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### 37th Annual Steam-Up Days in Wabeno



Wabeno's Steam-Up Days is being held on July 7th, 8th and 9th at the Firefighters Grounds in Wabeno. You can see a large variety of antique machinery, and see the Phoenix Log Hauler all steamed up and running on the

In addition, there will be a blacksmith, a steampowered sawmill, a big variety of antique tractors and plenty of other old and working tools and equipment.

There will be live entertainment on Saturday night, with Gregg Tallier from 7-11 p.m and Nervous Hermus Sunday afternoon. And there will be plenty of good food too. Enjoy a Logger's Breakfast at the Legion Hall on Saturday and Sunday mornings from 6-11 a.m.

The parade is at noon on Sunday. There is much more going on, so check out the ad in this issue for all of the interesting activities.



The Townsend Firefighters will be celebrating the 4th of July on the 4th of July at the Townsend Fire Station #1 on Hwy 32. This is a rain or shine celebration

The big parade is at noon, and there will be all day

raffles along with food and beverages.

You can also enjoy "Lovin' Country" from 11 a.m.

Get out and celebrate the nation's birthday in Townsend!

### Wheeler Lake Assoc. donates to Lakes Country Library



On behalf of the Wheeler Lake Association, President Greg Jensen (L) and WLA representative and Library Board Trustee Lori Repinski (R) present a check for \$1000 to Katie Essermann, Lakes Country Public Library Director. The WLA contribution was made to assist in fundraising efforts for the library renovation/expansion project.

## Conservation Corner

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

#### **Disappearing Hummingbirds in Northern Wisconsin**

Hummingbirds, with their vibrant plumage and mesmerizing aerial displays, have captured the imagination of nature enthusiasts for ages. These tinv. energetic creatures bring joy and wonder to many bird watchers, especially those residing in Northern Wisconsin. However, it is not uncommon for these delightful visitors to vanish from feeders in early June, leaving behind puzzling

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## Forest County Festival this weekend June 30-July 2

The 6th Annual Forest County Festival will be at the Crandon International Off-road Raceway this weekend. Help celebrate the 4th of July at the racetrack!

On Friday, there will be free carnival rides and the township/cultural day exhibits.

Saturday, July 1st, the celebration begins with the Crandon Fire Department Parade in downtown Crandon. Get your float ready! The free carnival rides will run from noon until 10 p.m. At 3 p.m. there will be kid's games, followed by a demolition derby at 4 p.m. Get your dancing shoes on. Live music will play from 7 until 11 p.m. The big fireworks display will be at 10 p.m.

Sunday, July 2nd will feature free carnival rides from noon until 5 p.m.

The whole gala is sponsored by the Forest County Potawatomi. Have a great time!

## **Forest County Potawatomi Blood Drive Held inside the Potawatomi Community**

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#### NORTA recognizes Thielke Outstanding Volunteer of the Year



The Nicolet-Oconto Retired Teachers' a local unit o f the Wisc Educator' Association (WREA), recently recognized its Outstanding Volunteer of the Year. At a recent meeting, Nancy Morstad, NORTA President, presented Tom Thielke of Lakewood with a certificate and pin to honor him as the unit's 2022 Outstanding Volunteer. Morstad read from a letter sent from the state association's office, "WREA is grateful for your selfless giving of time and talent to our communities. The WREA Board of Directors thank you for your outstanding work in retirement."

Each local unit of the WREA asks its members every year to list the hours of volunteer time each member provides for various types of organizations and activities. Throughout the state of Wisconsin WREA members contributed a total of 137,944 volunteer hours for 2021-2022 totaling a value of \$3,844,520, when using the minimum wage rate to calculate a value for the hours. A total of 1,236 different organizations across the state shared the benefits of those hours.

When asked to describe some of his volunteer work, Thielke described his efforts that involve local history documentation and presentations, and the Museum for A Weekend, to help Lakewood celebrate its 125 years, in 2022. He also acknowledged that his work as co-chair of the Lakes Country Library Building Expansion Committee accounts for many of his volunteer hours. He also mentioned that he is very happy he is healthy enough in retirement to do so much volunteer work.

## Laona 4th of July Celebration on Saturday, July 1st



The Laona Volunteer Fire Dept. is having a big 4th of July Celebration on Saturday, July 1st. It promises to be a great celebration of the birth of the nation!

The parade starts at noon at JARS. There will be plenty of prizes for the best classic cars, trucks, and, of course, floats.

Food and beverages will be served at the fire house during the parade, but will move to Silver Lake Beach for the big picnic that follows the parade. Be sure to get in on the raffles at the beach.

The celebration will move back into town for the big fireworks display at JARS when it gets dark.

Have a great time at the celebration wishing Uncle Sam a happy birthday!

## Boat Parade & Picnic on Lake Metonga July 2nd

If you are on the shore of Lake Metonga on Sunday, you will be able to see the Boat Parade pass by. The parade starts at Charlie's on the south end of the lake. A picnic will follow at Charlies at 2 p.m.

The parade is sponsored by the Lake Metonga Association. It should be noted that the Association annual meeting in the Crandon High auditorium on Saturday, July 1st with the doors open at 8 a.m.

#### Crandon Water Shows-Lake Lucerne



Have a great evening at the Crandon Water Shows, at Waters Edge, on Lake Lucerne, 6:30 p.m., every Wednesday in June and July. It is an entertaining show, with some great skill displayed by the performers.

#### McCaslin Lions award scholarships



Kierra O'Keefe, left, and Maddyson Calhoun right, from Wabeno

The McCaslin Lions club awarded four scholarships to area seniors totaling \$6,000. Mary Ellen Greiten presented the scholarship to Christine Sleeter from Suring. Christine will attend Southwest Minn. State University and plans to study physical education.

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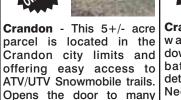
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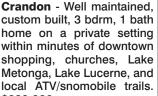




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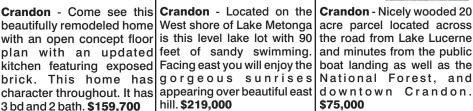


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### Crandon School Board Choose Interm Superintendent

**PIONEER EXPRESS PAGE 3, JULY 3, 2023** 

On Friday June 23, 2023 the School District of Crandon Board of Education held a special meeting to finalize our decision regarding a District Administrator for the 2023-2024 school year. At this time, we have named Kirby Schultz as our interim District Administrator for the 2023-2024 school year following our closed session on Friday, June 23.

