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### **Conservation Corner**

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#### Blue-Green Algae in Northern Wisconsin Lakes

Here in Forest County, our landscape is adorned with over 800 pristine lakes that provide a serene environment for recreation and aquatic life. However, in recent years, these beloved lakes have been facing a growing threat from blue-green algae, scientifically known as cyanobacteria. Blue-green algae blooms, fueled by nutrient pollution and climate change, have become a concerning issue, impacting water quality, human health, and the ecosystem.

Blue-green algae blooms are primarily driven by two factors: excessive nutrients and rising temperatures. Nutrient pollution, often stemming from agricultural runoff, stormwater runoff, and wastewater discharge, can introduce high levels of phosphorus and nitrogen into the water. These nutrients serve as a feast for blue-green algae, enabling them to multiply rapidly and form blooms. Rising temperatures, linked to climate change, create favorable conditions for these organisms to thrive, promoting the growth and persistence of blooms.

The explosion of blue-green algae blooms can have severe consequences for both the environment and human health. These blooms can deplete oxygen levels in the water, leading to fish kills and harm to other aquatic organisms. When the blooms die off, decomposition consumes even more oxygen, which causes even more problems. Some blue-green algae produce toxins known as cyanotoxins, which can pose serious risks to human and pet health if ingested through water contact, inhalation, or consumption of contaminated fish. Exposure to cyanotoxins can lead to symptoms such as skin irritation, nausea, vomiting, diarrhea, and in extreme cases, liver damage.

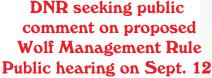
Forest County lakes are a hub for recreational activities like swimming, boating, and fishing. Blue-green algae blooms can severely curtail these activities, as health advisories are often issued to warn against water contact during a bloom.

Tourism, a significant economic driver for the region, can suffer due to the presence of unsightly and potentially harmful blooms, deterring visitors and affecting local businesses that rely on tourism.

Efforts to combat blue-green algae blooms require a multi-faceted approach that addresses nutrient pollution and climate change. Here are some mitigation strategies:

Nutrient Management: Implementing best management practices to reduce nutrient runoff from agricultural and urban areas can help lower nutrient inputs into lakes. This includes measures like using cover crops, minimizing fertilizer use, and upgrading wastewater treatment facilities.

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MADISON, Wis. – The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR) is seeking public comment on proposed permanent wolf rules relating to gray wolf harvest regulations (WM-03-21). The public comment period is open through Sept. 15, 2023.

A virtual public hearing on the proposed rule will be held on Sept. 12 at 4 p.m. The public can provide verbal comments on the draft rule at the hearing. Registration will take place at the hearing by completing a Hearing Appearance form. Pre-registration is strongly encouraged if you plan to provide spoken comments during the hearing.

To pre-register, please download and complete the Hearing Appearance form and send it to ScottR.Karel@wisconsin.gov.

The DNR will accept written comments on the proposed rule by U.S. mail, email or online. The public can review the rule and make comments online. All comments will have the same weight, including the verbal statements presented at the public hearing.

Written comments on the proposed rule will be accepted until 11:59 p.m. on Sept. 15, 2023. Please direct written comments to:

Department of Natural Resources Attn: Scott Karel P.O. Box 7921 101 S. Webster Street Madison, WI 53707-7921 DNRAdministrativeRulesComments@wisconsin.gov

#### What is The Proposed Permanent Rule?

Using the regular rulemaking process, this rule proposal will achieve two primary objectives. First, it will codify provisions of an emergency rule, EmR 1210, which went into effect on Aug. 18, 2012. Non-statutory provisions of 2011 ACT 169 state that this emergency rule remains in effect until a permanent rule takes effect. Second, it will implement recommendations from and update regulatory text in consideration of a new wolf management plan.

For more information, view the materials for the proposed rule in the public hearing notice or visit the DNR's proposed permanent rules webpage.

Editor's Note: For many in the Northwoods, wolves are not a popular animal, especially when the population gets very high.

This is a chance to express your feelings on the subject, whatever they may be. Will the DNR pay attention to the opinions of the public in the Northwoods? There is only one way to find out, and that is to participate.

Take pen in hand or computer keyboard and give your opinion. It can't hurt to try!

#### It Started as the Brush Run



#### By Mike Monte

There will likely be 50-60 thousand people, fans and racers, who show up in Crandon for the races at the Crandon International Raceway over Labor Day weekend.

This world renowned race didn't start that way. It was an idea that Rolly Yocum came up with, to have an offroad race, through the woods on gravel and old logging roads. After much deliberation, it was decided that it would be the Brush Run 101. What that meant was that racers would start at the fairgrounds in Crandon, and then race four laps of 25.25 miles each for a total of 101 miles, roughly. It was the summer of 1970.

There were a lot of quickly built race cars put together for that first race. Myself and George Schultz fixed a 1949 or 1950 Chevrolet sedan so that it could race over the rocks and through the mud. Sorry to say that we didn't finish, but had a good time. Ted Brownell and Larry Lyons raced an old Argonne Dairy milk truck that was actually a 3/4 ton panel truck. That needed weight in the back for traction, so they installed a big wooden box and filled it with sand. They might have made a half mile before they went over a big bump, and if I remember correctly, broke off a front wheel. The box of sand broke, sand slid to the front, and they had sand halfway to their knees. Spike Houle raced a homemade dune buggy. It was safe to say that he didn't take it too seriously. He hit a grouse, and stopped the car to look for the bird. **Continued on page 18** 

#### Crandon Public Library Pizza Party

The Crandon Public Library is having a Pizza Party! Come and sample our veggie pizza made with ingredients from our local pizza gardens. Cauliflower and regular crust, homemade pizza sauce, herbs, onions, and peppers!

The Pizza Party will be held in the Greenspace weather permitting, otherwise in the front under the entrance, on August 29th from 11-1 pm. Come join Jill, volunteers, staff, and enjoy the first taste to the last bite at the CPL.

#### Blackwell Job Corp Center installs new playground equipment in Cardinal Park-Crandon



Seniors, Don't Miss Out! Senior Farmers' Market Nutrition Vouchers

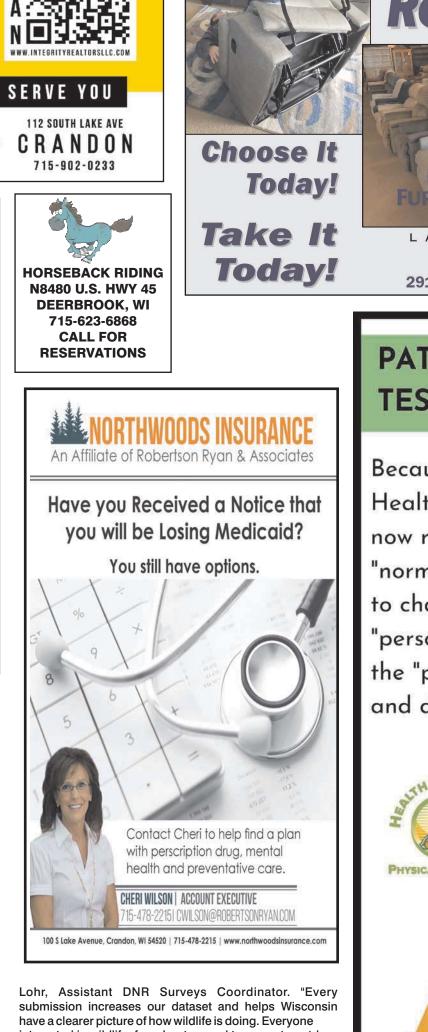
The Forest County Health Department has remaining Senior Farmers' Market Nutrition Program vouchers for distribution to income eligible Seniors (60+, Native American 55+) residing in Forest County. Vouchers are for the purchase of fresh, locally grown fruits, herbs, and vegetables from certified farmers. They may be used at one of three certified stands/farms in Forest County - Josh's Corn Stand in Crandon, Lila Tibbs Farm Stand in Armstrong Creek or FCP Farm-Hwy H in Blackwell - or any certified Farm Stand or Farmers' Market throughout the State. The program requires only income declaration and completion of a simple one-page form with agency staff. Current annual program income guidelines using gross income (before taxes and deductions) are: One (1) person household - \$26,973; Two (2) person household - \$36,482; Three (3) person household - \$45, 991; Four (4) person household - \$55,500; Five (5) person household - \$65,009. Eligible individuals may designate a representative to shop at the stands/markets on their behalf. For more information or to apply, please call the Health Department (715-478-3371). Don't miss out. Call today!

