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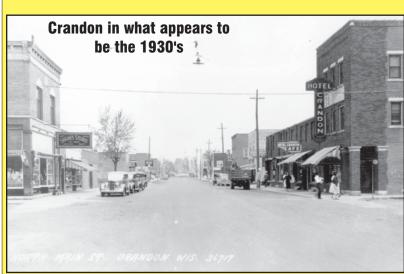
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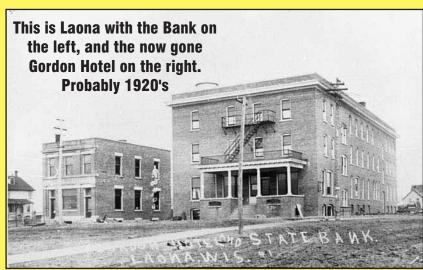
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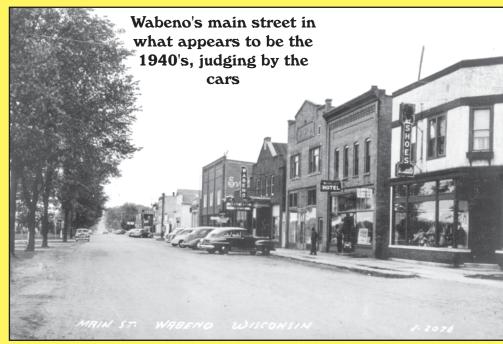


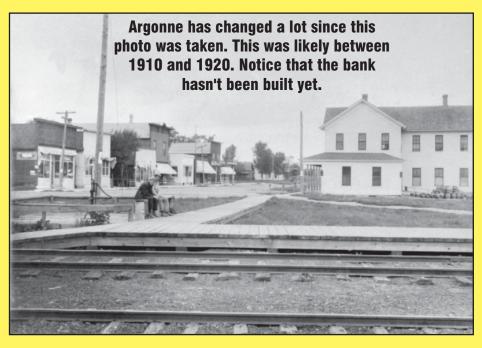
Another year has past. This seems to be a regular thing every 12 months or so! These photos are from the past. As can be seen, some of the buildings in these vintage photos are still doing business.

When the photographers took these photos, they were recording the present time. They didn't realize that they were leaving us a look at our towns in the past. We are surely guilty of the same thoughts today. Time slips by faster than we think, and some day they will be looking at your old pictures and having the same thoughts we have today.



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Conservation Corner

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

If you didn't know, January 11 -15, is Wisconsin Salt Awareness Week. Did you know that all the salt that we apply to our streets, roads and sidewalks ends up in our freshwater? Of course, we use salt as a seasoning, a preservative and it was once used as currency, but the \$1 use for salt in the US is for road de-icing. According to the USGS's Mineral Commodities Report, 43% of salt used in the US in 2019 was put on our roads to melt snow and ice. This much salt, 42 million tons, adds up and it doesn't just stay on the roads.

Every bit of salt put down eventually ends up in our lakes, rivers and groundwater, which puts our freshwater ecosystems at risk. Once it gets in the water, treatment options are limited and expensive. Salt itself is expensive. Wisconsin alone spends \$40 million on road salt each year.

So why do we use salt? Well, it works at least above 15°. Above 15°F, salt mixes with snow and ice and raises its freezing point, which keeps things liquid. Below this temperature, it can't do its job and accumulates in clumps. So, when it gets cold, it's better to use a different de-icer or sand for traction.

The biggest problem with salt-use is overapplication. Using salt when it will not work or simply putting too much down does not increase safety, instead, it puts our freshwater resources at risk. And in most circumstances, not that much salt is needed. Overapplication can be avoided by lightly scattering salt and leaving 3" of space between the crystals.

Environmental Scientists monitor salt in the environment is by looking specifically at chloride, part of the commonly-used rock salt, sodium chloride (or NaCl). Chloride is easy to track because when salt dissolves, chloride tends to stick around for a long time.

In Wisconsin, more and more waters are showing

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CoVantage Cares Foundation provides over \$430,000 to local organizations



Pictured is CoVantage Credit Union (CVCU) staff and representatives of the Crandon Area Community Foundation (CACF) with a check totaling \$21,043.50 from the CoVantage Cares Giving Tuesday Campaign. Pictured from left to right: Sammi Houle, CVCU Branch Manager; Michelle Gobert, CACF Secretary; Jill Kruger, CACF President; Brian Schultz, CACF Vice President/Treasurer.

