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Ashley Baugnet  
select by CESA  
8 Region as an  
outstanding  
special  
education  
teacher

The School District of Wabeno Area is proud to announce that Ms. Ashley Baugnet, a former Wabeno student, has been selected as one of the most outstanding special education teachers in the CESA 8 Region by the Wisconsin Council of Administrator of Special Services for the 2019-2020 school year. Ashley was nominated for the award by the Director of Pupil Services, Mr. Robert Tucker, for her outstanding work. Ms. Baugnet has been working in the School District of Wabeno Area since 2016.

Ashley was nominated for her strengths. They include, excellent rapport with students, staff members, and the community. She provides a safe and inviting learning atmosphere to her students. Next she has fantastic leadership skills and puts those into practice in her program. Ms. Baugnet also stays up to date with completion of the paperwork needed for all students, and finally, she has terrific technology skills that she shares with colleagues in the school.

Congratulations to Ashley Baugnet for her continued great work for the school District of Wabeno Area! Due to the Coronavirus, a presentation will be made at a later date.

New County Board Chair is  
Cindy Gretzinger-Argonne

By Mike Monte

History was made at the last Forest County Board meeting when Cindy Gretzinger was elected to serve as County Board Chairman, the first woman to do so in county history. The question arises as to whether Cindy should be referred to as Chairlady or Chairperson. Whatever the name, she will be leading the county board meetings for this term. Tom Tallier, former chairman did not run in the last election.

Terry Lukas was elected as 1st Vice-Chair and Bill Chaney as 2nd Vice-Chair.

There are some new faces on the board this term and some empty seats.

District 7, in Wabeno, vacated by Scott Schaeffer, hasn't been filled. Kellee Gallion did not run in District 13, Mole Lake area, and this seat is vacant. And, District 19, the northwest corner of Crandon is still vacant.

New members include Lynne Black, in Lincoln, Cheri Collins, in Wabeno, replacing Tom Tallier. Cheri has served on the board in the past, and so has Lance Laabs, who is back representing citizens in the Pickerel area.

Obviously, we need some reliable people to step forth and represent their friends and neighbors in these open districts. Anybody who would like the experience should step up!

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.

This week, I read a Blog from Bill Gates and his thoughts about the Coronavirus. I'll try to summarize what he says in dealing with the 'first modern pandemic.

Gates begins by stating that the coronavirus pandemic pits all of humanity against the virus. This is like a world war, except in this case, we're all on the same side. He sees global innovation as the key to limiting the damage. This includes innovations in testing, treatments, vaccines, and policies to limit the spread while minimizing the damage to economies and well-being. The global collaboration on these issues is impressive and we should know a lot more by the summer.

Is the disease seasonal or weather dependent? Almost all respiratory viruses (a group that includes COVID-19) are seasonal. This would mean there are fewer infections in the summer, which might lull us into complacency when the fall comes. Because we see the novel coronavirus spreading in Australia and other places in the Southern hemisphere, where the seasons are the

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Evers announces opening for  
certain nonessential businesses

MADISON – Gov. Tony Evers announced the another turn of the dial in expanding allowed operations for nonessential businesses, providing even more opportunities for businesses to get back to work in a safe and responsible way.

The Emergency Order, signed by Wisconsin Department of Health Services Secretary-designee Andrea Palm, allows nonessential businesses to do curbside drop-off of goods and animals. This will allow businesses like dog groomers, small engine repair shops, upholstery businesses, and others to safely open. Today's order also allows outdoor recreational rentals, such as boats, golf carts, kayaks, ATVs, and other similar recreational vehicles. Additionally, automatic or self-service car washes would be able to operate. All of these businesses must operate free of contact with customers by providing payment options online or over the phone, enact proper disinfecting practices, and operations must be able to be performed by one staff member.

This order means that every business across our state can do things like deliveries, mailings, curbside pick-up and drop-off, and it's an important step in making sure that while folks are staying safer at home, they can also continue to support small businesses across the state.

Today's order builds upon the last turn of the dial. When the Safer at Home order was extended last week, a number of additional options were made available for businesses to safely serve the public, including:

- Golf courses were opened this past weekend;
- All businesses are allowed to offer curbside pick-up, allowing customers to purchase goods online or over the phone from a local store;
- Construction businesses can do aesthetic or optional construction work so long as it is performed by a single person;
- Public libraries can provide curbside pick-up of books and other library materials;
- Arts and crafts stores can offer expanded curbside pick-up of materials necessary to make face masks; and
- Landscaping businesses can do aesthetic or optional lawn care so long as it is done by a single employee.

Emergency Order #34 goes into effect at 8 a.m. Wednesday, April 29, 2020. If you have questions regarding Emergency Order #34, please review the frequently asked questions document available here.

In addition to the requirements outlined above, all essential and nonessential businesses must continue to follow social distancing and safety practices required under the Safer at Home order, available here. A document summarizing these safe business practices by the Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation (WEDC) is available here. Businesses can visit WEDC.org for additional resources on taking the necessary steps to keep workers, businesses, and customers safe.

The final Forest County Deer  
Advisory meeting

The final Forest County Deer Advisory meeting will again be held by phone conference due to the COVID-19 situation. At the April preliminary meeting the council voted to have a zero antlerless harvest on both private and public land. Junior antlerless harvest within the county will be valid. The council will review the recently concluded public feedback from the comment period and set final recommendations for the 2020 deer season. May 7th @ 7PM is the meeting date and time. The public may listen in by calling 855-947-8255 when prompted enter password 9336-097 # pound sign.

The DNR will review the final CDAC recommendations in May and provide proposals to the Natural Resources Board in June.

More information can be found at (dnr.wi.gov) keyword "CDAC" and by clicking on "FIND" and selecting Forest County.

Lakes Country Library offers  
curbside delivery

The Lakes Country Public Library is now offering curbside delivery. Patrons can email the library at lak@lakescountrylibrary.org or call 715-276-9020 with requests, and library staff will contact them to schedule a pickup time. Only materials currently in the library are available for checkout.

All returned materials must be put in the outside drops, and pickups will be at the library's back door. See the library's website at lakescountrylibrary.org for more information, or to apply for a card.

Community Health Fund Members:  
we need you; you may need us



Julie Palmer wearing a mask she made as part of the Community Health Mask Makers effort.

