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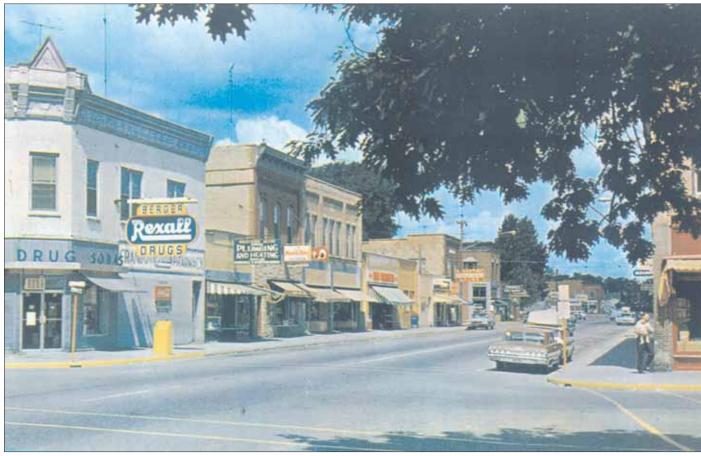
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Oh! How things change!



This is the beginning of a new year, and as they say, things are slow as molasses in January! We are using some of our old photos to entertain our readers, and the shot above is one of the newer ones. This picture was taken in the 1960's. That lovely 1963 Chevy two-door by the A&P is one of the give aways. But wait, that isn't the A&P anymore, it is Subway!

Towns evolve, and businesses change. The Rexall drug store is no longer in the Rexall chain, but Paul Linderud is still dispensing drugs in the building. The soda fountain, however, is long gone. Next in line, left to right, is Gravitter's Western Auto Hardware and Plumbing and Heating. You would know this building today as Tricia's Bistro. Harry's Red Owl is next in line. This is now Tricia's Treasures, as are the next two buildings that used to be Russel's Shoe Store and Krohn's Sporting Goods. The Ben Franklin is now Bruce Walentowski's Flowers From the Heart, and next the Post Office that is now Northern Tees & Gifts. Where the Century 21 real estate office is today, was Tony Pociopa's Sportsman's Bar back then. The Gamble store is next, and that has become a restaurant that will soon be reopening as Duck's Pizza. Augustine Drug, on the corner is the home of everybody's favorite weekly paper, (hopefully) the *Pioneer Express*. Sparks Grocery is long gone and it is now Strong Fitness Center. Still Smokin' now makes it home in the Sparks Clothing Store. Looking closely, something can be seen that hasn't changed. While Duck Tyler has been gone since 1976, the place is still doing business as Duck's Bar, and it appears that the sign in the picture is still the original Duck's Bar sign. We don't know who the fellow is headed for the A&P with the child in his arms, but it is interesting to note that the child is now over 50 years old. We wonder who it is.

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 we face below zero temperatures this week, we can say that once again Winter has come to stay. Snow covers the ground and our lakes are frozen. To some winter is a curse, to others they cannot wait until this time of year.

To Forest County, winter brings a boom to business in the form of snowmobilers and ice fishermen which frequent our gas stations for fuel, snacks, beverages, and bait. These same sportsmen also frequent our bars and restaurants for food, drinks and heat! Some businesses in Forest County rely on winter for over 50% of their income which comes over a 2-3-month season. Winter is important to Forest County and we welcome all the winter enthusiasts.

In the Land & Water Department, a lot of time and effort is spent in identifying and beginning control of invasive species. Forest County does have issues with invasive species in certain locations and our lakes and forest seem to be under attack by various species both aquatic species (water species) and terrestrial species (land species).

Species such as the Eurasian Water Milfoil, Zebra Mussel and the Spiny Water Flea have only begun their attack on our lakes. These species are often transferred from site to site by water in bait buckets. To protect the lakes and streams of Forest County, please buy bait locally and retain all water in your bait buckets, do not empty them on the ice or in the water.

Although not usually in the spotlight at this time of the year, we must also be careful of the equipment that we use. Loggers and contractors know this well and are required to address the issue before moving to a new area. Often times snowmobiles, ATVs and sleds utilized to carry winter equipment are pulled and operated through all kinds of "weeds" and dry vegetation. This dry vegetation usually has ripe seeds that are ready to fall, when they fall

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1,838 cases of covid-19 (50 active) confirmed in Forest County

Forest County Public Health officials have confirmed 84 persons have been diagnosed with novel coronavirus infection (COVID-19) this month, for a total of 1,838 cases in Forest County. There have been 12 probable cases this month for a total of 108 probable cases. There has been 1 death pending confirmation by the Medical Examiner, as well. County health officials and local partners are contacting individuals who tested positive and those they have had close contact with. There are currently 50 active cases in isolation, 1,751 released from isolation, 0 hospitalized, 40 deaths related to COVID-19, and 3 deaths pending confirmation by the Medical Examiner. This is just a snapshot of the numbers as they are continuously changing throughout the day.

The Forest County Health Department encourages community members to practice good hand hygiene, wear a mask or cloth face covering when necessary, and stay alert for symptoms of COVID-19. If you are experiencing any symptoms or have been exposed to someone with COVID-19, please contact your health care provider and ask to be tested. If you are interested in a COVID-19 vaccine, please call our office or your primary care provider.

In an effort to keep our community members upto-date on COVID-19, the Forest County Health Department will continue to update our Facebook page and local newspapers every two weeks with current COVID-19 case counts. Please call our office at 715-478-3371 with any questions or concerns.

Moderna Vaccination Clinic
Friday, January 28th, 11:00am-4:00pm
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for more details

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Crandon Lions Club *Winterfest*

The Crandon Lions Club will be holding their 38th Annual Winterfest on Saturday, January 15th from Noon until its done at Charlie's Lake Metonga Resort.

