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Easter hams for the food pantries



On April 5, Karen Smit, Linda Mentz, Suzanne Bell, and Joan Hansen of the Mission/Evangelism Committee of Forest Larger Parish Presbyterian Church (Lakewood, Laona, and Wabeno) delivered Easter hams for the food pantries at NEWCAP in Crandon and for the Christian Food Pantry in Lakewood. Also delivered were new coats with winter hats for distribution to NEWCAP clients in the fall of 2022. Our appreciation to the Christian Thrift Store in Wabeno for providing the hats!

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.

With the return of Spring (eventually) it's time to start thinking about Shoreland Restoration. Property Owners, are you aware of the Forest County Cost-Share Program? This is a program administered by the Forest County Land and Water Conservation Department. The Grant money is provided by the Wisconsin Dept. of Agriculture, Trade, & Consumer Protection (DATCP) to fund the program.

Under the program, the landowner pays for all project costs and is reimbursed for up to 50%. The reimbursement is based on available funds allocated from DATCP. If a landowner decides to apply for the program, standards of DATCP (Chapter ATCP 50) & the Natural Resource Conservation Service (NRCS) must be followed. The Program allows for:

 Restoration of the buffer zone with native plants, shrubs, and trees.

 Erosion control methods such as rip rap, biologs, & other bio engineering methods (as permitted by the Wisconsin Dept. of Natural Resources (DNR).)

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- Excavation costs

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The Program does not cover: Removal or installation of docks/piers.

Crandon International Raceway purchased by Cliff Flannery OFF-ROAD HAC



HALL OF FAME OWNER: Coming after decades of dedication to both the off-road racing and local communities, in 2017 new Crandon International Raceway owner Cliff Flannery was inducted into the prestigious Off-Road Motorsports Hall of Fame. Along with a huge contingent of Crandon officials and family, Flannery attended the Las Vegas ceremony with Kathy Flannery, his wife of 52 years. (Photo: ORMHOF)

Created as a way to ensure the future while remaining true to its unique roots, Crandon International Raceway management today announced that the historic facility and all its assets have been purchased by longtime track President Cliff Flannery. One of the most iconic motorsports venues in the world, the 400-plus acre track located in the picturesque Northwoods of Wisconsin has hosted the largest off-road races in the sport since first opening in 1984.

Details of the historic purchase were officially finalized on Monday, March 28th, with the new agreement resulting in the historic raceway and its events operating as a for-profit business venture instead of a Wisconsin 501c3 non-profit entity for the first time since 1970. The highly popular facility, affectionately known as "The Big House" by three generations of fans, is now owned by the newly formed Crandon Off-Road Entertainment LCC, while the creation, execution and promotion of all Crandon events will be managed by the recently formed Crandon Motorsports LLC.

Crandon International Raceway is comprised of a 1.75-mile short-course off-road track, more than 2,100 designated grass camping sites, a modern grandstand and a hospitality facility, corporate hospitality suites, a trap range and a VIP center and office located at the track's original dairy barn. **Continued on page 03**

Wabeno Area Players Open Auditions

April 19th and 20th

The Wabeno Area Players is a community theatre organization full of people who bring quality theatre experiences to the Northwoods. As with many organizations, the last couple of years have been tough, however, we are moving forward with our 40th season. That is where YOU come in! We welcome new members

Easter Egg Hunt at the Int. Offroad Raceway



Crandon INternational Offroad Raceway and Two Z's Lawn Care are holding and Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, April 16th at the Raceway.

There will be a bike raffle at 11:30, and the egg hunt will start at 12 noon.

The egg hunt will be for age groups 0-3, 4-7, and 8-12. There will be over 1,000 eggs for each group to find, and there will be great prizes. They can also get their picture with the Easter Bunny!

The Raceway is on Hwy 8, just west of Crandon. You can't miss it.

Positive cases of covid-19 in **Forest County**

Forest County Public Health officials have confirmed 3 individuals have been diagnosed with novel coronavirus infection (COVID-19) since April 1, 2022 with either a PCR, antigen, or home test. County health officials and local partners are contacting individuals who test positive as able. There have been 7 deaths this year related to COVID-19. This is a snapshot of the numbers as they are continuously changing throughout the day.

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 Friday with current COVID-19 case counts as capacity allows. Please call our office at 715-478-3371 with any questions or concerns.

Najira places first at Nicolet College **High School Competition Day**



Removal or installation of steps, walkways, lifts, etc.

•Materials such as wood, brick, plaster, blacktop, or demolition material for rip rap use.

If you're interested in the Program, you can access an application from the Forest County Website (www.co.forest.wi.gov) under the Land Conservation Department, by contacting the Land Conservation Dept. at (715) 478-1387, or by email: lcc@co.forest.wi.us.

Once the application is received a site visit will be done by county staff and a DATCP engineer to determine eligibility and consult with the landowner(s).

If property is determined eligible, we will conduct a survey of your property/project and a plan will be designed. Once you approve of the plan, you will have to obtain permits from the appropriate agencies (DNR, Corp of Eng., Local Zoning). You will also have to obtain two (2) bids for your project to be submitted for approval from the Land and Water committee. A contract and maintenance plan will be signed by you and the Project may begin!

Again, if you're interested or have questions, contact Forest County Land & Water @ (715)478-1387 or email: lcc@co.forest.wi.us.

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to be actors, directors, tech crew, builders, and painters In addition, if you have been a member in the past, and are looking to get back into it, now is your opportunity!

On Tuesday and Wednesday, April 19th and 20th, we will be having open auditions for our upcoming shows. Auditions will take place in the Nancy Volk Auditorium at Wabeno High School at 6 pm. We have 3 shows that we are casting at this time: a summer musical in July, a Readers Theatre experience in August, and a fall play, The shows have a variety of ages, and we rehearse mainly in the evenings. Board member Mary Ellen Keller says, "Although we are auditioning for this season, we are already planning next season, too!" Auditions will consist of reading something for us - whether it is something you have prepared already, or we can give you something to read. If you are interested in our musical, we will have you sing something. Similarly, you may bring something you have prepared, or we will teach you something to sing. Please contact Mary Ellen Keller at (715)927-7065 with any questions.

If you prefer to work with the Players in a nonacting role, you do not need to attend the auditions, however, you are welcome to so that we can meet you in person. If you cannot attend, please contact Mary Ellen Keller at the above number.

