 P.M. Carried 7 to 0.

Lenora Mattern, District Clerk

LAONA LIBRARY LORE

The Laona Public Library is hosting an Adult Book Club for all interested readers who like to discuss the books, with other interested persons, that they read.

The next session will be held at 1:00 p.m. on Monday, March 2nd; and the participants will be discussing Mudbound (by Hillary Jordan), in addition to preparing for the April

Please contact Felicia Albrecht at 715-674-4751 for more information, or to join this library program.

Bids & Notices

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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 SPECIAL BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING Thursday, March 5, 2020

Cafeteria - Wabeno Junior High / High School 6:00 P.M. **AGENDA**

- Call Meeting to Order.
- II. 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 Approval.
- VI. Work Session with the public on Strategic Planning for the School District of Wabeno Area.
 - A. Introduction
 - B. Context
 - C. Brainstorm
 - D. Cluster
 - E. Name
 - F. Resolve
 - G. Next steps H. Wrap Up
- VII. Set next meeting date and time
- VIII. Adjourn

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

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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 the District Website: https://www.wabeno.k12.wi.us/#

Wabeno Women's Bowling Scores

(February 19-20, 2020) Week 21 **Team standings** Cassidy's Café, 38 "R" Place, 33 Bruce's Misteaks, 32 Whitetail Logging, 31 Rusty's, 23 Prospect Lodge, 21 Splits N Giggles, 18 **Individual Scratch Game** Lisa Mermuys, 189 Agnes Brown, 182 Cassie Alloway, 171 **Individual HDCP Game** Jessica Jacobson, 219 Lisa Mermuys, 218 Dana Pichotta, 212 Alice Sturzl, 212

Individual Scratch Series Lisa Mermuys, 536 Agnes Brown, 513 Kris Anderson, 479 **Individual HDCP Series** Lisa Mermuys, 623 Jessica Jacobson, 610 Alice Sturzl, 588

Team Scratch Game Bruce's Misteaks, 629 Whitetail Logging, 619 Splits N Giggles, 597

Bruce's Misteaks, 786 Whitetail Logging, 763 Prospect Lodge, 750 Team Scratch Series

Team HDCP Game

Bruce's Misteaks, 1813 Whitetail Logging, 1771 Splits N Giggles, 1727 **Team HDCP Series**

Bruce's Misteaks, 2284 Prospect Lodge, 2226 Whitetail Logging, 2203 **Beer and Pizza**

High HDCP Game: Jessica Jacobson, 219 High HDCP Series: Lisa Mermuys, 623

Team HDCP Series: Bruce's Misteaks, 2284 **High Averages**

> Agnes Brown, 154 Penny Carter, 150 Lisa Mermuys, 149

Amanda House, 148



Highway Weight Limit Notice

A reminder that we are very close to that time of year when seasonal weight restrictions will be going into effect on designated County Highways. We try not to post these weight limits until absolutely necessary, however, due to the unpredictability of the effects of warmer weather on the roadways, there may not be further notification. The limits will be going into effect as soon as the weight limit signs are uncovered. If you need delivery service or have materials to haul on County Highways, NOW is the time to have these things done.

No permission will be given to exceed posted weight limits on any posted County Highway. We would appreciate the public's cooperation to protect our highways.

Forest County Highway Committee Bill Anderson, Commissioner

Rebel Ryan Roy qualifies for State Wrestling Tournament



The WIAA Division 3 Sectional hosted by Bonduel was successful for one Laona-Wabeno Rebel. Ryan Roy from Wabeno qualified for the WIAA state tournament taking place February 27th through 29th. Ryan placed second at the sectional after defeating Grant Englebert in the semifinals to qualify. Ryan has a record of 43-6 and he is currently ranked 5th in the state by Wisconsin Wrestling polls. He has earned 5 first place medals this year along with an Oshkosh on the Water place winner. Ryan is the first freshman to qualify for state in 23 years for the Laona-Wabeno Rebels.

Ryan will wrestle at the Wisconsin State Tournament this weekend in Madison at the Kohl Center. He is scheduled to

wrestle Thursday night around 7:30 p.m.



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American Legion Auxiliary #44 picks for Badger Girls State

American Legion Auxiliary Unit #44 Wabeno proudly announces that four local students have been selected to attend the 2020 Badger Girls State Convention to be held June 21-26 in Gruenhagen Conference Center at the University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh.

Representing Laona High School will be Isabella Daniels, daughter of Alyce and Billy Daniels Jr.; and Madelin Keepers, daughter of Kimberly and Raymond Keepers. Representing Wabeno High School will be Emma Harris, daughter of Laura and Johnny Harris; and Kylie Higgins, daughter of Lisa and Mike Higgins.

Organized in 1937, Badger Girls State is a major project of the Department of Wisconsin American Legion Auxiliary and Unit #44 Wabeno. It is a non-political, non-partisan activity designed to train future stateswomen in the science of government and to develop their leadership skills. The program has grown over the decades and annually hosts over 700 high school juniors from throughout the state of Wisconsin.

"Unit #44 has sponsored BGS delegates in each of the past 13 years," says program coordinator Kathleen Marsh. "We are delighted to provide this excellent



Wabeno High School: Kylie Higgins and Emma

opportunity for Isabella, Madelin, Emma and Kylie. Congratulations to these outstanding young women for accepting our invitation to attend this year. Former



Laona High School: Madelin Keepers and Isabella Daniels

delegates have said it was a life-changing experience for them, not only an opportunity to learn the nuts and bolts of state government but to meet girls from all over Wisconsin while getting a taste of college life at UWO."

Nicolet College Criminal Justice students donate to Rhinelander Police Dept. K9 Unit

Students in Nicolet College's Criminal Justice Club recently completed a fundraising project that resulted in the recent donation of \$500 to the Rhinelander Police Department's K9 Unit.

Rhinelander Police Department Officer Mark Raddatz, and K9 Jason, front and center, recently accepted the donation. Officer Raddatz also talked to the students about the K9 Unit and Office Jason demonstrated for the students a drug sniffing exercise.

Students in the Criminal Justice Club are first row, left to right, MaryBeth Tienhaara, Eagle River, Ceara Clarke, Cathryn Wohlleber, both of Rhinelander, Brielle Tauer, Grafton; second row, Jason Higgins, Three Lakes, Matthew Fessenden, Rhinelander, Michael Bryner, Crandon, Ethan Snyder, Joseph De La Vega, Lara Redmond, all of Rhinelander, Hannah Schade, Cole Leggett, Ryan Lieder, all of Tomahawk; back row, Phil Schmidt, Nicolet Criminal Justice instructor, Zackery DuBois, Ian Conkey, both of Rhinelander, Jesse Fabianski,

Three Lakes, Reed Symonds, Tomahawk, Nathan Riesbeck, Rhinelander, Thomas Ginter, Crandon, Jaymie Welch, Hazelhurst, Amanda Hinz, Tomahawk, John Doane, Mariya Tuckwab, both of Crandon, and Damian Adkins, Laona.

Second-year students Brielle Tauer, MaryBeth Tienhaara, and Zackery DuBois led the latest fundraising effort. The club's next fundraising project involving current members will go to support the Crandon Police Department K9 program.

For more information about Nicolet Criminal Justice program, visit nicoletcollege.edu or call the college at (715) 365-4493, 1-800-544-3039, ext 4493; TTY 1-800-947-3529 or 711 relay.



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