There will be meat raffles, plenty of good food and refreshments, with the raffle drawings beginning at 6 p.m.

The raffle tickets are \$20 per ticket, and the first prize is a whopping \$1,000. Even second place would make you happy at \$500. Third through seventh place pays \$100. Only 250 tickets will be sold, and you need not be present to win.

The Crandon Lions hasn't had any fundraisers for the last two years. Their goal is to provide as many scholarships as possible based on the proceeds from this event.

Time to start crafting for the Senior Snoop Shop

Now that the holidays are over, it's time to start crafting for the upcoming 2022 Senior Snoop Shop sales season.

If you're aged 50 or older and either live in or own

property in Forest County or the immediately adjacent counties, you qualify to put your handmade crafts in the shop for sale. We would love to have you join us.

The first business meeting of the year will be Thursday, May 12 @ 9:00 a.m. (location to be announced at a later date). All those interested in being consignees and/or volunteers are encouraged to attend.

Check-in days will be Tuesday, May 17th and Wednesday, May 18th from 10:00 a.m. 'til 2:00 p.m. each day. Opening day for sales will be Friday, May 27th. The shop will then be open six days a week.

For questions and other information, you can contact any of the officers. President: DeAnn Haga (262-385-7498); Vice-President: Robyn Karcz (920-606-8863), Treasurer: Kathy Gibbs (715-478-0403) or Secretary: Ann Koziol (715-478-2785).



Valentines for Veterans

The Wabeno Area Elementary School is working on a special project to send Valentines to Veterans. If you are a veteran or know of any veterans, please contact the Wabeno Area Elementary School. Please call 715.473.3633, ext. 4505 to leave the veteran's name and address. Or, if you prefer, write it down and send it in with a student or mail it to us at PO Box 460, Wabeno, WI 54566. We would like the names and addresses of all veterans that would like to receive valentines by Friday, January 28, 2022

CWD found in Oconto County deer

MADISON, Wis. – The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR) confirms a wild deer tested positive for chronic wasting disease (CWD) in the Town of Underhill in Oconto County. The deer was a one-year-old hunter-harvested buck taken during the 2021 gun deer season. This is the first confirmed wild positive case of CWD in Oconto County.

Following state law, the DNR will renew a three-year baiting and feeding ban in Oconto County as well as a two-year ban in Menominee County, as the deer was harvested within 10 miles of the county line. Shawano County is also within 10 miles of the Oconto positive's harvest location, but is already under a longer three-year baiting and feeding ban due to a positive CWD detection at a captive deer farm earlier this year.

Baiting or feeding deer encourages them to congregate unnaturally around a shared food source where sick deer can spread CWD through direct contact with healthy deer or by leaving behind infectious prions in their bodily secretions.

More information regarding baiting and feeding regulations and CWD in Wisconsin is available here.

Those harvesting deer within 10 miles of the newly detected positive case are especially encouraged to have their harvested adult deer tested for CWD. The Farmland Zone of Oconto County has an either-sex extended archery and crossbow deer hunt through Jan. 31, 2022; harvest authorizations are still available for

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In preparation for the 2022 Elections the League of Women Voters of the Northwoods is inviting all candidates running for office to provide their campaign information directly to the VOTE411 Voters Guide. Candidate information includes experience, why they are running for office, what they hope to accomplish for the voters and if they are an incumbent the highlights of their current time in office.

The Voters Guide is provided on line at www.Vote411.wi.org to provide voters with critical information regarding voting in all 2022 elections affecting them. Voters will find the dates for all elections, including any primary for their district, their voting location, information about the candidates, and direct links to their municipal clerk.

Voters should look for Primary election information to be available online at www.Vote411.wi.org by February 1st. April election information will be available in mid March. The League is currently attempting to contact all candidates running for office to invite them to participate. Candidates may also reach out to the League at information@LWVNOW.org.



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Bring along your friends, they will be raffling off packages of meat, poultry, sausages, bacon, beverages and items donated by local businesses. There will also be 50/50 raffles. Come on in, win a prize and help a veteran. Everyone is welcome.

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News of area college students

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Sophia Wysocki, Semester Honors

Crandon, Hope Dewing, Semester High Honors, Trevor Hefter, Semester Highest Honors, Jordan Kalata, Semester Highest Honors, Claudia Krueger, Semester Honors, Navada Peterson, Semester High Honors

University of Wisconsin-Stout Dean's List for the fall 2021 semester:

Crandon, Drew Boney, Junior, BS applied mathematics and computer science Laona, Trevor Cleereman, Junior, BS engineering technology

UW-Stevens Point undergraduates honors:

Argonne, Sydney Gretzinger, Senior, High Honors

Crandon, Shawna Dennee, Senior, High Honors, Ryan Lehman, Senior, Highest Honors, Lyndsey Marvin, Senior, High Honors, Dylan Potter, Junior, Highest Honors, Halle Reeder, Junior, Highest Honors, Jacinta Wilson, Sophomore, Highest Honors Pickerel, Greta Parsons, Freshman, Honors

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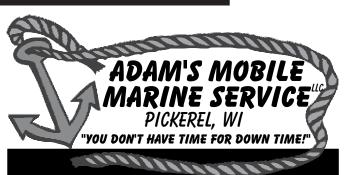
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Albert Hess was a logger from Cavour who was well-known throughout the area. Albert is the older man in the forefront and to the left. This picture was taken when his crew was cutting the pine logs that were used to hold up the Welcome to Wisconsin signs that you still see when entering Wisconsin. He was awarded the bid, and the logs are still doing their job at the state lines.

Scenes From Yesteryear



This is the old company store in Hiles. As can be seen from the sign, the sawmill was then owned by Charles Fish, an Elcho sawmiller that bought out Forster-Mueller, who had bought out the founder of the mill and the town, Franklin Pierce Hiles.