The Forest County Health Department Staff extends an invitation to all to join us Saturday morning, September 9<sup>th</sup> between 10:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. at the Forest County Fair. The Wisconsin Vegetable and Potato Grower's "Spudmobile" will be on premises and open for tours, view various educational displays, meet staff members, take part in activities, and join us for a free luncheon from 12:00 1:00 p.m. <u>We look forward to seeing you at the Fair!</u>

#### See us online at pionexpcrandon@newnorth.net

The kids using Cardinal Park will have new and interesting playground equipment to play on. The Blackwell Job Corp showed up on last Friday morning and made short work of installing the new equipment. It is a great service to the community, and is no cost to the taxpayers. The Job Corp students learned from the experience. The Job Corp director, Andrea Schenkoske, is the lady in the center of the front row. Have fun kids! PIONEER EXPRESS PAGE 2, AUGUST 28, 2023





The deadline to submit bird observations for the Game Bird Brood Survey is Aug. 31. The deadline to submit deer observations for the Operation Deer Watch Survey is

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The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR) is seeking the public's help in collecting crucial deer and game bird management data. The data will be collected starting Aug. 1 through the Operation Deer Watch Survey and the Game Bird Brood Observations Survey.

These surveys are designed to measure the reproductive status of deer and game birds. Data from public observations is used to collect crucial deer and game bird management data, including a fawn-to-doe ratio for deer and a poult-to-hen ratio for game birds. These ratios are then compared to data from previous years to estimate how productive this year's deer herd/game birds are.

"Whenever you are out and about in Wisconsin you can share observations of deer and game birds through the Survey123 submission tool," said Jes Rees

Participation in both surveys is simple. It doesn't require registration and can be done using a mobile device. If in a vehicle, participants should only record sightings when their vehicle is stopped, not while driving.

For Operation Deer Watch, the public should report the location, deer type (buck, doe or fawn) and the number of deer seen. This information helps to determine the fawn-to-doe ratio and, ultimately, deer population estimates. More information is available on the Operation Deer Watch webpage.

For Game Bird Brood Observations, the DNR needs to know the bird species (turkey, ruffed grouse or pheasant), the type (adult or poult) and the number observed of each type. This information is a basis for monitoring the reproduction of game birds for that breeding year. More information is available on the Game Bird Brood Observations webpage.





Lucas Oil Crandon Labor Day Parade September 1st Float competition in Downtown Crandon! Build a float for a chance to win! Every constructed float will receive 2 weekend tickets.

Floats will be judged by an independent panel and prizes will be awarded by mail.

Parade line up is 11AM at the south end of Lake Ave.

Get in on the fun and win! 1<sup>st</sup> \$1,500 2<sup>nd</sup> \$1,000 3<sup>rd</sup> \$750

#### Crandon Library puts Storytime on pause for a couple of weeks

Crandon Library is taking a pause on Storytime. Storytime is off from August 15th-29th at the CPL. We will return again on Tuesday, September 5th.



ARGONNE

COMMUNITY

Bobby Vintage will perform Aug. 30, both at 6 p.m., at the Elcho Community Pavilion. Food will be available to purchase as long as the supply lasts. Bring lawn chairs for seating.

# RUMMAGE SALES

#### MOVING SALE:

WABENO LAST CHANCE! -4764 Padus Rd., the road to Nicolet Gun Club Jim & Carol Eernisse Saturday August 26, 9am-4pm. Added new items. Author & sister, Betty (Sorensen) Whites children books for sale. P21

HUGE MULTI-FAMILY RUMMAGE SALE: CRANDON - 3920 County Park Rd., South end of Lake Metonga. Thursday, Aug. 24 and Friday, Aug. 25, 8 a.m.-5 p.m. and Saturday, Aug. 26, 8 a.m.-? Vintage items, furniture, fishing, X-mas, clothing, toys, lots of household and misc. Something for everyone. P21

GARAGE SALE: HILES -9896 Hwy. 32. Sept. 2 and 3, 8 a.m.-2 p.m. Tools, furniture and housewares. P21

**RUMMAGE SALE: CRANDON** - 500 N. Prospect. Friday and Saturday, Aug. 25 and 26, 8 a.m.-3 p.m. Years' worth of items, household and crafts, new and old, priced to sell. B21 MULTI-FAMILY RUMMAGE SALE: CRANDON - 9520 Keith Siding Rd. Sept. 1, 2 and 3, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Household, yard and more. Guy's stuff, boat motor, 9 mm, woodstove and more. Something for everyone. P21

HUGE RUMMAGE SALE: TOWNSEND - 18344 Front St. Labor Day weekend, Sept. 1-4, 8 a.m.-4 p.m. B21

**MULTI-FAMILY GARAGE** SALE: ARGONNE - 8501 County Rd. G. Wilson, Littleton & Krause families. Sept. 1, 8 a.m.-6 p.m. and Sept. 2, 8 a.m.-2 p.m. Camping; fishing; and hunting items; name brand men's, women's and junior clothing; holiday decorations; toys; bedding; antiques; bikes; lots of household items and misc. Something for everyone. P22

MOVING SALE: ARGONNE - Byler residence, 8624 Cty. Rd. P. Aug. 25 and 26, 8 a.m.-4 p.m. Concrete blocks, 40 gal. propane hot water heater, 30 gal. Electric hot water heater, grill, bottom feed propane furnace, used windows, doors, trim, paneling, household items, too much to list. Priced to go! P21

#### MEN'S GARAGE SALE: CRANDON - 4493 Lake Lucerne Dr. Saturday, Aug. 26, 8 a.m.-5 p.m. 66 rods and reels, fishing nets and creels, spinners and plugs, waders size 11-12, b o a t m o t o r s, a i r compressors, chainsaws, leaf blower, weed trimmer, hand tools. Call Mike Steeno for more info at 920-246-3006. B21

### Eat a bunch at the McCaslin Lions Brat Shack





All proceeds go to Take A Kid Hunting Foundation, Camp Neal Wounded Warrior Fishing Area, Campground for Scouts and Training Center for Women and Children in the Outdoors, plus a donation to the ERRA.

### **Book Sale-Lakes Country Public Library**

The Friends of Lakes Country Public Library will host a book sale on Friday, September 1st from 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. and Saturday, September 2nd from 10:00 am -2:00 pm. A large selection of fiction and non-fiction books will be sold and this sale will also feature fall theme puzzles, cookbooks and DVDs, and authors of mystery, thrillers, and suspense. The Friends are still accepting donations of gently used items. Proceeds from this sale will be used to support fall programming for adults and children. If you are interested in joining or helping the Friends please contact the library at 715-276-9020.

