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Battling the Spongy Moth Outbreak in Northern Wisconsin

Forest County and Northern Wisconsin is currently facing a challenging ecological situation: a widespread outbreak of the Spongy Moth (Lepidoptera: Lymantriidae). These voracious defoliators have the potential to wreak havoc on the local ecosystem, impacting not only the trees but also the broader wildlife and human activities.

The Spongy Moth, formerly known as the gypsy moth, is a notorious defoliator that primarily targets hardwood trees. This outbreak can be attributed to a combination of factors such as favorable weather conditions, lack of natural predators, and weakened tree health due to stressors like drought and disease. The larvae of the Spongy Moth are known to devour leaves at an alarming rate, potentially leading to tree mortality and reduced forest resilience.

The consequences of the Spongy Moth outbreak extend beyond mere defoliation. The health of the forest ecosystem is at risk as trees struggle to photosynthesize and produce food, impacting the food chain and habitat for various wildlife species. Additionally, the outbreak could influence recreational activities like camping, hiking, and fishing, as the defoliated landscapes may deter tourists. The economic impact could also be substantial, affecting local businesses dependent on tourism and forest-related industries.

Addressing the Spongy Moth outbreak requires a multi-faceted approach that balances ecological preservation and human intervention. Here are some strategies to consider:

Monitoring and Early Detection: Establish monitoring programs to detect early signs of infestation. Regular surveys can help identify affected areas and assess the severity of the outbreak.

Cultural Practices: Promote healthy forest management practices that strengthen tree resilience, such as proper thinning, pruning, and planting diverse tree species.

Biological Controls: Introduce natural predators and parasites that feed on Spongy Moth larvae. These can include parasitoid wasps and birds that help keep the population in check.

Chemical Controls: In cases of severe infestations, judicious use of insecticides may be necessary. Consult with the Land & Water or Forestry departments to ensure safe and

If you find Spongy moth egg masses, you can use the following methods to get rid of them. Since each egg mass contains from 500 to 1,000 eggs, destruction of egg masses before hatch can have an impact on populations. Starting in the fall, search your property, including trees, building walls, outdoor furniture, wood piles, and play equipment, for egg masses.

Using a putty knife or similar tool, scrape the egg masses into a plastic bag or can. Once collected, empty the contents of the bag into a container of soapy water (dish soap works well) and soak for two days. This is essential to kill the eggs. Don't scrape egg masses onto the ground or try to crush them with your shoe as they will survive to hatch next spring. Any parts of the egg mass you are unable to scrape off can also hold surviving eggs.

An alternative to physically removing egg masses is to saturate egg masses before hatch with a solution of horticultural oil. This will smother the gypsy moth larvae (caterpillars) within the eggs. You can make your own spray using vegetable oil and water and dishwashing liquid. Use a small spray bottle, household sprayer, or "supersoaker" water gun to soak the egg masses. Do not use motor oil or mineral oils. Spray the oil onto the egg mass until it is saturated.

Horticultural Oil Recipe

Mix one tablespoon of liquid soap with one cup of cottonseed oil. You can also use safflower oil, soybean oil or vegetable oil as an alternative to cottonseed oil. Mix 11-12 tablespoons of your oil mixture for every one cup of water. Shake mixture well before spraying.

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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Lakes Country Public Library Groundbreaking September 13

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Lakes Country Public Library Board of Trustees announced that it has raised enough money to begin its Building and Expansion project. Architect Jeff Musson, Rhinelander, designed the project. RJM Construction of Black Creek will be the General Contractor.

Official groundbreaking will take place on Wednesday, September 13, 2023, at 1:00 p.m. at Lakewood Library; 15235 State Highway 32, Lakewood. A reception with light refreshments will be held in the Library after the Ceremony.

"With the full support of the Towns of Doty, Lakewood, Riverview and Townsend, we are about to complete an effort begun almost 30 years ago," said Tom Thielke, Building Expansion and Renovation Committee Co-Chair. "Even as the 1996 Building Committee completed the first addition to the original library built in 1982, they were making plans for another expansion they knew would be needed in the future. Most of those people are gone, but their dream lived on."

Capital Campaign Chair Kathleen Marsh (920-841-6235) concurred. "I'm honored to lead the effort to raise the funding needed to make their dream come true. I only wish they could be here to see this. I credit our success to the dire need for the project and committed volunteers coming together to make this happen We have raised over \$256,000 from 260 private donations ranging from \$5 to \$25,000. Contributions came from donors living next door to all over the country. They all had one thing

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Forest County Fair Sept. 8,9 and 10



The good ol' Forest County Fair will be back on September 8, 9, and 10 at the Forest County Fairgrounds. The midway is back this year.

If you have something to enter, entry day is Thursday, September 7th from 3 p.m. until 7 p.m. for youth entries and 5:30 p.m until 8:30 p.m. for adult entries.

Wristbands will be available on Saturday for \$25. There will be a D.J. a youth talent contest, a pie contest and other activities too numerous to mention. This will be good old fashioned fun, and the midway is always appreciated by the kids and many adults as well.

Watch for the complete schedule of events and exhibits in the ad in this paper on page 5.

See you at the Fair!





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What is the "Spudmobile"? The "Spudmobile" is a 37.5' RV which has been modified to hold exhibits that talk about the history of Wisconsin potato growing, the lives of potato farmers, and the potato industry. Visitors, children and adults alike, are taken on a journey from field to fork, beginning with farmers' growing practices through the use of up-todate technology and initiatives that conserve natural resources. "Field to Fork" features three iPads complete with games that help visitors experience the seed potato cutting, planting irrigating, harvesting, and packaging processes. An Interactive Touch Table is loaded with potato-related games. Find out where Wisconsin fresh and seed potatoes are grown, as well as where the three in-state agricultural research stations are located.

