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The Mole Lake Snowman



What happens when you have the urge to build a snowman and you don't have enough snow? Ed and Dave Bula, Mole Lake, used round bales of hay wrapped in white plastic to make their snowman. In honor of the upcoming Valentine's Day, they put big valentines on the adjoining "snowballs."

Dave Bula said it is plain to see that their hearts are in Mole Lake!

Forest County Sheriff's Dept. adds "Warrant List" to county website

Sheriff Dennee has told us that there is a new addition to the Forest County website. A list of those individuals who currently have an arrest warrant on file are listed on the website.

According to Dennee, it gives the public a chance to spot people that the Sheriff's Department would like to locate, adding numerous eyes to the hunt for those wanted by the department.

If a citizen should see someone wanted by the Sheriff's Department, they are advised to call 715-478-3331 with details. The caller can remain anonymous if they wish

Attention: all 2012 Graduates in the Pickerel Area

The Pearson-Pickerel Lions Club is now accepting applications for college scholarships. All Pickerel area seniors are eligible, regardless of which high school they attend.

See your high school counselor or contact Amy Quig at 715-484-4653 for an application.

What's Happening?

PICKEREL FUN DAY.-This Saturday, February 11th, Pickerel Fun Day will kick off and the Pickerel area will be a fun spot. Fortify yourself with the Pearson-Pickerel pancake breakfast at Hill's Still, go to the Polar Bear Jump-in and have a good time. See the ad on page 3 of this paper.

Family Fish-A-Ree-The Red Arrow Snowmobile Club is holding this annual event at the Townsend Town Hall on February 11 and 12. There will be prizes for the biggest fish, lots of drawings and a meat raffle. The proceeds will go towards trail maintenance. And the vintage snowmobiles are fun to see too!

Wabeno Lions/American Legion Fish-O-Ree
The Trump Lake Pavilion will be heated and
comfortable with plenty to eat and drink available.
Prizes are offered for the heaviest fish, and don't forget
to buy a Fish-O-Ree ticket. You could win \$500. The
hours are from 9-5 p.m. Proceeds are used to support
many activities in the community.

Tryouts for Townsend Variety Show February 27

Are you a singer, comedian, skit actor, dancer or entertainer? Come show off your talent at the seventh annual Townsend Variety Show. Auditions for the show will be held February 27 from six to eight o'clock p.m. at the Townsend Town Hall.

Acts selected will become part of two performances to be staged April 28 at the Townsend Town Hall at 1:30 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. This year's show theme will be the "Off Broadway." Please contact Kathleen Marsh at 715-276-6515 or email kathiemarsh@yahoo.com for more information or to schedule an audition time.

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Hot Sled in Townsend

Submitted by John Brantmeier

On Thursday afternoon February 2nd, there was a little excitement here in Townsend. Just after filling the sled with gas an unidentified rider had "a hot time in Townsend". The following cell phone photo tells it all. Despite a very quick response from the Townsend Fire Department there was no hope of saving the machine. Luckily there was no explosion and the fire was extinguished without harm except for a melted section of trail

Wabeno Town Board to consider revocation of bar license for Bottoms Up Bar

By Mike & Boyd Monte

At a regular meeting of the Wabeno Town Board, Wabeno Chief of Police Mick Ashbeck presented a case for the revocation of the license of a Wabeno bar called Bottoms Up. Chief Ashbeck read a detailed letter telling why he thinks the bar should lose its license.

Ashbeck said that during the months of 2011 until the present time he has been working on undercover drug operations in Wabeno and the surrounding areas. He noted that one of the drug investigations was at the Bottoms Up bar in Wabeno. He said that the bar has been under investigation for the illegal sales and distribution of controlled substances, and said that it is a gathering place for people to conduct illegal drug activities. Ashbeck told the board that undercover drug investigators have made multiple controlled buys of marijuana and other controlled substances since July of 2011 until the present time. The evidence he presented, Ashbeck said, is sufficient enough to pull the license of the bar, and he noted several statutes to back up his case.

He pointed out that Randi Pari, son of Tom Pari, operator of Bottoms Up is currently charged with four counts of Felony Posession of THC and four felony counts of Delivery of THC. Ashbeck stated that the Wabeno Police Department and North Central Drug Enforcement Group (NORDEG) also have controlled buys that were conducted at Bottoms Up, and the individuals have not yet been charged, but will be in the near future.

Ashbeck says he has personally responded to drunken patrons threatening to shoot people inside Bottoms Up and when a man was armed with a machete and threatening to kill people. He said that a patron called him to the bar and not the owner.

The Chief said that Bottoms Up has received numerous warnings about staying open after hours and has had more than 57 police contacts since the bar was opened. Ashbeck said that there have been four underage citations, plus police contacts for numerous other incidents. Ashbeck said that the Wabeno Police Department has informed Tom Pari several times to have licensed bar tenders. He said that Pari's son Randi Pari has conducted drug sales in the bar and is known to tend bar on a requiar basis without a bartender's license.

There were other incidents and infractions noted by Chief Ashbeck as well, and he said for these reasons he is requesting the town board to revoke the liquor license at Bottoms Up. He presented folders of evidence to the

Tom Pari also had his say at the meeting. Mr. Pari said he didn't know his son was conducting illegal drug business in his bar, and he has banned his son from the bar for the last four months. He said if the board revokes his license, he will lose his livelihood and he will lose everything. He asked the board for a chance to prove himself, stating that he doesn't believe in drugs and doesn't use drugs. Pari said that some of the complaints

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The photo above was taken by Laurie Painter of Silver Cliff, who said: "This is a Cooper's hawk that came to visit. It was in our lilact tree for awhile and then flew to another tree. It let me get 10 feet from it and even allowed me to follow it to the other tree. Then it flew off. The next morning though, my mom and I found it lying dead in a snow bank across from our driveway. We took it to the Lakewood ranger station where they will use it for education purposes. It sure was prefty while it was here."



Coyote Hunt scheduled for February 11th

This weekend, the Northern Buckhunters are holding their 4th Annual Coyote Hunt, which is headquartered at Main Street Ed's in Argonne. All who would like to participate are urged to attend.