For seven years, the CoVantage Cares Foundation and CoVantage Credit Union has partnered to hold a two-week giving campaign, kicking off every year on Giving Tuesday. This year's donations pushed our seven-year total to \$2.2M in support for more than 60 organizations.

CoVantage Cares Foundation Director, Morgan Swanson, announced that checks totaling \$433,362.10 were presented to local non-profit groups that serve communities where CoVantage Credit Union has branches. The funds were made possible thanks to generous donations by CoVantage Credit Union members, staff, and community members who supported the Foundation's 2022 Giving Tuesday campaign from November 29 to December 13.

This year, branch staff throughout CoVantage Credit Union's locations were asked to select a non-profit

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Laona Lions **Predator Hunt**



The Laona Lions Predator Hunt will be held on Saturday, January 7th. The entry fee is \$10 per hunter. The weigh-in is from 5 to 7 p.m. at Senolihn's Bar in Laona. All must be harvested the day of the event.

Meat and Gun Raffles will begin at Senolihn's Bar starting at 2 p.m.

For more info, see the ad in this issue on the Area Events page.

Crandon Library Author Series with Jeffery Frye

The CPL Author Series with Jeffery Frye talking about his work called "The Gifts of Recovery," will be held on Thursday, January, 6-7 pm, in the lower level of the Crandon Library.

This is a story of trauma, resilience, and hope! Share his recovery story from drug addiction, to becoming an author, to community advocacy for those in recovery.



It is the New Year's issue. We hope you enjoy the old photos in this issue from years gone by!

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SCHOOL DISTRICT OF WABENO AREA REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING Wednesday, January 4, 2023

High School Library - Wabeno Junior High / High School **Immediately Following Impact Aid Meeting AGENDA**

Call Meeting to Order. I.

Roll Call - Verification of Quorum.

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

IV. Pledge of Allegiance.

Agenda Approval.

VI. Public Participation at Board Meetings - See Board Policy 0167.3.

a. Welcome and Guidelines for Public Comments (5 Minute Maximum

- b. This is a listening session for the community to address the Board. The maximum time limit for this section is 30 minutes. The purpose of this segment of the meeting is for the Board to listen to the views of our community.
- c. Public Participation.

VII. Approval of Minutes.

- a. Approval of the minutes of the Regular School Board Meeting on December 7, 2022.
- b. Approval of the minutes of the Special School Board Meeting on December 19, 2022.

VIII. Approval of Vouchers and Payroll.

Informational Items

- a. Jeff Walsh, District Administrator, will present updates and information.
- b. Bill Taylor, Jr./Sr. High School Principal, will present updates and
- c. Tim Brauer, Elementary Principal, will present updates and information.
- d. Bob Tucker, Director of Pupil Services, will present updates and information.
- e. Board Member Reports.

Action Items. X.

- a. Discuss and take possible action as recommended to NEOLA Policy po2112.01 (Tribal and Parent Involvement) and po8600.
- b. Discuss and take possible action Senior Class Trip.
- c. Discuss and take possible action for Open Enrollment for the determination of spaces available for the 2023-2024 school year.
- d. Discuss and take possible action on administrative contract rollover.
- e. Discuss and take possible action on Safe Return to In-Person Instruction & Continuity of Services Plan.
- d. Discuss and take possible action for Open Enrollment for the determination of spaces available for the 2023-2024 school year.
- e. Discuss and take possible action on administrative contract rollover.
- f. Discuss and take possible action on Safe Return to In-Person Instruction & Continuity of Services Plan.
- . Motion and roll call vote to go into closed session. Pursuant to Wisconsin ΧI Statues 19.85(1)(c)(e)(f), the Board may convene in closed session for purpose of: the
 - a. Discuss and take possible action on teacher compensation for subbing for other teachers beyond during a prep period.

Motion and roll call vote to return open session to announce or take action, if any, and if appropriate.

Discussion of Establishing Dates for Future Board Meetings and Establish Future Agenda Items. No substantive discussion will occur concerning future agenda items.

Adjourn.