Kirby spent 16 years serving the Oshkosh community as the 6-12 Middle and High School Principal at Lourdes Academy and as the K-5 Oakwood Elementary Principal. In February 2018, Kirby served as the Interim Superintendent in Crandon until the end of the school year. For the last five years, Kirby has been living in the Denver area and helping school communities through volunteering and classroom subbing. Last spring, Kirby purchased his family's home in Crandon and made a commitment to always be a part of the Crandon community. When the need arose for an Interim Superintendent, Kirby again asked, how can I help? His passion to support the children and families of Crandon has never wavered. Kirby has stayed connected with the school community by volunteering his time to start the Crandon Hall of Fame and to continue to coordinate the annual event for the past three years.

Now, as the Interim District Administrator of the Crandon School District, Kirby shared that, "My focus will be to coordinate the actions of the talented group of individuals who dedicate their time, energy and passion to the children of this community. By focusing our actions and directing our efforts toward clearly established goals, I believe that we can continue to enhance the educational experience of every child in Crandon." Kirby is excited to assist as our community goes through this transition and searches for Crandon's next permanent District Administrator.

With Mr. Schultz in this role during the upcoming school year, the Board of Education will have the opportunity to work with our association and engage educators and school staff, parents, students, and community members to identify our future District Administrator that supports the future and growth of our school community. The board will identify a timeline for this process at the August board meeting when we have had the opportunity to meet with Kirby and the rest of the district administrative team.

# Wabeno 37th Annual STEAM-UP DAYS

Firefighters Grounds - Wabeno, WI

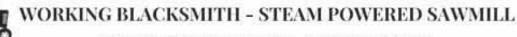


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# Music in the Park

The series starts on Wednesday, May 31 at the Elcho Community Pavilion. Food will be available to purchase as long as the supply lasts. Bring lawn chairs for seating. The event starts at 6:00 PM.

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## **Crandon Public** Library Storytime

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Northwoods 6-county Lakes Meeting July 14 features panel on resource rules and enforcement, invasive species update, loons and lead, and more

Lake group leaders and members from six northern Wisconsin counties will convene for a discussion of water resource issues on Friday, July 14, 8:30 a.m. to noon, at Nicolet College.

The meeting features a panel of experts involved with enforcing laws and regulations that address boating and safety, shoreland zoning, short-term property rentals, fish and game rules, and general outdoors-related activity. Panelists are:

Karl Jennrich, Director, Oneida County Planning and Zoning

- Erika Roeder, Administrator, Iron County Zoning
- Darren Kuhn, Conservation Officer, Wisconsin
- Grady Hartman, Sheriff, Oneida County (or designee) Wisconsin DNR Conservation Warden (to be

The meeting will also include an update on state government policy related to water given by Mike Engleson, Executive Director of Wisconsin Lakes; an update on invasive zebra mussels and spiny water flea from Gretchen Gerrish, Director of the UW Center for Limnology's Trout Lake Research Station; and a presentation on loons and lead poisoning given by Mark Naniot, Director of Rehabilitation at Wild Instincts in Rhinelander.

There will be time for a question-and-answer session in which attendees can raise issues of specific concern to their lakes. Master of ceremonies for the meeting will be Eric Olson, Director of UW-Extension Lakes.

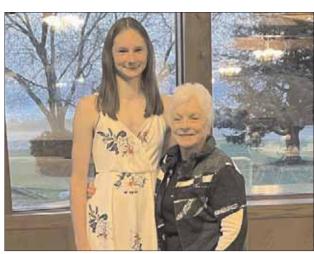
Exhibits will be offered by area educational, nonprofit and government organizations. Attendees are expected from Oneida, Vilas, Forest, Langlade, Lincoln, and Iron counties.

The event is jointly sponsored by the Oneida County Lakes and Rivers Association (www.oclra.org) and the Vilas County Lakes and Rivers Association (www.vclra.org). No pre-registration is required. For more information contact Ted Rulseh at 920-242-8671 (trulseh@tjrcommunications.com) or Tom Ewing, 630-985-8472 (president@vclra.org).



Trystian Mitchell from White Lake, will be attending U. W. Stevens Point and plans on becoming a lawyer.

Kierra O'Keefe on the left from Wabeno will attend Cullinary Institute of America and plans on studying baking and Pastry Arts. Maddyson Calhoun on the right from Wabeno plans to attend U.W. Stevens Point and will study Business Communication and Sports Management.



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by Paul Leverson, MSPT at **Health in Motion** 

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myself) is not to pay attention to just what people say, but to watch what they actually do...in work...in sports...in life...in politics...in relationships...in spiritual matters...

What we do shows exactly what's important to us. Literally, we live out our priorities.

Which brings us to the ladder of success. This applies equally to everyone...everywhere...all the time. Success in anything in life is dependent on what rung of the ladder they're (you're) willing to climb to. Here are the rungs...

- •On the bottom is "I won't." Not much to say here. They're where they are because they're unwilling.
- Next is "I can't." Maybe some encouragement could
- Then, it's "I don't know how." Shows willingness, but a lack of knowledge. Teach them.
- Then, it's "I wish I could."...more encouragement.
- Then, "What is it?"...more education
- Then, "I think I might?"...more encouragement.
- Then, "I might?"...more encouragement.
- "I think I can."...yup...more encouragement.
- "I can."...you guessed it...more encouragement.
- "I will."...um...yup...more encouragement.
- "I did!"...time to celebrate!!

