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2021 Essay Contest winners announced by FCAL

Forest County Association of Lakes (FCAL) is proud to announce this year's essay contest winners from the 5th and 6th grades of Crandon, Laona and Wabeno schools.

This year's essay theme was "Aquatic Invasive Species and How They Affect Forest County Lakes and Streams." The essays were judged by 12 volunteers from FCAL. They were judged on content, composition and originality. 3 prizes are awarded to each school: !st place wins \$100, 2nd place wins \$50 and 3rd place \$25.

The Crandon 5th grade moved the judges for Crandon to create 2 honorable mention awards this year of \$10 each. In addition to these cash awards, the winners and their parents are invited to attend FCAL's Fall Banquet in October where the winners will be honored by the FCAL members attending.

And the winners are:



From left: Auron Garrow HM, Kylie Thiel HM, Pam Schroeder FCAL President, Cilla Packard 3rd place, Lindsey Mihalko 2nd Place, Peyton Hauser 1st place.



From left: Kendric Allen 6th grade teacher, Addisyn Lochen 1st place, Torie Rosio 3rd place, Ava Hanmann 2nd place, Pam Schroeder FCAL President.



From left: Melissa Chrisman, Elementary Principal, Pam Schroeder, FCAL President, Cameron Tilton, 1st Place, Braiden Kelley, 3rd place, Mike Chrisman, 5th grade teacher.



From left: Dan Lazzeroni, 6th grade teacher, Melissa Chrisman, Elementary Principal, Pam Schroeder, FCAL President, Faith Novak, 2nd place, Michelle Ferm, 5th & 6th grade reading teacher.

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Kylie Higgins Co-Valedictorian Wabeno High School 2021

Kylie Higgins, daughter of Mike and Lisa Higgins, is the Co-Valedictorian of Wabeno High School Class of 2021. Kylie has maintained a 4.0 GPA while participating in many extra-curricular activities. Kylie has been a member of the varsity volleyball team, varsity basketball team, and the varsity softball team for all four years of high school. Kylie has also participated in the Wabeno High School band for the last 8 years. Kylie is the Secretary of her class and has been recognized as a member of the National Honor Society for the last two years.

This fall, Kylie will be attending NorthCentral Technical College in Wausau to pursue a career in Nursing.



Matthew Seeber Co-Valedictorian Wabeno High School 2021

Matthew Seeber is the son of David and Erin Seeber of Townsend. He is the grandson of Kathy Rank, Karen Seeber, Deb and Scott Wycherly, and the late Terry Rank and Bill Seeber. He has attended Wabeno Area School District since 4k and is the class of 2021 Co-Valedictorian. He has spent his years in high school participating in cross country, track and field, and basketball. Matthew's favorite memory from high school is from his senior cross country season when he qualified for the state meet. One thing he will miss is running with Boys Team.

He would like to thank everyone who has helped him progress throughout his academic and athletic careers in high school.

Matthew is planning on attending Ripon College to pursue a degree in math education while participating in cross country and track and field.



Grace Novack Wabeno High School Salutatorian 2021

Grace Novak, daughter of Bill and Cindy Novak, is the Salutatorian of the Wabeno High School Class of 2021. While in school, Grace participated in both Cross Country and Softball, all while maintaining high academic standards. She also has been a member of the National Honor Society for two consecutive years. In her free time, Grace spends much of her time volunteering with projects in the Wabeno Fab Lab, various sports tournaments, and with her church. Her interests include spending time with friends and family, being on the lake all summer, and traveling. Grace will be attending the Dental Assistant program at Fox Valley Technical College. After college, Grace hopes to continue her education with the Dental Hygiene program.



Wabeno 2021 commencement speaker Linda denz

Linda graduated from high school in Milwaukee in 1980. She went to UW-Milwaukee where she received her Bachelors of Science degree in Math Secondary Education in 1984. Her first teaching job was at a catholic high school in Milwaukee. She worked full-time for 4 years, then started a family. To be home more, she quit full-time teaching and started teaching a night class of calculus at Milwaukee Area Technical College. She had a second child and added on another part-time teaching job at Alverno College, a catholic college in Milwaukee. She also enrolled at UW-Milwaukee to start her Master's degree. She had daughter number three and earned her Master's degree in Curriculum and Instruction in 1994.