Actually, the bottom half of this store is still standing in good condition. The top half was removed and the bottom half modernized in more recent times.

Mary L. Rusch, age 76, of Pickerel passed away January 2, 2022 at Aspirus Langlade Hospital.

Mary was born November 11, 1945 in Antigo to the late Bill and Dorothy "Dutch" (Volm) Nelson.

Mary attended Antigo High School. She loved horseback riding, downhill skiing, and just enjoyed life. She worked hard all her life from bartender to Chicago Northwestern Railroad to



Plaspack, before meeting the wonderful man she would eventually marry, David Rusch. The couple married on April 3, 2012 after many years together and in the winter of 1994-95 they bought The Break Away Bar in Pickerel.

Survivors include her daughter Michelle and Bill Cable of Pickerel and her children, Keara Stolzman and her son Brehkan, son Jordan and Tiffany Stolzman their children; Brilynn, Reagan, and Miles and Brandi Fleischman and her son Parker all of Antigo, a son Joe and Kathy Nelson of Pearson and their children Ashley and Daniel Wicke of Witterberg and their children Hunter and Guage, Josh and Claire Ann Nelson of Florida, Jenny Meister of Wittenberg and Holly Van Price of Green Bay, and a brother Dan Nelson of Antigo.

She will be deeply missed by her feline friend Bat Kat. A celebration of Mary's life will be Saturday January 15 at 1:00 - ? at Breakaway Bar in Pickerel WI.

Strasser-Roller Funeral Home is assisting the family. Friends may visit online

strasserrollerfuneralhome.com.



Bus Schedule

RANSPORTATION

Until we can fill the bus driver position, individuals may use the New Freedom Transportation service to go shopping in Crandon and/or Rhinelander. The cost to use the service for shopping will be \$4 per day. The phone number to call is 715-233-1070. Participants will need to call at least 48 hours ahead of when they want to go shopping. If you have any problems using the service, please call our office at 715-478-3256 to let us know and we can assist with setting up transportation. We are sorry for any inconvenience this may cause. We will let everyone know when we resume the bus routes. Please be patient during this time. Thank you!

Forest County Commission on Aging



Nutrition Program SENIOR MEALS

CRANDON, WABENO, LAONA

Monday - January 17 - Swiss steak, mashed potato, green beans, dinner roll, applesauce

Monday - January 24 - Chicken marsala, baked potato with sour cream, broccoli, biscuit, peach cobbler

<u>CRANDON, WABENO, LAONA, ARMSTRONG CREEK</u> Tuesday - January 18 - French toast, sausage patty, breakfast potatoes, berries, orange juice

Tuesday - January 25 - Beef stew with potatoes, carrots, onions and celery, fruit, biscuit, pumpkin pie

CRANDON, LAONA, ARMSTRONG CREEK

Wednesday - January 19 - Minestrone soup with beans and sausage, lettuce salad with ham, fruit, Italian bread, peanut butter cookie

Wednesday - January 26 - Pork chop, sweet potatoes, cauliflower, dinner roll, applesauce

WABENO CONGREGATE & HOME DELIVERED

Thursday - January 20 - Minestrone soup with beans and sausage, lettuce salad with ham, fruit, Italian bread, peanut butter cookie

Thursday - January 27 - Pork chop, sweet potatoes, cauliflower, dinner roll, applesauce

Thursday - January 20 - Hash brown with sausage breakfast bake, orange, banana oatmeal, bread

Thursday - January 27 - Chicken and rice, canned pears, beets, breadstick, brownie dessert

Please register with Commission on Aging - 478-3256.

Crandon site manager Debbie Brock is at 920-946-3020. Serving at 12:00 p.m. on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday.

Alvin nutrition site manager Tammy Wolfe is at 715-545-3323.

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.

Death Notices

Catherine Jane Cochrane of Hiles passed away on January 5, 2022, at St. Mary's Hospital in Rhinelander. Cathy was born on September 26, 1945, the 11th child of the late John and Clara (Rempert) Samz of Argonne. She attended Argonne Elementary and Crandon High School.



On October 27, 1962,

Cathy married the love of her life, William (Bill) Cochrane, at St. Joseph Catholic Church in Crandon. They started married life in Beloit, WI, where they began their family. A few years later, the family moved to Three Lakes, managing the Dairy Queen restaurant; they then moved to Hiles, where they operated and maintained the Little Pine Motel.

Cathy and Bill purchased a farm in Hiles, gutting and remodeling the house, making it their own; they raised beef cattle, operating as CJC Ranch. She also worked for and co-managed Schaffer's Bakery in Crandon for many years.

Cathy loved to be outdoors; in the summers, she could be found in her vegetable garden, planting flowers, picking assorted wild berries and maintaining her (large) yard. One of her favorite past times was fishing, which she shared with her grandchildren on many a summer day.

Cathy's other hobbies included knitting, crocheting, doing cross-stitch, and crafting with her sisters and nieces. She was an excellent cook and loved to bake; for her grandkids, Grannie's kitchen was a place to not only bake cookies, but "experiment" with whatever ingredients were on hand.

Faith played a large role in Cathy's life, and through many difficult times, she turned to Jesus and the Blessed Virgin Mary for strength and peace. She passed her faith on to her boys, as well as other children as a religious education teacher for many years. Cathy was a member of St. Joseph Catholic Church in Crandon.

Cathy is survived by her sons, Miles (Michelle) of Antigo and CJ (Tabetha Hermsen) of Three Lakes; grandchildren, Rebekah (Andrew) Goldston of Wausau, Maggie (Tyler) Trickle of Wisconsin Rapids, Isaac (Sierra Embry) Cochrane of Pelican Lake, Sarah Cochrane of Milwaukee, and Laura, Zach and Alex Cochrane of Crandon; and great-granddaughters, Lorelei and Ophelia Goldston of Wausau.