### For Old Times Sake



Many of you have done business in this Crandon building. You may have come in to get a drug prescription or to put an ad in the *Pioneer Express*. The 1921 building looks a bit different these days. Here at the Pioneer, we know that the fancy tin ceiling is above the suspended ceiling, but we have no desire to restore it to its original looks or the echo that came with the fancy tin ceilings.



Come support the McCaslin Lions Club on Friday September 1st. at the Lakewood SuperValu brat shack. We have hotdogs, brats, hamburgers, chips, water and soda for sale. Hope to see you there.

As can be seen, the room likes a bit different than it does today, but the old building is still doing its job on Crandon's main drag, housing a viable business.

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Nicolet National Forest. Through the Good Neighbor Authority (GNA), projects will leverage state and Bipartisan Infrastructure Law funds to accomplish critical work. Projects will be completed later this summer.

The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (WI-DNR), in partnership with local county highway departments, will complete culvert replacements on four priority National Forest System (NFS) road stream crossings.

The newly installed culverts are designed to last 75-100 years and are sized to span stream width, allowing passage of water from extreme floods and providing for fish passage.

"These are high priority failing stream crossing culverts on National Forest Systems roads," said USDA FS Watershed Program Manager Chris Ester. "The work that can be accomplished through this funding will help support access to public lands and protection of aquatic resources."

Projects are planned for these locations: Forest County-

•Crossing replacement at West Allen Creek at FR 2526 in Alvin

·Crossing replacement at a tributary to Stevens Creek at FR 2423 in Long Lake

For Old Times Sake



This is the entire enrollment of the North Crandon High School in 1919. In a couple more years, it would be the Argonne High School. If memory serves, it operated as a high school until 1940, when the high school students had to go to Crandon.

The school is gone, and it isn't likely that anybody in this picture is still walking around either. But, they likely carried good memories of attending high school in Argonne, basketball games in the old town hall, which wasn't that old back then. The highlight of the basketball games was no doubt when they beat rival Crandon!

 Culvert replacement at Kingstone Creek at FR 2168 in Long Lake

"Road stream crossings in the Chequamegon-Nicolet National Forest and throughout the Northwoods continue to be severely affected by flooding," said WI-DNR Environmental Analysis and Review Specialist Jon Simonsen. "We're implementing designs that accommodate natural river characteristics so that the new culverts will pass not only water, but also the woody debris and sediment that naturally move in streams. This will ensure that these GNA investments result in roads and streams that are more resilient to the increased flooding that we're experiencing. We hope these projects can serve as case studies demonstrating the broad road, stream, and long-term economic benefits of stream simulation design principles."

The projects are among the many examples of work that is being attained in the Chequamegon-Nicolet National Forest through federal, state and local partnering that is possible because of the GNA.

#### SCHOOL DISTRICT OF LAONA **NON-DISCRIMINATION POLICY**

The Laona Board of Education is committed to providing an equal educational opportunity for all students in the District.

The Board does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin, ancestry, creed, pregnancy, marital status, parental status, sexual orientation, sex (including transgender status, change of sex or gender identity), or physical, mental, emotional, or learning disability ("Protected Classes") in any of its student programs and activities.

Please review Board Policy 1422, Board Policy 2260, Wis. Stats. 118.13, and Wisc. Adm. Code PI-9 for additional information. Discrimination complaints should be placed in writing and directed to the building principal.

Wabeno School **Breakfast Menu** Aug-Sept, 29-01 Tuesday - Breakfast pizza, pears, fruit juice, milk Wednesday - French toast sticks, sausage links, Mandarin oranges, fruit juice, milk Thursday - Breakfast sandwich, banana, fruit juice, milk

Wabeno School Lunch Menu Aug-Sept., 29 - 01 Tuesday Cheeseburgers, chips, carrots, watermelon, garden bar, milk Wednesday - Assorted pizza, garlic bread, California blend, apple slices, garden bar, milk Thursday - Crispito, Spanish rice, corn, tropical fruit, garden bar, milk Friday - NO SCHOOL

**BIDS AND NOTICES** 

54<sup>™</sup> POLARIS WORLD **CHAMPIONSHIP OFF-ROAD** RACE® **VOLUNTEER MEETING** =PLEASE=ATTEND THE WEDNESDAY NIGHT MEETING August 30<sup>th</sup> AT 7PM AT THE **BRUSH RUN PAVILION** 

### SCHOOL DISTRICT OF LAONA **ANNUAL NOTICE – HOMELESS CHILDREN**

The McKinney-Vento Act defines children and youth who are homeless (twenty-one years of age and younger) as:

\*Children and youth who lack a fixed, regular, and adequate nighttime residence, and includes children and youth who are:

> -Sharing the housing of other persons due to loss of housing, economic hardship, or a similar reason (sometimes referred to as double-up);

-Living in motels, hotels, trailer parks, or camping grounds due to lack of alternative adequate accommodations;

-Living in emergency or transitional shelters;

-Abandoned in hospitals;

-Awaiting foster care placement;

\*Children and youth who have a primary nighttime residence that is a public or private place not designated for, or ordinarily used as, a regular sleeping accommodation for human beings.

\*Children and youth who are living in cars, parks, public spaces, abandoned buildings, substandard housing, bus or train stations, or similar settings.

\*Migratory children who qualify as homeless because they are living in circumstances described above.

If you are personally aware of or are acquainted with any children who may qualify according to the above criteria, the School District of Laona provides the following assurances to parents and homeless children;

\*Local school district staff member (liaison) to assist homeless children/families:

-Jason Bertrand, Homeless Liaison, (715) 674-2143 or jbertrand@laona.k12.wi.us.

\*There shall be immediate enrollment and school participation, even if educational and medical records and proof of residency are not available.

\*All educational opportunities and related opportunities for homeless students (preschool to age 21), including unaccompanied youth, shall be the same as for the general student population.

\*Enrollment and transportation rights, including transportation to the school of origin. "School of origin" is defined as the school the child or youth attended when permanently housed or the school in which the child or youth was last enrolled.

\*Written explanation of a child or youth's school placement, other than school or origin or the school requested by the parent, with the right to appeal within the local dispute resolution process.

\*Meaningful opportunities for parents to participate in the education of their children. These shall include: special notices of events, parent-teacher conferences, newsletters, and access to student records.

Please contact Jason Bertrand, homeless liaison for the School District of Laona, for additional information about homeless issues. Jason can be reached at (715) 674-2143.

SCHOOL DISTRICT OF LAONA **SPECIAL EDUCATION SCREENING** & REFERRAL PROCEDURES

Any person aware of a child between the ages of birth and 21 who may be experiencing physical, mental, emotional or learning problems may contact the Special Education teachers at the School District of Laona, 5216 Forest Avenue, Suite A, Laona, WI 54541, phone (715) 674-2143 to initiate screening services that will determine if a referral for special education is appropriate.

#### **Referral Procedure**

The school district shall solicit and receive referrals of students with suspected educational needs from all persons who have responsible cause to believe that such needs exist. Specific state criteria shall be adhered to in determining eligibility for specific handicapping conditions. Referrals of suspected children with disability shall be referred to either of the people listed above.

#### **IEP** - Team Evaluation

Whenever a child is referred who is suspected of having an exceptional educational need, the school district shall establish an IEP Team. An appointment of this team shall be the responsibility of the Program Support Teacher. The Program Support Teacher shall approve the evaluation process and may request additional information.