In January of 1997, she began working at UW Waukesha as a Math Specialist. She helped at-risk college students in math and taught some sections of college algebra.

In 2000, she moved to West Bend where she began working at UW Washington County, doing the same thing she did at UW Waukesha. Then in 2001, she decided to leave college teaching and return to high school teaching at West Bend West High School. She continued teaching until all four of her children graduated high school in 2010.

Less than one week after her youngest daughter graduated, she and her husband sold their house and moved up to their lake cabin in Mountain. In the fall of 2010, she started teaching at Crandon High School. Finally, in the fall of 2016, she arrived at Wabeno High School and taught middle school math for the first time in her career. She loved it! Now, she is happily retiring after 37 total years in education. Linda is looking forward to spending time outdoors hunting, hiking, kayaking, skiing, snowshoeing, fishing, and snowmobiling.

Sylvan Post 44 presents scholarships at Wabeno High Senior Awards Night



Jim Pleva (Education Chairman) and George Richards (Commander) presented four \$1000 scholarships that will be disbursed at the start of the second semester. Preference is given to students having a relative who is a veteran, achieving academic excellence, demonstrating leadership, and being active in the service of their school and community.

On behalf of the members and families of the American Legion Sylvan Post 44, we would like to extend our congratulations to the Class of 2021 and wish them the very best in their future endeavors.

Pictured: Jim Pleva, Emily Christianson, Emma Harris, Clayton Janesch, Dylan Cloud, and George Richards

Conservation Corner

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

Tips for helping to prevent oak wilt disease

It's best to avoid cutting, pruning or damaging oak trees this time of year to prevent the spread of oak wilt disease.

Oaks are most vulnerable to the disease during the growing season, especially from April 1 to July 15.

"Disease prevention is key," said Ben Walker, a silviculturist with the Chequamegon-Nicolet National Forest. "Once oak wilt becomes established, it can kill otherwise healthy trees in as little as three to four weeks."

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School District of Laona High Honor Roll 3.5-3.99 Quarter 4 2020-2021

12th Halia Babich, Matthew Bauer, Taylar Cleereman, Zachary Immel, Madelin Keepers, Seth Lempel, Zack

11th Lavara Gilpin, Lyric LaRock, JaKota Milan, Natalie Newton, Frank Shepard

10thZoie Cayan, Mya Chrisman, Aryanna Keepers, Kara

9thGavin Connor, Malerie Krawze, Marissa McLaughlin, Abagail Peterson, Brady Shepard, Cameron Sorenson, Rylee Yaeger

8thAve Cleereman, Colten Cooper, Holly Gilligan, Gracie Howen, Dylan Wirth

7thMaddie Foltz, Lily Kulpa, Autumn Lane, Nathan Mihalko, Ian Niggeling, Lily Terry, Boone VanOoyen, Lovey VanZile, Precious VanZile, Walker Winkelman

School District of Laona Honor Roll 3.0-3.49 Quarter 4 2020-2021

12th Savannah Collins, Isabella Daniels, Thomas Gryboski Tyler Piton, Michael Stamper

11th Jordan Aschinger, Kyle Chitko, Nathan Reeves, Tanner Rosio, Kevin Sheldon

9thMakenzee Marvin, Evan Vander Velde

8th. Allison Albrecht, Nathaniel Gilpin, Alessia Mahony, Dayton Marvin, Donovan Prince, Faith Simon, Shandon Tallier, Madison Thomson

7thBrooke Blankenhorn, Kayona Hawkins, Damien Lewis Greyson McClain, Marshal Smith



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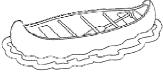
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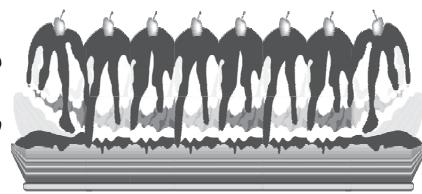
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Death Notices



Irene Koch, 90, of Lakewood, WI passed away Friday, June 4, 2020 at the Unity Hospice, De Pere. Irene was born May 7, 1931 in Chicago, IL the daughter of Joseph and Mary Godnya. She was united in marriage on March 4, 1950 to Herman Koch. Irene met Herman in Lakewood in 1948 while vacationing with longtime friend Laverne. Irene was loved by everyone she met from Chicago to

Lakewood. If shopping for clothes was considered a hobby, then that would be her favorite.