She is further survived by her siblings, sisters Barbara (Mark) Bushman of Wisconsin Rapids, MaryAnn Wilson of Florida, Joan (Phil) Sherman of Muskego, Sister Marguerite Samz of Ladysmith, Loretta Weyers of Kimberly, Alice (John) Weyers of Hudson, Julie (Dick) Kasten of Mosinee, Ann McIntyre of Antigo, Becky (Todd) Toburen of Antigo, and Jenny (Greg) Weber of Crandon; brothers, John (Barb) Samz of Florida, Lawrence (Bobbie) Samz of Racine, Mike (Pat) Samz of Florida, Nick (Bobbie) Samz of Crandon, Terry (Sue) Samz of Crandon, James (Nan) Samz of Pewaukee, Ben (Teri) Samz of Crandon, and Rick (Lottie) of Colorado; brother-in-law, Richard Bauknecht; as well as a multitude of nieces and nephews.

In addition to her parents, Cathy was preceded in death by her husband, Bill; two sons, Billy and Kelly; brothers, Martin and Francis; sisters, Clara Jaeger and Jackie Bauknecht; her father- and mother-in-law, William and Rosina Cochrane; sister-in-law, Marilyn Cochrane; and brother-in-law, David Cochrane.

Funeral Mass will be held at 2 p.m. on Friday, January 14, 2022 at St. Joseph Catholic Church in Crandon with Fr. Kennedy Gaspar officiating. Visitation will be held from 12 p.m. to time of service.

The family would like to thank the Crandon Rescue Squad and the physicians, nurses and aides in the Special Care Unit of St. Mary's Hospital in Rhinelander, for their professional and tender care of Cathy. Thank you also to Fr. Kennedy for coming to her bedside to pray and anoint her; and to all who held her in prayer. God bless

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

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purchase with your license. Collecting CWD samples is essential for assessing where and to what extent CWD occurs in deer across the state.

Information on how to have deer tested during the 2021-22 hunting seasons is available here.

Successful CWD management depends in part on citizen involvement in the decision-making process through local County Deer Advisory Councils (CDAC). The DNR and the Oconto and Shawano CDACs will hold a public meeting on the status of CWD and a response plan for sampling wild deer in Oconto and Shawano County. The virtual meeting is open to all members of the public and will take place on Tuesday, Feb. 1 from 6-8 p.m. via Zoom. The public may also call in to the meeting by dialing 888-475-4499, meeting ID 871 6740 0821.

CWD is a fatal, infectious nervous system disease of deer, moose, elk and reindeer/caribou. It belongs to the family of diseases known as transmissible spongiform encephalopathies (TSEs) or prion diseases. The Wisconsin DNR began monitoring the state's wild whitetailed deer population for CWD in 1999. The first positives were found in 2002.

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Eugene Palubicki "Whoop", 99, passed away peacefully Friday, December 31, 2021, at Aurora Zilber Family Hospice. He was born in Milwaukee, WI on June 17, 1922, son of the late Frank and Sarah (nee: Krzoske) Palubicki and grew up in Pelican Lake, WI. In 1954, he was united in marriage to Josephine Palubicki, who preceded him in death in 2011. On August 31, 2012, he was united in marriage to Joan Palubicki.

Gene was a Veteran of WWII, serving in the US Navy from 1943 to 1946. His service included overseas service from 1944 to 1946 in the South Pacific Theater, 5th Fleet, Task Force 58. He was awarded many medals for his service. Gene retired, after thirty years' service, from International Harvester Co. where he was a Certified Diesel Engine Analyst Dynamometer Operator. He was a member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars and served as Commander for Post 2895 of Cudahy. He was a member of the Polish Legion of American Veterans, Cudahy Post 26; member of the Post Color Guard and served as 1st Vice Commander and State Department Sergeant at Arms. Gene was awarded the key to the city of St. Francis in 2019. Gene also was a member of the Cudahy War Memorial Committee, Cudahy Coalition of Civic Organizations and the Cudahy Allied Veterans Council. He was a member of the Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish, St. Francis, WI for over 65 years and served as an usher for 60

Survivors include his wife, Joan; his cousin, Johnny; his nieces and nephews and their families, David Palubicki, Gary, Carol and Lauria Palubicki, Barbara Palubiski (Dick Genthy), Rory, Samara, Brendan and Jaden Palubiski, Scott, Kristal, Brady, Breannah, Jackson, Lili and Olive Palubiski, Jimmy, Brenda, Maddie and Daniel Palubicki, Jill, John, Megan and Dylan Geske, Michael Thate, Jane Clements, Karen, Mike, Amanda, Becky and Kayla Stolz, Debbie, Roger, and Josh Bruening, Steve, Debbie, Ryan (Kelly) and Kyle Stott; his goddaughter, Mary Stanuch; his children and grandchildren, Chris, Shannon, Keegan and Peyton Schuster, Robert and Natalie Schuster, Abbey (Ephraim Jones), Logan, Kimani and Miles Holland, Jessica, Dan and Ruby Sadler and Elizabeth Schuster; his brother-in-law, Cory Cartwright; other relatives and many dear friends.

In addition to his parents and his wife, Josephine, he was preceded in death by his brothers, Daniel Palubicki, Phil Palubicki, and Norman Palubiski; his nephew, Alan Palubicki; his nephew's wife, Janice Palubicki; his niece, Christine Thate; and sister-in-law Mary Kaminski, and her husband, Erwin Kaminski.