Perhaps you have heard about us, or our shows. or maybe you are new to the area or just haven't gotten around to it yet. Whatever the case may be, we look forward to meeting and working with you!

Crandon High School student Mariah Najira earned first place honors in the recent Cosmetology: Beauty Behind the Madness competition during the recent High School Competition Day at Nicolet College.

During the cosmetology event students had to apply nail polish and adorn with nail art, create an up-do style with braiding and styling skills, and test their knowledge of the cosmetology industry with a game of Kahoot.

Nearly 200 students from nine different high school took part in Competition Day, designed to give students a chance to explore careers and get a feel for Nicolet to see if it would be right for them. Students selected their area of competition from a slate of 10 different academic programs.







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April 16 is National Healthcare Decisions Day. It was created to inspire, educate and empower the public and providers about the importance of advance care planning.

"You can ensure that your preferences are understood if you become unable to make medical decisions for yourself due to an accident, injury or sudden illness by having proactive conversations about what type of care is acceptable or not to you," says Aspirus Advance Care Planning Coordinator Heidi Kraege.

An advance directive is a legal document that explains how you want medical decisions to be made and who to make those decisions if you cannot make them yourself.

This would guide your family and medical team if there was a sudden car accident or illness that left you unable to communicate your wishes.

"Determining who has the authority to make these decisions on your behalf if you cannot becomes much more difficult and time-consuming in the absence of a properly prepared health care directive," says Kraege.

One can request that an "Advance Care Planning Kit" be sent to you by calling the Aspirus Customer Contact Center from 8:00 am to 4:30 pm at 715-847-2380 or 800-847-4707.

Additional information can be found on the Aspirus website at www.aspirus.org/advance-directives.







Big news! Krist Oil has downsized their station on Crandon's southside! Well, maybe not. But, this is the first gas station to occupy that spot. After this cute little building was torn down, a more modern station with a grease room was built, and that ultimately gave way to the Krist Oil station and C-store we have today.

It would take some research to know who built and operated this pagoda style station that was likely built in the 1920's. As can be seen by the vehicle behind the station, it was an early addition to the driving of automobiles that had just started to take off across the country.



For Old Time's Sake

This was Crandon's version of the Hells Angels in the 1920's and 30's. Actually it is highly unlikely that these guys ever ripped up a bar room. This picture was taken in the Gus Freimuth yard in Crandon. It is Art Freimuth and his friends stopping to take a photo of him and his motorcycle friends. We think that Art is the guy 2nd from the right.

It would be a good guess that if these bikes were in the same shape today as they were in this photo, they would sell for a lot more money than these guys paid for them!

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The track plays host to two major race events each year, including June's Forest County Potawatomi Brush Run and Labor Day's massive Polaris World Championship Off-Road Races® – an event which drew a record crowd of just under 65,000 people at its 52nd anniversary running in 2021. Both the exceedingly popular AMSOIL Champ Off-Road and recently expanded Ultra4 series are scheduled to run at the track as part of their 2022 race seasons.

The venue also serves as home to the annual Red Bull Crandon World Cup, held each Sunday of Labor Day weekend. Representing the biggest single payday in short-course off-road racing, the event crowns Crandon World Championships to all of the sport's Pro-category classes culminating in the annual "Cup" race -- pitting unlimited Pro 2 versus Pro 4 trucks via a unique staggered timed start.

This next chapter in Crandon International's remarkable story also provides members of the track's longstanding Board of Directors time to enjoy family and a well-deserved retirement from the facility's day-to-day operation. These generous people have devoted decades of service in building Crandon and its events to a worldclass level, while also staying true to the club's cornerstone mission of donating millions of dollars back to the local community. Each year hundreds of volunteers earn these charitable donations by helping in all phases of track operation during major race weekends.

Keeping Crandon International Raceway a locally owned entity is part of the Flannery legacy, and an important factor in the family decision to purchase the venue. Cliff's brother and legendary racer was the late Jack Flannery, while nephew Jamey (Jack's son) was also a champion racer at Crandon. Both Cliff and Jack are also inductees into the Off-Road Motorsports Hall of Fame, the first family to earn such honors.

"The road to today's announcement has been a long one that required us to overcome some bumps along the way," explained Cliff Flannery. "This small but very faithful community, and our hard-working staff, have spent the better part of our collective lives building Crandon International literally by hand. After 53 years it was time to make a change on how we operate and do business. I am proud of where we have come, and also what we have achieved. Considering the success of the past six or seven years, our future looks better than ever." Crandon Office Manager Tina Kulaf will remain in her role of managing the track's business operation, while current Promoter Marty Fiolka and his California-based TRG Rennsport group will continue their roles in event promotion and execution, sponsorship, marketing, content and public relations. Nicknamed the "Big House" for both its size and influence on the sport, Crandon International is also home to an impressive list of corporate partnerships with top-tier brands including Lucas Oil, Red Bull, Polaris, MAVTV, Forest County Potawatomi, Ponsse, Fox Shox, STEEL-IT, Vision Wheel, Yokohama Tire, MasterCraft Safety, Rugged Radio and many others. Currently the 29th annual Forest County Potawatomi Brush Run weekend is scheduled for June 24 26, 2022 and the 53rd Polaris Crandon World Championship/Red Bull Cup will take place September 1 -4,2022.

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is through our now annual tradition of "Sponsor a Senior," in which we hang



senior banners throughout downtown Crandon. We have had great success with this project in the past, and we hope to continue it for years to come.

The banners will cost \$35 each. If you are interested in donating to the "Sponsor a Senior 2021" project, you can donate toward a specific senior, or you can donate toward the overall project to help offset the cost of the banners. You can donate any amount of money that you feel comfortable with, and any donations are greatly appreciated as this is a privately funded project.

We are hoping to gather all senior portraits and donations by April 29th so that there is ample time for the production of banners as well as getting them hung downtown well before graduation day on Saturday, May 28th.

If you have any questions concerning our Sponsorship Opportunity, feel free to contact Terri Palubicki at 715-499-1068. If you would like to Sponsor a Senior by providing a donation, please make checks made payable to Terri Palubicki and mail to: 10484 Bocek Lane Argonne, WI 54511. Thank you for your help!