You will have the opportunity to learn about potato nutrition, view fun facts, and gather some great recipes to try at

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Nicolet AARP Chapter 1191



The speaker for the August meeting of AARP Chapter 1191was Katie Essermann, the Director of the Lakes Country Library in Lakewood. Katie informed the members about the progress of the building expansion which will begin the groundbreaking ceremony on Wednesday September 13 at 1:00 PM. The expansion will provide additional rooms and services available to the area communities. A large percentage of the members have their library cards and appreciate the services currently provided including books, audio books, videos, and computer service.

The speaker for the September meeting will be Eric Linssen who operates the Green Banana store in Several members attended the recent summer picnic held indoors at the Bill Lazansky Community Center in Mountain due to a cool rainy day. The September Social will be held on September 28 at Cassidy's in Wabeno starting at 11:00 with dinner at noon.

AARP meetings are social and informative. Meetings are held on the 4th Tuesday of the month at the Lakewood Presbyterian Church starting at 7:00 PM. Contact Janice Tetzlaff Membership Chairman at 920-323-6734 for information.

Submitted by Richard J. Culver, Public Relations Chairman

Nicolet College Foundation accepting scholarship applications for Spring and Summer 2024 Terms

Empowering Students Through Scholarships: Invest in Your Future at Nicolet College

As the new school year nears, it's not too early to start planning for the spring and summer 2024 terms at Nicolet College.

"While Nicolet College is one of the most affordable colleges in the state, paying for tuition and books can still be a challenge for many," said Heather Schallock, Nicolet College Foundation executive director. "And that's where scholarships come in. They've made college possible for countless individuals over the years and have opened the door to the education they need to get ahead in life."

Nicolet College Foundation Student Ambassador and nursing student, Lena Symonds, says she is grateful to receive scholarships. "My gratitude extends beyond just the financial aspect. It's also for the community support. It means so much that there are such kind and generous individuals who are willing to support Nicolet College students."

The application period will be open from September 1 to October 2, to cover tuition and books for the spring and summer terms in 2024. The online application is available at nicoletcollege.academicworks.com.

Scholarships range from \$250 to \$2,000. The funds are available for both new and returning Nicolet College students. Both part-time and full-time students with a cumulative grade point average of 2.0 or higher are eligible to receive scholarships.

For more information about scholarships, like and follow the Nicolet College Foundation on Instagram, Facebook, and LinkedIn, or contact the Nicolet College Foundation at (715) 365-4558, 1-800-544-3039, ext. 4558; TTY 1-800-947-3529 or 711 relay; or by email at foundation@nicoletcollege.edu.

Hole-In-One at Maplewood Golf Course in Pickerel



Larry Hill, of Pearson, aced hole #3 at Maplewood Golf Course in Pickerel on Tuesday. **Great shot, Larry!**

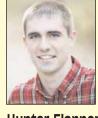


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AREA EVENTS

ATV/UTV Trail Closure Valley Trail

For the safety of all during the Kiss Concert The portion of the Valley Trail from Haney Hill Road to County Road S will be CLOSED Friday, September 1, 2023 From 6:00pm – Midnight to all ATV/UTV traffic. All ATV/UTV's that are on the Brush Run grounds will be allowed to leave after the races, return traffic will not be allowed.

FOREST COUNTY FAIR

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS SEPTEMBER 8, 9 & 10, 2023

Thursday, September 7, 2023 Entry Day

Youth Building will accept exhibits from 3:00-7:00 p.m.
Open Class will accept exhibits from 5:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m.
5 p.m. Face-to-Face Judging for Youth Exhibitors
Youth are not required to be present, but are encouraged.
See Exhibitors Handbook for more information.

Friday, September 8, 2023

9 a.m. Buildings Open 8:30 a.m. Youth and Open Judging Begins 4:00 p.m. Fair Kicks Off 6:00 p.m. Entertainment and Open Mic Special Moments DJ Service (Music & Karaoke) 6:00 p.m.-10:00 p.m. Wristbands - \$25 9:00 p.m. Buildings Close

We are pleased to welcome Tri-State Amusement to the 2023 Forest County Fair

Saturday, September 9, 2023

9:00 a.m. Buildings Open
9:30 a.m. Youth and Open Animal Judging and Showmanship
10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. Spud Mobile Educational Tours
Noon-1:00 p.m. Free Luncheon - Forest County Health Dept.
Noon 4-H Drill Team Demonstration
Noon-4:00 p.m. Wristbands - \$25
1:00 p.m. Youth and Open Trail Obstacle Course (Arena)
4:00 p.m. - Youth Talent Contest
6:00 p.m. - Entertainment and Open Mic
Special Moments DJ Service (Music & Karaoke)
6:00 p.m.-10:00 p.m. Wristbands - \$25
8:00 p.m.-10:00 p.m. Campfire at the Fair
9:00 p.m. Buildings Close

Sunday, September 10, 2023

9:00 a.m. Buildings Open
9:30 a.m. 4-H Drill Team
10:00 a.m. Gymkhana Competition (Arena)
Noon Pie Contest and Auction
Noon-4:00 p.m. Wristbands - \$25
4:05 p.m. Exhibits can be picked up.
5:00 p.m. Buildings Close

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2nd Annual Community Fall Kick Off/Chili Contest Saturday, September 30 in Townsend

The Town of Townsend will host the 2nd Annual Community Fall Kick off / chili contest on Saturday September 30, 2023, at the Townsend Town Hall from 12 noon to 3 p.m.

There will be a craft fair on the Town Hall grounds, children's activities, and the much anticipated chili cook off contest. Each person is asked for a donation of \$5.00 at the door to taste all of the chilies and vote for the best. There will be up to three prizes awarded. Donations for this event, along with donated canned goods, will be given to the Christian Food Pantry that serves many in our area.

This year the Townsend Fire Department, next to the Town Hall, is also holding a Fire Safety Open House with activities for kids. This is an opportunity to see the firefighting equipment and the volunteers that protect this Community.