Registration is on Friday evening February 10th, from 6:00 p.m. until 9:00 p.m. The weigh-in starts on Saturday at 6:00 p.m. Raffles and door prizes will follow.

Dog hunters and callers will compete in their own categories. A GPS is first place for the dog hunters with dog food for 2nd and 3rd place. The coyote callers can win a Fox Pro Caller for 1st place and gas cards for 2nd and 3rd.

Possible coyote season? Reprinted with permission from Wisconsin Outdoor News

By Dean Bortz Editor-WON

Park Falls, Wis. — Possible future changes to the state's coyote season has hunters and trappers concerned about losing opportunity, but DNR furbearer ecologist John Olson said the closed season he's proposing would come at a time when few hunters are pursuing coyotes.

There is one area where Olson, conservation groups, hunters and trappers absolutely agree, and that's in restoring coyote hunting in northern Wisconsin during the nine-day gun deer season now that the state's wolves are well recovered.

Where there's less agreement is with Olson's suggestion that there be a six-month closed season on covotes.

Currently, the state's coyote season runs yearround, with the exception of the nine-day closure during the gundeer season.

Olson has been working on a proposed rule change for a new coyote and fox season – the fox season would be lengthened by six weeks, but the coyote season would be closed in April and all of the summer months. "The proposed season change asks for two significant steps – that we restore the closed coyote hunting season in northern Wisconsin, during the deer gun season, and that we establish a coyote hunting season, similar to the new proposed fox season," said Olson in an e-mail. "Currently, the established fox season ends mid-February. The new proposal is to extend the fox season to March 31, a six-week extension, and then have the new coyote

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Lions visit Crandon Elementary



with Santa Claus

Lions Adam Weber, Shirley Guinther, Mike Brooks and Sandy Guinther popped 500 bags of popcorn for K-5 at Crandon Elementary at their Christmas party. The Liquor Lode donated the popcorn and Schaefer's IGA dontated the bags. Lions Larry . Somer and Bill Schultz also assisted.

Mr. and Mrs. Santa Claus surprised the kids from Kindergarten through 5th grade on December 23rd. They got in the mood by singing holiday songs.

Crandon Lions President Larry Sommer told the students about the work the Lions do, like helping people with poor eyesight and hearing problems. The Lions Club will conduct sight and hearing screening this spring at the

Sommer said the Lions had prepared over 500 bags of popcorn for them, and each bag had a \$5 certificate for dinner or lunch at many local restaurants. The restaurants who participated are the Log Cabin, Duck's Bar, Hotel Crandon, Kathy's Inn, LaFetta's, Waters Edge, Beachside and Main Street Ed's. Subway contributed to the cost of the coupons.

When Mr. and Mrs. Santa arrived, the students and Mrs. Schultz held a "Name That Tune Contest," along with a slide presentation.

Mr. and Mrs. Santa tried to guess the tune, after which the students sang the song with great enthusiasm. They ended with "Twas the Night Before Christmas." The kids then talked with Santa and his wife and presented them with their wish list. The popcorn and certificates were passed out, Santa gave autographs and a great time was had!

Area Events

Post Lake Improvement Association's 14th Annual

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On Upper & Lower Post Lake

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The American Legion Sylvan Post 44, Wabeno is comprised of veterans committed to helping veterans, their families and the community.

Townsend Cribbage Tournament

The winners of the weekly Townsend cribbage tournaments held on Sunday, February 5, 2012 were 1st place, Pat Lintonen, 2nd place Don Bartels and 3rd place Ron Lindsley. The 24 hand winner was Audrey Norgaard. Door prizes winners were Jim Goodchild and Jerry Fischer

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Congratulations to Mary and Fuzzy Grusznski on their 58th wedding anniversary. Play begins at 1:00 P.M. sharp at the Townsend town hall 16564 Elm Street, Townsend WI. All entry fees are returned in prizes. Coffee will be available. No smoking please! The tournament is scheduled for February 19, 26; March 4, 18 & 25 and April 1, 2012. Everyone is welcome to play. Come join us!! For more information, please call 715-276-3603.

COMMUNITY BILLBOARD

- AA Meetings Back Door Group Open meetings Monday& Thurs. nights @ 7 p.m., Lakewood Lakes Country Library. Call Mary 715-276-2318 or Bill 715-889-3512.
- Comm. Life Council monthly meeting, 6:30 p.m., at the VFW Hall, second Thurs. of every month.
- AA Meetings: Tuesday nights, 7 p.m., Indian Springs, Carter. Closed meeting. Barb at 715-473-3904 Forest County Big Book Closed AA Meeting: Thurs. 7 p.m., Crandon Library. 478-2598 or 715-889-1829.

- Al-Anon Meetings Courage to Change Group. Every Friday, 7-8 p.m., lower level Crandon Library.
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- information call (715) 889-0371. • Fresh Start AA Meeting - Every Wed. at 7 p.m., CoVantage Credit Union, 502 W. Pioneer, Crandon.
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 - Tri-County Council Domestic Violence Support Group; for dates, location & times: 715-478-362-6841 or 1-800-236-1222. Crandon Ten Group Thurs. 3:15-4:15 for location or info call 715-478-3780.

 - Crandon VFW Post - Meets every first Tuesday of the month. 6 p.m. at the VFW building, 104 N. Forest

 - Non-Denominational Prayer Line - Call anytime (715) 478-4800.

- Support Group for Parents of Children with Disabilities Call Chris at 715-784-0058
 Crandon Lions Board Meetings 1st Monday of month at Crandon Library at 6:30 p.m. (downstairs)
- Crandon Lions Members Meeting January 16 & February 20, 3rd Mon. of month at Hotel Crandon, Crandon. 5:30 social, 6:30 dinner & 7 meeting.