> With Gratitude, Crandon School District Class of 2021

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Wabeno Women's apartment available **Bowling League** (Orchard Ridge (April 6, 7, 2022) Apartments). Rent is **TEAM STANDINGS WEEK 27** based on 30% of your Whitetail Logging, 63 gross adjusted income. Rusty's, 55 Rent includes water, Bruce's Misteaks, 52 sewer, garbage and heat. Cassidy's Café, 51 Major appliances, off Splits N Giggles, 51 street parking and laundry Prospect Lodge, 48 Sassy Kwe's, 40 facilities. No lawn work to IND HIGH GAME do. To receive an Penny Carter, 205 application, please call 1-Lisa Mermuys, 193 800-938-5648. This Kelly Gallion, 182 institution is an equal IND HANDICAP GAME opportunity provider and Penny Carter, 230 employer. Lisa Mermuys, 225 Nitty Shepard, 225 **í** IND HIGH SERIES Penny Carter, 534 Lisa Mermuys, 530 CRANDON: Warm up in Kellee Gallion, 496 with a pet with an IND HANDICAP SERIES additional deposit! 1 Lisa Mermuys, 626 bedroom apartments Penny Carter, 609 available at the Glenview Ruth Pemma, 597 Senior Apartments. **TEAM HIGH GAME** Whitetail Logging, 616 Specifically built for Sassy Kwe's, 584 persons 62 years of age Cassidy's Café, 579 TEAM HANDICAP GAME handicapped/disabled Sassy Kwe's, 774 individuals regardless of Cassidy's Café, 755 age. Rent is based on Whitetail Logging, 732 30% of your gross **TEAM HIGH SERIES** Whitetail Logging, 1833 adjusted income or Sassy Kwe's, 1645 \$545.00 if rental Cassidy's Café, 1629 assistance is not available **TEAM HANDICAP SERIES** and includes water, sewer, Sassy Kwe's, 2215 garbage pickup, HEAT, Whitetail Logging, 2181 major appliances, off Cassidy's Café, 2157 street parking and laundry 6Pack: Penny Carter, 230 facilities. We accept 6Pack: Lisa Mermuys, 626 Pizza: Sassy Kwe's, 2215

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Letters to the Editor

We welcome letters 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.

Governor Signs Four Felzkowski Bills into Law

On Friday, Governor Evers signed a number of bills into law, including AB 765, AB 874, AB 909, and SB 520, all of which were authored by Senator Mary Felzkowski (R-Tomahawk). These bills received strong bipartisan support in the legislature earlier this year, as they are common-sense pieces of legislation that will benefit Wisconsinites throughout the state.

AB 765, now 2021 Wisconsin Act 225, creates and modifies administrative rules which will allow Group Physical Therapy to be covered under the state Medicaid program. "Group Physical Therapy is already covered under the federal Medicaid program, so it only makes sense to create parity between state and federal services. In rural areas of Wisconsin, access to medical services such as physical therapy is extremely limited. This bill will allow healthcare providers to see more Medicaid patients at a time, despite a shortage of therapists in many parts of the state."

The second bill signed by the Governor, AB 874, now known as 2021 Wisconsin Act 228, will furnish public and private EMS providers with the ability to invest industry dollars, which will pull down a federal match for the Medicaid services that they provide to the people of Wisconsin. "The ease of access to emergency medical services can mean life or death to those waiting for quick care, yet many of our rural EMS providers are severely underfunded. While this won't solve all of the issues plaguing our public and private service providers, it'll be a step in the right direction when it comes to alleviating some of the financial pressure."

The third bill, AB 909, signed into law as 2021 Wisconsin Act 230, makes a number of improvements and updates to the Managed Forest Land program in Wisconsin based on input from the DNR and private woodland owners throughout the state. These changes improve an already strong program that provide ecological and economic benefits to Wisconsin.

Lastly, SB 520, now 2021 Wisconsin Act 252, funds the creation of a new Type 1 juvenile correctional facility in Milwaukee County. This is the crucial next step needed for the closure and conversion of Lincoln Hills and Copper Lake. "The state is long overdue in taking this action and I'm excited we were able to get this bill across the finish line. I have faith that the Department of Corrections will move quickly to take the next necessary steps and get the new facility built."

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Forest County to Iron Mountain: Arrive about 10 a.m. Walmart plus any reasonable suggestions. Will stop for lunch. Depart Iron Mountain by 2 p.m.

Tuesday, April 19: Rhinelander Tuesday, April 19: Antigo Thursday, April 21: Rhinelander Thursday, April 28: Rhinelander

Destinations may change based on riders' needs or wishes. Call at least the day before riding.



broccoli, biscuit, peach cobbler

Monday - April 25 - Loaded baked potato soup, chef's salad with turkey, egg and cucumber, breadstick, pear crisp

CRANDON, WABENO, LAONA, ARMSTRONG CREEK Tuesday - April 19 - Beef stew with potatoes, carrots,

onions and celery, fruit, oat bread, pumpkin pie **Tuesday - April 26** - Rosemary chicken, parsley potato,

carrots, sourdough bread, jello with fruit <u>CRANDON, LAONA, ARMSTRONG CREEK</u> Wednesday - April 20 - Pork chop, sweet potatoes,

cauliflower, dinner roll, applesauce

Wednesday - April 27 - Pulled beef, whole grain bun, vegetable salad, baked beans, fruit, brownie

WABENO CONGREGATE & HOME DELIVERED

Thursday - April 21 - Pork chop, sweet potatoes, cauliflower, dinner roll, applesauce

Thursday - April 28 - Pulled beef, whole grain bun, vegetable salad, baked beans, fruit, brownie ALVIN

Thursday - April 21 - Chili with crackers, celery with dip, kidney and black beans in chili, cornbread muffin, marble cake with chocolate frosting

Thursday - April 28 - Chicken with bowtie pasta and peas, coleslaw, corn, garlic knots, lemon bars

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

Death Notices

Patrick L. Johnson, 73, of Townsend, WI passed away Sunday, April 3, 2022, surrounded by loved ones at his home on Bass Lake which he built with the help of family and friends. Patrick was born on the opening day of trout season, May 15, 1948, in Carter, WI. He was the son of Laurence and Avis (Mielke) Johnson, and he was the sixth of eight children.



He was united in marriage on October 5, 1968, to Norma Adams at St. Ambrose Catholic Church in Wabeno, WI. Patrick served in the U.S. Army from 1968 to 1970 in Germany where Norma joined him for 18 months. They traveled extensively, guided by the book, Europe on 5 Dollars a Day, by Arthur Frommer. After returning home, Patrick graduated from Milwaukee Area Technical College with a degree in Diesel Mechanics. He then started his 38year career at Schneider.