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

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The agenda as noted above was sent more than twenty-four hours prior to the meeting date. Due to this fact, the Agenda published in the newspaper(s) listed above may have been altered after delivery to the above listed newspaper(s). The most up to date Agenda information is also available on the District

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

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Crandon Public Library Storytime

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Tuesday - Scrambled eggs, sausage links, tator tots, peaches, fruit juice,

Wednesday - Early risers, fruit juice, applesauce cups, milk

Thursday - Breakfast sandwich, yogurt, oranges, fruit juice, milk Friday - French toast sticks, bacon, banana, fruit

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

juice, milk

Monday - Mini corndogs, mac and cheese, corn, pears, garden bar, milk

Tuesday - Turkey sub sandwich, chips, carrots, mandarin oranges, garden bar, milk

Wednesday - Asian rice bowl, chicken, oriental vegetable, mandarin oranges, garden bar, milk

Thursday - Chicken sandwich, potato wedges, mixed vegetables, tropical fruit, garden bar, milk

Friday - Lasagna, garlic breadstick, peas and pearl onions, strawberries, garden bar, milk

NOTICE

SCHOOL BOARD OF WABENO AREA **Seeking School Board Candidates**

The School District of Wabeno Area is seeking 2 candidates for the April 2023-April 2026 school board term. 1 candidate residing in Oconto County Area; 1 candidate residing in Forest County Area including parts of Forest, Langlade, and Marinette. Incumbents Janet Opiela and Lenora Mattern will not be seeking reelection.

Interested candidates must file paperwork (Sworn Declaration of Candidacy and Campaign Finance Registration Statement) at the District Office, 4346 Mill Lane, Wabeno, by 5:00 P.M. Tuesday, January 3, 2023.

Full list of eligibility requirements available at the District

SCHOOL DISTRICT OF WABENO AREA **PL81-874 IMPACT AID MEETING WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 4, 2023 - 6:00 P.M.** LIBRARY - WABENO AREA JR/SR HIGH **SCHOOL AGENDA**

- 1. Call meeting to order
- 2. Attendance
- 3. Discuss the minutes of the January 5, 2022
- 4. Explanation of Impact Aid Program
- 5. Review and revise School Board Policy 2112.01 -Tribal and Parent Involvement
- 6. Building Updates:
 - a. Elementary School Principal will report on Native American participation, events, and goals at the Elementary School.
 - b. Junior/Senior High Principal will report on Native American participation, events, and goals at the Junior/Senior High School.
- 7. Public Input Future Goals
- 8. Any other business allowed by law.
- 9. Adjourn

AREA EVENTS

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- 5. Experience with machinery, equipment and chainsaw
- 6. Good Public Relations
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Application materials, including the position description and summary of benefits may be obtained at www.co.forest.wi.gov or in the County Clerk's Office, Forest County Courthouse, 200 E Madison Street, Crandon, Wisconsin 54520 or by calling (715) 478-2422. Applications will be reviewed as submitted.

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group in their community to be the recipient of funds raised, with the understanding that contributions generated during the two-week fundraising campaign would be matched up to \$175,000 by CoVantage Cares Foundation. Thanks to the matching funds, along with the generosity of many, donations totaling \$433,362.10 were gifted locally. Crandon Area Community Foundation is using funds to support the Forest County Courthouse Veterans Memorial Park Building remodel which will honor Forest County veterans and educate visitors. NATH-Frederick Place will use the donations to support their mission of ending homelessness and supporting the more than 950 people who call NATH home.

Charlie Zanayed, CoVantage CEO and CoVantage Cares Foundation Board President, shared the following regarding this year's campaign, "Community support is a big part of the CoVantage mission, and we are humbled by the generosity of our members, employees, and community members for supporting these deserving charities. CoVantage Cares Foundation was established as a way to provide financial support to organizations that serve individuals, especially those experiencing significant financial challenge, and organizations that work to enhance quality of life in communities served by CoVantage Credit Union. Together, we have made an incredible impact and plan to keep doing so for years to come!"