Procedural safeguards for evaluation including the following:

The notice of intent to evaluate shall be sent to the parents that will include:

A full explanation of the due process/procedural safeguards;

A description of the evaluation proposed, an explanation of why the evaluation is proposed, any options that were considered, and the reasons why those options were rejected;

A description of each evaluation procedure used as a basis for the evaluation;

The type of professionals conducting the evaluation;

A description of any other relevant factors.

Written parental consent shall be obtained when a child is being evaluated for the first time within the district. This consent form shall include:

A statement documenting that the parent understands the content of the notice;

Information on the general areas to be evaluated;

Information on the general types of procedures to be used.

#### Federal grant helps build Tribal **Technical Assistance Program Center in Wisconsin**

Federal funding is helping Wisconsin create a Tribal Technical Assistance Program (TTAP) Center for 65 Tribal Nations across 30 states, including Wisconsin. The Traffic Operations and Safety Laboratory (TOPS Lab) at the University of Wisconsin-Madison (UW-Madison) received the two-year \$625,000 grant from the U.S. Department of Transportation. The Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WisDOT) will work through the TTAP Center to support transportation investments on tribal lands and other tribal initiatives related to training, technical assistance and technology services.

'Wisconsin has the highest concentration of tribal communities in any state east of the Mississippi River," WisDOT Secretary Craig Thompson. "We are proud of our government-to-government relationships with the 11 federally recognized Tribes in Wisconsin. This federal grant will help strengthen those partnerships and allow us to continue making strategic transportation investments on Tribal lands. We're excited to see how this federal funding can leverage Wisconsin as a leader to implement solutions to roadway safety on tribal lands not only in our state, but across 30 states." This really underscores that we're not just working within university or state boundaries but across the United States," TOPS Lab Traffic Safety Engineer Research Program Manager Andi Bill said. "We're bringing high-quality research to the local level, and we're very excited to work with our partners across the Tribal communities. WisDOT has been an active leader in Tribal coordination and we're ready to add to some of the wonderful work that they've done."

Inter-Tribal Task Force - Policy advisory group regarding any transportation related matters that may impact tribal communities.

# Friday - NO SCHOOL

The TTAP Center better equips Tribal Nations and WisDOT to work collaboratively on transportation investments on tribal lands. WisDOT has a long-lasting commitment and robust collaboration with Tribal Nations across the state. WisDOT's Tribal Affairs program initiative works exclusively on tribal relations and all transportation related issues affecting tribal communities. Some examples include:

Dual-language highway signs - Five Tribes in Wisconsin now have dual-language road signs on their tribal lands. These signs welcome travelers to tribal communities in English and native languages.

WisDOT Region Tribal Liaisons – Serve as first point of contact for all transportation issues impacting tribal communities, and strive to develop trusting and mutually respectful relationships.

Tribal Historic Preservation Project - Created to strengthen tribal participation in WisDOT programming and projects with a focus on historic preservation and environmental issues.

Tribal Labor Advisory Committee – Aims to develop strategies to enhance Native American job opportunities on state and federal highway projects, and other transportation projects, by offering training, job matching, placement and ongoing technical support. Tribal Transportation Conference - Annual tribal transportation conference features presentations on safety, business and labor, cultural and environmental and general transportation programs. The conference brings together industry, tribal, federal and state officials

Wisconsin is home to 11 federally recognized Tribes, including the Bad River Band of Lake Superior Chippewa, Forest County Potawatomi, Ho-Chunk Nation, Lac Courte Oreilles Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians, Lac du Flambeau Band of Lake Superior Chippewa, Menominee Indian Tribe of Wisconsin, Oneida Nation, Red Cliff Band of Lake Superior Chippewa, Sokaogon Chippewa Community - Mole Lake Band of Lake Superior Chippewa, St. Croix Chippewa Indians of Wisconsin, and Stockbridge-Munsee Community Band of Mohican Indians.

Upon renewal by the Federal Highway Administration, the UW-Madison TOPS Lab could receive \$300,000 each year for three years to continue the work of the TTAP Center. Due to the large geographic service area, UW-Madison has partnered with Lac Courte Oreilles Ojibwe University and New York State Local Technical Assistance Program Center housed at Cornell University.

# **Dining & Entertainment**

#### SMOKING THURSDay'S BBQ BUFFET

Chef carved smoked Brisket, smoked Ribs, Pulled Pork and Smoked Sausage. Along with Garlic Mashed Potatoes, Red Potatoes, Sweet Corn, BBQ Baked Beans, Smoked Chicken, White Mac and Cheese, and Seasoned Rice. Plus Salad Bar, corn Muffins, Potato Salad, Coleslaw and Dessert all for \$22.95 Serving 4:30 to 8:00 Every Thursday on the Patio Please call 715-649-3810 for reservations.

## Main Street Ed's Sunday Brunch On the Patio

10:00 am-1:00 pm Broasted Chicken, BBQ Ribs, Sausage Links, Sliced Pit Ham, biscuits and Sausage Gravy, Hashbrowns, Cornbeef Hash, Scrambled Eggs, French Toast, and Syrup, Cubed Fruit, Yogurt, Salad Bar, Cinnamon Rolls, and Danish and other Desserts. \$12.95





# They Don't Make That Out of Wood Anymore

#### By Mike Monte

Duck's Bar was, and still is, on the main street of Crandon. When hearing the subject of this story, a memory popped in my head from the early 1970's.

Duck's was the favorite watering hole of the loggers back in those days. Pulp cutters often stopped for a couple of cold tap beers before going home for supper, and this was the place where the bragging and complaining was done. One day, one of the loggers noticed that when Duck served a mixed drink to what was probably a tourist, there was a plastic swizzle stick in the glass. Swizzle sticks had always been made out of wood, but there it was, a red piece of plastic sticking out of the glass! Somebody in the logging crowd started to give Duck a hard time about buying plastic swizzle sticks when his logging customers were having a hard time selling their wood. And, Duck, as usual, bit, apologizing and trying to explain that you couldn't buy wooden swizzle sticks anymore. Of course, after a couple of days of getting a hard time for the plastic sticks, he figured out that he was getting ribbed. In retrospect, however, it was a sign of things to come.

When pondering the many ways that plastics have replaced wood in usage by the general population, your head starts to swim. To understand the change, you have to go back many years before the 1970's.

The first plastic patented was by a man named Alexander Parkes, in Birmingham, England, back in 1856. Needless to say, the timber industry felt no ill effects from his invention back then. It was after World War I that the plastics industry started to build up with advancements in chemical technology. Plastics production speeded up, beginning in the 1940's and really taking off in the 1950's. The United States has more than half of the top plastics companies in the world.

Has plastic made a difference in wood usage. Think back through the decades, and you realize that almost everything was sold and delivered in wood containers. The Cracker Barrel is a popular name for restaurants around the country, but can any of us remember when crackers were shipped to the general store in a wooden barrel. As far as that goes, some of you have probably never been in a general store. Many of these old en boxes and crates are salvaged and used for decorator pieces in homes. glad to find a wooden box that was used to ship and store .22 rifle shells emblazoned with the Remington logo. The box once held .22 long cartridges. Actually, this is a poor example, as ammo is now shipped in cardboard boxes that got their start with a logger cutting down a tree, but it is an example of how packaging has changed through the years. A good argument against using heavy wooden boxes for shipping is the extra weight and fuel needed to move products to the end customer. Plastic is in everybody's daily life, from the vinyl siding on the house to the neat little plastic lawn chairs that stack up so nicely. It isn't going away. The vinyl siding meant that I didn't have to crawl up to the second story and repaint that one place that never held paint, and I am glad to be rid of that problem. The question is why there isn't more wood used in the manufacture of plastics. We have all heard of the pollution caused by plastics, which is also indicative of the huge use of plastic products. The great amounts of plastic in the world's oceans, especially the Pacific Ocean, isn't anything the human race should be proud of. This topic has always made me wonder how that much plastic could be floating out there. Doesn't everybody recycle their plastics? This search brought to light to where most of that big "island" of plastic waste comes from. It turns out that China, Indonesia, the Phillipines, Thailand, and Vietnam dump more plastic in the oceans than all other countries combined. That being said, it doesn't mean that we don't have our share of slobs who throw their plastic waste out of the car window or boat, littering the countryside and the waterways. In researching this article, I found that a foam plastic cup takes about 50 years to decompose, a disposable nappy will take 450 years, and when

you are angry and throw that big glob of monofilament fish line in the lake, you are giving a fisherman a chance to hook it up and bring it back to the surface 600 years from now!