"I did!" are 2 of the most powerful words in But they don't come apart from a lot of encouragement. Encouragement is an important thing in climbing that ladder...and in life too. Real encouragement is tied directly to real hope. But we've all seen a lot of false hope out there. The power of your hope depends on the object of your hope. Put your hope in something trustworthy and true...unchanging...steadfast. Spend time around encouraging people...maybe spend more time encouraging others. If you need to, come into our clinic for hope and encouragement to defeat your physical obstacles. Maybe we can help! It's what

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# Life **Jacket** Loaner Stations

Life Jacket Loaner Stations have again been put up at local lakes in Forest County. These are stations where people can borrow life jackets free of charge to use while boating or swimming and return when finished. Life iackets are available in all sizes from infant through adult.

The locations are: Silver Lake Beach in Laona, Crandon City Beach on Lake Metonga, and Veteran's Memorial Park on Lake Metonga.

Wisconsin state law requires there to be one flotation device per person in each vessel. The hope is that these Life Jacket Loaner Stations will encourage compliance with state law as well as promote safe swimming/boating.

This project was successfully completed in 2017 with the help of our partners: The Forest County Association of Lakes, Lake Metonga Association, Silver Lake Association, Crandon Lion's Club, Laona Lion's Club, City of Crandon, Town of Laona, Forest County Forestry and Parks Department, and K2Pro Signs.

If you have any questions about setting up a Life Jacket Loaner Station, please feel free to call the Forest County Health Department at 715-478-3371.

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**Senator Baldwin Delivers More than \$1 Billion to Wisconsin to Expand Access to High-Speed Internet** Investment comes after Baldwin successfully "Badgered the FCC" to improve broadband map and ensure Wisconsin gets its fair share of resources

WASHINGTON, D.C. - Today, U.S. Senator Tammy Baldwin (D-WI) announced that Wisconsin is receiving \$1.05 billion in federal funds through the Broadband Equity Access and Deployment (BEAD) program to connect more Wisconsinites to high-speed internet. Funding comes after Senator Baldwin successfully pushed the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) to release an updated National Broadband Map that provided a more reliable and accurate depiction of broadband availability across Wisconsin. The BEAD program was established by the Baldwin-supported Bipartisan Infrastructure Law to expand high-speed internet access to areas currently unserved or underserved by funding planning, infrastructure deployment, and adoption programs.

"I voted for the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law because it is helping deliver affordable, reliable high-speed internet to Wisconsin families, students, small businesses, and farmers," said Senator Baldwin. "No matter where you live in the state, you deserve access to reliable high-speed broadband, and these resources will help us do that. This investment will help close the digital divide so Wisconsinites can fully participate in the economy, kids can get the education they deserve, and families can connect with people across the world. This is an investment in our Wisconsin families. This is an investment in our Made in Wisconsin economy. And this is an investment in our future and I am proud to help deliver it."

"Nearly everything about our way of life in this day and age depends upon access to reliable, high-speed internet, and we have work to do to ensure our infrastructure, our workforce, and our economy are prepared for the 21st century," said Wisconsin Governor Tony Evers. "I'm proud that no administration in state history has done more than we have to expand access to reliable, affordable high-speed internet in Wisconsin, and thanks to this more than \$1 billion investment from the Biden Administration and the NTIA, we'll be able to build upon our progress in getting folks connected and closing the digital divide in every corner of our state."

"In today's world, high-speed internet is no longer a luxury-it is a necessity for modern life, whether it's accessing healthcare, education, employment, or staying connected to loved ones," said Secretary of Commerce Gina Raimondo. "Thanks to the leadership of Senator Baldwin and the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law, we're bringing access to everyone in Wisconsin, and will enable them to access healthcare, education, and employment opportunities without leaving their homes."

The funding allocation relies on the Federal Communication Commission's (FCC) National Broadband Map to determine areas of need and investment. After hearing from Wisconsin community members and stakeholders of inaccurate data in the FCC's original National Broadband Map, Senator Baldwin successfully "badgered the FCC" - after repeated calls - to correct the map's broadband availability information to ensure Wisconsin gets its fair share of federal broadband funding in the future.

Under the program, Wisconsin will receive \$1,055,823,573.71. The funding will be awarded to the state in two stages. First, 20% of the state's allocation will be awarded with initial competitive subgrants expected in the summer of 2024. In 2025, the remaining 80% of the state's allocation is expected to be awarded and the state will be principally responsible for administering awarded funds. with priority going to projects that bring broadband to unserved households and businesses lacking access to high-speed internet.



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# Lakewood Mardi Gras July 14-16

The Northwoods community of Lakewood will continue an event that began back in the summer of 1955. Its summer celebration, originally called the Lumberjack Mardi Gras, will return on July 14-16. The organizers have made most of the arrangements for this year's event, and as usual, are hoping for some cooperation from the weather department. Late Friday afternoon will see the opening of the carnival on the Midway, the beer stand, a variety of food stands, and live music in the pavilion; with the band "A Town Unplugged" scheduled to take the stage from 7:00 p.m. until 11:00 p.m.

Badgerland Midways has again been contracted to provide the carnival rides and games on all three days of the event. The Midway will open the celebration on Friday at 3:00 p.m. and will shut down at approximately 11:00 p.m. Midway hours on Saturday will begin at 12:00 Noon, with shut down again at approximately 11:00 p.m. Midway hours on Sunday will be 1:00 p.m. until 5:00 p.m. Carnival ride tickets will have a pre-sale option with daily wrist bands for sale for \$30.00 and a full weekend wrist band available for \$50.00. Pre-sale tickets will be for sale at many local businesses.

The annual softball tournament that has been a staple of the Mardi Gras for many years, is scheduled to return on Saturday and Sunday. The first game is set to start at 8:00 a.m. Saturday and go all day. Play will resume at 8:00 a m. Sunday and will continue until a champion is determined. Seven teams have already entered the tournament, but there are still some openings for other teams to join the field.

A full range of activities is scheduled for Saturday, especially for kids. The Lions Fish Pond will be open about three hours, beginning at approximately 11:00 a.m. The afternoon will include three comedy/magic performances by Jim Lenz. Those amazing

performances are set to begin at 12:00 Noon, 2:00 p.m., and 4:00 p.m. Saturday's events will conclude with live music again as the band "Crankin' Yankees" will take the stage in the pavilion from 7:00 p.m. until 11:00 p.m.