Charities selected to receive funding from the sixth annual Giving Tuesday initiative and their sponsoring CoVantage branches include: Crandon Area Community Foundation (Crandon); NATH-Frederick Place (Rhinelander); Fortune Lake Lutheran Camp (Crystal Falls, MI); West Iron County Volunteer Fire Dept. (Iron River, MI); DAR Boys & Girls Club (Menominee, MI); AVAIL (Antigo); Elcho Fire and Rescue (Elcho); Achieve Center (Wausau, Rib Mountain, Weston, Rothchild); Forget Me Not Fund (Shawano); Friends of Emerson Park (Stevens Point & Plover); Paul's Pantry (Suamico); and Big Brothers Big Sisters of East Central Wisconsin (Appleton, Neenah, Menasha)

For more information about CoVantage Cares Foundation, or to obtain the grant application needed to request a donation, visit www.covantagecu.org/cares.



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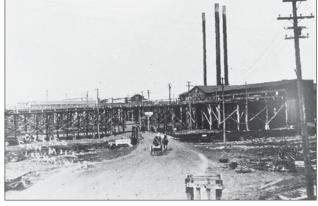
Sen. Johnson Votes Against Massive Omnibus **Spending Bill**

WASHINGTON - On Thursday, U.S. Sen. Ron Johnson (R-Wis.) released the following statement after voting against final passage of the 4,000+ page, \$1.7 trillion omnibus spending bill that was fast-tracked through the Senate without proper consideration.

"The Omnibus that just passed in the Senate is an abomination. There is no way anyone had time to read all 4,155 pages, much less comprehend how the massive deficit spending and major policy elements will negatively impact Americans. This takes Washington dysfunction and cynicism to an entirely new level. We were unable to amend the bill to eliminate at least \$11 billion in earmarks or preserve Title 42 as the only restriction to Biden's open border policy. Once again, Congress easily waived the 'Paygo' discipline to enable massive deficit spending to continue. We are mortgaging our children's future and a majority of the members of Congress couldn't care less. I voted no."

For Old Times Sake

employer.



This is the Connor sawmill in 1912, according to what was written on the photo. It was important to Laona, and, in fact, there wouldn't have been a Laona without this sawmill. Like many northern Wisconsin towns, a sawmill was the beginning of the community. Needless to say, there have been a number of sawmills constructed on this site through the years, and the lumber and flooring keep going to market, while supplying jobs.

Pack 649 builds birdhouses



Pack 649 Completed achievements at One of December's meetings. They built Bird Houses for their parents for Christmas gifts. Pack 649 would like the recognize and give their appreciation to the Blackwell Jobcorps Union Carpentry students for their hard work and generous donation of Bird House Kits.



For Old Times Sake

The Wabeno Corner Band, or at least that is what it appears to be printed on the drum head. This photo is from the early 1900's. Most communities had a band to supply music. The early phonographs wouldn't supply quality, loud music, but the band could. Unfortunately, we don't know the names of the band members, but it is likely some of these guys have descendants in Wabeno today.

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On December 22, surrounded by loved ones in his home, Donald Lewis made his journey to heaven.

He was the youngest of 12 children born to Alma and Mac Lewis, in the old Laona hospital on May 1st, 1930. His 92 years have touched countless members of this community, both long departed and here today. Known as Big Louie, little Mac, Stretch, Uncle Don, Grandpa Donnie, and a great friend to all who knew him.



He will always be remembered as a hard worker, harder than most despite his iconic hand injury from a blasting cap as a young man, taught never to hide it, and instead always promised work because he could outwork as many as 10 men vying for the same gig. From the Connor Lumber Company, Goodman Lumber Company, Pine River, the Forest Service, the teams responsible for the building of the snowmobile trail system many know and love today, or his own crews and Lewis and Sons Trucking, Big Louie was never happier than when he was working in the woods with a piece of machinery. He loved to work on any machine, backhoes, skid steers, tractors, bulldozers, even down to simple work in the garden, splitting wood for his outdoor furnace, or riding his mule around. He was working with equipment earlier this spring, never having any inclination to slow things down.

He was the kind of man who would run himself over with his tractor and keep working on it until the darned thing would work the way he needed it to. All the drawers in his desk are filled with tools, nuts and bolts, work logs from the 80's, all pieces of a man's legacy. Even when he wasn't standing tall, he would be sitting taller than most in his wheelchair, still putting on a pair of work gloves to keep busy. There wasn't much on earth that could ever stop him.