Irene is survived by her husband of 71 years, Herman Koch; sons, Mike (Pam) Koch; Fred Koch; grandchildren, Paul, Pamela (Theobold); Kevin and Alex; great-granddaughter, Amelia; and many nieces and

She was preceded in death by her parents; Joseph and Mary; son, Don Koch; sisters, Ann (Bill) Wasielewski; Sophie (Stanley) Kapusinski; brother, Edward Godnya.

Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Tuesday, June 8, 2021 at St. Mary's of the Lake Catholic Church, Lakewood with Father Philip Dahn-Van-Thiep officiating. Visitation will be held from 9:00 a.m. to time of services. Burial to follow at Lakewood Cemetery.

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

SENIOR **MEALS** CRANDON, WABENO, LAONA

Forest County Commission on Aging

Nutrition Program

Monday - June 7 - Chicken stir fry, stir fry veggies, brown

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Tuesday - June 8 - Beef Pot roast, mashed potatoes harvard beets, dinner roll, apple pie square. CRANDON, LAONA, ARMSTRONG CREEK

Wednesday - June 9 - Pulled pork on a bun, potato

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June 10th - Thursday

Nelma, Alvin, Laona and Crandon to Iron Mountain by 10:00 A.M. Will stop for lunch. Depart Iron Mountain by 2:00 P.M. Bus Driver Pam Blank

June 15th - Tuesday

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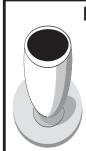






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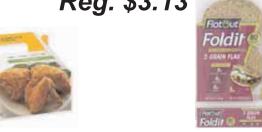
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Candidates must have an appropriate DPI license (1801 Cross-categorical Special Education or 1811 Learning Disability and certification in elementary education (1777). Applicants must possess the knowledge and skills to work as a team to develop comprehensive individualized education plans for students along with the ability to administer and interpret test data. (An innovative approach with a focus on continuous improvement is necessary. Collaboration with staff, students, and community members to improve learning is imperative.)

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Laona Board of Education Regular School Board Meeting Monday, June 14, 2021 at 5:30 pm C.L. Robinson Elementary School

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Pledge of Allegiance Melissa McLaughlin
- 3. Approval of the Agenda
- 4. Public Forum (10 Minutes)
- 5. Consent Agenda
- A. Bills and Claims
- B. Meeting Minutes
- 6. Items for Discussion and/or Action A. Building Usage Discussion COVID-19 Revisited
- B. AGR End of Year Report
- C. Baseball/Softball Field Discussion Chad Albrecht
- D. Quarterback Club Concession Stand Discussion
- E. Tennis Courts Discussion
- F. Daycare Lead Teacher Discussion
- G. School Based Teletherapy
- H. Fund 46 Update
- I. Health Insurance Update
- J. Co-Curricular Resignations
- K. Co-Curricular Coaching Position Approvals
- L. School Counselor Position Update
- M. Elementary Staff Resignation
- N. Personnel
- 7. Informational Items:
- A. Business Manager's Report
- B. Elementary Principal's Report
- C. Administrator/HS Principal's Report
- D. Board Member Reports
- 8. Enter Closed Session pursuant to Wisconsin Statutes 19.85(1)(c) for considering employment, promotion, compensation or

performance evaluation data of any public employee.

- A. Personnel
- 9. Return to Open Session to possibly take action on items discussed in closed session.
- 10. Adiourn:

Notes: "This meeting is a meeting of the Board of Education in public for the purpose of conducting the School District's business and is not to be considered a

public community meeting.

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

School District of Wabeno Area Regular School Board Meeting Monday, May 3, 2021 High School Library – Wabeno Jr./Sr. High School

School Board President, Dave Seeber, called the meeting to order at 6:10 P.M.

Board members present: Dave Seeber, Katryna VanEperen, Dawn Jakubiec, Janet Opiela, and Dan Christianson. Administration: Jeffrey Walsh, District Administrator, William Taylor, Jr./Sr. High School Principal, Tim Brauer, Elementary Principal, and Robert Tucker, Director of Pupil Services.