This story put me on an internet search, looking up what plastics are made from, and finding out that it is a huge and complex topic. There are more kinds of plastics than you can imagine. Some are recyclable and come back to you in packaging for a different product down the road, and some are not recyclable and end up in a landfill. What I was hoping to find was that many plastics are made from wood and wood byproducts. There are plastics that use wood flour for a filler, but more of them that use farm products for filler. Wood flour is commonly used as a <u>filler</u> in thermosetting resins such as <u>bakelite</u>, and in <u>linoleum</u> floor coverings. Wood flour is also the main ingredient in wood/plastic composite building products such as decks and roofs.

But, shouldn't there be more wood by-products used in the manufacture of plastics. After all, plastic is a carbon based material, most of which is made from petroleum and the by-products produced in the manufacturing of fuels. Wood, like all life forms in this world is carbon based. You have to ask why there isn't utilization of pulping by-products such as lignin.

Lignin is the material that holds a tree together. It is also the chemical that has to be removed before pulp is made into paper. So what happens to the lignin? It isn't wasted, but much of the lignin from the pulping process finds its way into a fire. However, there are other uses for this interesting material.

In material printed by Valmet, the Finns are working on ways to better utilize the lignin produced by the pulping process. They call it bio-refining and uses a technical application I won't try to explain called LignoBoost. There are and will be numerous applications for this product when put to full use that includes fuels, carbon fibers, binders, adhesives, and coatings, as well as bio-plastics.

Like all natural resource based products, maximum utilization is the ultimate goal. But, this is in the early stages, and it makes sense to utilize as many products from a renewable source, like forests, as possible. The process of developing new technologies does take time, and while not here yet, it is a good bet that there will be more uses from wood and wood by-products in the future. This doesn't mean you will someday go to your grocery store and buy crackers from a wooden barrel, but you may side your house in plastic that came from material left over from the pulping process or invest in some of those nice, stackable plastic lawn chairs that didn't have a start in an oil well. That means more

petroleum that can be used to run that pulp truck or forwarder. It just makes sense! Originally published in TPA magazine.

> Adam was but human – this explains it all. He did not want the apple for the apple's sake, he wanted it only because it was forbidden. The mistake was in not forbidding the serpent; then he would have eaten the serpent. - Mark Twain

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# Thank Yous and Personals

# THANK YOU

Robert's Lake Association would like to thank all who attended this year's Fisheree. Thank you to both those who worked the event and to those who worked behind the scenes to make it a success. We would also like to recognize the following contributors/businesses for their support. Without their donations and support our fisheree would not be as successful.

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# Wolf River Pharmacy will be closed Monday, Sept. 4 for the holiday

For Old Times Sake



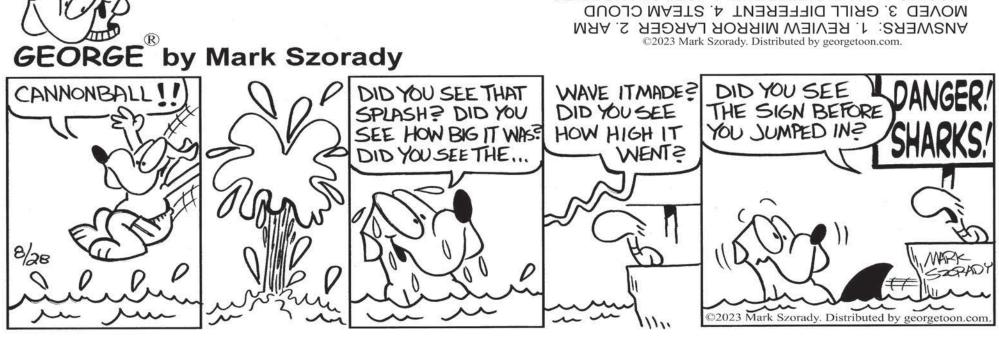
Here is a historic building you can take a look at every time you take Hwy 32 through Wabeno. The hospital now serves as a residence, but back when it was built, around 1905 going by the notation on the picture, it took care of the health needs of Wabeno and Soperton.

It is safe to say that the medical field wasn't as complex as it is today. It is a safe bet that open heart surgery wasn't performed at the Noer Hospital, but it did provide the basic needs of the community health care, and that was better care than many of the new communities in the Northwoods had back then.





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Wolf River Rendezvous

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# Opening August 31st

# Bar open to the public

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#### DEATH NOTICES

Diane Marie (Campbell) Johnson, age 75 of Crandon passed away Wednesday August 16, 2023, 2023 at St. Joseph Residence in New London.

Diane was born January 18, 1948 in New London, the first child of Lawrence and Donabell (Meyer) Campbell. She graduated from Clintonville High School in

1966 and began working at AAL (now Thrivent) in Appleton. She was married to James L. Johnson on May 15, 1971 in Iron Mountain, MI. They enjoyed camping, skiing, and traveling. In 1985 Diane began working for the City of Appleton and retired in 2010. Jim passed away on April 9, 2016. In 2017 Diane moved to their cottage in the northwoods, which they loved. She enjoyed watching the wildlife, campfires, and was an avid reader.

Diane is survived by her daughter, Erica (Mike) Tiedt; her son, Grant Johnson; and five grandchildren she was so proud of: Christian, Nolan, Riley, Alaina, and Isla Tiedt; her brothers-in-law, John (Sandy) Johnson and Jay Johnson; two nieces, Jennifer (Dennis) Bannon and Jill (Steve) Petersen; and a cousin, Karen Francis.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband, Jim; infant son, Wade; and brothers, Curtis and Carson Campbell.

A memorial gathering will be held for Diane on Saturday, September 30, 2023 at Mathew's Supper Club, 155 8th Street, Clintonville, WI 54929 from 12 - 3 p.m. In lieu of flowers donations are appreciated for "Friends of the Crandon Library", 110 West Polk Street, Crandon, WI 54520 or "Peaceful Purpose, Inc", NAAVA Salon & Spa, 3505 Commerce Court, Appleton, WI 54911. The Eberhardt-Stevenson Funeral Home & Crematory of Clintonville (www.eberhardtstevenson.com) is assisting her family.





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A note from the three busmen (Mike, Christ & Bob) and Kristi...

We will be planning a route in September to Helene's Hilltop Orchard in Merrill to celebrate this gorgeous time of the year. There is a flat-rate admission fee of \$7.50 +tax. This will be a fun trip that involves wagon rides, sunflower fields, apple orchards, and maybe some pumpkins! Admission fees will not be required for access to the Farm Store & Bakery, Barn Cellar, or The Loft.