Patrick was a commanding storyteller, with his inspiration coming from his shenanigans as a young boy growing up in Carter to his family and friends at hunting and fishing camp. Patrick enjoyed hunting, fishing, and cutting wood. He was the camp cook for many years, serving his special cottage cheese gravy with red potatoes and hot dogs. He also enjoyed his time as a 3rd Degree member of the De Pere Knights of Columbus and the Wabeno Lions Club.

Patrick is survived by Norma (Adams) Johnson, his wife of 53 years; daughter, Heather (Matthew) Cassidy of De Pere; son, Trever Johnson of Milwaukee; grandchildren, Kyrstin and Laura Cassidy; sisters, Wynona Joan Connors of Wabeno, Lowell Janet (Dan) Stodola of Townsend and Anajalia Ann (Paul) Risner of Coleman; brother, Michael (Darlene) Johnson of Seacrest, FL; and sister-in-law, Dorothy Dot Johnson of Kona, HI.

Patrick was preceded in death by his parents, Laurence and Avis Johnson; brothers, Capt. Ronald Johnson, Garfield (Marianne) Johnson and Kentwood (Dixie) Johnson; and brother-in-law, Richard Connors.

The family would like to express a special thank you to Cat Flannery for her compassionate care, Pete Sackett for his lifelong friendship, and Father Philip, the Green Bay VA, and Unity for their tremendous support.

Mass will be held at 11 a.m. on Saturday, April 23, 2022, at St. Ambrose Catholic Church in Wabeno with Father Philip Dinh-Van-Thiep officiating. Visitation will also be at St. Ambrose from 9:30 a.m. to time of service. A celebration of life will be held at the Townsend Town Hall following Mass.

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



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RUMMAGE

RUMMAGE SALE: Saturday, April 23, 8:00 -3:00p.m., Argonne Town Hall. Proceeds for Argonne Methodist Church building fund. P3



Thank Yous and Personals

THANK YOU! I would like to thank everyone who helped get me elected to the Crandon school Board Jamie Thomaschefsky



HELP WANTED

Job Posting Town of Laona

The Town of Laona has a part-time position opening for a cemetery attendant. The position will be estimated at 20-30 hours per week. The attendant is responsible for the overall presentation and appearance of the cemetery which includes: mowing of grass using riding and hand mowing equipment, trimming vegetation and trees and planting of new grass. Additional responsibilities may occur.

Any questions please call the town office at 715-674-4071. Applications can be picked up at the Laona Town Hall and must be received by April 15th. Jessica Thornton, Clerk

Lumberjack Steam Train-Camp 5 Museum Is Hiring Part-Time Seasonal Help

Lumberjack Steam Train Camp 5 Museum is seeking part-time seasonal help for the 2022 Season June 21st August 20th , Tuesday thru Saturday. We are looking for help in all areas of the Camp 5 Complex: Gift Shop, Choo Choo Snack Café, Barn, Museum and conductors on the Train . There will be additional hours required before and after the season for start-up and year end clean up.

Please email <u>info@lumberjacksteamtrain.com</u> or call 715-674-3414 for more information or to request an application. Applications will be accepted until April 25th, 2022.



or e-mail: hr@bay-nuroc.com www.bay-nuroc.com info@bay-nuroc.com

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PART-TIME SUMMER JOB OPPORTUNITY MAKE A LITTLE EXTRA \$\$

Apply to be a Clean Boat Clean Water Inspector or Program Coordinator on Lake

LAONA SCHOOL DISTRICT Special Education Aide Position

The Laona School District is looking for a Special Education Aide for the 2022-2023 school year. This position is approximately 25 hours per week. The position requires working with students in the elementary building, which covers grades 4K-5. Because we are a Title I Schoolwide district the candidate must have either an Associate's Degree, 48 credits post-secondary education or successfully complete a proficiency test to qualify. The deadline to apply is Friday, April 29, 2022.

If interested, please send a resume and letter of interest to:

School District of Laona Attn: Melissa Chrisman - District Administrator 5216 Forest Ave Suite A Laona, WI 54541 This institution is an equal opportunity employer.



In House & Out of House

The School District of Crandon is seeking coaches for the following:

Middle School Football Coach Wage for this position will be \$1,050.00 per year

Middle School Cross Country Coach Wage for this position will be \$1,050.00 per year

Head Volleyball Coach Wage for this position will be \$3,150.00 per year

These positions will be contingent upon participation numbers. The District reserves all rights to not hire the positions posted, should participation numbers not warrant a coach.

Any persons interested in these positions should submit a written application to the District Office. Attention: Brady Weber, Activities Director 9750 US Highway 8 W Crandon, WI 54520 715-478-6124

Deadline: Wednesday, April 27, 2022 at 3:00 p.m.

The School District of Crandon does not discriminate on the basis of sex, race, religion, national origin, ancestry, creed, sexual orientation, color, pregnancy, marital or parental status, or physical, mental, emotional or learning disability.

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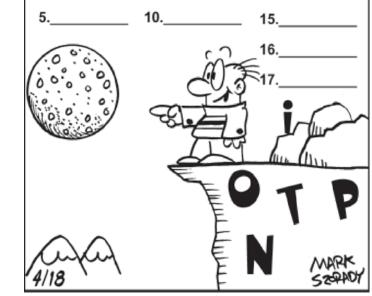


FOUND at Happy Tails Resale Shop: Dental partial in a bag of clothes. Call Penny at 715-784-0373 FOR SALE-Purebred Golden Retriever puppies--ready for a home May 1st!!! If interested, call 715-445-5851. P4 *Metonga! For details contact Lake Metonga Association at Imasecretary21@gmail.com or 920-676-5764*

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SCHAEFER'S FOOD MART PULL-OUT SECTION





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Wabeno School **Breakfast Menu** April 18 - 22

Monday -No School Tuesday - Scrambled eggs, country fried steak, biscuits & gravy, Mandarin oranges, fruit juice, milk Wednesday - Cereal bar, muffins, yogurt, peaches fruit juice, milk

Thursday -Muffins, yogurt, cantaloupe /honeydew fruit juice, milk Friday - W.G. cinnamon roll, yogurt, cantaloupe/ honeydew, fruit juice, milk

Wabeno School Lunch Menu April 18 -22 Monday - No School Tuesday - Chili dog, waffle fries, broccoli, mixed berry cup, garden bar, milk Wednesday - Assorted pizza, garlic bread stick, peas & carrots, apple sauce, garden bar, milk Thursday -Asian rice bowl, chicken, Oriental vegetable, Mixed berries cup, garden bar, milk Friday - Chicken Cordon Bleu, mashed potatoes/w gravy, corn, apple crisp, garden bar, milk

BIDS AND NOTICES

Wanted

Northwoods Evergreen Co. wants White Birch and Red Dogwood Poles Call -715-536-6060



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Notice to Bid **Town of Crandon**

Town will be accepting bids for mowing and keeping clean the cemetery area.