The annual Mardi Gras parade, which starts at 12:00 Noon and proceeds through Lakewood's business district, is always a Sunday highlight. Any businesses, clubs, organizations, or those individuals who have something special to show, such as a unique vehicle, are encouraged to line up before noon in the area near the Lakewood Cemetery. Following the parade, the carnival will operate on the Midway, the softball tournament will play to its conclusion, the beer stand and food stands will be open, and there will be music in the pavilion featuring the band "Dirty Martinis". The organizers hope you take advantage of the opportunity to meet, mingle, and share some good times with your friends at the 2023 Lakewood Mardi Gras.

Wanted: House Keeper \$20 per hour. Call 715-478-1009 P17

**HELP WANTED:** Carpenters with log home experience helpful. \$30-\$50 per hour. Painters exp. \$20-\$35 per hour. Call Terry at 715-617-0684 or 715-479-2047. P16

#### **HELP WANTED School District of Wabeno** Jr./Sr. High School Teacher Aide

The School District of Wabeno Area is seeking a fulltime Jr./Sr. High School Teacher Aide for the 2023-2024 school year and beyond. The workday will tentatively be set from 7:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Duties will include providing academic classroom support, behavior monitoring, some toileting duties, and lunch recess duty with students. Work schedule will be 37.5 hours per week, Monday through Friday, with full benefits. Starting hourly wage is \$15/hour. Candidates must be willing to become certified as a Special

Education Aide from the State of Wisconsin.

Applications can be obtained from the District Office or at www.wabeno.k12.wi.us, District/Employment Opportunities/Employment Applications. Send the application along with 3 current reference letters to Robert Tucker, Director of Pupil Services, 4346 Mill Lane/ P.O. Box 460, Wabeno, WI 54566. Applications will be received until position is filled.

The School District of Wabeno Area in accordance with Wisconsin Fair Employment Practices Act, Wisconsin Statute 111.31, does not discriminate in hiring practice based on gender, age, race, color, creed, religion, genetic information or testing, physical, mental, emotional, or learning disability or handicap, national origin, political affiliation, marital status, veteran status, sexual orientation, arrest record or conviction record. The School District of Wabeno Area is an equal

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Applicants must possess a valid Wisconsin's Driver's License, and have a good driving record.

Applications and the Job Description is available at the County Clerk's office.

Applications should be returned by mail to the County Clerk's office, 200 East Madison St. Courthouse Crandon, WI 54520, or by email at nmatuszewski@co.forest.wi.us.

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## HELP WANTED SCHOOL DISTRICT OF LAONA

The School District of Laona's food service tment is looking to fill a kitchen aide position. The position will begin at the start of the 2023-2024 school year. Some of the responsibilities and position requirements include:

- Must be able to lift 50+ pounds
- · Responsible for serving breakfast and

lunch

- Food safety is a must
- Daily kitchen cleanup
- Assist cook with meal prep

The position is for approximately 28.5 hours per week with starting pay beginning at \$12.00 per hour. This is considered a part-time position. The hours will be from 7:30 a.m. to 1:15 p.m. Benefits include long term disability, life insurance, dental insurance and WI state retirement. This position will remain open until filled.

If interested in applying for the position, please send a letter of interest to:

School District of Laona Food Service Director Kim Winkelman 5216 Forest Ave Suite A Laona, WI 54541

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## Middle School Teacher Vacancy **School District of Laona**

The School District of Laona is seeking a full-time Middle School Science and Social Studies teacher beginning in the 2023-2024 school year. This position will be responsible for science and social studies instruction and curriculum for students in grades 6-8. Candidates must have a valid and appropriate Wisconsin DPI license. The candidate must exhibit a desire and ability to work with and relate to middle school students. The candidate must also be able to communicate effectively with students, parents, colleagues and the community as well as be able to utilize building technology for instructional purposes.

Please submit a letter of interest, resume, transcripts, copy of license and 3 current letters of recommendation on WECAN or submit to:

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#### The New Wabeno High School Creative Writing Class Publishes a Website



During the 2022-23 school year, five students took both semesters of the new Creative Writing elective course offered at Wabeno High School and they produced outstanding original written work. To publish and share their work with the public, they created a website, which is linked to the district webpage: https://sites.google.com/wabeno.k12.wi.us/wabenocreative-writing/home?authuser=0

The Creative Writing course was taught by WHS English and Drama teacher, Janet DeJean Newton, who said, "The students worked hard to embrace the many writing challenges I presented to them throughout the year. I am exceptionally proud of their work, and I look forward to teaching the Creative Writing class again next year."

The students had some excellent comments about the Creative Writing class:

Ezekiel Sarratt, sophomore, said, "I'm glad that I took a class that gave me time to write, which is something that I had wanted throughout most of my middle school" years.

Jaden Danielson, sophomore, said, "At the beginning of the year, I was nervous about running out of unique ideas for my stories. Now, though, I feel as if I have more creativity than ever before."

Autumn Warden, freshman said, "I also enjoyed working with the kids in the class with me. I loved seeing everyone else's writing because it was all so good. They made me want to become a better writer so [that] they could think of my writing in a positive way."

Cherish Erickson, sophomore said, "Going into Creative Writing, I thought it was going to be simple. That I would think up a story and start writing, but . . . I was challenged with how a story comes together and [the] parts I actually needed. I enjoyed taking Creative Writing and having Mrs. Newton, who is a wonderful and joyful teacher."

Lauren Harris, junior shared, "Writing is just another form of art: ridiculously frustrating and forever unfinished, but beautiful when you look at it right. The class helped to remind me that I have some potential, and I know my classmates do as well--maybe even more than me--and I hope we all keep writing."

Please visit the Creative Writing website to read and see the WHS Creative Writing students' work from Jaden Danielson, Cherish Erickson, Lauren Harris, Ezekiel Sarratt, and Autumn Warden.



# Thank Yous and Personals

# **THANK YOU!**

The Wabeno Lions Club would like to thank everyone that supported our 3<sup>nd</sup> Annual "MEGA MEAT RAFFLE". Your generous support allows us to sponsor many fabulous community events and projects! We look forward to seeing everyone next year at this outstanding event!!