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RUMMAGE SALES

GARAGE SALE: CRANDON - 4493 Lake Lucerne Drive. Saturday, Sept. 2, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. New items. Antiques, fishing equipment, both large and small. Household. Call 920-246-3006. B22



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

GARAGE SALE: Crandon - Friday & Saturday, September 1 & 2, 8am-4pm 4551 Westimeyer Rd. Picture frames, log splitter, tools, appliances, golf balls, fishing/hunting, books, coins, stamps, tupperware, used motorized awning, beach toys, towels, t-shirts, indoor/outdoor, many additional items P22

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RUMMAGE SALE: LAONA - Double Buck Café, Hwy. 8 and 32. Friday, Sept. 1; Saturday, Sept. 2, Sunday, Sept. 3 and Monday, Sept. 4, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. P22

GARAGE & RUMMAGE SALE: ARMSTRONG CREEK - 1309 US Hwy. 8. Sept. 1 and 2, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Power and air tools, hand tools, household and kitchen items. B22

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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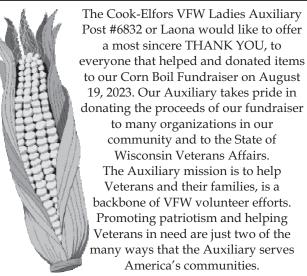
The Crandon Public Library Board and Staff would like to thank everyone who helped support our "All Together Now!" Summer Reading Program 2023. Our program ; promoted inclusion, enrichment, love of reading for students, and families. Our thanks ! go out to this year's generous donators who helped give the gift of fun and lifelong

Congratulations to the Grand Prize winners, the Coloring Contest winners, and the Weekly winners with our appreciation for participating in the program as well. We value your effort to support our library and community. Have a great Summer's end and welcome in the chilliness of Autumn.

Donations: Argonne Lumber, Associated Bank, Center for Human Restoration, Conway True Value Hardware, Crandon Pharmacy-Rexall, Forest County/Special Projects-Library, Forest County Potawatomi Community, Great Lakes Timber, The Hairi-tage, Houle Trucking-Norm & Tracey Houle, Kau's Subway, Palubicki's Eats and Treats, Schaefers Food Mart, Weber-Hill & Packard Funeral Home, and Wisconsin Valley **Library Service.**

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Senator Johnson announces mobile office hours

WASHINGTON - U.S. Sen. Ron Johnson (R-Wis.) announced that his staff will be available for mobile office hours at the times and locations listed below. These office hours give constituents the opportunity to meet with Sen. Johnson's staff to request assistance with a federal agency or other federal matters.

Note: Staff-led mobile office hours are closed to press. Recording devices of any kind are not allowed. These restrictions are put in place for the privacy of our constituents.

Florence County Office Hours Tuesday, September 5 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Florence Public Library 400 Olive Ave., Florence, WI 54121

Forest County Office Hours Tuesday, September 5 1:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. **Crandon Public Library** 110 W Polk St., Crandon, WI 54520







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Brady and Colt Hoffman showed their maket steers at the Marinette County Fair, August 25-27. Brody would like to thank Lynn Karl of the Benefit Doctor LLC, and Keith Bradley of Rosa Trailers Mfg, for buying his steer.

Colt would like to thank Kenny King of King's Tree Service for buying his steer. They would also like to thank Mike Schmelling of Schmelling Logging LLC and Jim Albrecht of JMA Forest Products LLC. They had a great time and are very grateful for the support.

Hunting seasons opening

The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR) reminds hunters to prepare for the opening of several hunting seasons in September. Hunters can once again head to Wisconsin's wild spaces as these seasons open across the state.

There are five dates throughout September when seasons open. Hunters are encouraged to double check they have the correct opening date for their season before going out for a hunt.

Sept. 1 Common Gallinule, Early Canada Goose, Early Teal, Mourning Dove, Rail, Snipe

Sept. 6 Bear

Sept. 16 Cottontail Rabbit (Northern Zone), Crow, Deer, Archery and Crossbow, Goose, Ruffed Grouse (Zone A), Squirrels, Turkey, Youth Waterfowl

Sept. 23 Duck (Northern Zone), Woodcock

Sept. 30 Duck (Southern Zone)

The DNR also reminds hunters of the online resources available on our Hunting webpage. In addition to hunting regulations, seasons dates, hunting hours and other useful resources, the public can find a list of public lands open to hunting using the Public Access Lands webpage. This web resource lets hunters plan their next adventure from the comfort of home.

As Wisconsin's most popular hunting seasons ramp up, it's important for all hunters to do their part to keep Wisconsin a safe place to hunt by following these firearm safety rules:

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B - Be certain of your target, what's before it and what's

K - Keep your finger outside the trigger guard until you are ready to shoot.

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. Learn more about safe hunting in Wisconsin and register to take a hunter education course on the DNR website. The DNR wishes our hunters a safe and successful hunting season.

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The Cook-Elfors VFW would like to thank the following donors for their contributions for the 2023 Corn Boil: Laona Lions, Collins Auto Repair, Flowers from the Heart, Timber Creek, Americann Rhinelander, Palubicki's Eats & Treats, Hegewald Trucking, L&M Yeager, Auto Zone Rhinelander, Tricia's Treasures & Bistro, Barb's Place, Walmart Rhinelander, L&M Fleet Supply, Jameson's Whiskey Darlin', Creative Screenprinting, Conway's True Value, Yeti's Drive In Crandon, Frank Fatla Trucking, JMA Forest Products, Mole Lake Casino Lodge, Lakewood Super Valu, Foth Farms, Laona State Bank, Lakewood Ski & Sport, Skip Jameson Trucking, Northern Perks, Cassidy's Café, Old Town Hall, Tryke's Treats & Eats, Karla's Café, Schaefer's IGA, Little Tipsy, Argonne Lumber, Northern Power Sports, Nicolet Country Club, Paul & Jen Thornton, Dennis Belland, Durant Plumbing, Steve & Michelle Matuszewski, J Stuart Transportation, Laona Pub, Geno McClure, Fleet Farm, Kurt & Penny Kimball, Joan Piederson, Johnnie's Resort, Barb McClure, Sarah Matuszewski, Northwoods LP, Jars Bar & Grill, Senolihn's Bar, Sara Conner-Mustard Girl, Collins Bar, Laona Beautifying Committee, Mike & Melissa Chapman & the Reeves family.