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- who have Badger Care, Medical Assistance & UNINSURED. To schedule an appointment call (715)848-4884. Call the Health Dept. for more information at 715-478-3371
- Good Shepherd Lutheran Church Hwy. 55N, Crandon. Sunday service 9:30 a.m. No Saturday services.
- Christian Motorcyclist Association Spirit Ryders Chapter of Langlade & Forest Co. Invites you to attend our monthly meetings on the 2nd Tues. of each mont. held in Antigo at Goodwill at 6:30 pm. Info George
- ADRC: Aging & Disability Resource Center for Forest County residents. 300A Lake Ave., Crandon, WI 54520 - (715)478-2162. A No cost, one stop source of information & assistance to access services and/or options available to meet your needs and maintain your independence
- Highway 55 Flea & Craft Market Every Wednesday, Nashville Town Hall, Hwys 55 & B, Crandon. Vendors or more info call 715-484-7271
- Crandon PTO Meeting 1st Monday of every month, 6-7 p.m., Elementary Cafeteria.
- •Fo. Co. Health Dept. Immunization Clinics Tues., Feb. 21, Wabeno Town Hall, 3:30 to 4; Wed., Feb. 22, Crandon Health Dept. 1:30-4; Mon., Feb. 27, Laona Town Hall, 3:30-4; Call 715-478-3371 for appointment.

Pickerel Fun Day Saturday, February 11, 2012



Pearson-Pickerel Lions Club Pancake & Sausage Breakfast 8:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

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Coyote season? Cont. from pg. 1

season the same.

"This in no way affects farmers, landowners or their agents, as they can shoot nuisance or damage coyotes year round on their own land. That does not change," said Olson in the e-mail.

The current fox hunting and trapping season opens in mid-October. Olson was not available at press time to say whether his proposed fox/coyote season would retain the same opener. If it does, the covote season would be closed from April through mid-October. Olson said the proposal "is part of a much larger proposal geared at attempting to simplify a number of furbearer regulations."
In December, Ralph Fritsch, chairman of the Wisconsin Wildlife Federations's

(WWF) wildlife committee, attended the Natural Resources Board (NRB) meeting and asked that the NRB consider restoring coyote hunting during the nine-day gun deer season. At that time, he indicated that he did not agree with Olson's suggestion that the coyote season be closed for five to six months.

In an earlier interview that appeared in the Dec. 30 issue. Olson said, "The main reason for the coyote season aspect is to clean up our image. There is no citizen use of coyotes during the late spring and summer months, just landowner concerns. In reality the proposed coyote season doesn't take anything away, but improves the image of us hunters in the eyes of the public. But it's possible some folks will not agree with this idea. One person who does not agree is Wisconsin Outdoor News reader Steve Osterberg, of Menasha. "What image of hunter vs. covote do we have? I'll bet if you poll all of the nonhunters in Wisconsin, none would be able to tell you what the current coyote season is and zero would even know that it's legal to shoot a coyote in the summer," said Osterberg. "The general public doesn't have any image of hunters vs. covotes because they don't even know the issue. All of the misidentified wolves that would be shot during the deer season is the image problem you should be worried about.'

Osterberg said that any wolves shot during deer season lower the public's image of hunters being responsible and the DNR's ability to manage wolves. $\hbox{``The hopes then of some day having a wolf season would be unlikely,"} he said.$

Other hunters have said the state needs a year-round coyote season because of high predator numbers that could be impacting fawn survival in the north. Coyotes are one segment of the predator population with which hunters and trappers can reduce numbers. Wolves are protected and bobcat and bear harvests are strictly regulated.

Olson said he will work with state conservation groups like WWF, the Wisconsin Trappers Association, the Wisconsin Bear Huntes Association and the Conservation Congress as he moves along with his idea. He guessed that the earliest sportsmen would see his proposal on the spring hearing agenda would be in 2013 or 2014 at the earliest.



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Crandon 8th Grade SPEC Conferences

Grade 8 Student/Parent Educational Career (SPEC) Conferences are now being scheduled for February and March at Crandon Middle School. These conferences are unlik traditional parent/teacher conferences. The focus is on each student's personal and social growth, their educational and career development and their 9th grade registration process. Emphasis is placed on review of overall academic performance, talents, abilities, interests, learning styles, Career Cruising Assessment results, and transition activities to high school.

SPEC Conferences are specifically designed conferences for parents to gain insight into their child's development. Participation in the conference allows students to gain insight into the direction they are headed in the future. Our task is to determine how we can help them create and achieve broadly based goals for their future.

Parent/Guardians are a key member of the conference team. Conferencing gives parents/guardians and students the opportunity to discuss talents, interests, academic performance and future goals in a positive atmosphere and begin developing a 4-year High School Plan. SPEC Conferences are not intended for discussions of student behavior

The grade 8 SPEC Conference typically lasts 45-minutes. A conference letter has been mailed to all grade 8 parents/guardians. If parents/guardians are unable to attend the conference, please call Tina Taylor the Middle School Counselor at 715-478-6166 or e-mail at taylotin@crandon.k12.wi.us to reschedule your child's SPEC Conference.



Death Notices

MICHAEL J. ASCHENBRENNER, age 63, of Caswell, passed away unexpectedly at his home on Sunday, February 5, 2012. Visitation will be held on Friday, 10 from 9-11 a.m. at St. Leonard Catholic Church, Laona. Funeral service will follow at 11:00 a.m. with Deacon Jerry Cross officiating. Interment will be at the Laona Cemetery. Military Honors provided by the Forest County American Legion. Online condolences www.weberhillfuneralhome.com

FLOYD J. "RED" MIHALKO, age 87, of Laona, passed away at St. Clare's Hospital, Weston on Sunday, February 5, 2012. Honoring his wishes, no services will be held. Online condolences www.weberhillfuneralhome.com

ALICE STARK, age 96, of Laona, passed away in Florida on Sunday, February 5, 2012. Visitation will be held on Saturday, February 11 from 12:00 noon until 2:00 p.m. at St. Luke's United Methodist Church, Crandon. Funeral services will follow at 2:00 p.m with Pastor Barbara Bolz officiating. Interment will be at Crandon Lakeside Cemetery. Online condolences www.weberhillfuneralhome.com



The Pro Arte Quartet to perform at Nicolet College February 5th

The world-renowned classical music talents of The Pro Arte Quartet are coming to the Nicolet College Theatre for a concert at 2 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 5

Celebrating its centennial this year, the distinguished string quartet from the University of Wisconsin-Madison was the first ensemble-in-residence to be established at a major American university.