Some of over 600 masks made by Cindy and Bruce Resler,

Community Health Mask Makers was established in March to provide face masks to the Northwoods community. They continue that mission; to date they have delivered over 3,000 masks to essential workers and residents across a wide area. This critical project during this virus outbreak isn't finished though, so please consider helping with sewing, cutting fabric, delivering, or pick-up.

The group's overwhelming success has encouraged them to expand their mission by founding the Northwoods Community Health Fund as they do not want anyone in the area to have difficulty obtaining basic needs. As an additional service, they will provide transportation to appointments, grocery shopping, deliveries, pick up, running errands, handyman services, personal check in, financial/food assistance, gardening, and other basic needs.

The process for obtaining assistance is easy. Pick up an application/envelope at Nicolet Pharmacy, Bellin Health/Lakewood, or the Community Health Fund Drop Center located between Nicolet Pharmacy and Bellin Health/Lakewood. Fill out the application identifying as a business, individual, or family. Residents may also nominate someone in need.

Return the application in the sealed envelope to the pharmacy or drop site. Applications will be reviewed and requests met as fully as possible. All applications are confidential; a code is applied so only one person knows who is requesting or receiving aid.

In such harrowing times, people in the Northwoods have shown they can pull together to accomplish amazing things. To keep the momentum going, the group asks those who are able to make a cash contribution to do so. Donations to the "Community Health Fund" may be dropped off at any Laona State Bank location.

Those with questions should stop at the drop site in Lakewood (Monday-Friday; 12-2; and Saturday 12-1); email chsoutreach@gmailcom; or visit Facebook "Northwoods Community Health Fund" page. Community Health Fund Members wish to extend deep appreciation for the widespread generosity and support.

The recipe for Elephant Stew

One of our readers, Margie Morrell, sent in this recipe. With the current pandemic and time spent at home, it might be something that would not only taste good, but provide a quality time in your kitchen.

You will need one elephant, brown gravy, salt and pepper to taste, and two rabbits.

Cut the elephant into bite-size pieces (This will take about 4 months). Cook over kerosene at 525 degrees until tender (about 5 months). Add salt and pepper, then cover with brown gravy. This will serve about 3,800 people. If more are expected, and two rabbits. Do this only if absolutely necessary as most people do not like hare in their stew!

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**Forest County Extension introduces**  
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Forest County Master Gardeners here to serve you! Left to right: Sally Hickman, Donna Mrgula, Diane Braunreiter, Tammy Stroik, Teleka Dewing, Barbara Barker, Instructor Jill Krueger and Michelle Gobert.

Last fall, seven individuals completed the UW-Madison Division of Extension Master Gardener Level 1 training course in Forest County. Over the course of six month, trainees attended two-hour sessions in which the trainees were educated on general gardening practices, fruits, vegetables, soils, botany, herbaceous plants, woody ornamentals, plant pathology, entomology and backyard wildlife. Congratulations to all!

Now that the individuals have completed the training course, the Master Gardener Volunteers will begin sharing the research-based information they learned in training and combine it with their garden experience to assist community partners with horticulture related activities. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, these activities will include answering community members gardening questions, educational articles in local newspapers, as well as online training via the Extension website at <https://forest.extension.wisc.edu/> Community gardens will continue to be supported but due to Wisconsin's Safer at Home program, public hours at the gardens will be limited.

And while the Master Gardeners are excited to answer questions about local horticulture topics, they also want to empower individuals and families to know and understand the many benefits of gardening. In addition to eating healthier, knowing where your food comes from, and growing fresh fruits and vegetables that taste better, there are many additional health benefits of gardening.

Gardening is a great way for the whole family to get some physical activity that can range from a full body workout to light exercise. It can boost your mood and be one way to relieve stress by connecting with nature and taking your mind away from negativity. Gardening is good for your mind and promotes learning at all levels. Children can learn science lessons like what plants need to grow and what bugs are useful. Adults can research different plants, flowers and trees and how to optimize their growth and manage their problems. If you don't have space for a garden, you can start with a raised bed or a container garden. There are many resources available to help you get started and answer your questions.

Do you have a question on gardening, flowers, lawn, trees or insects? Contact a Forest County Master Gardener by calling the UW-Extension office at 715.478.7797. A trained Master Gardener Volunteer will return your call.

**Mooning Mallards**

Somebody said that these mallards were eating, but it could be that they are tired of being gawked at by all the cars around Metonga and decided to moon all those nosey people.

## FOREST COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE CORRECTIONAL OFFICER/JAILER POSITIONS

Forest County Sheriff's Office is now accepting applications for Correctional Officers. These positions have been deemed essential and we are seeking male and female candidates for both full-time and part-time positions.

Individuals will be required to work day or night shifts, weekends, and holidays as shift rotations dictate. Applicants will be responsible for the supervision, safety and care of inmates as well as maintaining security and safety of all aspects of the Forest County Jail. No experience necessary, we offer on the job training.

**Salary & Benefits:** Full time hourly wage rate begins at \$18.36 per hour. Increasing to \$18.96 with 40 hours of vacation after one year of service. Pay and vacation time continues to increase with longevity. Benefits include: Wisconsin Retirement Fund, Health Insurance, Life Insurance, Sick Leave, Vacation Time, 9 Paid Holidays, Uniform Allowance, Deferred Compensation and Education Incentive Pay. Part Time hourly wage rate is \$18.00 per hour.

**Qualifications:** Must be 18 years of age, US Citizen; high school graduate or equivalent; valid Wisconsin driver's license; good verbal and written communications skills; basic computer knowledge; able to handle stressful situations and must be self-motivated and able to work well with others as well as to work independently of others.

**Apply:** Submit a current Forest County DI-LE-330 Application a Cover Letter and a Resume to:  
**Attention: Chief Deputy Alex Walrath**  
**Forest County Sheriff's Office**  
**100 South Park Avenue**  
**Crandon WI 54520**

Applications must be received by **Thursday May 28, 2020 at 4:00 PM.**

Applications are only available at the Forest County Sheriff's Office or online at [www.forestcountysheriff.org](http://www.forestcountysheriff.org). All questions on the application **MUST** be completed, including Section 6. Your social security number must also be included. Applications that are not completed will be rejected.