The Office of 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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#### **CRANDON, WABENO, LAONA**

Monday - August 28 - Salisbury steak, gravy, mashed potatoes, Brussel sprouts, whole wheat bread, honey bee ambrosia

#### Monday - Sept. 4 - Closed Labor Day

Thursday - Sept. 7 - Seasoned baked chicken, twice baked mashed potatoes, broccoli, whole wheat bread, peaches and vanilla pudding

CRANDON, WABENO, LAONA, ARMSTRONG CREEK Tuesday - August 29 - Boneless BBQ pork rib, whole wheat hoagie, au gratin potatoes, whole kernel corn, mini muffin, grapes

Tuesday - Sept. 5 - Ham and scalloped potato casserole, Pacific blend veggies, whole wheat roll, banana

CRANDON, LAONA, ARMSTRONG CREEK, WABENO Wednesday - August 30 - Paprika chicken, baked sweet potato, cauliflower, raisin bread, vanilla yogurt and berries Wednesday - Sept. 6 - Brat on a bun, steamed onions, ketchup, roasted potatoes, baked beans, grape salad (Grandparent's Day, September birthdays, Labor Day celebration)

#### ALVIN (Alvin now serving at 12:00 p.m.)

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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.

#### Firearm and archery school funding!

Recently the Biden administration announced that it would cut funding for classes on firearm and archer training! Following that announcement Representative Tiffany sent out a newsletter voicing his opposition to these cuts! I then read some of the comments from people, mostly agreeing with the administration!

Like peoples' backsides, everyone has an opinion! It's just that, it's hard to believe what some of these people write! Many said, we send our children to school to learn reading, writing and arithmetic, that we shouldn't be teaching these classes! Considering the educational ranking of our students against students from around the World, we see how well that has gone! for the money we spend, it's pathetic, to say the least! Why not, just sent students to school for three (3) hours a day! One for reading, one for writhing, and one for arithmetic! To heck with band, literature, social studies, history (they do a poor job of this), health, and all the other classes! You know, classes that develops a well rounded student! Then, why not get rid of football, basketball, volleyball, baseball, socker, hockey, wrestling and any other extra-curricula activity! Look at all the MONEY districts could save, by not having to build gymnasiums, football fields, etc.! Yeah, I suppose firearm and archery would fall in with these! Living where we live, I believe that firearm and archery class make a lot of sense!

Other people complained about Mr. Tiffany's promotion of school of choice! I too have a backside, and an OPINION on this! I have three grandchildren, who are going to a private school, by choice! Why, because the school district they live in do not meet my daughter's and her husband's standards! They pay out \$12,000 + per year, to ensure that their children get a good education, not a WOKE one! They still pay their taxes that support the State's MONOPOLY! I, as a taxpayer BELIEVE that the TAXES SHOULD FOLLOW THE CHILDREN, NOT THE CHILDREN FOLLOW THE TAXES !!! There is something else that school of choice funding would bring. It's called COMPETITION, which would probably wake up the State's Schools!

James Kobylarz Armstrong Creek

#### Red Arrow Snowmobile ATV Club will hold their 17th Annual Corn Roast Fundraiser Labor Day Weekend

On Saturday of Labor Day Weekend (September 2ns) Red Arrow will host its 17th Annual "Corn Roast and ATV/UTV Parade" at the Old Town Hall Bar & Restaurant in Townsend. Open to the public, the event will begin at 11AM. Meat raffles, Music, 50/50 raffle, Food, Beverages and Free Sweet Corn will be available all day. Tickets for our BIG 34 prize raffle ticket will be available. Raffle prizes will be drawn at 5PM. All the day's activities will be under the cover of a big tent so come rain or shine!

The ATV/UTV parade will leave the Red Arrow Clubhouse (16712 Hummingbird Hill Lane, Townsend) at 10:30 AM and proceed to the event at the Old Town Hall. All ATV and UTV owners are invited to participate in the parade. You do not have to belong to a club to participate.

Come ride with this year's parade Grand Marshal, Mike Ott. Mike and his family have been members of Red Arrow Snowmobile ATV Club for many years. Mike has worked countless fundraisers for the club including the Corn Roast and Snow Fest (former Fish A Ree). You can typically find him as the meat raffle auctioneer and heading up a group during trail brushing. It is plain to see that Mike has truly given a lot to the sports of snowmobiling and ATVing in the Townsend area. Clubs are only successful when there are dedicated volunteers like Mike; many times going above and beyond for the sports they enjoy! Come to the Corn Roast by ATV, UTV, car, truck or van....everyone is invited to attend this great "family friendly" event at the Old Town Hall Bar and Restaurant. Direct ATV/UTV access is available from as far as the City of Gillett to the south. Florence, Forest and Marinette counties and Michigan trails at Iron River. All proceeds from this event will go directly into maintaining and improving the Snowmobile and ATV/UTV trails in the Townsend area. Red Arrow is responsible for about 65 miles of snowmobile trails and about 15 miles of ATV/UTV trails including the Nicolet State Recreational Trail through Townsend.

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Please register with Commission on Aging - 478-3256.

Crandon site is at 715-478-3040. Serving at 12:00 p.m. on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday.

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

Laona site manager Peggy Alderton at 715-889-3116 (cell). Meal served at 12:00 p.m. Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday.

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

Armstrong Creek site manager Sharon Giles at 715-674-3532 (home). Meal served at 11:30 a.m. on Tuesday and Wednesday.



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WAGES AND BENEFITS: DETERMINED BY QUALIFICATIONS OF APPLICANT.

SUBMIT LETTER BY: AUGUST 31ST 2023

CLERK, TOWN OF CRANDON





• Business Cards

HELP WANTED Someone to care for elderly woman. Located in Wabeno area. Call 715-889-1339 P21

**Northwoods Evergreen** is buying boughs on Mill Street in Laona again for the same price as last year! They also need people to make wreaths and garland in Laona or at home. Call 715-536-6060 or 715-351-0607.

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# HELP WANTED **CRANDON SCHOOL** CO-CURRICULAR VACANCY

The School District of Crandon is seeking coaches or advisors for the following 2023-2024 seasons:

Assistant Cross-Country Coach (HS) Wage for this position will be \$1,500 per year Middle School Volleyball Coach (2) Wage for this position will be \$1,050 per year Middle School Wrestling Coach (2) Wage for this position will be \$1,050.00 per year Head Baseball Coach (HS) Wage for this position will be \$2,500 per year Assistant Baseball Coach (HS) Wage for this position will be \$1,500 per year **Assistant Soccer Coach (HS)** Wage for this position will be \$1,500 per year **Assistant Forensics Coach (HS)** Wage for this position will be \$900 per year Drama Director (MS/HS)

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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: September 25, 2023 Deadlines: Assistant Cross Country & MS Volleyball **Open until filled** 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.

# HELP WANTED

#### **DIABETIC/REGULAR INSTRUCTIONAL** EDUCATION AIDE POSITION

The Laona School District is looking for a Diabetic/Regular Instructional Education Aide beginning in the 2023-2024 school year. This position is a full time position at 37.5 hours per week. The position requires working with students with diabetic needs as well as working in elementary classrooms as an instructional education aide. Prior diabetic education is preferred, but will train the right candidate. Because we are a Title I Schoolwide district the candidate must have either an Associate's Degree, have 48 credits postsecondary education or successfully complete a proficiency test to qualify. This posting will remain open until filled.

If interested, please send a letter of interest to: School District of Laona Larry Palubicki – District Administrator 5216 Forest Ave Suite A Laona, WI 54541

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# HELP WANTED Tryke's Treats and Eats **WAIT STAFF CASHIER KITCHEN HELP CALL TRYKE** 715-889-3718

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Seasonal Help wanted for winter. Experience with front end loader / skid steer / plowing necessary.