### **Summer School Enrichment**

Students at Wabeno Elementary have continued to work hard on math and reading inquiry with the addition of writing expressions. Students were also involved in theater through music and art expression, STEM activities including rocket design and building, culinary arts, and an introduction to lifetime sports.





We appreciate Rusty's for opening up the alleys to teach our students to bowl and score.

Students used their newly acquired theater skills to perform a dinner show for the meal site in Wabeno. Students also made and decorated birthday cakes to celebrate bus driver, Linda McEwen's birthday. Happy Birthday, Linda!

# **AUCTIONS**

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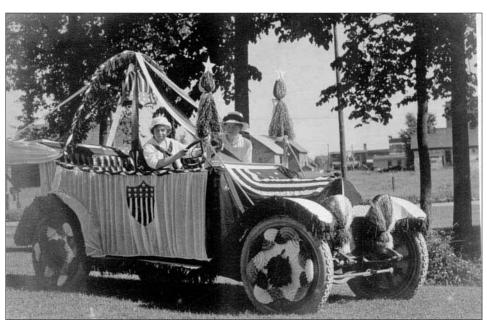
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## For Old Times Sake



You can bet there was a great deal of time spent decorating this classy car for the Crandon 4th of July parade! This picture could have been taken before 1920 or maybe after a bit. This was an automobile that belonged to M.D. Keith. He either trusted the ladies to drive it or they just were allowed to pose in his fancy car.



### **RUMMAGE SALES**

RUMMAGE SALE: CRANDON - 604 N Crandon Ave. Watch for signs. Friday, June 30 and Saturday, July 1, 8 a.m.-3 p.m. Clothes, men's and women's (some new), jewelry, household items (some new), lots of personal items (many new), snow blower, lots of misc. Rain or shine.

GARAGE SALE: LAONA-Schulz Residence, 5218 Airport Lane. Fridy June 30th 9-4, Saturday July 1st 9-4. Too much to list everything, but some of the items for sale are: Pine Twin size Handcrafted Heafboard, Worx 40V Cordless Lawnmower w/ batteries, microwave cart, snow shovel, hanging light, bath vanity w/ sink, new luggage set, 18 qt electric roaster, rugs, tricycle, storage trunk, blue burlap wreath, wedding dress. vintage hats, bedding, towels. Lots of home decor and jewelry. Mens, womens size 8-10 & boy size s-m clothes, shoes, jackets, shorts, jeans, some BKE-**ROCK REVIVAL)** 

RUMMAGE SALE: CRANDON - Saturday July 1st, 9am-2 pm. 300 N. Boulevard Ave.

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#### Conservation Corner Cont from pg. 1

Each year, hummingbirds undertake remarkable migratory journeys that span thousands of miles, covering vast stretches of land and water. The hummingbirds that visit Northern Wisconsin during the spring and summer months are most likelyRuby-throated Hummingbirds(Archilochus colubris), known for their emerald green plumage and vibrant red throat feathers in males. These migratory birds travel from their wintering grounds in Central America and southern Mexico to breed and nest in the northern parts of the United States and Canada.

One possible reason for the disappearance of hummingbirds from feeders in early June is their natural breeding and nesting cycle. Hummingbirds typically mate and build nests during the spring months, with females solely responsible for incubating and raising their young. As the breeding season progresses, the availability of natural food sources, such as nectar from flowers and insects, increases. This abundance of natural resources entices hummingbirds to forage from their preferred food sources, rather than relying on artificial feeders.

Northern Wisconsin experiences a surge in floral diversity and insect activity during the spring and early summer, providing an abundant natural food supply for hummingbirds. As flowering plants bloom and insect populations multiply, hummingbirds find a plethora of nectar-producing flowers and a readily available insect buffet. The abundance of these natural food sources leads hummingbirds to explore their surroundings, expanding their foraging territory and reducing their reliance on artificial feeders.

Hummingbirds are territorial creatures, fiercely guarding their chosen nesting sites. As the breeding season progresses, male hummingbirds become more focused on defending their territories and potential nesting sites from intruders, including other hummingbirds. This territorial behavior may reduce their visits to artificial feeders located near their nesting areas, as they prioritize protecting their chosen territories and ensuring the safety of their offspring.

Another factor that contributes to the disappearance of hummingbirds from feeders in early June is their life cycle. The breeding season is a crucial period for hummingbirds, and once their eggs hatch, they need to dedicate substantial time and energy to feeding and raising their young. This increased demand for food prompts hummingbirds to explore their environment and seek out diverse food sources that offer a range of nutrients for their growing offspring.

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.



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Mary Ellen Krizek, Wabeno Sylvan Unit #44 Auxiliary poppy chairperson, filed her final report on the Unit's 2023 poppy drive. Successful distribution of 1,500 poppies, enable us to donate exclusively to many veterans & veteran organizations. The very generous donations of \$3,850.00 from the community for their support of the 2023 Annual Auxiliary Poppy Drive, will be spent on Veteran Programs including VA Hospitals, VA Homes, Assistant Living & VA Health Care Systems.

Mary Ellen complimented the Auxiliary and volunteers who gladly made time distributing poppies, making this a successful year in fund raising for our veterans.

The Auxiliary appreciate all of you who donated and wear a poppy proudly and the business communities of Lakewood, Townsend, Mountain and Wabeno who allow poppies to be distributed at their establishments contributing to the success of our 2021 Poppy Drive

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Jamie Lea Kreitzer "Jim" passed away on June 19, 2023 at the age of 46 following a short battle with brain cancer. She was under the care of her loving family and fiancé Steve Kreitzer.

Jamie was born on January 18, 1977 in Rhinelander to Terri (Schuh) Schabo and Terry (Linda) Leffel.

Jamie graduated from Crandon High School and went on to receive a Bachelor of Science degree in

Psychology. She worked as a special education teacher for the Mosinee School District before following her passion to breed and raise Labrador Retrievers. She devoted her time to caring for not only the puppies, but their owners by learning and teaching all she could to raise the best and most loved Labs.

Jamie enjoyed fishing, duck hunting, and tending bar at Schuh's and Mia's. She most treasured time spent with her dogs, family, and friends.