Bids to read: Price per hour to mow, man and machine price per hour man only. Bidder furnish all equipment. Bidder show proof of insurance.

Bids to be received by May 1, 2022. Mail bids to: Ron Cole, 5161 Cole Rd., Crandon, WI 54520.

2021 Consumer Confidence Report Data WABENO SANITARY DIST 1, PWS ID: 72101106



If you would like to know more about the information contained in this report, please contact Mike Brandner at (715) 850-0367.

Copies of the Consumer Confidence Report (CCR) are available at the Sanitary District office located at 1735 3rd St. Wabeno. WI 54566. Office hours are 7 am to Noon. Monday through Friday, closed on major holidays. The Board Members are Chairman, Scott Schuhart; Commissioner, Tom Tallier; and Commissioner, Donna Hogan. The office manager is Jenny Schmidt. The office phone number is 715-473-2905.

Opportunity for input on decisions affecting your water quality

The Wabeno Sanitary District No. 1, Board of Commissioners, meet the first Monday of each month at 10:00 am, except for the Budget Hearing in November which it is at 5:00 pm. All meetings take place at the district office which is located at 1735 3rd St. Wabeno, WI 54566. Interested customers are encouraged to attend the meetings.

Health Information

Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the Environmental Protection Agency's safe drinking water hotline (800-426-4791).

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immuno-compromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune systems disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. EPA/CDC guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by cryptosporidium and other microbial contaminants are available from the Environmental Protection Agency's safe drinking water hotline (800-426-4791).

Source(s) of Water

Source ID 1 2	Source Groundwater Groundwater	Depth (in feet) 95 157	Status Active Active	To obtain a summary of the source water assessme please contact, Mike Brandner at (715)850-0367.
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Educational Information

The sources of drinking water, both tap water and bottled water, include rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs and wells. As water travels over the surface of the land or through the ground, it dissolves naturally occurring minerals and, in some cases, radioactive material, and can pick up substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activity

Contaminants that may be present in source water include:

 Microbial contaminants, such as viruses and bacteria, which may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock operations and wildlife. · Inorganic contaminants, such as salts and metals, which can be naturally- occurring or result from urban stormwater runoff, industrial or domestic wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining or farming.

· Pesticides and herbicides, which may come from a variety of sources such as agriculture, urban stormwater runoff and residential uses.

 Organic chemical contaminants, including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals, which are by-products of industrial processes and petroleum production, and can also come from gas stations, urban stormwater runoff and septic systems.

Radioactive contaminants, which can be naturally occurring or be the result of oil and gas production and mining activities. In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, EPA prescribes regulations that limit the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. FDA regulations establish limits for contaminants in bottled water, which shall provide the same protection for public health.

Definitions

Term Definition

AL Action Level: The concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.

HAL Health Advisory Level: The concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, poses a health risk and may require a system to post a public notice.

Level 1 A Level 1 assessment is a study of the water system to identify potential problems and determine, if possible, why total coliform bacteria have been found in Assessment our water system.

A Level 2 assessment is a very detailed study of the water system to identify potential problems and determine, if possible, why an E. coli MCL violation has Level 2 Assessment occurred or why total coliform bacteria have been found in our water system, or both, on multiple occasions

Maximum Contaminant Level: The highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs MCL

are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology.

MCLG Maximum Contaminant Level Goal: The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.

million fibers per liter MFL

MRDL Maximum residual disinfectant level: The highest level of a disinfectant allowed in drinking water. There

is convincing evidence that addition of a disinfectant is necessary for control of microbial contaminants. MRDLG Maximum residual disinfectant level goal: The level of a drinking water disinfectant below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MRDLGs do not reflect the benefits of the use of disinfectants to control microbial contaminants.

mrem/year millirems per year (a measure of radiation absorbed by the body)

NTU Nephelometric Turbidity Units

- pCi/l picocuries per liter (a measure of radioactivity)
- parts per million, or milliorams per liter (mg/l ppm
- parts per billion, or micrograms per liter (ug/l)
- parts per trillion, or nanograms per liter
- ppb ppt ppq SMCL parts per quadrillion, or picograms per liter
- Secondary drinking water standards or Secondary Maximum Contaminant Levels for contaminants that

Contaminant (units)	Site	MCL	MCLG	Level Found	Range	Sample Date (if prior to 2021)	Violation	Typical Source of Contaminant
								stainless steel and alloy products.
NITRATE (N03-N) (ppm)		10	10	0.44	0.06 - 0.44		No	Runoff from fertilizer use; Leaching from septic tanks, sewage; Erosion of natural deposits
SODIUM (ppm)		n/a	n/a	6.10	3.80 - 6.10	2/19/2020	No	n/a

Contaminant (units)	Action Level	MCLG	90th Percentile Level Found	# of Results	Sample Date (if prior to 2021)	Violation	Typical Source of Contaminant
COPPER (ppm)	AL-1.3	1.3	0.1500	0 of 10 results were above the action level.	1/7/2020	Νυ	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; Erosion of natural deposits; Leaching from wood preservatives
LEAD (ppb)	AL-15	o	1.00	0 of 10 results were above the action level.	1/7/2020	No	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; Erosior of natural deposits

Radioactive Contaminants

Contaminant (units)	Site	MCL	MCLG	Level Found	Range	Sample Date (if prior to 2021)	Violation	Typical Source of Contaminant
GROSS ALPHA, EXCL. R & U (pCi/l)		15	0	1.3	0.0 - 1.3	2/19/2020	No	Erosion of natural deposits
GROSS ALPHA, INCL. R & U (n/a)		n/a	n/a	3.1	0.0 - 3.1	2/19/2020	No	Erosion of natural deposits
COMBINED URANIUM (ug/l)		30	0	2.6	2.1 - 2.6	2/19/2020	No	Erosion of natural deposits

Contaminants with a Health Advisory Level or a Secondary Maximum Contaminant Level

The following tables list contaminants which were detected in your water and that have either a Health Advisory Level (HAL) or a Secondary Maximum Contaminant Level (SMCL), or both. There are no violations for detections of contaminants that exceed Health Advisory Levels, Groundwater Standards or Secondary Maximum Contaminant Levels. Secondary Maximum Contaminant Levels are levels that do not present health concerns but may pose aesthetic problems such as objectionable taste, odor, or color. Health Advisory Levels are levels at which concentrations of the contaminant present a health risk.