"These are outstanding musicians," said Nicolet Theatre Director Jim Nuttall. "I've always wanted to get them here for our Nicolet Live! series, and the UW Arts Outreach Program made it possible. If they were represented by a commercial agent we wouldn't be able to afford them. The Outreach Program is an example of the Wisconsin Idea, where the talents of the UW's faculty are shared throughout the state.'

The quartet serves the UW-Madison with a full schedule of performances, education, and recordings. and produces a series of live radio broadcasts each season as the resident ensemble of the Chazen Museum of Art. The quartet has performed throughout the U.S., Europe and Asia, and has been featured at the White House.

The Pro Arte Quartet will perform a mix of classical standards, familiar to many, and some new commissioned works. Since its early years of performing with the highest quality of musicianship, the quartet has attracted the talents of renowned composers such as Milhaud, Honegger and Bartok to write original works for the group. The quartet continues its tradition of encouraging the next generation of composers to write new music for contemporary audiences.

Musicians of the Pro Arte Quartet are David Perry, violin; Suzanne Beia, violin; Sally Chisholm, viola; and Parry Karp, cello. All are artists-in-residence and professors at UW-Madison.

The quartet will perform on Super Bowl Sunday, Nuttall noted. "The only good thing about the Packers losing is that now you can go hear a wonderful concert unencumbered by pre-game anxiety. And since the concert is only two hours long, you can return home full of inspiring music and still have time to catch the pre-game show and the Super Bowl.

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Pertussis is a contagious bacterial disease initially causing cold-like symptoms with a cough that progressively gets worse. The bacterium that causes Pertussis can infect anyone who is susceptible, but the resulting illness is most serious in infants and young children. Extreme coughing fits, lack of breath and the whoop sound" is common in infants and young children. Pertussis is usually spread by repeated indoor face-toface contact with an infected persor

The Forest County Health Department recommends that Pertussis should be considered for anyone of any age who has any of the following symptoms: Cough lasting more than seven days, sleep disturbing cough, coughing fits, whoop, coughing until vomiting, turning blue while coughing, difficulty catching breath (especially in infants) or cough that does not respond to cough medicines.

Antibiotic treatment early in the illness can help reduce signs and symptoms and prevent the spread of the bacteria that causes pertussis. Patients with Pertussis must be isolated during the first 5 days of treatment.

The best way to protect yourself and your children is to stay up-to-date on your immunizations. Pertussis (whooping cough) can be fatal for infants and young children and most fatalities occur in this population. Unvaccinated and under-vaccinated infants and young children are at highest risk of serious complications and death. Parents of newborns can protect their unimmunized baby by receiving the TdaP vaccine at no cost at the Health Department. The Health Department also offers free vaccinations for children.

For more information about Pertussis, contact the Forest County Health Department at 715-478-3371.



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Nicolet College Foundation scholarship applications now available

The Nicolet College Foundation is currently distributing scholarship applications for the 2012-13 school vear

Completed applications must be postmarked or delivered by Monday, April 2, to the Foundation Office, Room 103 of the University Transfer Center on the Rhinelander campus.

Nicolet scholarships are available for both incoming and continuing students enrolling at Nicolet College next fall. Scholarship funds are applied directly to tuition costs.

To be considered, students must turn in a completed application, a copy of their academic transcript, and one completed recommendation form by the April 2 deadline.

People needing applications can find them in every building on the Rhinelander campus, the Lakeland Center, tribal education offices, and high school guidance offices in the Nicolet district.

Applications are also available online at nicoletcollege.edu/currentstudents/paying/scholarships/ index.html

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For more information, contact the Nicolet College Foundation Office at (715) 365-4518, 1-800-544-3039, ext. 4518; TDD (715) 365-4558, 711 relay, or by email at hschallock@nicoletcollege.edu.

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Kelly Corner

Monday, Feb. 13th Interested Juniors & Seniors take Accuplacer Test 12:10-1:30 p.m. (Approx.), School Board Meeting @ 6:00 p.m.

Tuesday, Feb. 14th Boys Basketball Elcho @ Laona Thursday, Feb.16th Girls Basketball @ Elcho Friday, Feb. 17th RTI Inservice No school for elementary students only. High school will be in session. Boys Basketball White Lake @ Laona

**JV Girls Basketball games start @ 6:00 p.m. with varsity to follow, unless otherwise indicated. The time for the Boys Varsity games is yet to be determined.

Laona Elementary Announces No School Dates The School Board of the School District of Laona, at their November meeting, approved four additional days during the 2011-12 school year in which K-6 students will not have school. Those dates are: Friday, February 17; Thursday, March 22; and Wednesday, May 2. These dates are changes to the initial district calendar.

These days will be used by the elementary staff to work on the District's "Response to Intervention" plan that must be submitted to DPI by the end of this school year. RTI requires that staff provide alternative instruction to students who are not making adequate yearly progress. This alternative instruction must be provided prior to a student being considered for special education services.

These dates will also be announced on the District website and reminder notices will be sent home prior to each date.

7-12 high school students will still have school on the above dates. State instructional guidelines allow for this type of scheduling as the yearly required minutes of instruction for elementary students are substantially less than for 7-12 students.

Laona School District is now taking orders for the 2011-2012 Yearbooks the price is \$20.00. If interested please contact the high school office 715-674-2143.

Gems from Grandchildren

A second grader came home from school and said to her grandmother, "Grandma, guess what? We learned how to make babies today." The grandmother, more than a little surprised, tried to keep her cool. "That's interesting." she said.. "How do you make babies?"

"It's simple," replied the girl. "You just change 'y' to 'i'

Farming and other income tax forms available at Wabeno Public Library

While it has become more difficult to get paper forms and booklets for filing state and federal income taxes, they are still available, and the Wabeno Public Library has both state and federal forms for the short and itemized versions. While all forms and schedules are available for downloading on-line, patrons who do not have access to home computers are welcome to come in for these forms, and to file on-line.