**NOTE: Successful applicants will be required to submit a written examination, oral interviews, extensive background investigation, a physical fitness test and a medical and drug examination.**  
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## Town of Lincoln Help Wanted

The Town of Lincoln will be accepting applications for one Part-Time Summer Help & Building Maintenance Worker. Hours to be on an as needed basis. Applicant must have a valid driver's license and be able to work irregular hours.

Contact Tressa Votis (715) 478-1295 or [townoflincolnwi@gmail.com](mailto:townoflincolnwi@gmail.com) or Lynne Black at (715) 478-3103 for an application, which can be submitted until 3:00 p.m. on May 8th, 2020.

Return applications and/or resumes To: Town of Lincoln Summer Position, 5376 County Road W, Crandon, WI 54520.

## Town of Lincoln Help Wanted

The Town of Lincoln will be accepting applications for one Part-Time Road Maintenance Worker, for approximately 32 hours per week. Applicant must be able to work irregular hours with the possibility of nights and weekends in certain weather conditions.

Applicant must possess a valid Wisconsin commercial driver's license (CDL) with all the proper endorsements. Previous experience with the operation and maintenance of roads, equipment experience and mechanical ability a plus. Contact Tressa Votis (715) 478-1295 or [townoflincolnwi@gmail.com](mailto:townoflincolnwi@gmail.com) or Lynne Black at (715) 478-3103 for an application, which can be submitted until 3:00 p.m. on May 8th, 2020. Return applications and/or resume's To: Town of Lincoln-Road Maintenance Position, 5376 County Road W, Crandon, WI 54520.



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## Community Coalition Prevention Poster Contest

The Community Coalition of Forest County is excited to announce it is sponsoring a 2020 Prevention Poster Contest. The theme of the poster contest is "What a Healthy Forest County Looks Like" and is open to all Forest County youth ages 5-18.

The poster contest offers youths throughout Forest County the opportunity to showcase their creative talents as an extension of our coalition's year-round mission to measurably improve the health and well-being of our residents with a focus on substance abuse and prevention.

Due to the generosity of our Coalition partners, cash prizes will be awarded to youth in four communities: Armstrong Creek, Crandon, Laona and Wabeno. Entries need to be submitted online. If you need assistance submitting the artwork online, please contact Michelle Gobert at 715-478-5908.

All submissions must be received by 8 p.m. on Sunday, May 3rd.

All posters must meet the following criteria:

Poster theme should reflect the theme "What a Healthy Forest County Looks Like":

Posters must be original student artwork with no adult assistance.

Paper size must be 8½" x 11"

Posters can be created using one or more of a variety of drawing tools (e.g., crayon, colored pencil, marker, paint, chalk, etc.) No digital media, please.

The Community Coalition Poster Contest is open to all Forest County youth ages 5-18 enrolled in public, private and/or home schools. One entry per child. No group entries, please.

Posters will be judged by a panel of Community Coalition members who will evaluate the poster for its effective use of the theme, if it follows the contest rules, and its use of creativity and originality.

Judge's decisions are final. All posters become the property of the Community Coalition of Forest County. All poster entries will be on display on the Community Coalition of Forest County's website located at [www.forestcountycc.org](http://www.forestcountycc.org). Winners will be announced on Sunday, May 10th.

Photos of the poster may be submitted online or you may email a photo of your poster to [michelle.gobert@wisc.edu](mailto:michelle.gobert@wisc.edu). When taking a photo of the poster, please fill the frame, and make sure it is clear. This is extremely important. An entry form must be completed for each poster entry.

Please contact Extension Educator Michelle Gobert at 715-478-5908 or [michelle.gobert@wisc.edu](mailto:michelle.gobert@wisc.edu) with questions or concerns.

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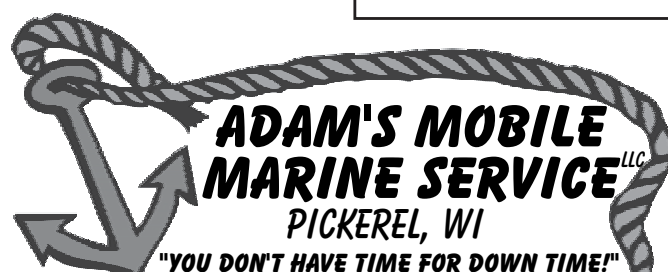
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# Death Notices



On Wednesday April 22, 2020, Michael Robert Branch, loving father of two children, passed away at age 65.

Mike was born on June 25, 1954 in Scotts Bluff, NE to Rodney and Irene (Livingston) Branch. Prior to moving to Wisconsin in 1992 and being a successful business owner of 27 years, at the Long Branch Saloon in Townsend, Mike was a carpenter in Colorado. On August 09, 1986, he married Diane Marie Iskowsch. They raised two kids, Cory, and Kelly.

Mike had a passion for boating and entertaining the individuals who surrounded him. Mike truly lived life to the fullest through simple pleasures. He always enjoyed a good game of dice, or darts, listening to old country music, and even shouting at the TV while watching The Price is Right every morning. His smile and outgoing personality was much admired not only by friends and family, but also by all who frequented the business throughout the years. He was also an avid golf lover. Although strongly opinioned, he was an excellent listener who often gave the best advice. Underneath his tough exterior was the biggest loving heart and soul a person could have. He was known for his quick wit, and his infectious smirk.

Mike was preceded in death by his father, Rodney, and his mother, Irene. He is survived by his business partner, friend, and mother of his kids, Diane, his two children, Cory and Kelly, his brothers, Greg (Dorothy) and Maynard (Patti), granddaughter Zyon, and several cousins, nieces, and nephews.

Family, friends, and others whose lives were touched are invited to a celebration of life which will be held in the summer of 2020, at the Long Branch Saloon (Townsend). Details to follow.

Mike will be missed dearly by family and friends. Rest in peace Branch, we love you.

## 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.*

To: Town of Laona Board and Residents of the Town of Laona

As they sometimes say, opportunity only knocks once. I have taken the call of opportunity knocking and have accepted a different employment position where my skills can be utilized and where I am well compensated. My family and I have relocated to the Town of Three Lakes. Due to the relocation, I can no longer serve as a member of the Town Board, please accept this as my letter of resignation from the Laona Town Board and Town Chairman, effective today, April 24, 2020.