Visitation was scheduled for Tuesday January 11, 2022 from 9:45 to 10:45 a.m. Eulogy at 10:45 a.m. with a Mass of Christian Burial at 11a.m. at Sacred of Jesus Catholic Church Burial to follow at Holy Sepulcher Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, donations to Chapter 45-1 of the Combat Veterans Motorcycle Association, Paypal address cvma451.treasurer@gmail.com, have been suggested. Gene's family wishes to extend special thanks to St. Croix Hospice, especially Shawnie; Aurora Zilber Family Hospice; Mario and Amy Rodriguez; Tom from Tiprint; and Josh Hader from the Milwaukee Brewers. Josh's promise to arrange for Gene to throw out the first pitch when he reached his 100th birthday was always a goal and kept Gene going in recent days.

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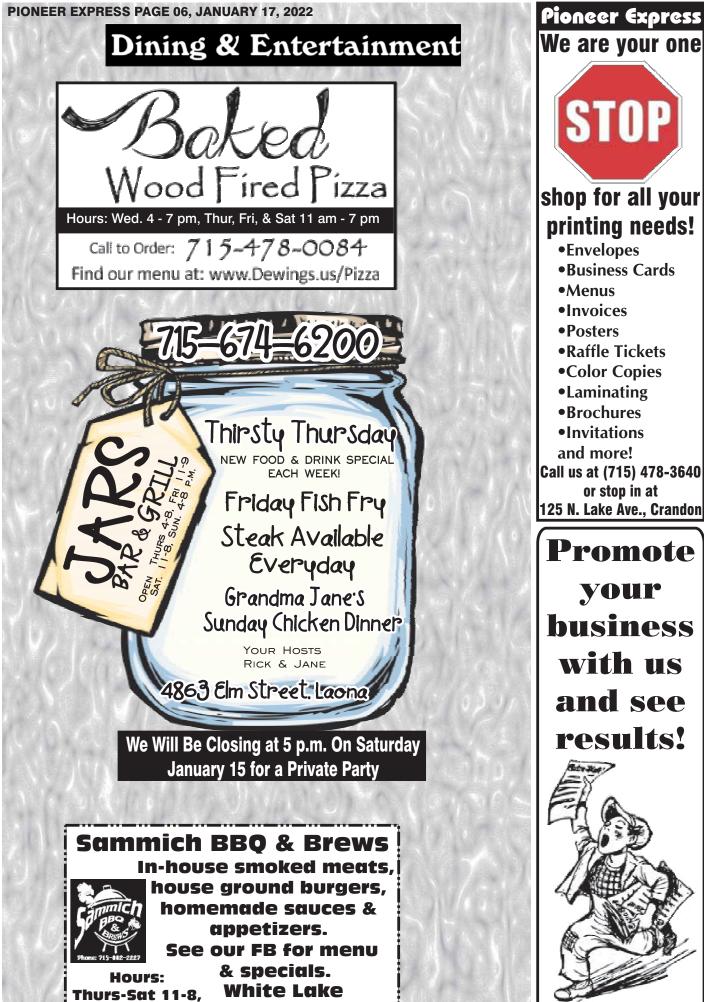
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While there was no caption on this photo, it is obvious from the photographer, Kennedy, that he was from Wabeno. We can also surmise that this is likely a Home Economics class at the Wabeno High School. The blackboards on the wall, what looks like a teacher's desk, the ice box and cupboard on the left and all of the girls wearing aprons brought us to this conclusion.

There may be some of you who had a grandmother in this class, and that cake you loved to eat at Grandma's place may have been first baked in this class.

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would like to take the time to let everyone know that I am finally home with my family, recovering from all my operations. I have a long road to recovery ahead. All of the assistance we received from friends, family and local organizations was very helpful during the difficult times we through. Thank you and **God Bless!** The Frank Wilson family

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on equipment, they can be spread over long distances by trailer or vehicle. Once brought to a new area with frozen snow or ice, the seeds can travel a long way with the wind moving them.

Recently, one invasive that is on our 'radar' is a species called Phragmites. Phragmites is a large grass that overtakes areas, especially on wetter ground and in wetlands. Most have seen Phragmites lining the ditches along Hwy 141 near Green Bay. Phragmites is very common in counties to the south and east, including Marinette, Oconto, Brown and Outagamie. Forest County has the advantage in that this species has only been located and controlled in a very few locations. Once Phragmites is established it spreads rapidly and is very costly to control.

To protect the forest and wetlands of Forest County, please clean your recreational equipment by washing it or blowing it free of debris using an air compressor before you travel long distances. This will limit the transfer of invasive species seeds that could cause a new infestation, wherever you may go.

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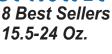
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BIDS AND NOTICES

School District of Wabeno Area Regular School Board Meeting Wednesday, December 1, 2021

School Board President, Dave Seeber, called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M.

Board members present: Dave Seeber, Trinity Shepard, Dawn Jakubiec, Janet Opiela, and Lori Mattern. 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: Katryna Van Eperen, Dan Christianson

Others Present: Jon and Kathleen Marsh

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

Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion made by Janet Opiela seconded by Dawn Jakubiec to approve the Agenda. Carried 5 to 0.

Motion made by Lori Mattern seconded by Janet Opiela to approve the Regular School Board Meeting Minutes of November 3, 2021, Carried 5 to 0.

Motion by Trinity Shepard seconded by Janet Opiela to approve the payment of vouchers by general checks 82822 to 82894 for \$187,011.65 and payroll checks 900044440 to 900044548 for \$113,674.02, and a state tax, 941 tax, and employee trust fund electronic transfer for \$115,746.62. 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.