Pick up employment application at Town Clerk office or call 715-850-1127 for information.

#### Hidden Bear ATV Club announce winners of raffle

The drawing for the cash raffle was held at 5:00 pm on Saturday, August 19st at Animal's Bear Trail Inn. The winners and amount they won: \$5000.00 - Mike Finger, \$2000.00 - Pat Zellner, \$1000.00 - Bill Wolf \$800.00 - Dan Coopman, \$600.00 - Randy Hammer, \$500.00 - Ken Kasper, \$400.00 - Jerry Vanden Plas, \$300.00 - Rico, \$200.00 each - Dave Pitterle, Rob McNutt, Natalie Kelets, Ginger Szybowny, Tom Quill, Chuck Stafka, Tom Huff, Riley Brocktrup, Jessica King, Natalie Ketels, Mike Francois, Steve Yaeger Jr, Judy Mangold, Ginger Szybowny, Kathy Jungen, Mark Houg, and Bec Kursynski.

The winner of the Gun Raffle 1st Prize - John Parker-gun, 2nd prize - Scott Van Bockel - Gun, 3rd Prize - \$100.00 - Vince LaGreve and 4th Prize - \$50.00 Rico. The proceeds from the Cash Raffle and Gun Raffle go toward maintaining current ATV trails/routes and creating new ATV/UTV routes. Contact the HBT ATV Club at: hiddenbeartrailatvclub@gmail.com or visit the website at: www.hiddenbeartrailatvclub.com.

#### Conservation Corner Cont. from pg. 1 Riparian Buffer Zones: Planting native vegetation along lake

# The Vital Role of Childhood Immunizations

"Diseases such as measles, mumps, rubella, polio, and pertussis (whooping cough) can have severe consequences for young children, leading to complications, hospitalization, and can even sometimes be fatal."

Childhood immunizations stand as a cornerstone of modern medicine and public health.

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), four million deaths worldwide are prevented by childhood vaccinations every year.

Vaccines work to protect children against serious diseases, shield community members and prevent outbreaks and resurgences of disease.

#### **Protecting Children from Serious Diseases**

Childhood immunizations are specifically designed to provide protection against a variety of dangerous infectious diseases.

"By introducing weakened or inactive versions of the pathogen into the child's system, vaccines prime their immune response to recognize and fight off the actual disease if encountered in the future", says Jason Chan, MD. Aspirus Pediatrician. "Diseases such as measles. mumps, rubella, polio, and pertussis (whooping cough) can have severe consequences for young children, leading to complications, hospitalization, and can even sometimes be fatal."

#### Herd Immunity: A Community Shield

Vaccines not only safeguard individual children but also play a crucial role in protecting the wider community.

When a significant portion of a community is

vaccinated against a disease, it creates a collective shield that prevents the pathogen from spreading effectively.

As a result, even individuals who cannot be vaccinated, such as infants, pregnant women, and those with weakened immune systems, receive indirect protection.

"Achieving high vaccination rates ensures that diseases have limited opportunities to spread, making it less likely for outbreaks to occur and protecting vulnerable members of the community," says Dr. Chan.

#### **Preventing Outbreaks and Resurgence of Diseases**

History has shown that when immunization rates drop, diseases once thought to be under control can make a resurgence, according to the National Library of Medicine.

When a significant proportion of the population is immunized, it becomes difficult for a disease to find susceptible individuals to infect, effectively limiting its transmission.

This collective immunity prevents diseases from gaining a foothold and spreading rapidly, ensuring that outbreaks remain rare and previously controlled diseases do not make a comeback.

"Immunizing children from an early age is crucial to providing them with the best defense against potentially devastating illnesses," says Dr. Chan. "Vaccines have been rigorously tested and proven to be safe and effective, safeguarding not only your child's health but also that of the entire community.

By taking this proactive step, you contribute to the collective effort of ensuring a healthier future for your child and others.



shorelines creates buffer zones that help filter out pollutants, reduce runoff, and prevent nutrients from entering the water.

Septic System Maintenance: Proper maintenance of septic systems is crucial to prevent nutrient leakage into groundwater and subsequently into lakes.

Climate Action: Addressing climate change through greenhouse gas reduction initiatives can help mitigate the temperature-related factors that contribute to blue-green algae growth.

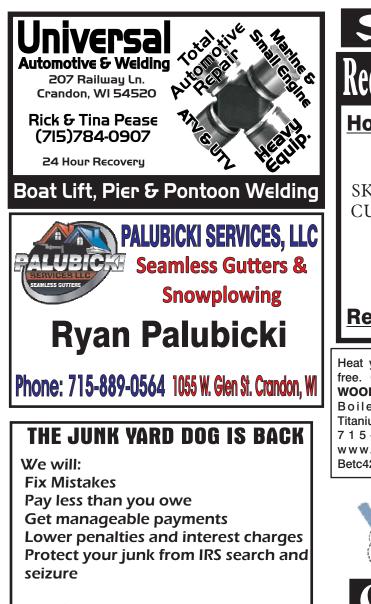
Public Awareness and Monitoring: Educating the public about the risks of blue-green algae blooms and promoting responsible nutrient management practices is vital. Regular monitoring of water bodies for early detection of blooms can also aid in timely response.

We've had one report of a possible outbreak of blue green algae in a Forest County Lake. We investigated and concluded it was filamentous algae, which isn't a health risk.

We do have chemical test kits in our office. If you suspect an outbreak of blue-green algae, please contact the Land & Water office and we'll investigate.



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#### Sound Sleep: The Cornerstone of a Child's Well-Being

As the new school year draws near, parents and educators alike should be reminded of the crucial link between a child's sleep and their academic success. While children might be excited to reunite with friends and embark on new learning adventures, it's essential to prioritize their well-being, with ample and quality sleep being at the forefront.

"When children don't get enough sleep, we see moodiness and more problems with attention, focus, and memory. Long-term there can be issues with things like obesity, high blood pressure, even depression," says Kylene Draeger, MD, Aspirus Pediatrician.

"For ages three to five, we recommend 10 to 13 hours of sleep a night. When we get to elementary school age, six to 12 years old, they should get about nine to 12 hours. Our teenagers should get somewhere between eight to 10 hours of sleep," says Dr. Draeger.

Sleep plays a vital role in a child's cognitive development, emotional well-being, and overall physical health, making it a non-negotiable aspect of their school routine.

Cognitive Performance: Quality sleep has been shown to improve attention, concentration, and memory retention, all of which are essential for effective learning in the classroom. When children get enough sleep, their brains can process and retain information more efficiently, making it easier for them to grasp complex concepts and excel academically.

Emotional Regulation: Sleep directly influences a child's emotional regulation. When children are sleepdeprived, they are more likely to experience mood swings, irritability, and difficulty managing stress and anxiety. By ensuring they get enough sleep, parents can foster emotional stability, enabling children to navigate the school environment with greater ease.

Physical Health: Adequate sleep is vital for a child's physical health and growth. During sleep, the body repairs tissues and releases hormones necessary for growth and development. By prioritizing their sleep, parents can help children stay physically healthy and ready to take on the challenges of each school day.

Establishing a Consistent Routine: Preparing for the upcoming school year is an ideal time to establish a consistent sleep routine. A regular sleep schedule helps regulate the body's internal clock, making it easier for children to fall asleep and wake up at the appropriate times.

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sport. The public is invited to join in a day of exhibits, competition, hands-on learning and all things waterfowl season in Wisconsin.