Although sometimes challenging, I have enjoyed serving the Town and enjoyed the chance to make many changes though the years. Since being on the board, beginning in 2004, we saw the building of some major businesses including the Family Dollar Store, T-Bobs which is now JARS, and the expansion of WD Flooring and the Hideaway Campground. I also got to see and be part of the building of the Nicolet State Trail, Centennial Park and Heritage Park (the ball field) in downtown, the shooting range, updating of the Community building, and establishment of the Town Industrial Park and gravel pit. I can claim some involvement with each of these, along with my fellow board members of the time.

Throughout my tenure, I strived to maintain a comfortable tax levy while providing for items which were needed to effectively and efficiently operate the programs for which the Town is responsible. I helped with establishment of the Town comprehensive plan which lays out equipment replacement at regular intervals. Scheduled replacement of Town road equipment reduces downtime and maintenance costs while improving reliability of road maintenance, especially snowplowing. Scheduled replacement and updating of fire equipment, fire trucks, and rescue squads establish the Town's determination to provide for the volunteers that give of their personal time to serve the residents. I know from the past it is hard to keep volunteer numbers up and to retain good employees when necessary equipment is inadequate. Hopefully the future will follow the plan and standard operations of which I have been part of.

I am proud of the changes in the Town of Laona throughout the years. I was born in Laona and was a resident for most of my life. Although I now reside and work elsewhere, Laona is always the place that I will call "HOME". Good luck in the future, I know the people of Laona will do well!

Sincerely, Al Murray



Mrs. Ione Feight Cunningham, 89 of Lincoln Ave., Lincolnton entered into rest on Wednesday, April 22, 2020 at her residence.

Graveside services were held on Saturday, April 25, 2020 at 11 a.m. at Lincolnton City Cemetery with Revs. Randy Kanipe and Paul C. Reviere officiating.

Mrs. Cunningham, daughter of the late Lynn and Loretta Pratt Feight, was born in Crandon, WI. on May 31, 1930. She had lived in Sturtevant, WI for many years where she had served as the head baker for the Racine County School System. Over 46 years ago, she moved to Lincolnton and retired from Mayfair Mills as a machine operator. Her pastimes included raising flowers, gardening and crocheting, and baking. Her delicious cakes were a favorite of many locals. Also, she enjoyed traveling and especially loved the beach. In years past, when her health permitted, she attended Bethany United Methodist Church and Loco Baptist Church. Her husband, Billy Cunningham and sister, Verna Drury preceded her in death.

She is survived by her sons, Butch Cunningham and wife Denise, Bob Cunningham and wife Judy; daughters, Debbra Reed and husband Steven and Donna C. Wilson all of Lincolnton; sisters, Georgina Cundiff and Cleo Pitts both of Crandon, WI, Mimi Chestnutt of Clearwater, FL; grandchildren, Tyson Cunningham, Jourdan Taylor, Anna Rose Cunningham, Dalton Reed, Garret Reed, Stephanie Partridge, Matthew Kirkland and Whitney Rogers; great-grandchildren, Dylan Taylor, Okelin Taylor, Fortson Partridge and Will Partridge.

Beggs Funeral Home, Lincolnton, Ga. is honored to serve the family of Mrs. Ione Feight Cunningham.

### A Message To The Class Of 2020

Dear Members of the Class of 2020;

My name is Tom Thielke and I am an area retiree with a message for you, our local high school seniors. You may wonder "What does this old guy have to say to the 2020 senior class, and why?" It just so happens that this old guy has unique connections to the students in the three high schools located in Forest County. As a child I attended elementary school in Lakewood and then graduated from Wabeno High School in 1964. Later I spent 22 years working in the School District of Crandon; the last 6 years as the District Administrator. I also served as the Interim Superintendent in the Laona School District. Thus I may be one of the few educators around who can say they have been participated in graduation ceremonies in all three of our local school districts. While I have been retired for almost as many years as you seniors have been students in these schools, I do feel that I have an important message to relay.

Now that the schools have been officially closed for the remainder of the 2019-20 school year, you may be facing the reality of not having a graduation ceremony; that final event that brings your high school career to a close. While that may seem devastating, it will not be the end of your world. What is far more important is that you actually complete your studies, satisfy the qualifying requirements, and earn your high school diploma. Even if it only comes in the mail, that document will help you move forward in life, whether your next step is the job market, the military, a university, or training programs at a technical college such as Nicolet College, a superb educational facility that often seems to be one of the best kept secrets in the northern half of Wisconsin.

Many of us have completed educational programs or degrees and received a certificate, diploma, or other verification of completion through the mail. What is printed on that piece of paper is far more important than walking across a stage; and that is something that you can control. Buckle down this next month and finish your school work. Don't stress out over something you cannot control and maintain your sense of humor. You will have lived through a most unique situation and just think about how that will fit in the stories you eventually tell your children and grandchildren. Almost like the stories your grandparents tell you about walking five miles to school and back each day, both ways being uphill. Only your stories will probably be true.

When you get the opportunity to get back in your school buildings, take a walk down the hall and look at the graduation composite pictures of the Classes of 1942-1945, the World War II era. You will probably see some pictures of graduates in military uniforms. Some of those students departed for the military well before their school's commencement ceremonies. As an example, the Class of 1943 picture hanging on the wall in Wabeno High School shows my uncle, Gerald Thielke, and his good friend, Wilbur Greasby, in their Naval Service uniforms. Those two young men from Lakewood left for the military at age 17 in February of their senior year. Both did receive diplomas from Wabeno High School. After World War II, Gerald attended college and then returned to the Wabeno School District to work for more than 30 years in the district. Mr. Thielke began his career at Lincoln Elementary School and finally retired as the principal of the new elementary school. While the situation you seniors of 2020 are facing might seem severe, others before you have also encountered and survived some difficult situations.

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In closing, we often regard graduation ceremonies as a "Rite of Passage" and missing out on this rite experienced by your brothers, sisters, and parents is a true downer. But you can still put on your caps and gowns and take your family pictures. CONGRATULATIONS SENIORS! We appreciate your contributions to our communities and your understanding. And remember, this too shall pass. We wish you the best and do recognize your efforts in making this major step forward in your life. Please know that you have the support of us retired educators. We are confident that you have been prepared for whatever comes your way.