Board Members Absent: Lori Mattern, Trinity Shepard

Others Present: Brian VanEperen

Verification of Meeting Notice (Compliance with Open Meeting Law Notification (Wis.Stats.19.84(2)). Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion made by Katryna VanEperen seconded by Dan Christianson to approve the Agenda. Carried 5 to 0.

Public Participation: None. Motion made by Katryna VanEperen seconded by Dan Christianson to approve the Regular School Board Meeting Minutes of April 7, 2021. Carried 4-0-1. Dave Seeber abstained.

Motion by Dan Christianson seconded by Dave Seeber to approve the payment of vouchers by general checks 82037 to 82126 for \$222,854.57 and payroll checks <u>900042922</u> to <u>900043123</u> for <u>\$200,156.64,</u> and a state tax, 941 tax, and employee trust fund electronic transfer for \$116,348.58.

Carried 5 to 0.

Jeffrey Walsh, District Administrator, William Taylor, Jr./Sr. High School Principal, Tim Brauer, Elementary Principal, and Robert Tucker, Director of Pupil Services. shared updates and upcoming events with the Board.

Dawn Jakubiec extended her appreciation and a big "thank you" to Mrs. Boor for arranging the band concert in such a short amount of time. It was wonderful! Dan Christianson concurred.

Motion by Dawn Jakubiec seconded by Dave Seeber to approve 10 guests per graduate for graduation. Carried 5 to 0.

Motion by Dan Christianson seconded by Katryna VanEperen to approve offering summer school at both schools with masks optional. Carried 5 to 0. Motion by Dawn Jakubiec seconded by Katryna VanEperen to approve hiring Sherry

Christianson as Math Interventionist starting 2021-2022 school year. Carried 5 to 0. Motion by Katryna VanEperen seconded by Dave Seeber to approve Janet Newton as

Drama Director starting 2021-2022 school year. Carried 5 to 0. Motion by Dawn Jakubiec seconded by Dan Christianson to approve Sara Perry as JH

Volleyball Coach starting 2021-2022 school year. Carried 5 to 0. Motion by Dawn Jakubiec seconded by Dan Christianson to approve Colin Schubert as Varsity Wrestling Coach starting 2021-2022 school year. Carried 5 to 0.

Motion by Katryna VanEperen seconded by Dan Christianson to accept Mike McCann's resignation with many thanks from the Board for his many years of service. Carried 5 to 0.

Motion by Katryna VanEperen seconded by Dave Seeber to accept Marla Walsh's resignation from Little Logrollers Daycare with many thanks from the Board. Carried 5 to 0.

Motion by Dawn Jakubiec seconded by Katryna VanEperen to accept Katie Essermann's resignation with many thanks from the Board. Carried 5 to 0.

Motion by Dan Christianson seconded by Dawn Jakubiec to accept Rachel Lee's resignation with many thanks from the Board. Carried 5 to 0.

Motion by Katryna VanEperen seconded by Dan Christianson to accept Linda Denz's retirement/resignation with many thanks from the Board. Carried 5 to 0.

Motion by Dan Christianson seconded by Katryna VanEperen to approve Student Assurance for student accident insurance for the 2021-2022 school year. Carried 5 to 0.

Motion by Dawn Jakubiec seconded by Dan Christianson to approve NEOLA policies 5517.01, 5830, 6605, 6610, 7230, 7550, 8451, 9130, 9700, 8420, and 8531. Carried 5 to 0.

Motion by Dan Christianson seconded by Katryna VanEperen to go into closed session at 6:54 P.M. Pursuant to Wisconsin State Statute 19.85 (1) (c) (e). Roll call vote: Dave Seeber, yes; Katryna VanEperen, yes; Janet Opiela, yes; Dawn Jakubiec, yes; and Dan Christianson, yes. Carried 5 to 0.

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 wages for support staff.
- d. Discuss and take possible action on administrative contract(s) and wages. Motion by Katryna VanEperen seconded by Dan Christianson to return to open session at 7:40 P.M. to announce or take action, if any, and if appropriate on items discussed in closed session. Roll call vote: Dave Seeber, yes; Katryna VanEperen, yes; Janet Opiela, yes; Dawn Jakubiec, yes; and Dan Christianson, yes. Carried 5 to 0.