Of course, work wasn't all. Don married the love of his life, Arletta Collins, on January 23, 1954. She made her journey to heaven 25 years earlier on December 17, 1997. When he passed his family surmised that she might tease him for being five days late. He has spent every day of the last 25 years thinking of her, preserving her memory for their family and friends. Together they raised a family of seven: Roxann (Jim) Schraml, Donna (Jim) McLain, Chery (John) Aschenbrenner, Kay (Jim) Arrowood, Dennis (Karen) Lewis, Laura (Tom) Havlovitz, Michael Lewis, and son-in-law, Lloyd Pete, all still residing in Wisconsin. They celebrated many grandchildren, and a few greatgrandchildren together before God called Arletta home.

But how do you truly measure the mark of a man who was well over 6 foot tall to begin with? There's a speech he would give, almost verbatim every time he chatted with the grandkids and the greats after talking shop and equipment of course, making sure they had a soda or an ice cream cone to snack on while they sat and talked. "Boy, I got a great family, don't I? I got the best. Look at you all, teachers and nurses, bankers, farmers, hard workers every single one and not a one of 'em on dope." Then he'd list them all by name, "all good parents, all of 'em." "I wasn't the smartest of my family, but I like to think I'm responsible for you lot, me and Grandma. I gotta give Arletta credit for most of it. If I could I would just reach up to heaven and give her a great big hug and a kiss for helping give me all of you." From his children to his greatgreat-grandchildren, he wanted them to know he was so proud of them all. Some of his final requests were to have holidays at home with his family and he was able to have a wonderful Thanksgiving with many, his final days spent

He joins his wife and two sons called home early, Charles and Robert John, all his siblings and parents, many in-laws, and many friends. He is also preceded in death by grandsons, Joshua and Austin, walking with them both for the first time.

He is survived by grandchildren, Russell (Jessie) Bytell, Tanya (Shane) Babich, Heather Ebert, Heidi (Ryan) Kortbein, Holly (Jimmy) Flannery, Jim (Tammy) McLain, Jason McLain, Sonya (Jesse) Tenor, Casey Arrowood, Jimmy (Bridgette) Arrowood, John (Katie) Lewis, Kimmi (Todd) Maddix, Travis (Theresa) Lewis, Zach (Mikki) Pete, Shyanne (Bill) Erdmann, Isaiah (Malora) Quade, Tiffani (Casey) Heid, Nikki (Drew) McLanahan, Megan Gunderson, Travis (Marsha) Tucker, and Heather Tucker; and 41 great-grandchildren and counting (he was able to meet all but the four on the way); and seven great-greatgrandchildren.

If the measure of a man is what he leaves behind, we hope you all remember him for the love he's left us all.

Visitation will be held from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. on Monday, January 2, 2023 at Weber-Hill Funeral Home in Crandon. Service to follow at 12 p.m. with Rev. Ron Lawrence officiating. Burial will be at Laona Cemetery.

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

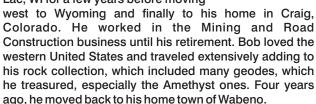
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DEATH NOTICES

Robert (Bob) Harrison,

Wabeno, passed away on December 21, 2022 at The Bay at NuRoc. Bob was born at the Ovitz Hospital in Laona on March 10, 1946 to James R. and Alice M. (Kopecky) Harrison.

Bob attended and graduated from Wabeno Area Schools in 1964. He lived in Fond Du Lac, WI for a few years before moving



Bob is survived by his six brothers, Michael (Beverly), Steven (Jim), Terry (Betty), Dan (Drew), Alan (Diane) and Patrick (Jayne). He is also survived by many nieces and nephews. He was preceded in passing by his parents and a nephew, Eric.

A Celebration of Life and internment at Forest Hill Cemetery will be held next summer in Wabeno. The family wishes to thank The Bay at NuRoc and Compassus Hospice for their compassion and caring for Bob!