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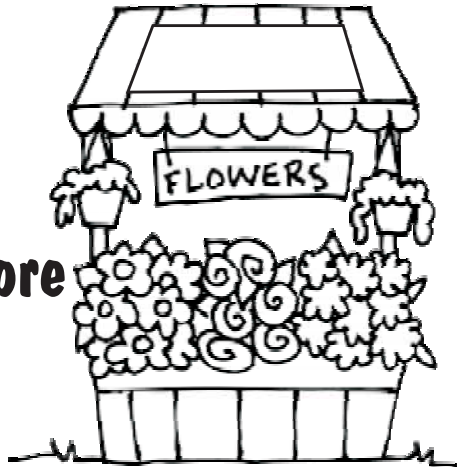
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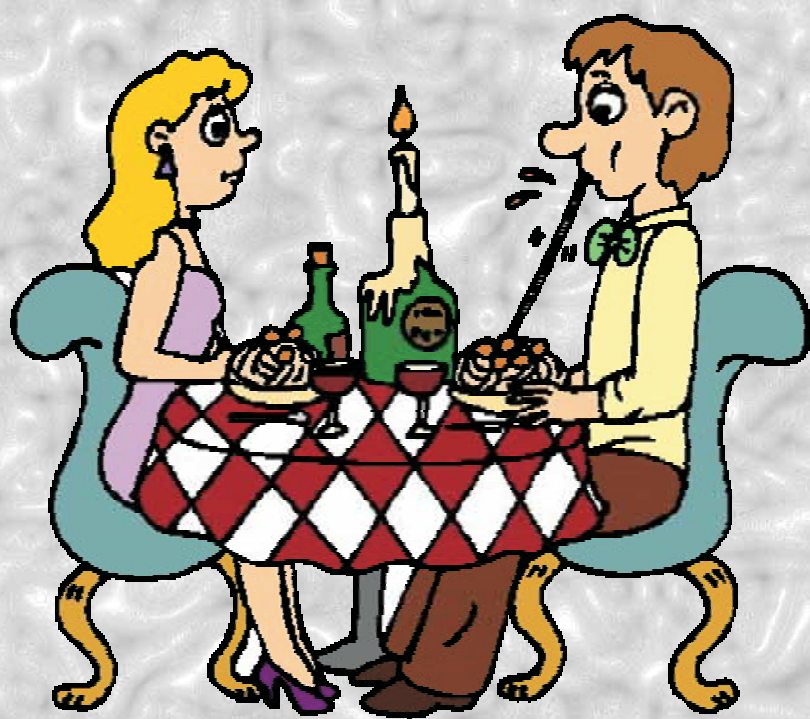
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## North Lakes Community Clinic Lakewood, welcomes Betty Thunder

NorthLakes Community Clinic is pleased to announce that Betty Thunder, LCSW, MSW, CSAC, will be joining the Lakewood Clinic. She will be offering Behavioral Health therapy to the Lakewood Community. She will be seeing school age children, adolescents and adults in the clinic and students in the Wabeno and Crandon School District.

Betty holds a master's degree in social work and brings over twenty-five years of experience to NorthLakes. Prior to joining NorthLakes she was a substance abuse/mental health therapist at Marshfield Clinic Family Health Center. She was drawn to clinical social work because "as a person with a natural inclination to be a helper, it was a natural choice for me."

She blends person centered therapy, cognitive behavioral and rational emotive therapy and includes breathing techniques that she knows from being a certified yoga instructor. "It teaches the kids to have a better internal focus of control."

In her career Betty has supervised staff members and professionals as well as starting new programs such as tele-psychiatry and overseen state certifications and policies and procedures to be compliant with Wisconsin State Statutes.

Outside of her work Betty enjoys being outdoors, either tending her gardens or bicycling, walking or snow shoeing, and being a grandmother to a 9-month-old and a 12-year-old.

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NorthLakes Community Clinic Lakewood remains open and is accepting new patients during the pandemic. The clinic is open for some in-person services. Patients also have the option of seeing their provider virtually via phone or video. The clinic has also established a curbside laboratory to conduct some laboratory appointments. If you have questions about how to establish care or connect with your current provider, please call the clinic at: 715.276.6321.

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### Chequamegon-Nicolet National Forest delays Opening of all Recreation Sites

Rhineland, WI APRIL 10, 2020 -- In alignment with current federal, state and local guidance for social distancing and to ensure health safety of its employees, visitors and volunteers, the Chequamegon-Nicolet National Forest will be delaying the opening of all recreation sites and not allowing camping or campfires until further notice. In addition, the Forest is implementing a group-size limitation of 10 people or less per group across the entire Forest. Last week, the Forest shutdown all restrooms and removed garbage receptacles at recreation sites.

**The following are closed until further notice:**

All Developed Campgrounds (Reservations will be cancelled, and refunds issued for the month of May). The Forest will continue to monitor the situation and respond accordingly with additional cancellations in June and/or the reopening of sites on a first-come, first-serve basis.

All Day Use Areas (trailheads, picnic areas, boat landings, beaches and the Mountain Fire Tower)

Lost Lake Cabins, Northern Great Lakes Visitor Center and Forest Lodge

Dispersed (roadside/Forest) camping on the National Forest

Trails (motorized and non-motorized designated trails)

All restroom facilities

The General Forest remains open to the public including Forest Roads for hiking, biking and scenic driving. To protect public health and safety, all visitors to the Forest are encouraged to:

Avoid visiting the forest if you are sick and/or experiencing COVID-19 symptoms.

Follow CDC guidance on personal hygiene and social distancing before and during your visit to the Forest.

Take your trash with you when you leave.

Please make arrangements to use the restroom before or after your visit to the forest. Unmanaged waste creates a health hazard for our employees and for other visitors.

If an area is crowded, search for a less occupied location. Also consider avoiding the Forest during peak hours.

The Chequamegon-Nicolet National Forest takes the safety of our personnel, contractors, volunteers, and visitors seriously. With spring quickly approaching, the potential for crowded conditions increases in parking areas, trailheads, and at popular forest destinations, undermining the country's critical efforts to contain the spread.

"Personal responsibility is now more important than ever. Let's all do our part to ensure we are keeping ourselves, our families and our communities safe by being prepared and recreating responsibly," said Paul Strong, Forest Supervisor on the Chequamegon-Nicolet National Forest.