We would also like to thank the following people for their help and support: Jen L. Thornton, Amy Thornton, Michelle Peterson, Precious Peterson, Sarah Matuszewski, Mike & Garrett Eagan, Mike & Melissa Chapman and everyone who helped with the corn boil, and Barb & Sue for bartending.

Congratulations to our winners this year: Mike Hess - 1st prize (half cow), Terry Rickabey - 2nd prize (\$250), Bob Johnson - 3rd prize (\$125), Brian Lundgren - 4th prize (\$25), Francis Girard - 5th prize (\$25), Greg Henn - 6th prize (\$25), Brian Lundgren - 7th prize (\$25), and Oscan Landburg - 8th prize (\$25).

The impact of social media on children

In the fast-paced digital landscape, social media's influence on children is a pressing concern. As youngsters increasingly embrace the online world, it's important to understand the effects of social media on their overall wellbeing.

"Social media platforms offer a space for children to express themselves creatively and stay connected with friends and family, regardless of distance. However, social media can also be a breeding ground for many negative effects such as mental health issues and disrupted sleep patterns," says Kylene Draeger, MD, Aspirus Pediatrician.

Anxiety and Depression: Studies have linked social media to increased rates of anxiety and depression, particularly during adolescence when the brain undergoes significant development. The shift from parental approval to peer validation and a propensity for risk-taking can amplify these

Addictive Algorithms: Many social media apps employ algorithms that encourage prolonged usage. This can lead to excessive screen time, negatively impacting attention span and sleep quality. According to Unites States Health and Human Services, one-third or more of girls aged 11 to 15 say they feel "addicted" to certain social media platforms and over half of teenagers report that it would be hard to give up social media.

Eating Disorders: The unrealistic body image standards propagated by social media can have a lasting effect on children and teens. Dr. Draeger states, "social media has contributed to a rise in eating disorders, affecting as much as 20 to 23 percent of children."

Body Image Issues: Social media exposes users to idealized and photoshopped images, distorting their perception of body image. Girls aged 10 to 14 are especially vulnerable, although this issue extends to all age groups.

Guidance for Parents and Caregivers: "One of the most common questions about what should I block? And I never recommend just blocking or fully restricting. I think this is a great time for parents to come alongside their kids and build an understanding of what's acceptable and what's not acceptable content. There are still a lot of things that kids come across, unfortunately. And it's better if you do this in an open manner to be able to discuss," says Dr. Draeger.

Here are some recommended proactive approaches to help guide children through today's digital era:

Open Dialogue: Instead of outright blocking content, engage in open conversations about acceptable and unacceptable online material. Establish a platform for discussing online experiences and uncertainties.

Moderation Over Restriction: Encourage a balance between online and offline activities, setting realistic limits on screen

Digital Literacy: Teach children to critically assess online content, question its authenticity, and understand its potential impacts.

Privacy and Sharing: Emphasize the importance of privacy settings and cautious sharing of personal information.

Model Responsible Behavior: Demonstrate responsible social media usage to instill good habits in children.

Family Media Plan: Collaborate with children to create a family media plan that outlines screen time limits, app usage, and appropriate times for using social media.

Mindful Sleep: Establish a tech-free time before bedtime to encourage healthy sleep patterns for the entire family.

By fostering open communication, setting healthy boundaries, and encouraging critical thinking, parents and caregivers can guide children to navigate the digital landscape with confidence.



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Public invited to review, comment on WisDOT 2023 ADA Transition Plan

The Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WisDOT) invites the public to review and offer comments on the agency's 2023 Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Transition

The ADA Transition Plan shares information on WisDOT's efforts to continually improve accessibility throughout the state highway system including roadside facilities, navigability within public rights of way and public input processes. Per federal law, the transition plan is regularly maintained with opportunities for public input.

WisDOT encourages anyone interested to participate in the 30-day public comment

period through Wednesday, September 27, 2023.

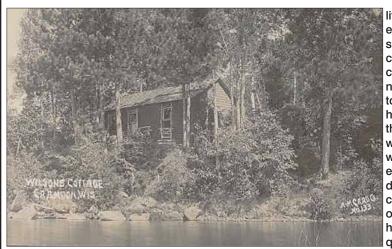
"We continue to deliver safe and effective transportation options for people of all abilities throughout the state. We also remain committed to removing barriers that limit those with diminished vision, hearing or mobility to help them experience maximum benefit from Wisconsin's highways and facilities," WisDOT Secretary Craig Thompson said. "Each year as part of our ongoing commitment to ADA, we invite Wisconsin residents to review the department's plan and provide input on ways to improve accessibility throughout the state."

The plan is available on WisDOT's website at wisconsindot.gov/ADA – with the 30day public comment period starting today (August 28, 2023). The public is encouraged to review the plan and submit feedback via the online comment form.

The Transition Plan is an update on the policies, procedures and practices that fulfill the requirements of Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990. Public comments on the plan will be used to help guide the $department's\,strategy\,for\,ADA\,improvements\,moving\,forward.$

All WisDOT roadside facilities are built to current ADA standards at the time of planning and construction. Older facilities continue to receive updates as part of planned improvements and as resources are available.

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Sacred Threads Traveling Quilt Exhibit at Wild Rivers Quilt Show

Sacred Threads Traveling Quilt Exhibit will be at the Wild Rivers Quilt Show on

September 29 and 30, 2023 at Pine Mountain Resort in Iron Mountain, Michigan. Sacred Threads is an exhibition of quilts exploring themes of joy, inspiration, spirituality, healing, grief, and peace/brotherhood. This biennial exhibition was established to provide a safe venue for quilters who see their work as a connection to the sacred and/or as an expression of their spiritual journey. Variations of the exhibit have been traveling across the USA since 1999 and have been shown at numerous quilt-related venues. We are pleased to share this very special exhibit of 39 quilts with the quilting community of Northeast Wisconsin and the Upper Peninsula. You can view a short clip of a previous Sacred Threads Exhibit a t

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ysGC8PxCnUY&t=13s In 1999 a small group of women gathered together with a vision of a "new" type of quilt exhibit. At that time topics such as spirituality and inspiration were not always understood or welcomed at traditional quilt shows, and all-medium liturgical art exhibits generally featured few if any quilts. There was no "safe" or welcoming venue for quilters who saw their works as a connection to the sacred and/or as an expression of their own spiritual journey. Often the meaning behind these works was missed or misunderstood because the artist did not have the opportunity to share their sources of inspiration with the viewer. The show does not emphasize any particular religion or theology but conveys the spirituality, healing and inspirational messages that transcend all people.