Contaminant (units)	Site	SMCL (ppm)	HAL (ppm)	Level Found	Range	Sample Date (if prior to 2021)	Typical Source of Contaminant
CHLORIDE (ppm)		250		13.00	13.00	3/1/2017	Runoff/leaching from natural deposits, road salt, water softeners
IRON (ppm)		0.3		0.02	0.01 - 0.02	3/1/2017	Runoff/leaching from natural deposits, industrial wastes
MANGANESE (ppm)		0.05	0.3	0.03	0.00 - 0.03	3/1/2017	Leaching from natural deposits
ZINC (ppm)		5		0.02	0.00 - 0.02	3/1/2017	Runoff/leaching from natural deposits, industrial wastes

affect taste, odor, or appearance of the drinking water. The SMCLs do not represent health standards

- TCR Total Coliform Rule
- Π Treatment Technique: A required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water.

Detected Contaminants

Your water was tested for many contaminants last year. We are allowed to monitor for some contaminants less frequently than once a year. The following tables list only those contaminants which were detected in your water. If a contaminant was detected last year, it will appear in the following tables without a sample date. If the contaminant was not monitored last year, but was detected within the last 5 years, it will appear in the tables below along with the sample date. Inorganic Contaminants

Contaminant (units)	Site	MCL	MCLG	Level Found	Range	Sample Date (if prior to 2021)	Violation	Typical Source of Contaminant
ARSENIC (ppb)		10	n/a	2	1 - 2	2/19/2020	No	Erosion of natural deposits; Runoff from orchards; Runoff from glass and electronics production wastes
BARIUM (ppm)		2	2	0.012	0.011 - 0.012	2/19/2020	No	Discharge of drilling wastos; Discharge from metal refineries; Erosion of natural deposits
CHROMIUM (ppb)		100	100	2	0 - 2	2/19/2020	No	Discharge from steel and pulp mills; Erosion of natural deposits
FLUORIDE (ppm)		4	4	0.3	0.2 - 0.3	2/19/2020	Νο	Erosion of natural deposits; Wator additive which promotes strong teeth; Discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factorics
NICKEL (ppb)		100		0.3600	0.3100 - 0.3600	2/19/2020	No	Nickel occurs naturally in soils, ground water and surface waters and is often used in electroplating,

Volatile Organic Contaminants

Contaminant (units)	Site	MCL	MCLG	Level Found	Range	Sample Date (if prior to 2021)	Violation	Typical Source of Contaminant
TOLUENE (ppm)		1	1	0.0002	0.0000 - 0.0002	2/19/2020		Discharge from petroleum factories

Additional Health Information

If present, elevated levels of lead can cause serious health problems, especially for pregnant women and young children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and components associated with service lines and home plumbing. Wabeno Sanitary Dist 1 is responsible for providing high quality drinking water, but cannot control the variety of materials used in plumbing components. When your water has been sitting for several hours, you can minimize the potential for lead exposure by flushing your tap for 30 seconds to 2 minutes before using water for drinking or cooking. If you are concerned about lead in your water, you may wish to have your water tested. Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline or at www.epa.gov/safewater/lead.

Other Compliance

Uncorrected Significant Deficiencies

Deficiency Description and Progress to Date	Date System Notified	Scheduled Correction Date
Past inspection deficiencies have not been corrected as required.	5/31/2019	6/1/2022
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Private Wells Program-Covid delayed it longer than expected but we will be taking care of them this spring/summer 2022.

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NOTICE

TOWN OF NASHVILLE ELECTORS

THE ANNUAL MEETING WILL BE HELD ON

APRIL 19, 2022, AT 6:00 P.M.

AT THE NASHVILLE TOWN HALL

LOCATED AT 4265 STATE HWY 55.

CRANDON WI

Sandy Frank, Clerk/Treasurer

Bids & Notices

Town of Lincoln Annual Meeting Wednesday, April 20, 2022 6:00 P.M. at the Lincoln Town Hall

5376 County W Crandon, WI 54520



Regular Meeting Laona Board of Education

Monday, March 14, 2022, 5:30 p.m. C.L. Robinson Elementary - Room 24

Vice President Frank Shepard Jr. **Called the Regular Meeting to Order** at 5:30 p.m. Present: Frank Shepard Jr., Melissa McLaughlin, Samantha Hoffman, Chad Albrecht, Melissa Chrisman, Jason Bertrand, Tiffany Pakulski, and Katie Shepard to take notes. There were (10) ten guests in attendance. Notice has been posted in accordance with Wis. Stat. 19.84.

Frank Shepard Jr. led the **Pledge of Allegiance**.

Motion by Hoffman, seconded by Albrecht to approve the amended **Agenda, adding K. Enrollment for the 2022-2023 school year**. All in favor, motion carried.

PUBLIC FORUM (10 minutes):

Shelly Chitko thanked Scott Reeves for his years of service. Shelly discussed her chance to go on a 2 week vacation and wanted the board to know that this is something that she would not normally do. Shelly stated that there is a retired teacher coming to sub and she will be skyping with students while at volcanos.

Sara Perry thanked the board for letting her go to the Library Media Specialist convention. She was very appreciative of the opportunity to travel for this convention.

Kathy Krawze thanked Sara Perry for her patience and knowledge for helping staff. Kathy Krawze also thanked the board for the Christmas present on March 8th. She stated that it was nice to be able to have the day off.

Christy Janczewski thanked the board for letting her go on the Senior Class Trip. It was a great trip with a great class.

Consent Agenda - Open and Closed Regular Meeting Minutes dated Tuesday, February 15, 2022.