The board thanked the Home & School group for organizing the Gobble Wobble, movie night, and the upcoming Jingle Shopping. They also congratulated the football and volleyball teams for a great season and wish the basketball and wrestling teams a great season as well. Lori Mattern and Trinity Shepard stated the play, The Switcheroo, was a really cute production and they enjoyed it. Mrs. Newton is doing a great job getting so many students involved, especially more males. It was also neat that the play was written by one of her former students. Trinity also stated her children enjoyed the Veterans Day activities and native dances held during November. Dave Seeber thanked the community for their support during the end of season appearances for the football and volleyball teams. It was a busy two days: our school sold the most tickets for our division for the state volleyball game, we had immense fan representation compared to our competitors, along with numerous sendoff/return escorts for both teams from community members, fire departments, police, and rescue squads,

Motion by Dawn Jakubiec seconded by Trinity Shepard to approve the Building Act 143 reports. Carried 5 to 0.

Public Hearing Esser III plan input. Discussion only; no action.

Motion by Lori Mattern seconded by Janet Opiela to approve the new job description for Principal. Carried 5 to 0.

Motion by Dawn Jakubiec seconded by Dave Seeber to approve the new job description for Business/HR Director. Carried 5 to 0.

Motion by Lori Mattern seconded by Trinity Shepard to approve the transfer of Leah Beerntsen from Jr./Sr. High School Paraprofessional to Jr./Sr. High School Personal Healthcare Asst. Carried 5 to 0.

Motion by Janet Opiela seconded by Trinity Shepard to approve hiring Lynette Luedtke as an Elementary Personal Healthcare Asst. Carried 5 to 0.

Motion by Janet Opiela seconded by Trinity Shepard to approve hiring Autumn Anderson as Jr./Sr. High School Paraprofessional. Carried 5 to 0.

Motion by Lori Mattern seconded by Trinity Shepard to accept Zach Reeves' resignation from Head Asst. Football Coach with many thanks from the board. Carried 5 to 0.

Motion by Dawn Jakubiec seconded by Lori Mattern to approve NEOLA policy po3120.04. Carried 5 to 0.

Discuss and take possible action on School Report Cards. Discussion only; no action. Motion by Dawn Jakubiec seconded by Janet Opiela to go into closed session at 6:31 P.M. Pursuant to Wisconsin State Statute 19.85 (1) (c) (e) and (f). Roll call vote: Dave Seeber, yes; Janet Opiela, yes; Lori Mattern, yes; Dawn Jakubiec, yes; and Trinity Shepard, yes. Carried 5 to 0. Katryna Van Eperen entered via phone at 6:46 P.M. The board may convene in closed session for the purpose of:

a. District Administrator Evaluation compiling of information.

Motion by Trinity Shepard seconded by Dave Seeber to return to open session at 7:59 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; Lori Mattern, yes; Dawn Jakubiec, yes; and Trinity Shepard, yes. Carried 6 to 0. Motion by Dawn Jakubiec seconded by Trinity Shepard to adjourn at 8:00 P.M. Carried

6 to 0.

Lenora Mattern, District Clerk

Wabeno School **Breakfast Menu**

Monday - Breakfast sandwiches, yogurt, grapes, fruit juice, milk

Jan. 17 - 21

Tuesday -French toast sticks, bacon, yogurt, peaches, fruit juice, milk

Wednesday - Granola bar, Banana bread, cereal, yogurt, Mandarin orange cups, fruit juice, milk

Thursday - Belgium waffles, strawberries, sausage patty, yogurt, fruit juice, milk

Friday - muffins, yogurt, cantaloupe/honeydew fruit juice, milk

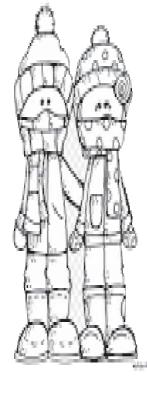
Wabeno School Lunch Menu Jan. 17 - 21

Monday - Chicken patty, potato wedges, corn, pears, garden bar, milk

Tuesday - Assorted pizza, garlic bread stick, green beans, apple sauce, garden bar, milk

Wednesday - Sloppy Joe, potato wedges, peas & carrots, peaches garden bar, milk

Thursday -Chicken nuggets, mashed potatoes, corn, Mandarin oranges, garden bar, milk Friday - Chili dog, waffle fries, cheesy broccoli, mixed berry cup, garden bar, milk



Wabeno Fab Lab Workshops **January 19th and 26th, 2022**

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Laona-Wabeno Fall Sports Co-Op Meeting Laona/Wabeno Boards of Education Wednesday, December 8, 2021 6:00 P.M.

High School Library - Wabeno Jr./Sr. High School

School Board President, Dave Seeber, called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M.

Wabeno Board members present: Dave Seeber, Janet Opiela, Trinity Shepard, Dawn Jakubiec, Lori Mattern, and Dan Christianson. Administration: Jeffrey Walsh, District Administrator and William Taylor, Jr./Sr. High School Principal

Wabeno Board members absent: Katryna Van Eperen

Others present: Melissa Chrisman, Frank Shepard, Jr., Samantha Hoffman, Melissa McLaughlin, Chad Albrecht, Jason Bertrand, Michelle Boor, Katie Shepard Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion made by Janet Opiela seconded by Dan Christianson to approve the amended agenda. Carried 6 to 0.

Michelle Boor presented the Fall Sports Update:

Rebel Football Team varsity was undefeated in conference play, 10-1 overall. Lost to Luck 36-40 in Level 3 playoff game – Sectional Runner-up. All - Conference Selections include: Players of the Year: Offense - Connor Taylor, Defense - Hunter Cronauer.

First Team: Connor Taylor - QB, Adam Seeber - Offensive End, Hunter Cronauer -Offensive Lineman, Adam Seeber - Defensive Back, Ryan Roy - Linebacker, Hunter Cronauer - Defensive Lineman.

Second Team: Carter Janesch - Offensive End, Ryan Roy - Offensive Lineman,

Frank Shepard III - Placekicker, Braden Brauer - Linebacker, Frank Shepard III -Defensive Lineman, Carter Janesch - Punter.