While the librarians cannot offer detailed assistance in completing or filing forms, we can assist in getting to the necessary websites, and we will download and print forms that are not listed here, when the reference desk assistant is available with time to do so.

The library will offer assistance in downloading and printing other forms, at ten cents per page.

The following Federal forms are available: forms and booklets for 1040, 1040 A, and 1040 E-Z (e-file booklet only); Farmers' Tax Guide, Profit or Loss from Farming, form F; Credit for the Elderly and Disabled, Form R; Form 8283, Noncash Charitable Contributions; Itemized Deductions, Schedule A; Capital Gains and Losses, 1040 D; Publication 590: Individual Retirement Arrangements

Wisconsin forms and schedules available include: Wisconsin 1 A, Wisconsin WI-Z; Wisconsin Homestead Credit H and H-EZ: Wisconsin Capital Gains and Losses WD.

For further assistance in getting other forms and schedules, contact the Wabeno Public Library at 715-473 4131 during open hours: M, T, Th,F: noon to 4:30; Wed. noon to 6; Saturday: 9 a.m. to noon

ArtsPower's Fish Face at Nicolet College

The acclaimed ArtsPower National Touring Theatre returns for its 9th season at Nicolet College Theatre. The troupe will perform Fish Face, a musical based on the book by Newbery Honor-winning author Patricia Reilly Giff, creator of the popular Kids of the Polk

Although geared for kids in grades 1 through 4, children of all ages and their families will enjoy this musical. The performance takes place Saturday, Feb. 18, at 11 a.m. Admission is \$5 for children and \$7 for adults.

"Everything about an ArtsPower production is of the highest quality," said Nicolet Theatre Director Jim Nuttall. "They find a great children's book and adapt it through wonderful original songs, dance and colorful stage sets. This is always a truly fun event, not just for the kids but for their moms and dads and grandparents

Fish Face tells the story of Emily Arrow. As portrayed in the lively opening number, Most Practically Perfect Person at Polk Street School, Emily is a whiz at math, excels at spelling and running, and is popular with the students and teachers. She is flawless at most everything she tries, as long as she has Uni, her treasured good-luck unicorn with her.

All goes well for Emily until a new girl. Dawn Bosco. arrives. In the compelling number, The New Kid, we see how Dawn, an advanced reader and a stylish dresser, is out to beat Emily at everything, even spelling and running. When Dawn steals Uni, Emily's self-confidence is utterly shaken and she is forced to confront her rival. As she gets to know Dawn better, she begins to realize that being the new kid can be lonely, and that maybe Dawn needs a friend.

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She will be moving on to the second level of competition at Goodman-Armstrong School on February

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Fourth Grade student wins Wabeno Spelling Bee



ictured from left to right: Ellie Donaldson, 6th grade winner; Tim Helnore, 7th grade winner; Aidan Lowery, 5th grade winner; Alissa winner, and Jaliyah Warrack, 4th grade and district

Jaliya Warrack, a fourth grade student at Wabeno Area School District, topped her competitors in the district-wide spelling bee on February 2, 2012. Winners from each class in grades three through eight faced off

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trying to spell a variety of words from the 2012 National Spelling Bee List.

Jaliya will travel to Goodman-Armstrong Creek School District on Monday, February 13, to compete against other district winners. From there, the winner will travel to Madison to compete at the state level. Good luck, Jaliya, and congratulations to all of the competitors.



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could have been locked cars, and while the number of complaints sounds bad, it doesn't mean he runs a bad bar. He ended with a plea; "Give me a chance."

Dale Adams, owner of the building that houses Bottoms Up said he has leased to Tom Pari for four years and that he is a good tenant and takes care of the building. Adams said that the behavior of the son shouldn't affect the father. He also stated that he will lose \$12,000 per year should the license be revoked. Adams continued with the statement that any place of entertainment will have police calls. Adams said that while he doesn't condone the use of drugs, but he doesn't want to see another business shut down in Wabeno. Mr. Adams said that Pari should be given another chance.

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The Municipal Judge Barribeau spoke up and said that laws were broken and that Tom Pari was responsible and that the license should be revoked.

A girl in the audience said that closing down Bottoms Up won't stop the sale of

drugs, and the problems will just go to another bar. She said that underage drinking is an issue in every bar, not just Bottoms Up. A gentlemen from the audience said that he thought a suspension of the license

might be in order, but that revocation was too severe a punishment. Forest County Deputy and Chief Drug Enforcement Office Tom Robinson spoke

out and said that more arrests are coming that involve more people at Bottoms Up that involve undercover drug buys.

The Wabeno Town Board, after due consideration, decided that time was

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Variety Show Cont. from pg. 1

This annual event is again being organized by the Town Hall Players. Steering committee members Ruth Benoit, Pam Pederson, Sue Rapp and Kathleen Marsh, all of Townsend, met recently to finalize details. A second round of auditions will be held at 6:00 p.m. on March 9 Rehearsals are scheduled for March 23 and April 13 with the dress rehearsal on April 27.

Each performance will feature a crisp, tightly scheduled program showcasing local talent. In the tradition begun in 2005, the show will offer a full evening of entertainment with music, laughter and audience

Tickets, available only at the door, are \$6.00 per person. All proceeds will be donated to the local Christian Food Pantry housed at St. John's Lutheran Church in

Forest County Crime Report

From the Office of Sheriff John Dennee Activity Report for January 2012

ACTIVITY	nepuit iui Januai	1 2012	
Nature of Complaint T	otal Complaints	Total Arrests	
Assault	6	0)
Burglary	10	0)
Conservation	2	0)
Damage Property	9	0	
Dangerous Drugs	11	9	
Family Offenses	24	3	
Forgery/Counterfeiting	1	0	
Fraudulent Activities	3	0	
Health-Safety	148	9	
Invasion of Privacy	2	0	
Jail Violation	3	0	
Larceny	15	1	
Liquor	2	0	
Lock Out	35	0	
Obstructing Governme	nt 18	1	0
Other	31	0)
Public Peace	77	6	
Sex Assault	1	0)
Stolen Property	1	0)
Stolen Vehicle	2	0)
Traffic Offense	98	1	4
Weapons Offenses	3	5	,
Totals:	502	5	7