Purchase Orders from 2/12/22 - 3/11/22 - \$ 283,244.95

Disbursements & Wires from 2/1/22 - 2/28/22 - \$180,727.34

Cash Receipts from 2/1/22 - 2/28/22 - \$17,554.80

Motion by Albrecht, seconded by McLaughlin to approve Consent Agenda. All in favor, motion carried. **OPEN ACTION ITEMS**:

Jason Bertrand presented the **Valedictorian and Salutatorian for the Class of 2022**. Braylee Chrisman, the daughter of Mike and Stacy Chrisman, will be the Valedictorian for the Class of 2022. Elizabeth Krawze, the daughter of Richard and Claire Krawze, will be the Salutatorian of the Class of 2022. The board congratulated Braylee and Elizabeth, along with their families, on their accomplishments.

Mrs. Chrisman stated that Skip Yaeger would like to ask about a **Trap Shooting Club** for the 5th -12th graders. Skip would like to have the team use Rebel as their team name. He would like for the team to be recognized by the school district as a sport where the students can receive their varsity letter. The board would like this to be brought to the Co-op meeting.

Tiffany Pakulski presented proposals for the **Boiler Project Update**. Motion by Hoffman, seconded by Albrecht. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Albrecht, seconded by McLaughlin to approve the **Retirement** of Dan Lazzaroni at the end of the 2021-2022 school year. All in favor, motion carried. The board congratulated and thanked Dan Lazzeroni for his years of service to our district.

Daycare Staffing was moved into closed session.

Tiffany Pakulski presented the **Urinal Replacements Update** to the board. Motion by Hoffman, seconded by McLaughlin to approve Dama Plumbing and Heating Inc. for the replacement of wall urinals. All in favor, motion carried. The **Food Service Director's Contract** was moved into closed session.

Staff Handbook Discussion was moved into closed session.

Mrs. Chrisman presented the final look of the **NEOLA Policies**, Draft, Vol. 31, No. 1, Dec. 2021, 0100, 0142.1, 0142.5, 1044.5, 0152, 0165.1, 01460, 2210, 2266, 3121, 3122.01, 3160, 3340, 4121, 4122, 4160, 4340, 5113, 5200, 5410, 6114, 6152, 6152.01, 7100, 8310, and 8450. Motion by Albrecht, seconded by McLaughlin to approve the Neola Policies as presented. All in favor, motion carried.

Discussion held on **Appointing a New Board Member**. This will be on social media and posted in the paper. Mrs. Chrisman shared the **Enrollment numbers for the 2022-2023** school year. Motion by Albrecht, seconded by Hoffman to approve the hiring of a teacher for the 4th/5th grade position. All in favor, motion carried.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS: Tiffany Pakulski submitted a written Business Manager's Report that can be found on the school website

NOTICE-TOWN OF LINCOLN OPEN BOOK AND BOARD OF REVIEW

<u>OPEN BOOK</u> 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, April 29 from 4-6 PM. (Books are also available for review after April 29, 2022 by appointment with the Clerk.)

BOARD OF REVIEW Will be held at the Town Hall, 5376 County Road W, Crandon on Monday, May 9, 2022 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)889-2000 or tressavotis@gmail.com (or the Town Assessor at the Open Book).

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

2022-2023 PUBLIC SCHOOL OPEN ENROLLMENT APPLICATION PERIOD SCHOOL DISTRICT OF WABENO

The School District of Wabeno Area will be accepting Open Enrollment applications for the 2022-2023 school year from **February 7 to April 29, 2022.** Applications must be received in the District Office no later than **4:00 P.M., April 29, 2022.** Parents may also fill out and submit the application on-line. The on-line application will be available from midnight **February 7 until 4:00 P.M. on April 29, 2022.** You may submit an online 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.

SCHOOL DISTRICT OF LAONA BID REQUEST

The School District of Laona is looking for bids to revamp our playground areas. There will be two separate playground projects to bid on. Playground project #1 will consist of removing the old woodchips, adding any necessary fill, and adding new wood chips that need to be 8" deep. A 45' x 10' area along the fence line will need to be concreted for drainage purposes. Also, (7) 10" x 4' deep concrete sono tubes need to be installed to anchor some new playground equipment. Playground project #2 will consist of either a concrete or 8 x 8 green treated perimeter boarder filled with wood chips 8" deep. The other half of the playground area will need to have sod laid. Please bid on the playground projects separately. For further details regarding the specifications and scope of the project, please contact John "Gus" Klementz at 715-674-2143 ext. 207. You can set up an appointment with him to review the project. Sealed bids will be accepted until May 6, 2022 at 4:00 p.m. Bids will be opened at the May 9, 2022 board meeting. The project needs to be completed when school is out of session in between June 6, 2022 to August 29, 2022. A certificate of insurance must be provided before the start of the project. Please send sealed bids to: School District of Laona Attn: Playground Projects 5216 Forest Ave Suite A Laona, WI 54541

under District, School Board, Board Agendas, Boarddocs link. Tiffany Pakulski added that there is a rebate for the Focus on Energy report.

Jason Bertrand submitted a written **Middle School/High School Principal's Report** that can be found on the school website under the District School Board Agenda BoardDocs link. Mr. Bertrand added that the staff enjoyed the Professional Development Day. He also thanked Frank and Katie Shepard and Christine Janczewski for chaperoning the Senior Class Trip.

Melissa Chrisman submitted a written **Administrator/Elementary Principal's Report** that can be found on the school website under the District School Board Agenda BoardDocs link.

Board Member Reports

Melissa McLaughlin congratulated the students in forensics and the sports teams. Melissa also thanked Mr.
Bertrand for allowing the students to park next to him for Honors parking.

• Chad Albrecht congratulated Elizabeth Krawze and Braylee Chrisman on their achievement, while working hard, playing sports, and being active in the community. Chad also thanked them for being great role models for the younger students.

• Samantha Hoffman congratulated the girls basketball team for making sectionals and the boys basketball team for conference. Samantha congratulated the two boys that placed at state wrestling.