In addition to her parents and fiancé, Jamie is survived by sons, Seth Steliga of Mattoon and Ethan (Madi Forsch) Steliga of Minnesota; stepchildren, Kyle (Megan) Holtz, Kenzie (Joe Roth) Connor, Cody (Kaylee) Kreitzer, Steven (Tom Moreno) Kreitzer, and Cassandra Kreitzer; and a grandchild on the way. She is further survived by her extended family and friends who will miss her dearly, including James and Lisa Sterk, who cared for and were there for Jamie and her family during this most difficult time.

Jamie was preceded in death by her grandpa, Jerry Schuh, who knew Jamie as Jim; her grandma, Carol Schuh; and her paternal grandparents, Mac and Pat Leffel.

A Memorial Mass for Jamie will be held at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Pickerel on Friday, June 30, 2023 at 12 p.m. Visitation will take place prior to the service at the church from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.

In honor of Jamie's love for dogs, memorials in Jamie's name can be directed to the Langlade County Humane Society or humane society of your choice, in lieu of flowers.



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Senator Felzkowski and Joint Finance Republicans Introduce Largest Tax Cut Wisconsin Has Ever Seen

Madison, WI – On Thursday, Senator Mary Felzkowski (R-Tomahawk) joined her fellow Republican Joint Finance Committee members in announcing a \$4.4 billion tax cut for all Wisconsinites.

"Throughout this entire budget process, we've heard from citizens across our state, loud and clear, that this historic surplus is a testament to the fact that we're taxing them too much to begin with. As a result, we're passing the largest tax cut Wisconsin has ever seen."

The Republican plan includes a \$795 million property tax cut and a \$3.5 billion income tax cut that will touch every Wisconsinite. The income tax cuts, heavily weighted towards middle-class earners, will make Wisconsin more competitive with our neighboring states, and help us attract more individuals ready to live, work, and raise a family in Wisconsin

The structure of the income tax cut collapses the middle two brackets into one, and lowers the rate for all three of the new brackets.

"This tax cut shows our commitment to making Wisconsin an appealing state to call home, and I will always vote to keep more hard-earned money in my constituents' pockets, where it rightfully belongs – not in the hands of Madison bureaucrats."

Dennis "Denny" Eugene Cotherman passed away peacefully at home in the early morning hours of June 21, 2023. He was born on June 30, 1944 to Chester and Veva (Snow) Cotherman in Oil City, Pennsylvania.

Dennis graduated from Cranberry High School in Seneca, Pennsylvania where he was active in the FFA, 4H, and played the trumpet in

the school band. Dennis was very proud of his Boy Scout history where he earned the highest rank and honor of Eagle Scout. Dennis spoke often of his summers at Camp Coffman where he was a staff member in the nature lodge.

Dennis enlisted in the United States Air Force on July 11, 1963. He completed basic training at Lackland Air Force Base in San Antonio, Texas. He was stationed at Indian Springs AFB in Nevada for a time then he was shipped to Vietnam where he was attached to the 377th services squadron at Tan Son Nhut Air Base. There he served two tours and attained the rank of Sergeant. Dennis served a total of four years and was honorably discharged in December of 1967.

Dennis was employed by the U.S. Forest Service and was assigned to Job Corp Center, Nicolet National Forest at Blackwell, Wisconsin. There he taught culinary arts and kitchen management. It was then he met the love of his life, Elaine Whitens in Laona, Wisconsin. Dennis and Elaine were united in marriage on April 25, 1972 and spent 51 wonderful years with each other. Together they served at various National Forest centers and eventually came back to Wisconsin and stayed where they raised two children: Jason Cotherman and Shannon Cotherman.

Dennis enjoyed gardening, hunting, fishing, metal detecting, and treasure hunting with his friend Jeff Gunn; a passion he shared with Shannon who would always bring home what she dug up and together they would go through "the booty."

Dennis was instrumental in how the family deer camp got its' name after an incident at camp. Dave Laird blurted out "Denny Killdaford!!", thus the name "Camp Killdaford." Dennis loved being part of the Laona VFW where he served as Bugler.

Denny was also a Department of Natural Resources (DNR) certified hunter safety instructor and the Scout Master for Wabeno Troop 521 where he spent many hours teaching and mentoring at Scout Camp Harter Enders at Little Long Lake. Denny loved being around family, especially his grandchildren and greatgrandchildren.

Dennis is preceded in death by his parents and his younger brother, John Cotherman of Cooperstown, Pennsylvania.

He is survived by his wife, Elaine (Whitens) Cotherman; son, Jason Cotherman; daughter, Shannon Cotherman-Hegner; grandchildren, Jesse, Cole, Benjamin, Trey, Dakota, Christian, and Ryker; greatgrandchildren, Theodore, Eden, and Levi; younger brother, Dan Cotherman; brother- and sister-in-law, Tom and Debi Black of AZ; brother- and sister-in-law, Russ and Judy Kaness; and many nieces, nephews, cousins, and very close friends.

Services will be held on July 1, 2023 at Apostolic Truth Church, 2720 N. Kesting Court in Appleton. There will be a visitation from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. Funeral Service will be at 11 a.m. Interment will be on Monday, July 3, 2023 at 12 p.m. with full military honors at the Laona Cemetery in Laona, Wisconsin.

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The Office on Aging is looking for responsible bus drivers, if you would like to apply the application is on our website! Our meal sites are also looking for volunteer drivers to deliver to our homebound seniors. Our seniors rely on this service and any will be greatly appreciated. Please contact 715-784-1497 if you have any questions or if you feel this would be an opportunity you would like to explore.

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Thursday, July 6: Antigo
Tuesday, July 11: Iron Mountain
Thursday, July 13: Rhinelander
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Thursday, July 27: Iron Mountain

#### **Forest County Commission on Aging**



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Monday - July 3 - Hamburger stroganoff, mashed potatoes, green beans, whole wheat bread, strawberries CRANDON, WABENO, LAONA, ARMSTRONG CREEK Tuesday - June 27 - Roast beef, mashed potatoes, gravy,

Tuesday, July 4 - CLOSED FOR INDEPENDENCE DAY (Meal will be served Thursday, July 6 at normal time): Chicken salad on a croissant, romaine leaf salad with tomato, split pea soup, crackers, sliced peaches, cookie CRANDON, LAONA, ARMSTRONG CREEK, WABENO

Wednesday - June 28 - Hamburger with steamed onions, bun, ketchup, baked beans, potato salad, berry upside down cake - INDEPENDENCE DAY

Wednesday - July 5 - Lemon pepper fish, baked potato.