Honorable Mention: Braden Brauer - Runningback, Reed Christianson - Defensive

All Region Team: Hunter Cronauer - Defensive End, Connor Taylor - QB, Adam Seeber-WR All State: Hunter Cronauer - Defensive Wissports Finalist, Connor Taylor - Offensive

Wissports Finalist Middle School played 5 games this year and ended up having 19 students out with the

6th grade. Rebel Volleyball varsity was 10-2 in conference, 38-9 overall. Regional Champs, Sectional Champs, and State Runner-up. JV finished the season taking 1st place at the conference tourney. All- Conference Selections include: First Team: Elizabeth

Krawze, Grace Krawze. Second Team: Jaclyn St. Peter, Allison Albrecht. Co-Player of the Year: Elizabeth Krawze; All State Recognition - Elizabeth Krawze.

D4 All Tournament Team: Elizabeth Krawze, Allison Albrecht. Middle school VB finished with 30 students. Despite several matches being cancelled, the girls still had plenty of opportunities to play at all three levels.

Rebel Cross Country 1st Team All Conference: Natalie Newton, Kassidee Linssen, Jesse Prasser.

Motion by Dawn Jakubiec seconded by Trinity Shepard to approve adding 6th grade coaching positions for middle school volleyball and middle school girls basketball (as needed). Carried 6 to 0.

Transportation discussion – athletes riding school provided bus vs. personal vehicle with signed waiver. Look into liability/insurance. No action.

Laona Representation as Athletic Director – Laona board expressed their concerns. Athletic Director and Laona/Wabeno high school principals to review current job description and develop Asst. Athletic Director job description to present at next coop meeting and proceed from there.

Discuss and take possible action on \$1,000 check from WIAA - funds will be deposited back into volleyball club to pay for student trophies.

Motion by Janet Opiela seconded by Dan Christianson to approve the wrestling tournament overnight requests for December 17, 2021 in Madison and December 28 & 29, 2021 in Oshkosh. Carried 6 to 0.

Motion by Janet Opiela seconded by Dawn Jakubiec to approve Timber Cronauer into the Rhinelander Hockey Co-op program next year. Carried 6 to 0.

Motion by Janet Opiela seconded by Dawn Jakubiec to go into closed session at 6:52 P.M. Pursuant to Wisconsin Statutes 19.85(1)(c) the Board will enter into closed session to discuss employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility.

Roll call vote: Dave Seeber, yes; Janet Opiela, yes; Lori Mattern, yes; Dawn Jakubiec, yes; Trinity Shepard, yes; and Dan Christianson, yes. Carried 6 to 0.

a. Coaches evaluations.

Motion by Dawn Jakubiec seconded by Dan Christianson to return to open session at 7:02 P.M. to announce or take action, if any, and if appropriate on items discussed in closed session. Roll call vote: Dave Seeber, yes; Janet Opiela, yes; Lori Mattern, yes; Dawn Jakubiec, yes; Trinity Shepard, yes; and Dan Christianson, yes. Carried 6 to 0.

Michelle Boor presented the Fall Sports Coaches Report:

Motion by Dan Christianson seconded by Janet Opiela to renew the following contracts: **Football:** Head Coach – Dave Cronauer, JV/Asst. Head - Pete Liptack.

Motion by Trinity Shepard seconded by Janet Opiela to renew the following contracts: Volleyball: Head Varsity - Michelle Boor, JV Coach - Raletta Ashbeck, Junior High Coaches - Sara Perry and Kim Winkelman.

Motion by Dan Christianson seconded by Dawn Jakubiec to renew the following contracts: Cross Country: Head Coach - Rich Sorenson. Zach Reeves resignation from Head Asst. Football Coach previously approved in

December 1, 2021 board meeting with many thanks from the board. Motion by Dawn Jakubiec seconded by Trinity Shepard to adjourn at 7:05 P.M. Carried

Lenora Mattern, District Clerk

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Better care for those on a journey with Alzheimer's or dementia

The Alzheimer's Association Wisconsin Chapter applauds the expansion of the Dementia Care Specialist (DCS) program in Wisconsin in 2022. Thanks to the grassroots advocacy efforts across the state, the following counties will be able to hire a DCS in 2022: Adams, Door, Clark, Columbia, Florence, Fond du Lac, Forest, Green Lake, Marquette, Oneida, Sheboygan, Taylor, Vernon, Vilas, Washington and Waushara. The Dementia Care Specialist Program supports people with dementia and their caregivers, in order to ensure the highest quality of life possible while living at home.

"Alzheimer's and dementia are a growing public health crisis in Wisconsin, said Michael Bruhn, Senior Director of Public Policy, Alzheimer's Association Wisconsin Chapter. "The ongoing COVID-19 pandemic has exacerbated the crisis and further illustrated the need to prioritize support and services available to individuals with Alzheimer's and dementia. These critical roles serve all those living with Alzheimer's or dementia and make a significant impact in serving this vulnerable population."

The passion of Wisconsin advocates truly makes a difference in advancing legislative priorities to improve the lives of individuals with Alzheimer's or dementia and their caregivers. Join us for the Wisconsin Virtual Advocacy Day on Feb. 8, 2022 from 12:00 p.m. 1:30 p.m. to learn more about legislative successes and how to get involved in moving the needle for Wisconsin families. State Representative Amy Loudenbeck, Vice-Chair of the Joint Finance Committee, will be presenting about how the 2021-2023 budget impacts Alzheimer's and dementia priorities, as well as insights into the legislative process. Marty Schreiber, former Governor of Wisconsin, will share an insider's view of the importance of advocacy. Register today at: bit.ly/WIAdvocacy2022. Statistics:

- In Wisconsin, there are more than 120,000 people living with Alzheimer's and more than 196,000 family members and friends serve as caregivers.
- In 2020, during the COVID-19 Pandemic, deaths from Alzheimer's and dementia were up 13.9% above average in Wisconsin
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Avoid medical misinformation

WAUSAU, Wis. - We are bombarded everyday with countless reports about new studies or the latest health information. It can be difficult to identify what is trustworthy.