The Chequamegon-Nicolet National Forest will continue to coordinate its COVID-19 response in alignment with all federal, state and local guidance. When visiting your public lands, it is important to be aware of current forest limitations. Everyone is urged to take the precautions recommended by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). The most recent CDC guidelines are available at <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/about/prevention.html>. Additional information is also available at <https://www.usda.gov/coronavirus>.

The Chequamegon-Nicolet National Forest has moved to virtual services. Please visit us at <http://www.fs.usda.gov/cnnf> and access our forest maps at <https://www.fs.fed.us/ivm/>. You can also follow us on Twitter at <http://twitter.com/CNNF002> or like us on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/CNNF002>.

# Senior Chatter

## Changes to Wisconsin Home Energy Assistance Program (WHEAP) Eligibility

In response to the COVID-19 crisis, the Department of Administration (DOA) has adjusted the eligibility requirements for residents who are seeking heating and electric assistance through the Wisconsin Home Energy Assistance Program (WHEAP).

Eligibility will now be based on the household's previous month of income, rather than the former requirement of the previous three months of income. This move was made to ensure those who are recently affected by the COVID-19 response are able to receive assistance quickly. Eligibility requirements are available below:

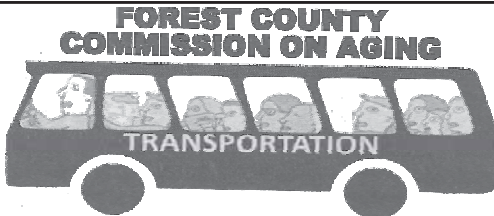
**INCOME GUIDELINES FOR THE 2019-2020 HOME ENERGY PLUS PROGRAM  
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Household Size	One Month Income
1	\$2,389.42
2	\$3,124.67
3	\$3,859.83
4	\$4,595.08
5	\$5,330.33
6	\$6,065.50
7	\$6,203.33
8	\$6,341.25

The Wisconsin Home Energy Assistance Program (WHEAP) provides assistance for heating costs, electric costs, and energy crisis situations.

Your household may be eligible for Wisconsin Home Energy Assistance Program (WHEAP) services based on a number of factors. However, if the gross income for your household is less than the amount shown on the chart above, you might be eligible to receive assistance. Households must complete a Home Energy Plus application through the local WHEAP agency.

For more information on the Wisconsin Home Energy Assistance Program (WHEAP) and how to apply, please call 1-866-HEATWIS (432-8947), or visit the "Where to Apply" tab on [www.homeenergyplus.wi.gov](http://www.homeenergyplus.wi.gov) to find your local energy assistance agency.



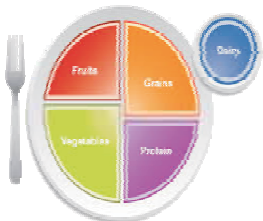
### BUS SCHEDULE

Due to **COVID - 19**: We will only have bus transportation on Tuesdays and Thursdays. The bus is only transporting within Forest County.

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## Forest County Commission on Aging



### Nutrition Program

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#### CRANDON, WABENO, LAONA, ARMSTRONG CREEK

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#### CRANDON, LAONA, ARMSTRONG CREEK

**Wednesday - May 6** - Egg Salad Sandwich on whole wheat, Cole Slaw, Baked Beans, Fruit, Snickerdoodle Cookie

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**JARS - Closed in May**

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Please register with Commission on Aging - 478-3256.

JARS - 4863 Elm St., Laona, WI 54541. Closed until further notice. 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). Meals canceled until further notice.

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.

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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.*

## CLEAN-UP DAYS Town of Wabeno

May 19th and 20th, 2018

Saturday: 8am 4 pm

Sunday: 10am 4 pm

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## Veteran's Memorial Park Closed Until Further Notice

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# Bids & Notices

## City of Crandon LARGE ITEM PICK UP

EAGLE WASTE will be picking up "LARGE ITEMS" (furniture, boxes/bags clothing, etc.) placed at curbside on TUESDAY, MAY 19, 2020.

**NOT BE INCLUDED** in the pick up: Demolition Waste, yard waste, hazardous waste, liquid waste, tires, boats, batteries, appliances, microwaves, and/or electronics.

If you have any questions regarding items that are allowed for pick up please call EAGLE WASTE at 715-477-0077.

Cindy Bradley, City Clerk/Treasurer

Brush & yard waste will be picked up at curbside throughout the coming months as the street crew sees it.

### Special Meeting

Laona Board of Education

Monday, March 16, 2020 – 5:00 p.m.

C. L. Robinson Elementary - Room 24

President Scott Reeves Called the **Special Meeting to Order** at 5:00 p.m. Present: Scott Reeves, Jim Aschinger, Melissa McLaughlin, Samantha Hoffman, Frank Shepard Jr, Jim Bradley, Melissa Chrisman, and Katie Shepard to take minutes. No guest in attendance. Notice has been posted in accordance with Wis. Stat. 19.84. Frank Shepard Jr. led the **Pledge of Allegiance**.

Motion by McLaughlin, seconded by Shepard to **approve the amended agenda** to add B. Pay Support Staff, C.

Continue to provide Daycare to parents that are currently enrolled, D. Clarification in sick days if used for voluntary Quarantine, E. 6th Grade Class trip Discussion, and F. Prom 2020. All in favor, motion carried.

Open Action Items:

Discussion held on School Closure Plan. Discussed virtual learning and expectations.

Motion by Aschinger, seconded by Hoffman to approve Support Staff Pay. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Shepard, seconded by McLaughlin to approve the Daycare to stay open for currently enrolled. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Shepard, seconded by Aschinger to use Sick Leave upon return if you self quarantine. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Aschinger, seconded by Shepard to give Mr. Bradley the option to postpone/cancel the Senior Class Trip. All in favor, motion carried.

Discussion held for Prom 2020. Will readdress at the April meeting.

No Closed Session was held.

Motion by Shepard, seconded by Hoffman to Adjourn the meeting. All in favor, motion carried. (6:38 p.m.)

## Notice-Town of Laona

The Laona Town Board will be accepting letters of interest for the Town Chairman position. The position is to fill the remaining 2yr. term, which will expire on April 20th, 2021.

If interested in filling the vacant seat please submit a letter of interest to Town of Laona PO Box 36, Laona WI 54541. Letters will be accepted until Monday May 11th, 2020. Please call the Town Hall for any questions. 715-674-4071.