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Auto Bodies		
Tin/Appliances		A I
No. 1 Copper		
No. 2 Copper	\$2.29/lb	
Misc. Aluminum	\$.44/lb	52¢/lb
Yellow Brass	\$1.60/lb	JZY/ID
Clean Copper Radiators	\$1.60/lb	
Aluminum Rims	\$.62/lb	Automotive
Clean Cast Brake Drums		D - 11 '

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Senior Chatter

Valentine's Day in the US

Valentin's Day is an extremely popular festival in United States of America. People in US observe a holiday on this day to honor St. Valentine and to express love to dear ones. Taking opportunity of the festival people express gratitude and love, for sweethearts, spouse, teachers, parents or any other person close to them

Valentine's Day history in the US. Valentine's Day is said to have imported to North America in the 19th century by British settlers. First mass-produced Valentine's Day card with embossed paper lace are said to have produced in United States shortly after 1847 by Esther Howland (1828-1904) of Worchester,

In the second half of the 10th century, the practice of giving gifts along with cards became popular. Roses and chocolates were the most commonly exchanged Valentine's Day gifts and were usually given by man to woman. Around 1980's diamond industry began to promote Valentine's Day as an occasion to gift fine jewelry. Today, the day has come to be associated with a generic platonic greeting of "Happy Valentine's Day".

Valentine's Day Celebration in US. Valentine's Day festival has been commercialized to a great extent in US. It is estimated that Valentine's Day is the major card and gift giving festival in US. Days before the festival markets wear a festive look to lure consumers. Popular gifts exchanged on the day include cards, fresh flowersmainly roses, chocolates and candies. These days, people also complement these with other gifts of love to express affection and love.

Valentine's Day dinner and dance parties are organized all over the country to celebrate the occasion. Many couples hold private celebrations in homes or restaurants. Another interesting part of Valentine's Day in US is the celebrations organized by kids. Several schools organize Valentine's Day programs where children perform songs, dance, skits and plays. Children also gift handmade gifts and cards to their friends and teachers.

To those staying in different cities, Valentine's Day greetings are exchanged with the help of e-cards and by sending gifts through online Valentine's Day gift shopping sites

Forest County Commission on Aging Dot Bus Schedule

TUESDAY February 14 - Argonne, Crandon, Laona, and Armstrong Creek to Iron Mountain Bus Driver: Hal

WEDNESDAY February 15 - City Route to Schaefer's/ Downtown/Clinic (8 a.m. - 12 p.m.) Wabeno, Laona, Blackwell to Laona and Crandon (1p.m. -

4:30 p.m.) Bus Driver: Hal Weisnicht Crandon, Argonne, Hiles, Three Lakes, and Sugar Camp

to Rhinelander Bus Driver: Bob Shepero FOR RESERVATIONS PLEASE CALL THE BUS DRIVER FOR THAT DAY:

Hal Weisnicht: 715-478-2961 Bob Shepherd: 715-478-2683



TOPIC OF THE MONTH **Protein Foods MEAL SCHEDULE**

If unable to register at the meal site or if you need to cancel, please call Commission on Aging at 478-3256 CRANDON, WABENO, LAONA MONDAY - February 13 - Mushroom Chicken, Roasted

Red Potatoes, Cauliflower, Dinner Rolls, Snicker Doodle, Cookie

MONDAY - February 20 - Roast pork, parsley potato, sweet & sour cabbage, dinner roll, tiramisu -PRESIDENTS DAY -

CRANDON, WABENO, LAONA

TUESDAY - February 14 - Beef Pot Roast. Mashed Potatoes, Herbed Carrots, Wheat Bread, Ice Cream Valentine's Day

TUESDAY - February 21 - Baked haddock, rice pilaf, broccoli, fruit, wheat roll, tapioca pudding

WEDNESDAY - February 15 - Vegetable Soup, Tossed Salad with Hard Boiled Eggs, Dill Bread, Apple Crisp

WEDNESDAY - February 22 - Beef stroganoff, spatzle, green beans, fruit, sourdough bread, Oh Henry bar LAONA

THURSDAY - February 16 - Vegetable Soup, Tossed Salad w/ Hard Boiled Eggs, Dill Bread, Apple Crisp
THURSDAY - February 23 - Beef stroganoff, spatzle,

green beans, fruit, sourdough bread, Oh Henry bar

ARMSTRONG CREEK
TUESDAY - February 14 -Salisbury Steak & Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Mixed Vegetables, Jell-o, Bread, Cake, -BINGO - Valentine's Day TUESDAY - February 21 - Baked chicken breasts, mashed

potatoes, carrots, bread, bars -MUSIC-ALVIN

THURSDAY - February 16 - Beef Stew, Potatoes & Carrots, Fruit Cocktail, Rolls, Bars
THURSDAY - February 23 - French toast, orange juice,

applesauce, rolls, cinnamon bread

WABENO HOME DELIVERED MENU MONDAY, TUESDAY same as Crandon THURSDAY same as Laona

Please register with Commission on Aging - 478-3256. Crandon site manager Pat Raml is at 715-478-

0742 (home) or 715-478-3040 (site). Serving at 12:00 p.m. on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. If not registered for upcoming day, please call the commission office at 478-

Alvin site manager Florence Kostka at 715-545-4063 (home) or 715-545-3323 (site). If not registered for upcoming day, please call the commission office at 478-3256. Meal served at 4:30 p.m. on Thursday

Laona site manager Angela Johnson at 715-902-0011 (home) or 715-478-7712 (COA). If not registered for upcoming day, please call the commission office (COA). Meal served at 12:00 p.m. Monday, Tuesday and Thursday.

Wabeno site manager Diana Reed at 715-850-0626 (home) or 715-473-4333 (site). If not registered for upcoming day please call the commission office at 478-3256. Meal served at 11:30 a.m. on Monday and Tuesday. Home delivered on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday.