The artwork themes provide thought-provoking insights, encouragement, inspiration and healing responses to grief and human hardships. It has attracted a wide array of visitors and has proved appropriate for all ages from young teens to seniors. The exhibit is a positive influence on the human spirit, giving joy as well as addressing concerns of the soul and mind. As you walk through the exhibit, you can dial a phone number for each quilt and hear the quilt maker's inspiration in the making of their quilts. For the exhibit, quilts are divided into categories based on themes of Expressions of Joy, Spirituality, Inspiration, Grief, Healing and Peace/Brotherhood.

The Wild Rivers Quilt Guild is excited to be able to share this marvelous exhibit with the Upper Peninsula and Northern Wisconsin area. Please check the Guild website at www.wildriversquiltguild.org and click the Quilt Show tab for more information regarding all the classes, raffles and displays the Quilt Show has to offer. Please join us at Pine Mountain Ski Resort on September 29 and 30 from 10am-4 pm daily, admission is \$10 for adults, \$5 for those under age 17.

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Michael B. Frydrych, 68, of Goodman passed away Tuesday, August 22, 2023. He was born April 14, 1955, at the Ovitz Hospital in Laona to the late Walter and Eleanor (Poplanski) Frydrych. He graduated from Goodman High School.



Following school, he worked for Allis Chalmers, Lakeshore, Schultz Equipment and most recently part-time retirement jobs for Affordable Plumbing and the Fence Post. Michael was also a groomer operator for the 100 Miler snowmobile club in the 70's, grooming the trail from Armstrong Creek to Wabeno and was a lifelong mechanic and could fix just about anything.

He enjoyed hunting, four-wheeling, shooting trap, cooking, and spending time with his granddaughter, Rylie. Being a grandpa was his greatest joy in life. He also cherished his time spent at his hunting shack and was an avid hunter. He was always eager to help others, as he helped many family members and friends throughout his lifetime.

Survivors include his daughter, Savannah (Josh Nichols) Frydrych; granddaughter, Rylie Nichols; brothers, Richard (Janice) Frydrych and Carl (Christine) Frydrych; and sisters, Fran (Jerry) Fatla and Maryann Dzekute.

In addition to his parents, Michael was preceded in death by his brothers, Frank and Tom; and sisters, Joann, Carol, Lillian, and Diane.

A celebration of life will be held at a later date.

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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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Thursday, August 31: Antigo

Wednesday, Sept. 6: Farmer's Market - Eagle

River

Friday, Sept. 8: Iron Mountain Tuesday, Sept. 12: Rhinelander Thursday, Sept. 14: Antigo

Tuesday, Sept. 19: Helene's Hilltop Orchard +

Merrill

Thursday, Sept. 21: Iron Mountain **Tuesday, Sept. 26**: Rhinelander **Thursday, Sept. 28**: Antigo

Forest County Commission on Aging



Nutrition Program
SENIOR
MEALS

CRANDON, WABENO, LAONA

Monday - Sept. 4 - Closed Labor Day

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

Monday - Sept. 11 - Swedish meatballs, mashed potatoes, broccoli salad, whole wheat bread, applesauce **CRANDON, WABENO, LAONA, ARMSTRONG CREEK**

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

Tuesday - Sept. 12 - Baked seasoned fish, tartar sauce, baked potato, sour cream, coleslaw, rye bread, berries

CRANDON, LAONA, ARMSTRONG CREEK, WABENO Wednesday - Sept. 6 - Brat on a bun, steamed onions, ketchup, roasted potatoes, baked beans, grape salad (Grandparent's Day, September birthdays, Labor Day celebration)

Wednesday - Sept. 13 - BBQ chicken, diced seasoned potatoes, three bean salad, multi-grain bread, pineapple cake

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

Thursday - Sept. 7 - Spaghetti with meat sauce, green beans, peaches, salad with carrots and tomatoes, breadstick, cookie, milk

Thursday - Sept. 14 - Baked chicken, carrots, pears, baked beans, dinner roll, cupcake, milk

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-

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.

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.

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Forest County Health Department Updates: September is National Preparedness Month:

The Forest County Health Department would like

to take this time to give our community members pointers in being prepared for emergencies that could happen. We all like to think that we will never have to be faced with a weather-related emergency such as storm related power outages, floods, tornados or a public health threat such as disease outbreaks or have to deal with the after effects of a hazardous material spill or a forest fire. But what if we do? The best things we as a community can do is be aware and be prepared.

Here is a list of things to do:

- Create an emergency plan for your family, include a checklist of what needs to be done and assign tasks to each member.
 Keep an emergency phone list that includes
- Keep an emergency phone list that includes numbers for a doctor, the emergency department, fire and police.
- Note local TV channels and radio stations with frequent news broadcasts.
 Have a Buddy system in place. A Buddy
- system can be set up with neighbors, friends or family. Plan ahead for how you will help each other in an emergency. Give your buddy a key to your home
- Download the FEMA mobile app at https://www.ready.gov/fema-app to plan, protect, and recover from disasters. This app can help you create a family emergency communication plan and guide you in what to pack in your emergency kit. You can also receive real time weather and emergency alerts from the National Weather Service.

Emergencies can happen at any time. Having the tools and plans in place before an emergency occurs could save your life. Please call the Forest County Health Department at 715-478-3371 if you have any questions. Northwoods Tobacco Free Coalition:

As part of the ongoing struggle against vaping/underage smoking in Forest County, a number of businesses were recently visited by "underage" youth trying to buy tobacco. All of the businesses have trained their staff well.....nothing was sold to minors!