Erin Lane, Clerk/Treas.

### NOTICE

#### FOREST COUNTY ATV TRAILS OPEN

All Forest County State funded ATV Trails will be open for use on Friday, May 1, 2020 at noon.

Snowmobile trails are not open for ATV use by County Ordinance. Please stay on the approved trails and routes. Please use caution and appropriate speeds when using the ATV trails. Trails across National Forest will remain closed.

### Regular Meeting Laona Board of Education Monday, March 9, 2020 – 5:30 PM C. L. Robinson Elementary - Room 24

Vice President Jim Aschinger Called the **Regular Meeting to Order** at 5:30 p.m. Present: Jim Aschinger, Frank Shepard, Jr., Melissa McLaughlin, Samantha Hoffman, Melissa Chrisman, Tiffany Pakulski, and Katie Shepard to take the minutes. Scott Reeves and Jim Bradley were absent. There were two (2) guests in attendance. Notice has been posted in accordance with Wis. Stat. 19.84.

Samantha Hoffman led the **Pledge of Allegiance**.

Motion by Aschinger, seconded by Shepard to approve the Agenda. All in favor, motion carried.

**PUBLIC FORUM (10 minutes): None**

**Consent Agenda** - Open and Closed Regular Meeting Minutes dated February 17, 2020.

Purchase Orders for period 02/15/20 - 3/06/20 - \$10,216.69

School Disbursements and Wires paid from 02/01/20-02/29/20 - \$206,637.81

Cash Receipts for period 02/01/20-02/29/20 - \$25,364.49

Motion by McLaughlin, seconded by Shepard to approve the **Consent Agenda**. All in favor, motion carried.

#### OPEN ACTION ITEMS:

Motion by Shepard, seconded by Hoffman for **Field Light Pole Removal Bid**. Removal of eight (8) light poles from the football field. Bid accepted from Dailey Tree Care. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Hoffman, seconded by McLaughlin for **Tree Removal Bid**. Removal of 3 Spruce, 1 Elm, and possible Maple tree. Bid accepted to have Dailey Tree Care removed. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by McLaughlin, seconded by Shepard for **Library Carpet Bid**. Bid accepted to have Conway True Value replace the carpet. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Shepard, seconded by McLaughlin for **Exterior Door Proposal**. Purchasing doors without installation from Quality Door Proposal. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Hoffman, seconded by Shepard to accept **Hallway/Kitchen Flooring Phase 1 bid**. Bid accepted to have Home Interiors replace flooring. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Shepard, seconded by Hoffman to accept **Walk-In cooler**. All in favor, motion carried.

Discussion held on **School Safety Evaluation Form** done by the Forest County Sheriff's Department.

Motion by Hoffman, seconded by McLaughlin to approve the **K-12 Music/Band Teacher**. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by McLaughlin, seconded by Shepard to approve the **4K Class Size Adjustment** to 22. All in favor, motion carried.

Mrs. Chrisman presented the **AGR Report** to the board.

Motion by Hoffman, seconded by McLaughlin to approve **Kerber Rose Audit Service**. All in favor, motion carried.

Mrs. Chrisman presented **Staffing for the 2020-2021 School Year**.

Scott Reeves arrived at 6:37 PM.

Motion by Reeves, seconded by Shepard to approve the hiring of an Elementary K-6 teacher. All in favor, motion carried.

**Administrator Evaluation** was moved to closed session.

#### INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:

Tiffany Pakulski submitted a written **Business Manager's Report** that can be found on the school website under District, School Board, Board Agendas, Boarddocs link.

Mrs. Chrisman submitted a written **Elementary School Principal's Report** that can be found on the school website under District, School Board, Board Agendas, Boarddocs link.

Mr. Bradley submitted an **Administrator/High School Principal's Report** that can be found on the school website under District, School Board, Board Agendas, Boarddocs link.

#### Board Member Reports -

Samantha Hoffman - Congratulations to the Boys Basketball team for advancing to the sectionals and to Ryan Roy for taking 4th place at sated wrestling and Paige Peterson on 2nd place at Girls WWF Girls Folkstyle Tournament.

Frank Shepard - Congratulations to the three students on Academic All Conference, Elizabeth Krawze, Halia Babich, and Frank Shepard. Congrats to Ryan Roy and Paige Peterson for advancing to state for wrestling.

Motion by McLaughlin, seconded by Shepard to **Enter into Closed Session** pursuant to Wis. Statute 19.85 (1)(c) for considering employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility.


Motion carried with Reeves, Aschinger, McLaughlin, Hoffman, and Shepard voting yes.

After Returning from **Closed Session**, no action was taken.

Motion by Shepard, seconded by Reeves to **Adjourn** the meeting. All in favor, motion carried.

(7:34 PM)

# Bids & Notices



## WE ARE NOT CLOSED!!!

ADRC of the Northwoods is continuing to provide assistance to Forest and Taylor County residence by telephone. Due to COVID-19 and for your safety, walk-in appointments and home-visits will only be conducted on a case by case basis.

Our hours of operation are 8:00 am to 4:30 pm, Monday thru Friday. We can be reached at 1-800-699-6704. We look forward to assisting our community members in these trying times. Stay safe and healthy from all of us at the ADRC of the Northwoods.

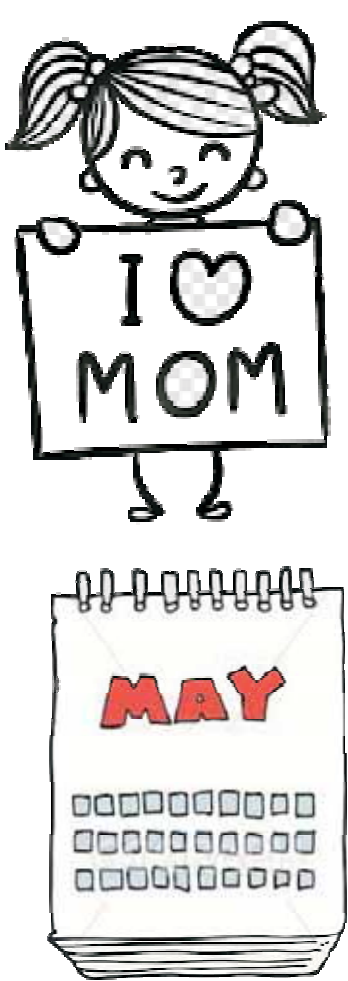
**SCHOOL DISTRICT OF WABENO AREA**  
**ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING ORDER OF BUSINESS**  
 Wednesday, May 6, 2020 – 5:30 P.M. (Regular School Board Meeting to follow)  
 High School Library - Wabeno Junior High / High School