Wednesday - July 5 - Lemon pepper fish, baked potato, sour cream, peas, rye bread, creamy fruit salad

ALVIN (Alvin now serving at 12:30 p.m.)

**Thursday - June 29 -** Swedish meatballs over noodles, cucumber salad, peaches, corn, garlic bread, cobbler, milk

**Thursday - July 6** - Brat on bun, strawberries, broccoli, baked beans, cake

Please register with Commission on Aging - 478-3256.

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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 Wednesday.

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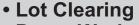
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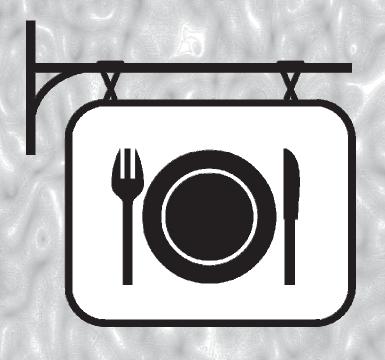
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#### SCHOOL DISTRICT OF WABENO AREA REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

Wednesday, July 5, 2023

High School Library - Wabeno Junior High / High School 6:00 P.M. **AGENDA** 

Call Meeting to Order

Roll Call - Verification of Quorum

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

Pledge of Allegiance IV.

Agenda Approval

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

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

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 Minutes on June 7, 2023.

VIII. Approval of Vouchers and Payroll.

IX. Informational Items:

a. Bill Taylor, District Administrator, will present updates and information.

b. Bob Tucker, Jr./Sr. High School Principal, will present updates and

c. Tim Brauer, Elementary Principal, will present updates and information.

d. Shelly Dotson, Director of Pupil Services, will present updates and information.

e. Board Member Reports.

X. Action Items:

> a. Discuss and take possible action on sale of downtown baseball diamond.

> b. Discuss and take possible action on starting a Sr. high school fishing

c. Discuss and take possible action on resignation(s).

d. Discuss and take possible action on hiring(s).

e. Discuss and take possible action on Elementary Student Handbook for 20 23-2024 school year.

f. Discuss and take possible action on 2023-24 Jr./Sr. High School Student Handbook for 2023-2024 school year.

g. Discuss and take possible action on Mentor/Mentee Handbook for 2023-202 4 school year.

h. Discuss and take possible action on Parent Daycare Handbook for 2023-2024 school year.

i. Discuss and take possible action regarding budget.

j. Discuss and take possible action on Student Academic Standards for 2023-2024 school year.

k. Discuss and report on Seclusion and Restraint Report for 2022-2023 school year. I. Discuss and take possible action on Laona-Wabeno Rebels Coaches

Handbook for 2023-2024 school year m. Discuss and take possible action on Laona-Wabeno Rebels Code of

Conduct Handbook for 2023-2024 school year. n. Discuss and take possible action on WIAA Membership Renewal for

2023-2024 school year. o. Discuss and take possible action on Adopting New General Records

Schedules for School Districts. Discussion of Establishing Dates for Future Board Meetings and Establish

XI. 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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District Administrator

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# Town of Nashville

Town of Nashville is seeking sealed bids for total furnace and heating system for South Hall, located at 1038 Cty. Road Q, Pickerel, WI. Call 715-478-2524 for an appointment to view the building.

**Bids Due**: July 12, 2023 at 4 p.m.

Sandy Frank, Clerk/Treasurer



### Holt & Balcom Logging Camp Museum salutes Lucy Holt

To highlight Lucy Rumsey Holt's indispensable role in preserving the history of Northern Oconto County, Holt & Balcom Logging Camp Museum Director Kathleen Marsh has written and staged dramatic presentations featuring Lucy's accomplishments. Her latest, Lucy Loved Lakewood, will be presented at the Museum on July 22 at 1:00 p.m. The one-hour role play includes rare photos taken by Lucy, wife of lumber baron W.A. Holt. A \$5.00 per person donation is requested. The venue is airconditioned; all proceeds go to Museum maintenance.

Kathleen has been an Oconto County Historical Society member for two decades. She received the OCHS President's Award in 2017 for her work in saving the Holt & Balcom Logging Camp Museum in Lakewood. The restoration took place from 2007-2013, requiring her to raise \$150,000 during the Recession. As the restoration continued, Kathleen developed a close relationship with the Holt family, so much so she proudly proclaims herself an "adopted" Holt. She has served as Museum Director since 2008.

When asked by great-granddaughter Shannon Holt, Kathleen eagerly agreed to assist the Wisconsin Historical Society's effort to collect, save, and post online an exhibit of rare photographs of Northern Oconto County taken by Lucy from 1894 to 1938. The collection depicts the Holt family's wide circle of family and friends as they enjoyed getaways at Island Lodge, a secluded summer retreat on a large island in Archibald Lake.

Built by Holt crews in 1896 and only accessible by boat, the Lodge is still used by Holt descendants for summer vacations. It has much the same design as the Logging Camp, located off County F, adjacent to McCauslin Golf Course and Country Club. The Museum is open Saturdays 10-3 Memorial Day to Labor Day.

During her first visit to Island Lodge in 2007, Kathleen was invited to sit in Lucy's chair. She says the experience bewitched her, and she began researching Lucy's life. What Kathleen found was the inspiring story of an amazing woman who was a century ahead of her time. In the process, she came to know more about Lucy than most of her descendants did.

Kathleen is a lifelong educator, writer, volunteer, and community advocate. She has published eight books, four on the history of Townsend, where she and husband Jon are happily retired on the beautiful Townsend Flowage.