Armstrong Creek site manager-Shirley
Maruszczak - 715-336-2622 (home) or 715-336-2218 (site). If not registered for upcoming day please call the commission office at 715-478-3256. Meal served at 11:15 a.m. on Tuesday.

2012 - 2013 OPEN **ENROLLMENT** APPLICATION PERIOD

The School District of Laona will be taking applications for Public School Open Enrollment. The applications will be taken between the dates of February 6, 2012 and April 30, 2012 until 4:00 p.m. This application period will be strictly followed. Late applications will not be accepted by local school districts for any reason.

Parents are encouraged to apply on-line directly from the open enrollment website at http://dpi.wi.gov/sms/psctoc.html

Although on-line application is strongly recommended, paper applications may be obtained from the Department of Public Instruction or any public school district. Paper applications must be delivered (hand delivery is recommended) to the nonresident school district during the application period.

The address for the Laona School District is P.O. Box 100, 5216 Forest Ave., Laona, WI 54541. Phone (715) 674-2143.

Public Library Hours

Lakes Country Public Library - Lakewood - Monday, Tuesday & Thursday 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.; Wednesday and Friday 2:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.; Saturday 9:00 a.m 2:00 p.m. • 715-276-9020.

Wabeno Public Library - FALL HOURS: Mon. Tues., Thurs. & Fri. Noon - 4:30; Wed. Noon - 6; Sat. 9 - Noon. Closed SUNDAYS. 715-473-4131
Crandon Public Library - Monday, Tuesday,
Wednesday & Friday 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.; Thursday
9:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.; Saturday 9:00 a.m. - Noon • 715-

Laona Edith Evans Community Library - SUMMER HOURS: Monday - Friday 8:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. & extended hours on Tuesday 5:00 - 7:00 p.m. CLOSED Saturday & Sunday • 715-674-4751

Museum Hours

Forest County Museum-Will be closing for the seaso following Labor Day weekend, except for during Art in the Square, the museum will be open from 9:00 to 4:00. The museum will re-open following Memorial Day weekend. During the closed season we will gladly open for tours by appointment. Please call 715-478-3753 to make arrangements.

Forest County Potawatomi Cultural Center & Museum - Monday - Friday 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. - by appointment on Saturday. For tour appointment call 715-478-7478

CALLING ALL MARINES - WE WANT YOU!

The Forest County Detachment of the Marine Corps League is looking for new regular members and associate members to come join us the first Wednesday of every month at the VFW Hall in Crandon. Food & Door Prizes. For more information please call Micah Dewing at 715-889-0371 OU/50

SCHOOL DISTRICT OF WABENO AREA 2011 Feb. 13 - 17 **BREAKFAST MENU** MON: French toast slices

sausage TUES: Cheese quesadilla, diced peaches WED: Cereal, honey buns THURS: Ham, egg & cheese on ar

IHUMS: Ham, egg & cneese on a English muffin, oval hashbrowns FRI: NO SCHOOL PLEASE NOTE - JUICE, MILK & HOT CHOCOLATE AVAILABLE DAILY Menus are subject to change.

Bids & Notices

If you or someone you know is at risk of losing their home, CoVantage may be able to help.

Consider a Rescue Refinance Mortgage.

Rescue Refinance provides individuals who have been struggling to make ends meet, to the point of potentially losing their home, with an affordable option. This program is a result of a \$1.5 million grant awarded to CoVantage. Combined with \$8.5 million from CoVantage, this special program has made \$10 million available to help save people's homes.

The Rescue Refinance program consists of two components. A first mortgage for up to 90% of the property value with an interest rate that is fixed for the first 10 years and then adjusts annually. And, a second mortgage that allows financing up to 110% of the property value. There is no interest charged and no payments due on this second mortgage until the first mortgage is either refinanced or the property is sold. The loan can be used to pay mortgages against the property, past due taxes, or even judgments and other loans.

For more information about the Rescue Refinance program and other solutions for financial assistance, contact a CVCU Mortgage Lender or attend an informational session to be held:

Wednesday, February 15th

CoVantage Crandon Office 502 W. Pioneer St. • 715-478-5100 noon to 1 pm

CoVantage Rhinelander Office 905 Boyce Drive • 715-369-3330 6 pm to 7 pm

contact the office you will attend to RSVP.



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SCHOOL DISTRICT OF WABENO AREA 2011 Feb. 13 - 17

LUNCH MENU MON: Stuffed crust pizza, corn, Italian pasta, ranger bars TUES: Valentine's Day heart shaped chicken nuggets, chees rice, green beans, cherry jello WED: Italian sub - pepperoni, har spaghetti sauce, tator tots fruited yogurt THURS: Chicken, broccoli, cheese

vrap, brown rice salad, apple FRI: NO SCHOOL

PLEASE NOTE - FULL SALAD RAR & MILK AVAILABLE DAILY
Menus are subject to char

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

Sokaogon Chippewa Community

3265 Indian Settlement Road, Crandon, Wisconsin 54520

United States Public Health Service, Indian Health Service, Rhinelander District

One sealed bid for the construction of well pumps and pumphouse improvements for the community water system on the Mole Lake Indian Reservation. Major components of this work include the following:

- Community well pumps and accessories for two (2) 10-inch wells Pumphouse modifications including the replacement of control components, modifications to chemical feed equipment and
- connection to an existing SCADA system.

 Approximately 700-ft of 6-inch PVC C900 DR18 water main and associated connections.
- Approximately 180 vertical feet of well abandonment
 Installation of security fencing at three (3) separate locations

The work will take place on the Mole Lake Indian Reservation and on adjacent property owned by the Sokaogon Chippewa Community west of Hwy 55 in the SW 1/4 of Secton 23 and NW 1/4 of Section 26 T35N, R12E, Forest County,

The Bids will be received by the Sokaogon Chippewa Community at the Community Housing Department at the address above, until 1:00 p.m., (Local Time) March 13, 2012, and then publicly opened and read aloud on March 13, 2012 at 1:15 p.m. in the Community Housing Building.