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

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Forest County Commission on Aging



Nutrition Program SENIOR MEALS

CRANDON, WABENO, LAONA Monday - January 2 - No Meal

Monday - January 9 - Chili with macaroni, crackers, cheddar cheese, mixed greens with dressing, apple

CRANDON, WABENO, LAONA, ARMSTRONG CREEK

Tuesday - January 3 - Meatloaf, mashed potatoes, gravy, country trio veggie blend, whole wheat bread, applesauce Tuesday - January 10 - Oven baked rosemary chicken, baked sweet potato, cauliflower, corn bread, grapes

CRANDON, LAONA, ARMSTRONG CREEK, WABENO Wednesday - January 4 - Lasagna, carrots, mixed greens, dressing, garlic breadstick, peach upside down

Wednesday - January 11 - Cheeseburger bacon casserole, green beans, sliced pickled beets, whole wheat bread, apple cake

CRANDON, LAONA, ARMSTRONG CREEK, WABENO

CONGREGATE & HOME DELIVERED Thursday - January 5 - Ham and scalloped potatoes, peas, pineapple, multi-grain bread, chocolate pudding

Thursday - January 12 - Baked chicken, mixed vegetables, grapes, mashed potatoes, biscuit, cookie ALVIN *Now serving at 12:30 p.m.*

Thursday - January 5 - Chili, apple slices, toasted cheese sandwich, oreo pudding

Thursday - January 12 - Baked chicken, mixed vegetables, grapes, mashed potatoes, biscuit, cookie

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p.m. on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. Alvin nutrition site manager Tammy Wolfe is at

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and Wednesdav. Wabeno site manager Linda McEwen at 715-889-0123 (cell). Meal served at 11:30 a.m. on Monday,

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Christmas presents for Nu-Roc



Shirley Rohe, Audrey Peterson, JoAnne Gipp, and Suzanne Bell (not pictured) dropped off Christmas presents for every resident at The Bay at Nu-Roc in Blackwell from the congregation of Forest Larger Parish Presbyterian Church. Christmas themed lapel pins were also offered for free to the public through the Christian Thrift Store in Wabeno as part of the holiday celebrations sponsored by the church.

The Deadline For ads in the Pioneer Express is 4:00 pm on **Tuesday**

For Old Times Sake



Argonne was founded by this man. Abraham VanZile knew that the Soo Line Railroad was going to put a big switch yard in this location, hurried to build a town ahead of the railroad construction. He made a mistake and started the Town of Wall a mile or so to the east. As the surveyors and construction crews arrived, they chose the site where Argonne is today. It was flatter than Abraham's choice of a town site.

Undeterred, he started moving the town to what was to be called VanZile. Popular usage changed the name to North Crandon, but in 1921, the residents were tired of the name and chose Argonne, in honor of the young men of the nation who lost their lives in the Battle of the Argonne in World War I.

Abraham moved on. He had built a hotel in Argonne, and by the time he was through, he owned a big fancy hotel in San Francisco, California.

He came to Crandon with two brothers, William and Charles. They lived in a log cabin they built on what e Crandon's south side.

William eventually became Crandon's postmaster and built the first frame house in town. Charles married a Mole Lake girl, found a job in Minneapolis and never returned here to live.

The log cabin they built is the picture below. It was the first structure built here by white men. It stood right behind Jerry Hauser's current garage, and the imprint on the ground can still be seen.



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Physical Therapy and Life

By Paul Leverson, MSPT, TPS and Physical Therapist at Health In Motion - Crandon

I've had the honor of working in a profession I truly love and get to see, every day, life principles lived out in the wonders of how the body works. Principles like the importance of the little guy...how those things we don't see contribute to the quality of those things we see...how important stability is over mobility and our tendency to emphasize the latter...the positive outcomes of personal self discipline...the difference between persistence and stubbornness...even, the importance of pain and suffering. I've been honored to work with patients who inspire me with the living out of these principles when, honestly. I fall short in them.

Like life, the body operates around a set of principles...patterns of success. When we are not true to those, like life, dysfunction inevitably occurs. The better you are at understanding these principles of the body, the more effective you can be in helping others.

Physical therapy is a profession focused on the helping of others. From time to time, people wonder out loud if we ever tire of being surrounded by patients who are struggling. That's when I remember, with a smile, these principles, and the honor and responsibility I have in helping each client reach closer to their created potential. It's about encouraging others to be better...and then helping them get there. Working together...no member more important than another...each with their job to do and doing it...it's what the body does best. And it's what families do best...

Adam Seeber signs



L-R: Erin Seeber, Asst. Coach Pete Liptack, Adam Seeber, Head Coach Dave Cronauer, Dave Seeber

Adam Seeber, Wabeno Senior, signs letter of intent to play football for the Ripon Redhawks next season. Congratulations, Adam, on the next chapter of your football journey!

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