Congratulations to the following:

- -Gudowicz Service Store: Armstrong Creek
- -The Corner Store: Armstrong Creek
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- -Whisky Nick's: Crandon
- -The Gas Depot: Crandon
- -Dollar General: Crandon
- -Lotters: Crandon
- -Lake Forest Trading Post: Hiles Community Health Assessment:

The Forest County Health Department Community Health Assessment 2023 has been completed. We would like to thank our community members, health care providers, elected officials, business owners, tribal health, schools, local coalition members, and partner counties for their assistance and cooperation in this process.

Our Top 3 Health Priority Areas are: Mental Health,

Substance Abuse, and Chronic Disease.

The final prioritization process considered multiple criteria, including scope of the issue, community momentum, and organizational capacity. We know the drivers of health; income, education, housing, access to care, access to food and physical activity, play an important part of overall health. As the five-year health improvement plan is written and evidence-based strategies are selected, we will strive to address the top social determinant of health that was identified, access to health care.

The Forest County Health Department will be sharing the final health assessment report with the public, elected officials, agency partners, local coalitions and other interested community members. The Forest County Health Department Community Health Assessment Team has developed primary goals for each of the three health priority areas, identified a team lead and a local coalition that is engaged in the issues. Other community assets and partnerships have also been identified, such as, schools, social service, aging and disability, human service, libraries, pharmacies, tribal agencies, clinics, local law enforcement, UW Extension, and others. We will invite others to engage in the work of creating the five-year plan knowing that this is truly a community effort and one organization cannot complete the work alone.

Once the Community Health Improvement Plan is written, we will have a system in place to monitor and evaluate progress, adjust strategies if necessary, and report the progress on a routine basis. Please refer to the Forest County Health Department website for more information on the Community Health Assessment and Community Health Improvement Plan at: www.forestcountypublichealth.org

We look forward to any discussion regarding the health priories that have been identified.

We will update our Facebook page and local newspapers monthly as capacity allows. Please call 715-478-3371 with any questions or concerns.

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County Sheriff's Department or Submit Wisconsin Law Enforcement Standards Board Form DJ-LE-330 Application. Email applications to: jmarvin@forestcountysheriff.org or awalrath@forestcountysheriff.org.

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Applications also available at the Forest County Sheriff's Office or online at https://wilenet.widoj.gov/employment/employment-opportunities/780 or at https://wilenet.widoj.gov/training-standards/officer-training-employment-and-reciprocity

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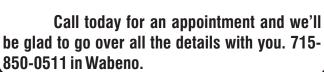
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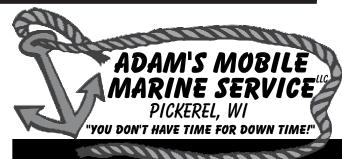
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SCHOOL DISTRICT OF WABENO AREA REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

Wednesday, September 6, 2023 **High School Library - Wabeno Junior High / High School**

6:00 p.m.

AGENDA

Call Meeting to Order

Roll Call - Verification of Quorum III.

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

IV. Pledge of Allegiance

V. 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 on August

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 resignation(s).

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

c. Discuss and take possible action on M3 Insurance Proposal.

d. Discuss and take possible action on WIAA Laona/Wabeno Co-op Team Renewal for all sports.

e. Discuss and take possible action on NEOLA policies: po0142.1, 0143.1, 0144.3, 0164.1, 0164.2, 0165.1, 0165.2, 1260, 1421, 1422, 1623, 1630.01, 1622, 2260, 2260.01, 2266, 2340, 2451, 2521, 3120.07, 3121, 3122, 3123, 3139, 3211, 3362, 3430.01, 4121, 4122, 4123, 4139, 4211, 4220, 4362, 4430.01, 4430.05, 5113, 5200, 5215, 5250, 5350, 5505, 5517, 5530, 6110, 6112, 6151, 6236, 6610, 7250.01, 7440.01, 7440.02, 7540.08, 8121, 8146, 8220, 8310, 8420, 8500, 8531, 8700, 8740, 8913, 9210, and 9211.

XI. Motion and Roll Call vote to go into closed session.

Motion and roll call vote to go into closed session. Pursuant to Wisconsin XII. Statutes 19.85 (1) (c)(e), the Board may convene into closed session to:

a. Discuss and take possible action on employee contracts.

b. Discuss and take possible action on daycare paid time off.

c. Discuss and take possible action on teacher compensation for subbing for other teachers beyond during a prep period.

XIII. Roll call and return to open session to take possible action on items discussed in closed session.

XIV. Take any possible action regarding closed session items.

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

XVI. Adjourn

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

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Sent to:

Board of Education

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The agenda, as noted above, was sent more than twenty-four hours prior to the meeting date. Due to this fact, the Agenda published in the newspaper(s) listed above may have been altered after delivery to the above listed newspaper(s). The most up to date Agenda information is also available on District Website: https://www.wabeno.k12.wi.us/#

BIDS AND NOTICES

Wabeno School **Breakfast Menu**

Sept., 4 - 8 Monday - NO SCHOOL Tuesday - Breakfast bites, hash brown patty, tropical fruit, fruit juice,

Wednesday -Cheese omelet, tator tots, mixed fruit, fruit juice, milk

Thursday - Pancakes, sausage links, banana, fruit juice, milk

Friday -Assorted cereal, yogurt, pears, fruit juice,

Wabeno School **Lunch Menu** Sept., 4 - 8

Monday - NO SCHOOL Tuesday - Taco bar, Spanish rice, corn, pineapple tidbits, , garden bar, milk

Wednesday - Sloppy joes, fries, mixed vegetables, oranges, garden bar, milk

Thursday - Popcorn chicken buttered noodles, carrots, watermelon, garden bar, milk

Friday - Spaghetti, meat sauce/marinara, California blend, garlic bread, grapes, garden bar, milk

FOUND: Pair of wirerimmed glasses while trout fishing. Contact 715-649-3113. Nc22



Notice Nicolet State Trail Bridge Closures

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Mill Pond Bridge Little Popple River **Center Little Popple River North Beginning on August 28th segments** of the Nicolet State Trail will be closed

around the Mill Pond Bridge, Little Popple River Center Bridge and Little Popple River North Bridge. THE BRIDGES WILL BE OUT AND TRAIL SEGEMENTS CLOSED!