Medical research is complex and often oversimplified when reported. People may not look past the headline of an article or encounter misleading information in comments sections.

A case study published in April 2021 by First Draft, a non-profit misinformation organization, found that up to 26 percent of comments on a news organization's posts that featured the word "vaccine" contained misinformation about the COVID-19 pandemic or vaccines.

Jacob Prunuske, MD, has been a physician for more than 20 years and has supervised Aspirus physician residents for the past six years. He says that being able to identify reliable sources is vital.

"There's a lot of misinformation on the internet right now and there are ways of identifying it," Dr. Prunuske said. "What are the credentials of who is providing the information? Does the information align with other sources? And what is the reputation of the source? Can you actually contact the organization or is it just some blog post?"

Additional changes to health and safety guidelines should be expected as we continue to learn more about COVID-19. But without sufficient communication that provides clarity and context, many people will have had trouble keeping up with changing knowledge and guidance.

'That's how science works. Over time, we gather more data to make better decisions," Dr. Prunuske said. "I think it's important for all of us to stay up to date as information evolves."

Medical misinformation has caused confusion and led people to decline COVID-19 vaccines, reject public health measures, and use unproven treatments. For example, a study published in the Nature Human Behavior journal showed that even brief exposure to COVID-19 vaccine misinformation made people less likely to want a COVID-19 vaccine.

This is especially true when people accept misinformation as fact because it confirms their existing beliefs or theories, commonly known as confirmation bias.

"We should be intentional about asking ourselves what biases we might have and how does it influence me reading these articles," Dr. Prunuske said. "And being conscious and checking if I need to consider a different perspective."

There are some things that individuals, families and communities can do to help stop the spread of medical misinformation.

Learn how to identify and avoid sharing health misinformation.

Verify accuracy of information by checking with trustworthy and credible sources. If you're not sure, don't share. Engage with your friends and family on the problem of health misinformation.

If someone you care about has a misperception, you might be able to make inroads with them by first seeking to understand instead of passing judgment.

Address health misinformation in your community. Work with schools, community groups such as churches and parent-teacher associations, and trusted leaders such as educators and health care professionals to develop local

strategies against misinformation. "I think the most important thing is to be curious, be inquisitive, be willing to change your views based on data and science," Dr. Prunuske said. "And then check in with your physician or a public health professional to see if you're heading

down the right path." Aspirus Health recommends people receive their health information from their local health care providers. reputable news sources and agencies devoted to public health such as state and local health departments, the National Institutes of Health (NIH) and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), among others.



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HELP WANTED - ELEMENTARY LIBRARY AIDE

The School District of Wabeno Area is seeking an elementary library aide for the 2021-2022 school year and beyond. This position includes working in the elementary library, assisting in supervision of the playground and lunchroom, and other duties as assigned. This person will work with the librarian to assist in the delivery of library skills and other related duties. This position is full-time, approximately 37.5 hours per week, with full benefits. Starting hourly wage is \$15/hour. Individuals must possess a high school diploma or equivalent.

Applications are available from the District Office or at www.wabeno.k12.wi.us, District/Employment Opportunities/Employment Applications. Send the application along with resume, transcripts, 3 current reference letters, and credentials to: Jeffrey Walsh, District Administrator, 4346 Mill Lane, P.O. Box 460, Wabeno, WI 54566. Applications will be accepted until position is filled.

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Complete job description is available by emailing tpoe@adrcofthenorthwoods.org calling (800) 699-6704. Send resume with cover letter by email or addressed to ADRC Regional Manager 300A S. Lake Ave., Crandon, WI 54520 on or before 4:30 P.M., Thursday, January 20, 2022.

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Crandon Cardinal Wrestling



Cardinal wrestling team and coaches with 1st place plaque at the Rhinelander Invitational.

The Crandon Cardinal wrestlers have been busy grappling on the mat. On December 22, 2021 the Cards participated in the Rhinelander Invitational held at their new Hodag Dome. The Cardinals competed against 16 other teams and ended the tournament victorious with a 1st place team trophy. Several wrestlers medaled as well, Mason Dewing (106#) and Elias Glinski (126#) both won gold. Ty Dennee (132#) and Cole Shepherd (152#) both won silver. Eian Wilson (120#), Carsyn Mayer (145#), Silas Dennee (195#), and Connor Lawrence (285#) all won bronze.

The boys then made the trip down to Wausau West for a duel meet on January 6, 2022. It was a tough night for many of the wrestlers, but both Ty Dennee and Brett Palubicki ended the night with a win by pin and decision respectively. Elias Glinski (120#) received a win by forfeit.

This past Saturday, January 8, 2022, the Crandon wrestling team competed in the Blujay Challenge held at Merrill High School. The Cardinal team took 4th place overall out of 20 teams. Three Cardinal wrestlers wrestled in the championship round, Mason Dewing (106#), Eian Wilson (113#) and Elias Glinski (120#). All three wrestlers ended up with 2nd place finishes. Carsyn Mayer (138#) and Brett Palubicki (152#) finished the day in 3rd place. Kolten Keao (HW) finished first in the JV tournament. After the Blujay Challenge the team traveled down to Madison to watch the Badger wrestlers take on Rutgers. It was an exciting duel with the Badgers coming out on top with a final score of 19-14.

Mark your calendars to come out and support your Cardinal wrestlers on Tuesday, January 18, 2022 at 7 P.M. The team is scheduled to duel Bonduel and this is the only home meet of the season, so put on your cardinal red and cheer on the team!



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