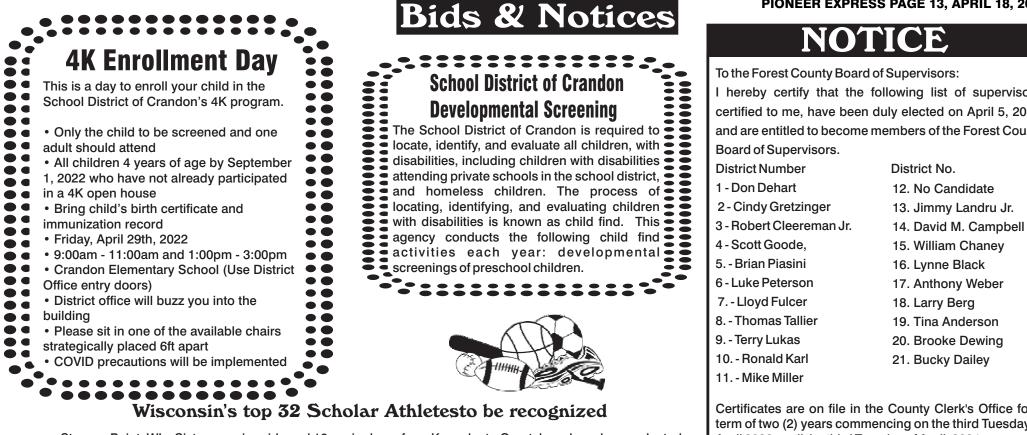
• Frank Shepard congratulated the girls and boys basketball teams. Frank congratulated Ryan Roy and Pierrson Czaplinski for placing at state. Congratulations to Braylee and Elizabeth on their academic achievements.

Motion by Albrecht, seconded by Hoffman 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 Shepard, McLaughlin, Hoffman and Albrecht voting yes.

After Returning from Open Session, the following action was taken:

Motion by Albrecht, seconded by McLaughlin to approve the Food Service Manager's contract as presented for the 2022-2023 school year. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Albrecht, seconded by Shepard to Adjourn the meeting. All in favor, motion carried. (9:38 p.m.)



Stevens Point, WI-Sixteen senior girls and 16 senior boys from Kenosha to Grantsburg have been selected as finalists to receive the prestigious 2022 Wisconsin Interscholastic Athletic Association's (WIAA) Statewide Scholar Athlete Award underwritten by Marshfield Children's Hospital. More than 1,100 Scholar Athlete finalists have been recognized since the program began in 1984.

To determine the top 32 finalists, four boys and four girls were selected (based on both athletic and academic achievement) from each of four WIAA divisions. "These extraordinary student athletes excel in both academics and athletics," said Tom Shafranski, Assistant Director of the WIAA. "Sixteen of this year's 32 WIAA Scholar Athlete finalists have a grade point average of 4.0 to date, while the average GPA is an amazing 3.94. All 32 scholar athlete finalists have already earned a total of 291 varsity letters during their first 3-1/2 years of high school. That's an average of 9 letters per athlete, and we have not yet completed our spring sports season."

This year more than 830 seniors were nominated for the 2022 WIAA Scholar Athlete Award by 430 high schools throughout the state. The 2022 WIAA Scholar Athlete Finalists will be recognized at an awards ceremony Sunday, May 1 at the Hilton Garden Inn in Wausau. Keynote speaker will be Karyn Bye, Olympic Gold Medalist on the U.S. Women's 1998 Hockey Team and recent inductee in the U.S. Olympic Hall of Fame and the National High School Hall of Fame.

A Webcast of the awards ceremony will be available at www.wiaawi.org after the ceremony on May 1. For more information, visit www.wiaawi.org.

Included in the list is Elizabeth Krawze, Laona, Wabeno High School. Congratulations Elizabeth!

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I hereby certify that the following list of supervisors, certified to me, have been duly elected on April 5, 2022, and are entitled to become members of the Forest County

- 19. Tina Anderson

Certificates are on file in the County Clerk's Office for a term of two (2) years commencing on the third Tuesday of April 2022, until the third Tuesday of April, 2024.

Nora Matuszewski, Forest County Clerk

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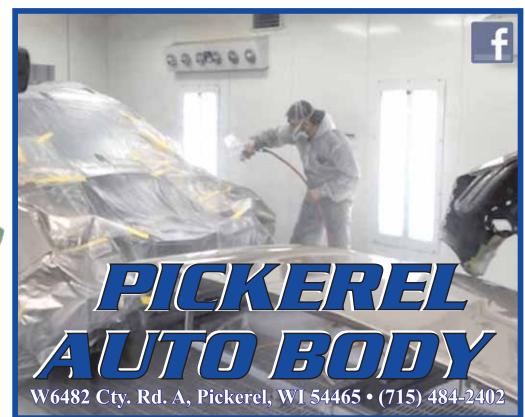




Chequamegon-Nicolet National Forest prepares for prescribed fires in 2022

The Chequamegon-Nicolet National Forest is preparing to conduct prescribed fire activities to restore and improve wildlife habitat and to reduce wildfire risk across the Forest starting in April.







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Certified professional fire specialists expect to begin work as weather and fire safety conditions allow. Neighboring residents and state and local officials will be notified in advance of conducting the prescribed fires.

Also known as prescribed burns, prescribed fires are applied by highly trained and experienced fire staff with careful planning and coordination. Weather conditions are closely monitored, as wind, relative humidity and fuels moisture can affect decisions about how and when to implement a prescribed burn.

Prescribed fires simulate historic, naturally occurring wildfires and burning done by indigenous communities, and they provide great benefits to native plants and animals. Burning the previous years' plant matter returns nutrients to the soil, encouraging healthier and more productive plant growth.

"We are taking all the necessary precautions as we move forward with the planned burns," said Mike Mattmiller, West zone fire management officer. "We are planning additional notification and outreach to neighboring communities. We are always happy to talk with anyone who has concerns about local effects of our planned burns. They can contact us directly at our District Ranger offices."

Work is expected to begin as early as April 13 and may continue through fall, as weather conditions allow. The following prescribed fires are scheduled for this year:

Eagle River- Florence Ranger District

Whisker, Grub Hoe, and Hedmark (Florence County)

Lakewood-Laona Ranger District

ORSO (Langlade County)

Sleeping Bear, Twin Pine, and Thunder Barrens (Oconto County)

Most locations scheduled for prescribed fire projects will remain open for recreation use, but access will be restricted during active fire operations. Residents and passersby should stay alert to signage, road closures, and other notices.

Announcements will be made about planned and active fires through social media on Facebook. Maps and additional details are also available through district offices.

For more information about the Chequamegon-Nicolet National Forest please visit our website at www.fs.usda.gov/CNNF and follow us on Twitter at http://twitter.com/CNNF002 and Facebook at https://www.facebook.com/CNNF002.