Motion made by Katryna VanEperen seconded by Janet Opiela to approve teachers above scale to receive 2.5% rather than CPI. Carried 4-0-1. Dan Christianson abstained.

Motion made by Dan Christianson seconded by Dawn Jakubiec to approve raising the starting wage and current wage by \$1/hour for teacher's aides/paraprofessionals. All other support staff and direct support staff shall receive a 2.5% raise. Carried 5 to 0. Motion by Dave Seeber seconded by Dan Christianson to approve 2.5% raise for direct

Motion made by Katryna VanEperen seconded by Dave Seeber to approve teacher contracts for 2021-2022 school year. Carried 4-0-1. Dan Christianson abstained.

Motion by Dawn Jakubiec seconded by Katryna VanEperen to adjourn at 7:46 p.m. Carried 5 to 0.

Dawn Jakubiec, Deputy Clerk

administrative staff. Carried 5 to 0.

School District of Wabeno Area Organizational School Board Meeting Monday, May 3, 2021 (Regular School Board Meeting to follow) High School Library - Wabeno Jr./Sr. High School

School Board President, Dave Seeber, called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M. Board members present: Dave Seeber, Katryna VanEperen, Dawn Jakubiec, Janet Opiela, 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: Lori Mattern, Trinity Shepard

Others Present: Brian VanEperen

Motion made by Katryna VanEperen seconded by Dan Christianson to approve the Agenda. Carried 5 to 0.

Dan Christianson nominated Dave Seeber for President. Motion by Katryna VanEperen seconded by Dawn Jakubiec to elect Dave Seeber for President. Carried 5 to 0.

Dave Seeber nominated Katryna VanEperen for Vice President. Motion by Dan Christianson seconded by Dave Seeber to elect Katryna VanEperen for Vice President. Carried 5 to 0.

Katryna VanEperen nominated Lori Mattern for Clerk. Motion by Dave Seeber seconded by Katryna VanEperen to elect Lori Mattern for Clerk. Carried 5 to 0. Dave Seeber nominated Dan Christianson for Treasurer. Motion by Katryna VanEperen seconded by Dave Seeber to elect Dan Christianson for Treasurer. Carried 5 to 0.

Katryna VanEperen nominated Dawn Jakubiec for Deputy Clerk. Motion by Dan Christianson seconded by Dave Seeber to elect Dawn Jakubiec for Deputy Clerk.

Motion by Katryna VanEperen seconded by Dave Seeber to designate the Laona State Bank as the official depository for District. Carried 5 to 0. Motion by Dawn Jakubiec seconded by Dan Christianson to designate the Laona

State Bank for the District's checking account. Carried 5 to 0. Motion by Katryna VanEperen seconded by Dan Christianson to designate the Lakes/Forest Beacon and Pioneer Express as the official newspapers for school board publications. Carried 5 to 0.

Motion by Dave Seeber seconded by Dawn Jakubiec to approve affiliation with the Wisconsin Interscholastic Athletic Association (WIAA) for 2021-2022. Carried 5 to 0. Motion by Dan Christianson seconded by Katryna VanEperen to approve affiliation

with the Wisconsin Association of School Boards (WASB). Carried 5 to 0. Motion by Katryna VanEperen seconded by Dan Christianson to designate Trinity Shepard as the District's WASB representative. Carried 5 to 0.

Motion by Katryna VanEperen seconded by Dave Seeber to designate Dawn Jakubiec as the District's WASB alternate representative. Carried 5 to 0. Motion by Dawn Jakubiec seconded by Dan Christianson to set regular board meetings for the 1st (first) Wednesday of each month at 6:00 P.M. Carried 5 to 0. Motion by Dave Seeber seconded by Katryna VanEperen to designate Trinity Shepard as the District's CESA 8 representative. Carried 5 to 0.

Motion by Katryna VanEperen seconded by Dan Christianson to approve professional development opportunities for school board members and administration conducted by the Wisconsin Association of School Boards (WASB). Carried 5 to 0.