Please plan ahead for an alternate route. Bridges will be removed and replacement work will begin around August 28th and the trail segments will remain closed through October. Please visit the Forestry and Recreation website and the **Forest County ATV Association website for** reroutes.

Notice: Forest County Elderly & Disabled Transportation Public Listening Sessions WE NEED YOUR INPUT!

Please attend one of the following sessions: September 5, 1-2 p.m. September 7, 12:15-1:15 p.m. Courthouse - County Board Room **Alvin Town Hall** 200 East Madison St., Crandon 16942 Hwy. 55 N., Alvin

The Forest County Office on Aging is attempting to access the gaps, barriers and unmet needs in transportation programs for the elderly and disabled within the county. The meetings will be an open forum for the public to provide input.

Those unable to attend and would like to submit comments may send them to: Kathy Fohrman, Forest County Office on Aging, 200 E. Madison Street, Crandon, WI 54520 or email to officeonaging@co.forest.wi.us.

Persons with disabilities who would like to attend and require special assistance, including transportation to and from the event, should contact Kathy Fohrman at 715-478-

Invitation for Quotes

The School Board of the School District of Wabeno Area will receive sealed quotes for the supply item listed below. All quotes must be received in the District Office located at 4346 Mill Lane, Wabeno, no later than 3:00 P.M., Wednesday, September 20, 2023, either in person or by mail to: William Taylor, District Administrator, School District of Wabeno Area, P. O. Box 460, Wabeno, WI 54566. Please label the quote envelope accordingly.

Snow Removal for the 2023-2024 school year

The School District of Wabeno Area is requesting sealed quotes on snow removal. Please quote costs to remove snow from all parking areas, bus garage, and elementary playground on a per plow basis. There are also timeline requirements so these areas are plowed prior to staff and students arriving at school. Any questions, please feel free to contact Lee Mattern 715.889.0607. Please mark envelope "Snow Removal

Lakes Country Library Cont. from pg. 1

in common: a deep affection for Lakewood Library, our Northern Oconto County CLIC (Community Learning and Information Center)."

Besides the individual private donations, substantial funding for the project came from grants: WPS Foundation (\$25,000); Leon H. and Clymene M. Bond Foundation (\$50,000); and Otto Bremer Trust (\$100,000). It is also being supported with \$300,000 in ARPA funds awarded to Oconto County by the U.S. Department of the Treasury and \$500,000 in Congressional Directed Spending sponsored by Senator Tammy Baldwin (D-Wisconsin).

For Old Times Sake



Grouse hunting starts in September, and like this gent from the 1920's, there will be enthusiasm to hunt the ruffed grouse. This fellow, possibly Doc Ison, who built the building on the left and lived and practiced medicine upstairs, was using one of those newfangled

pump shotguns. It appears to be a Winchester model 97.

Old photos often provide more than the subject to view. The now vintage automobile in the background is one thing. The grocery in the background operated by the Sparks family is another. And, the woodpile on the corner of the building tells us what this brick building was heated with. The building is now the home of the Pioneer Express, and natural gas provides the heat. It is doubtful that the insurance company would approve of a wood furnace these days, and it is also doubtful that the City of Crandon would approve of a wood pile on the sidewalk. It is a fact, that the Pioneer staff wouldn't want to cut the firewood or fire the wood furnace and carry out ashes! Although, the pellet stove in the office is a slight return to wood heat in this 1921 building.

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Collaborative Care in cancer treatment

Cancer: a word that carries the weight of millions of lives affected worldwide. As medical science advances and treatment options become more complex, the role of health care professionals in cancer care has become increasingly crucial. Among these professionals, the oncology pharmacist plays a pivotal role in ensuring that cancer patients receive the most effective and safe treatments possible.

An oncology pharmacist is a highly specialized health care professional who focuses on the pharmaceutical care of cancer patients. These professionals are armed with advanced knowledge acquired through post-graduate training and specialization in fields such as pharmacology, oncology and the intricacies of cancer treatment.

Tia Hintz, an oncology pharmacist at Aspirus Cancer Care - Wausau says, "we work closely with patients to adjust doses, monitor lab results, and address any side effects the patient is experiencing.'

One of the defining aspects of an oncology pharmacist's role is the management of high-risk medications. Hintz says safety is very important, as patients "need to know how they interact in the world while they're on chemotherapy or other forms of treatment."

She says she takes a proactive approach by educating patients on medication interactions, lifestyle adjustments and safety measures to protect both patients and their families. She also helps patients navigate the often-confusing terrain of specialty medications, ensuring no barriers stand in the way of treatment.

But oncology pharmacists don't work alone they team up with oncologists, nurses, lab technicians, certified nursing assistants (CNAs), medical assistants (MAs) and other specialists to enhance treatment outcomes and improve the lives of cancer patients.

"When patients seek their cancer care here at Aspirus, they really do have a full team of people on their side," says Hintz. "We're all just one big collaborative group working together to provide comprehensive care."

However, what truly sets their role apart is the profound relationships they foster with their patients. "We see patients in an office setting each and every time they're here at the clinic, so we really get to develop a relationship and build trust with them throughout their treatment, explains Hintz. "We get to tell them real-world examples of side effects that our patients are actually experiencing, so we don't have to rely solely on what's listed on a package insert put out by the drug manufacturer. It allows us to say, 'I have patients on this drug, and they have these side

This transparency fosters trust and empowers patients to manage their treatment with confidence.

"When patients choose Aspirus Cancer Care, they can be confident that they are getting the best care for their specific type of cancer," reassures Hintz.