# Vehicles & Heavy Equipment



# Understanding post-traumatic stress disorder

Terrifying events leave a mark. Whether it's combat, a natural disaster, a bad car accident, an abusive relationship or something else, people often feel the effects, known as post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD), long after the danger has passed.

June is recognized as PTSD Month and June 27 is National PTSD Awareness Day. It's an opportunity to shed light on the challenges faced by individuals living with PTSD and to promote empathy, support, and education about the condition, as well as to reduce the stigma associated with mental health issues.

"When someone has experienced or witnessed a stressful or life-threatening event, the fear associated with it may be hard to shake. If it intensifies and starts to interfere with everyday life, it could be PTSD," says Carrie Shimkus, LPC, Certified Clinical Trauma Professional at Aspirus Koller Behavioral Health Clinic – Rhinelander. "Tell someone – your doctor or a close friend – if you're having thoughts, feelings or behaviors that are unusual for you. You're not alone, and talking about it is the first step in taking charge and stopping the fear from ruling your life."

#### Four categories of symptoms

Post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD) often appears within three months after the trauma, but it can occur later. There are four categories of symptoms, according to the American Psychiatric Association (APA):

Intrusive symptoms. People with PTSD may have vivid memories of the event without warning. These memories are so strong that they take over the person's attention. This is usually called a flashback.

Severe flashbacks may cause the person to enter a dreamlike state, where the person acts as though the event is happening again.

Avoidance. The person may avoid situations that remind him or her of the trauma. He or she may pull away from friends and family, and may feel numb and incapable of feeling or expressing emotion.

Negative thoughts and feelings. People with PTSD may have ongoing distorted beliefs about themselves or others. Feelings of fear, anger, guilt and shame are possible. And people may lose interest in taking part in activities or being around others.

Hyperarousal and reactivity. PTSD can also cause the person to feel constantly threatened. He or she may become irritable or have trouble concentrating or sleeping. Panic attacks and reckless or self-destructive behavior are also possible.

PTSD can cause other problems such as alcohol or drug abuse, poor self-control and an increased risk of suicide.

Not everyone who experiences something traumatic has PTSD. Some people recover from trauma with the help of family and friends. However, if symptoms last more than a month, treatment may be needed.

Getting help

Behavior therapy is usually effective in treating this disorder. A therapist can use a variety of treatments, including relaxation therapy and desensitization, where the person is exposed to something that reminds him or her of the event and then learns to cope with it.

PTSD can be aggravated by the person's view of the world compared to the reality that they witnessed during the event. Helping the person look at their values and how those values may have been violated during the trauma may help to resolve internal conflicts. Peercounseling groups are also effective, as the person may have a chance to hear how others reacted and felt in the same situation.

Sometimes, medications such as antidepressants help the person to participate in these treatments more fully.

Most of the time, these treatments take place outside of the hospital. But if the person becomes dangerous, treatment in a hospital may be recommended.

If you are struggling to cope, or the symptoms of PTSD begin to interfere with your everyday life, it may be time to talk to a health care professional.

# 43rd Annual Antigo Tater Trot takes place Aug. 12

Race directors are preparing for the 43rd annual 10 kilometer Tater Trot which will take place Saturday, August 12 at City Park in Antigo. In addition to the 10k run, individuals of all ages may also participate in the 2k fun or the 6k walk/run. The 2k run starts at 8:30 a.m. and is followed by the 10k run at 9 a.m. and 6k walk/run at 9:05 a.m.

Anyone interested in participating in the Tater Trot events can register online at www.antigotatertrot.com through the end of the day August 9 or Friday evening and Saturday morning in person at City Park. The cost for the 10k and 6k events is \$30 until Wednesday, August 9, which includes a 5lb bag of potatoes and a tee shirt. Late registration is \$35. Shirts and potatoes will be given to late registrants based on availability. 2k participants will pay \$5 registration, with the option to purchase a shirt for an additional \$15. A virtual option will be available online to run or walk your race anytime between August 6 and August 12; you can run any course you choose. Results will be submitted electronically, and participants will receive a race shirt via mail or pickup. Virtual participants will not be eligible for prizes awarded to the top finishers.

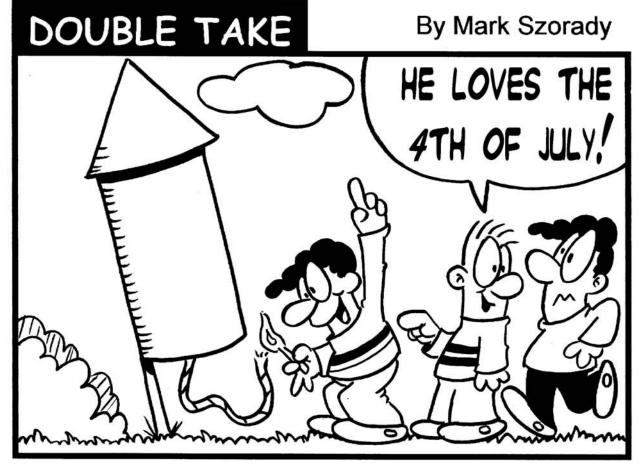
Shirts, potatoes, race bibs, and medals will be available for pick up on Friday, August 11 from 3-6 p.m. and the morning of the event (August 13) from 7-8:15 a.m. Virtual participant packets will be mailed.

All proceeds from the race will benefit Antigo

High School cross country and track teams, the Antigo Middle School Athletic Program, along with other community organizations. Since 1980, the Tater Trot has donated over \$90,000 to area organizations involved in track and field events within the community. Additional past recipients include the Listle Field Concession Stand, Jack Lake Silent Sports Association; Elementary School Track and Field Day; All Saints Catholic School; and Peace Lutheran School.

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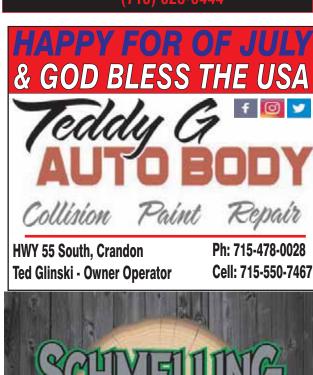
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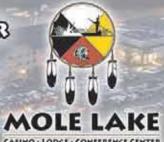
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