Motion by Dawn Jakubiec seconded by Dan Christianson to adjourn at 6:10 P.M. Carried 5 to 0.

Dawn Jakubiec, Deputy Clerk

Notice-Town of Laona

Notice is hereby given that the Town of Laona will be accepting bids for mowing town roads. Bids will be accepted until 3:00 p.m. June 15th at the Laona Town Hall or at PO Box 36, Laona, Wisconsin. Bids will be opened at the Town Hall at 12:00 p.m. on June 18th. **Please contact Jessica Thornton, Town Clerk** at (715) 674-4071 more information.

Jessica Thornton, Clerk/Treasurer

School District of Wabeno Area Special School Board Meeting Monday, May 17, 2021 5:45 P.M. Wabeno Junior High/High School Library

The meeting called to order at 5:45 P.M. by School Board President Dave Seeber.

Board members present: Dave Seeber, Katryna VanEperen, Trinity Shepard (via phone), Dawn Jakubiec, Lori Mattern, and Dan Christianson. Administration: Jeffrey Walsh, District Administrator Board Members Absent: Janet Opiela

Administration Absent: William Taylor, Jr./Sr. High School Principal, Tim Brauer, Elementary

Principal, and Robert Tucker, Special Education Director Others Present: Teresa Romprey, Brenda Ashbeck Verification of Meeting Notice (Compliance with Open Meeting Law Notification (Wis. Stats. 19.84(2)).

Motion by Katryna VanEperen seconded by Dan Christianson to approve the agenda. Carried 6 to 0. Motion by Katryna VanEperen seconded by Trinity Shepard to change the mask policy to optional when social distancing is possible with the understanding that when social distancing is not possible (on bussing), masks are required. This pertains to all school property and school functions effective May 18, 2021. Carried 5 to 1.

Motion by Dawn Jakubiec seconded by Dan Christianson to approve hiring Melissa Hanmann as Special Education Cross Categorical teacher beginning in the 2021-2022 school year. Carried 6 to 0.

Motion by Dawn Jakubiec seconded by Katryna VanEperen to adjourn at 6:03. Carried 6 to 0.

Lenora Mattern, District Clerk

Laona High School Graduation Ceremony



commencement speaker Cortney Britten-Cleereman

The School District of Laona held its high school graduation ceremony on Saturday, May 29th. The commencement speaker was Cortney Britten-Cleereman. Halia Babich was this year's valedictorian and Matthew Bauer was the salutatorian. It was a beautiful day to celebrate our 2021 graduates.





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Salutatorian Matthew Bauer



Zack McLaughlin receiving his diploma from his mother Melissa McLaughlin.



Students for the class of 2021

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trees. They can pick up fungal spores from an infected tree and carry them on their bodies to healthy trees.

Oak wilt can be very difficult and costly to control once a tree is infected. Underground spread through root grafts is common and many oaks can be lost quickly. Once established in an area, if not controlled quickly, spread to other nearby areas is almost inevitable.

Transporting firewood also creates a chance for fungal mats under the bark to carry oak wilt to new locations.

Silviculurists recommend using local firewood and following Wisconsin firewood

While oak wilt has been established in the forest's Lakewood- Laona Ranger District in northern Oconto County for more than 20 years, it was discovered more than 100 miles away in the Great Divide and Washburn ranger districts in Bayfield and Sawyer counties in 2018. Chance for control and containment in the northwest counties stand a better chance since infections are relatively new and more localized.

Oak wilt can reduce property values and recreational opportunities, while the

forest products industry can also see reduced timber values.

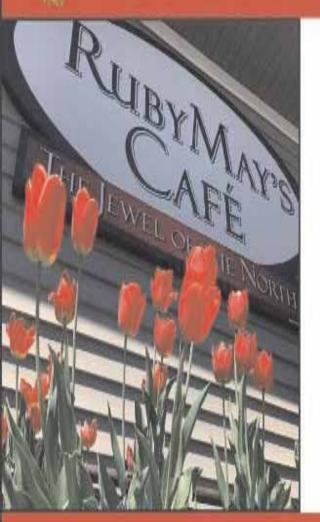
"All landowners can help with prevention," Walker said. "The most important thing we can do is protect oak trees during the growing season."





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