Through collaboration, dedication and an unwavering commitment to their profession, oncology pharmacists like Hintz play a pivotal role in the ongoing fight against cancer, offering a beacon of hope to patients and their families during the most trying of times.

To learn more about Aspirus Cancer Care, visit https://www.aspirus.org/cancer-care-blood-disorders.



Learning infant CPR

Every caregiver should be familiar with Infant Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR). It's a technique used to revive infants under the age of one when they experience life-threatening situations.

"While you may hope to never have to utilize CPR for a child or infant, understanding the procedure is crucial. This knowledge will enable you to aid during a cardiac or respiratory emergency, should one arise," says Jenna Piel, Neonatal Nurse at Aspirus Health.

Recognizing the signs that indicate an infant might require CPR and understanding the proper steps can make a significant difference in an emergency.

Recognizing the Signs: When to Act

There are several key indicators that an infant might require CPR:

Cyanosis: If you notice the infant's skin turning blue, especially around the lips or extremities, it's a sign of oxygen deprivation and requires immediate attention.

Absence of Air Movement: Carefully assess the infant's breathing by observing the chest movement. If there's no apparent air movement or chest rise, this could signify breathing difficulties.

Unresponsiveness: Gently tap the infant's foot and call out to them. If there's no response, the baby is unresponsive and requires prompt action.

Performing Infant CPR: Key Steps

Performing CPR on an infant involves specific techniques that differ from those used for older children or

"CPR for infants is slightly different than CPR for adults," says Piel. "Instead of using the palm of your hand to do chest compressions, you use your fingers. The CPR techniques for infants and older children are also different, so it's important to learn both."

According to the American Red Cross, here's how to proceed:

Positioning: Lay the infant flat on their back on a firm surface. Remove any clothing from the baby to ensure proper contact with the chest.

Compression Depth and Rate: Locate the nipple line on the infant's chest. Position two fingers at this point and start chest compressions. For infants, the depth of compressions should be about 1.5 inches (4 cm), and the rate should be around 100-120 compressions per minute. Call for Help: If someone else is present, instruct them to call 911 immediately. If you're alone and have a phone with you, call 911 and put it on speakerphone while you perform CPR. They can guide you through the process.

Cycles of Compressions and Breaths: Administer 30 chest compressions followed by two breaths and then immediately repeat this cycle. Maintain this pattern until the infant starts breathing or until professional help arrives.

Adapting to the Situation: If you're alone and without a phone, initiate CPR for five cycles before leaving the infant to call 911. This ensures that initial efforts are not compromised.

Preventing Infant CPR Needs

While knowing how to perform infant CPR is vital, taking steps to prevent situations where it's needed is equally important:

Safe Sleep Practices: Remember the ABCs of sleep - Alone, on their Back, in a Crib. These practices reduce the risk of sudden infant death syndrome (SIDS).

Water Safety: Vigilantly monitor infants around water sources, as drowning is a significant danger for young

Regular Check-ins: Stay attuned to your infant's health and behavior. If you sense any unresponsiveness or unusual symptoms, seek medical assistance promptly.

Infant CPR is a life-saving skill that can empower caregivers to respond confidently in times of a crisis. By recognizing the signs, understanding the steps, and prioritizing preventative measures, we can enhance the safety and well-being of the littlest ones.

Permits for bough harvesting start on September 18 on national forest

RHINELANDER, Wis., August 30, 2023 - Permits for balsam bough harvesting in the Chequamegon-Nicolet National Forest will be available through district offices beginning Monday, September 18, 2023.

Individuals interested in obtaining a bough harvesting permit should call the district office nearest their harvesting activities to confirm hours and availability before seeking a permit.

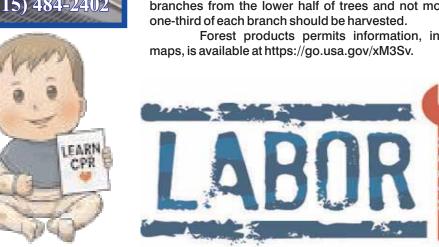
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If harvesting is for personal use, the local district office may issue a free-use permit. Commercial balsam bough permits cost \$80 for up to two tons of material. Additional permits cost \$40 per ton.

Transportation authorization tags allow for 200 pounds per tag. Permits and tags are valid for three months from the date of purchase.

It is important that permittees protect forest resources while harvesting. Permittees must use only motor vehicle-designated roads and trails as shown on the forest's motor vehicle use map, available at https://go.usa.gov/xMcmn. To support regrowth, only branches from the lower half of trees and not more than

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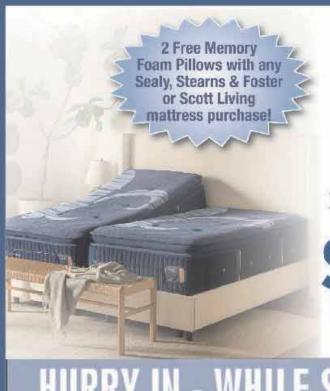
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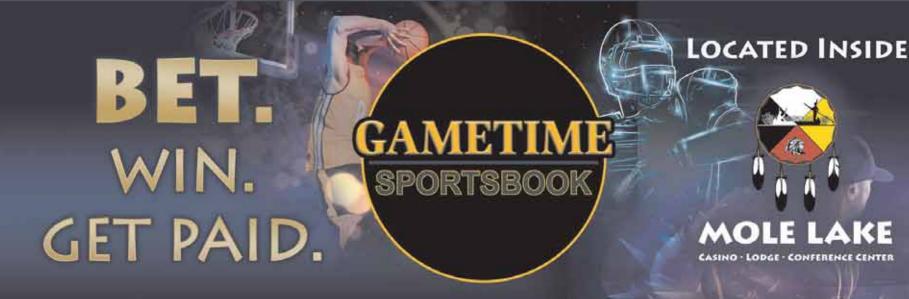
The test of a first-rate intelligence is the ability to hold two opposed ideas at the same time, and still retain the ability to function. - F. Scott Fitzgerald



Remember that in giving any reason at all for refusing, you lay some foundation for a future request. - Arthur Helps

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