**AGENDA**

- I. Call meeting to order by the board president.
- II. Roll call of school board members by the board president.
- III. Approval of the agenda.
- IV. Election of board officers:
  - a. President
  - b. Vice President
  - c. Clerk.
  - d. Treasurer
  - e. Deputy Clerk
- V. Designation of official depositories.
  - a. Designation of banks as depositories for district funds.
  - b. Designation of checking account bank for ensuing fiscal year.
- VI. Designation of official newspaper for the ensuing fiscal year.
- VII. Approval to affiliate with the Wisconsin Interscholastic Athletic Association (WIAA).
- VIII. Approval to affiliate with the Wisconsin Association of School Boards (WASB).
- IX. Election of the WASB representative and alternate, who will serve as the delegate to the 2020 WASB Delegate Assembly.
- X. Designation of school board meeting times and date.
- XI. Election of a delegate to the CESA 8 annual meeting.
- XII. Discuss and take action regarding professional development opportunity for school board members and administration conducted by the Wisconsin Association of School Boards (WASB)
- XIII. Adjourn

NOTE: THE AGENDA IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE AS ALLOWED

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**2020-2021 PUBLIC SCHOOL OPEN ENROLLMENT APPLICATION PERIOD – EXTENDED SCHOOL DISTRICT OF WABENO**

The School District of Wabeno Area will be accepting Open Enrollment applications for Public School Open Enrollment. **Due to the Covid-19 pandemic, the open enrollment period for the 2020-2021 school year has been extended until 4:00 P.M. May 29, 2020.** Applications must be received in the District Office no later than **4:00 P.M., May 29, 2020.** Parents may also fill out and submit the application on-line. The on-line application will be available until **4:00 P.M. on May 29, 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.

**NOTICE-TOWN OF LINCOLN**

**OPEN BOOK AND BOARD OF REVIEW**

**OPEN BOOK** The assessment roll will be open for public inspection at the Lincoln Town Hall, 5376 County Road W, Crandon from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. on Friday, May 22 from 4-6 PM. (Books are also available for review after May 22, 2020 by appointment with the Clerk.)

**BOARD OF REVIEW** Will be held at the Town Hall, 5376 County Road W, Crandon on Thursday, June 4, 2020 from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m.

All persons wishing to appear at the Board of Review must file a formal objection form with the town clerk at least 48 hours prior to the day of the Board of Review. Forms will be available by contacting the Town Clerk at (715)478-1295 or [tressavotis@gmail.com](mailto:tressavotis@gmail.com) (or the Town Assessor at the Open Book).

**Town of Lincoln,**  
**Tressa L. Votis, Clerk/Treasurer**

*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, May 6, 2020 (Immediately following the Organizational Meeting)  
 High School Library - Wabeno Junior High / High School

**AGENDA**

- I. 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 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 April 1, 2020.
  - b. Approval of minutes of the Special Board Meeting on April 15, 2020.
- IX. Approval of Vouchers and Payroll
- X. 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. Discuss and approve Mission Statement from Strategic Planning.
  - b. Discuss and approve School District of Wabeno Strategic Plan as our Blueprint for Success.
  - c. Discuss and take possible action on graduation.
  - d. Discuss and take possible action on senior and band trips.
  - e. Discuss and take possible action on prom.
  - f. Discuss and take possible action on offering virtual summer school.
  - g. Discuss and take possible action on grading for the semester.
  - h. Discuss and take possible action on summer school lunch program.
  - i. Discuss and take action on spring coaches’ pay.
  - j. Public Hearing on Educator Effectiveness Waiver with board action.
  - k. Discuss and take action on teacher hiring(s).
  - l. Discuss and take action on portable bathrooms at football field for 2020 season.
  - m. Discuss and take action on Health, Dental, and LTD. Insurance.
  - n. Discuss and take possible action on Safe Routes to School.
  - o. Discuss and take possible action on Policy 6111 involving employee compensation.
- XII. Motion and roll call vote to go into closed session. Pursuant to Wisconsin Statutes 19.85(1)(c)(e), the Board may convene in closed session for the purpose of :
  - a. Discuss and take possible action regarding teacher contracts.
  - b. Discuss and take possible action for CPI or a percentage raise for our teaching staff beyond step raises.
  - c. Discuss and take possible action on letters of intent for support staff.
  - d. Discuss and take possible action on administrative contract(s).
  - e. Discuss and take possible action on vacation carry over or payment to staff.
- XIII. Motion and roll call vote to return to 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.
- XV. Adjourn

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

*Approved for Publication/Posting by: Superintendent of Schools*

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*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/#>*

**Conservation Corner** Cont. from pg. 1

opposite of ours, we already know the virus is not as seasonal as influenza is.

Which activities cause the most risk of infection? Judgements will have to be made about different kinds of gatherings like classes or church going and whether some kind of spacing should be required. In places without good sanitation, there may be spread from fecal contamination since people who are infected shed the virus.

Who is most susceptible to the disease? We know that older people are at much greater risk of both severe illness and death. Understanding how gender, race, and co-morbidities affect this is a work in progress.

Vaccines have saved more lives than any other tool in history. Smallpox, which used to kill millions of people every year, was eradicated with a vaccine. New vaccines have played a key role in reducing childhood deaths from 10 million per year in 2000 to fewer than 5 million per year today.

Short of a miracle treatment, which we can't count on, the only way to return the world to where it was before COVID-19 showed up is a highly effective vaccine that prevents the disease.

If you'd like to read the full memo, it can be found by Googling 'GatesNotes'.

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“At this time, the health and safety of our guests and the 200+ team members of Potawatomi Carter Casino Hotel is our top priority,” said Stacey White, General Manager of the property.

We will remain in communication with local health officials and follow the guidelines set forth by the Centers for Disease Control.

*Please follow all of our social media channels for future updates.*

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