The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources

This outdoor, family- and dog-friendly Expo will

(DNR) will co-sponsor the third annual Waterfowl Hunters

Expo, a one-day celebration of everything waterfowl, on

allow hunters to engage with the latest experts and

technologies ahead of the Wisconsin migratory bird

seasons. Wisconsin is a great waterfowl hunting state,

Aug. 26 at the Sunny View Expo Center in Oshkosh.

The Waterfowl Expo's one-of-a-kind experience will feature the 2023 Wisconsin Duck and Goose Calling Championships, a fastest-retriever contest, judging for the 2024 waterfowl stamp contest and a decoy carving contest. In addition, the Expo will include more than 120 hands-on exhibits and booths from industry experts, habitat managers and waterfowl scientists. Waterfowl enthusiasts can learn more about a diversity of topics, such as dog training, waterfowl research, conservation and hunting history.

The Waterfowl Hunters Expo is a cooperative effort by waterfowl conservation organizations, including the Wisconsin Waterfowl Association, Delta Waterfowl, Wisconsin Wildlife Federation and the Wisconsin DNR.

For more information and a full schedule of events, visit the Waterfowl Hunters Expo Webpage. For more information about migratory birds in Wisconsin, visit the DNR Waterfowl Hunting webpage. .....

Dr. Draeger states, "The most important thing with a sleep routine is consistency, always being the same. We encourage families to go to bed at the same time every night, never staying up more than an hour later, even on the weekends."

Screen Time and Sleep: Electronic devices have become ubiquitous in children's lives, but excessive use, especially before bedtime, can disrupt their sleep patterns.

Creating a Sleep-Friendly Environment: A conducive sleep environment is essential for a child to enjoy restful sleep. Parents should ensure the bedroom is quiet, dark, and comfortable. Removing distractions like television and video games from the bedroom can help children associate their sleeping space with rest and relaxation.

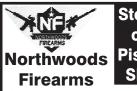
With a well-rested mind and body, children are better equipped to thrive academically, emotionally, and physically. By establishing healthy sleep habits and creating a sleep-friendly environment, parents can set their children up for success and provide them with the necessary foundation to excel in the new school year. **PIONEER EXPRESS PAGE 18, AUGUST 28, 2023** 

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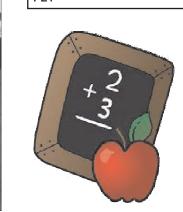
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The race begins! Leaving the fairground in the early years.

There were muddy, rocky stretches of the course that required all of the racers to get out of their "race" cars and help push everybody through.

The course left the fairgrounds, went over the hill to the east. When reaching Carter's fields, there was a big mudhole full of water where some of the racers required a pull. The racetrack was sometimes on gravel, but then would take an old logging road to another gravel road, where everybody actually drove too fast.

The last year I raced, it was with Ron "Rat" Anderson. There were students from the Blackwell Job Corp that served as flagmen to signal the racers into the turns into the old logging roads.

When I stepped on the brake, I felt the pedal go slowly down and realized that there was a leak in the brake line somewhere. Instead of turning at the flagman's signal, I downshifted to slow down and straddled a shallow ditch. I was shocked when the flagman appeared in the middle of the hood, getting hit and sliding under the car, which rolled over him. All I could think of was the crudely built plate under the engine that had sharp edges. I was amazed to finally get the car stopped and run back to the young fellow that was laying in the ditch without a drop of blood showing anywhere. It turned out that the ditch was deep enough that the car didn't touch him when it rolled over him. He was in shock, however, and we talked to him and assured him that he wasn't hurt badly. There were no cell phones in those days, so we had to wait for another racer to get help. Joe Houle pulled up in his race buggy and we sent him for help. Eventually an ambulance came and he left for the hospital. He only suffered some bruises on his hip. That was the last year I decided to be a racer.

The stories can go on forever about those early days. Nobody ever dreamed that the race would turn into a nationally televised event with racers and fans showing up from across the nation. Having the event on a track allows the fans to see the race, but in the early days, most of the race action was out in the woods without many spectators except the other racers.

It was a good time, but today it is a good time for tens of thousands of people from across the nation. It put Crandon on the map!



# Now is the time to enroll in a hunter education course

MADISON, Wis. – The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR) encourages new and experienced hunters to enroll in a hunter education course before the upcoming fall season. Courses are available across the state and in a variety of formats.

Those who





complete a hunter education course play a vital role in keeping Wisconsin a safe place to hunt. Most hunting incidents in Wisconsin involve hunters older than 40, decades after learning firearm safety rules in their hunter education courses. It may be time for veteran hunters to refresh these valuable lessons.

As part of the program, hunter education graduates receive a certificate accepted in every U.S. state, Canada, and Mexico. Anyone born on or after Jan.1, 1973, must have a hunter education certification to purchase a hunting license unless hunting under the Mentored Hunting Law.

The DNR offers multiple hunter education course options and locations, so hunters can choose the best format for how and where they'd like to learn. More than 20,000 people take hunter education courses in Wisconsin each year, making early enrollment important for anyone interested in taking a class.

#### **Traditional Course**

Students attend a multi-day, in-person course where students learn hunter responsibility and safety through lectures, demonstrations, group discussions, practical exercises and individual study. The students then take a multiple-choice exam and complete a hands-on, skills-based assessment based on information found in the printed student manual and taught during class.

#### Internet + Field Day

Students must enroll in an in-person field day course and then complete the online portion before attending the field day. Upon completing the online course, students will receive a field day voucher, which is required to participate in the in-person field day course they enrolled in. Students will reinforce what they learned online through hands-on safe firearm handling, demonstrations from experienced hunters and practical exercises. The students then take a multiple-choice exam and complete a hands-on, skills-based assessment.

This Mercedes was raced in the early years by Larry Lyons. It didn't finish the first lap of the race, but it was a handy place for Ken Lyons and Gwinn Johnson to relax and BS waiting for the race to start.



#### Online-Only (Ages 18+)

The online-only course has the same general content as the other course options but is entirely online. Students work through online units, take multiple-choice quizzes and take a final multiple-choice exam. This course is specifically for students with prior hunting or firearms handling experience. It is only for those 18 years of age or older.

Before enrolling in any course, interested students must first obtain a Wisconsin Customer ID number.

All course options, enrollment links and cost information are available on the DNR's website.

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No helmet, seatbelts top factors in youth ATV/UTV crashes



The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR) urges youth ATV/UTV operators and their parents to operate responsibly.

Over the last five years, 70% of fatal crashes involving operators or passengers under the age of 18 occurred on private lands. Lack of helmets, not using seatbelts in UTVs and inexperience are among the top factors in these crashes.

"Parents and guardians need to stay alert and teach children to ride responsibly by making sure they wear helmets and seatbelts, take an ATV safety course and get mentorship from an experienced adult," said Lt. Warden Jake Holsclaw, DNR Off-Highway Vehicle Administrator.

Crashes resulting in injury or fatality don't only happen to kids. The same guidelines for helmet and seatbelt use also apply to adults. The DNR reminds adult riders to always ride sober.

Regardless of if a rider is an adult or a child, one of the best things ATV and UTV operators can do to stay safe is take an online safety course. A list of approved safety education classes is available on the DNR Safety Education webpage.

Wisconsin law requires every operator involved in a crash to report the incident without delay to law enforcement officials. In addition, within 10 days of the incident, the operator must submit a written report to the DNR.

For more information on ATV and UTV recreation in Wisconsin, visit the DNR's ATV/UTV riding in Wisconsin webpage.





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