Copies of the Bidding Documents may be obtained by:

- Paper copy from the Issuing Office, Sokoagon Chippewa Community Housing Department, located at 3265 Indian Settlement Road, Crandon, WI 54520 upon payment of \$50 for each set
- Via download for \$10.00 from www.QuestCDN.com. Project Number

The Offeror's or Bidder's attention is called to the "Equal Opportunity Clause" and the "Standard Federal Equal Employment Opportunity Construction Contract Specification" included in the specifications. The goals and timetables for minority and female participation, expressed in percentage terms for the Contractor's aggregate workforce in each trade on all construction work in the covered area. as follows:

Goals for minority participation for each trade=1.0% Goals for female participation in each trade=6.9%

/s/Jeff Ackley, Jr., Sokaogon Chippewa Executive Director

2/6/12

TIMBER BID - FOREST COUNTY WISCONSIN 2012 BRANHAM LOGGING UNIT

Sealed bids will be received until 10:00 a.m., March 15, 2012 for the timber located on the following tracts

Location of timber sale area: Approximately 99 acres located in portions of Section 31. Town 37 North, Range 13 East and portions of Section 6, Town 36 North, Range 13 East Forest County, Wisconsin,

> Unit #1-15 acres of clearcut to regenerate aspen. White Birch, White Pine, Hemlock will be reserved and will not be cut-frozen ground conditions required on this unit. Unit #2- 84 acres selection harvest to improve hardwood growth- frozen ground conditions required on portions of this unit, some areas may be worked during dry around conditions.

Estimated volumes are more or less and minimum bid rates are as follows:

Species & Product	Volume	Minimum Rate
Aspen Cordwood & Bolts	277 Cords	\$26.50/Cord
Misc. Hardwood Cordwood & Bolts	528 Cords	\$26.50/Cord
Basswood Cordwood & Bolts	5 Cords	\$18.00/Cord
Balsam and Spruce Cordwood	145 Cords	\$14.00/Cord
	955 Cords	
Species & Product	Volume	Minimum Rate
Species & Product Sugar Maple Sawlogs	Volume 54.85MBF	Minimum Rate \$300.00/MBF
Sugar Maple Sawlogs	54.85MBF	\$300.00/MBF
Sugar Maple Sawlogs Basswood Sawlogs	54.85MBF 1.59MBF	\$300.00/MBF \$150.00/MBF

Please contact Al Murray, Tribal Forester at 715-478-4973 for more information or to obtain a bid packet.







School District of Wabeno Area Regular School Board Meeting Wednesday, February 1, 2012 6:30 P.M.

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 PM. by School Board President Janet Opiela.

Board members present: Janet Opiela, Robert Seeber, Patricia A. Manthey, Dawn Jakubiec, Ann Barfknecht, and Edith Huettl. Administrative staff present: Richard H. Huisman, Interim District Administrator; Tim Brauer, Jr/Sr High School Principal and Allison Space, Elementary Principal. Pledge of Allegiance

A motion was made by Patricia A. Manthey seconded by Robert Seeber to approve the agenda. The motion carried

There was a motion by Dawn Jakubiec seconded by Ann Barfknecht to approve the minutes of the January 4, 2012 school board meeting. The

There was a motion by Edith Huettl seconded by Robert Seeber to approve the payment of vouchers by general checks 68640 to 68760 for \$194,862.00 payroll checks 900018637 to 900018839 for \$161,637.55 and a state tax/employee trust fund electronic transfer of \$97,416.62. The motion

The following financial statement was presented to the board:

Cash Summary February 1, 2012

Cash Balance January 4, 2012 94.068.92 (Cash 49,817.11, Debt Service Fund 2,525.92, Scholarship Fund 41,725.89)

> 194,862.00 161,637.55 Elec. Trans. State Tax/Employee Trust Fund 97.416.62 Interest Applied to CD's and Money Market Transfer from Checking to Money Market 1.000.000.00

Receipts Transfer from Money Market to Checking 2,197,486.65 250,000.00

1,084,656.42

Cash Balance February 1, 2012 (Cash 342,757.04, Debt Service Fund 700,416.47, Scholarship Fund 41,482.91)

INVESTMENTS:

Laona State Bank \$728,908.51 Interest Rate 1.50% - Due 03/15/12
Laona State Bank \$310,025.34 Interest Rate 1.20% - Due 02/14/13
Laona State Bank \$333,127.99 Interest Rate 1.15% - Due 11/11/12

Laona State Bank \$1,909,870.10 Interest Rate 1.25% - Money Market
A discussion was held regarding a support staff letter of resignation. There was a motion by Patricia A. Manthey seconded by Edith Huettl to accept the letter of resignation from Karen Haberstein. The motion carried. The board would like to thank Karen for her 22 years of service and dedication

Lawn care quotes were opened and discussed. There was a motion by Edith Huettl seconded by Robert Seeber to accept the lawn care quote from Dan's Lawn Service. The motion carried.

Allison Space, Elementary Principal, reported the following:
1. PBIS school-wide celebration was a huge success! Special thanks to all PBIS team members for all the hard work and to Tony's Wabeno Redi Mix for bringing our snow!

- Mid-winter testing is complete.
 Spring picture date is set for Feb. 24

- 4. 4-6th grade Student Council sponsored dance is Friday, Feb 10.
 Winter Fest was a success from dressing up to trivia to Fun Fest sponsored by Student Council. Special thanks to Mr. Merecki and Student Council.
- January's 2nd Friday Count is complete with enrollment at 261.

 PLC teams actively sharing data, assessment wall and working toward their SMART Goals.
 School-wide Timber Rattlers game set for May 5, 2012.

Tim Brauer, Jr/Sr High School Principal, reported the following:
1. PLC team updates were discussed on the progress of curriculum realignments.

- AWSA Conference updates were given.
- PBIS progress was reported.
 Plan Testing for Sophomores.
- ASVAB Interpretations for Juniors.
 Semester grades/programs were reviewed.
 NLC AD's meeting was discussed.

- Rico d'a fineding was disclassed.
 B. Badger State Boy's and Girl's update was given.
 Snow Coming Week review was discussed.

 Richard H. Huisman, Interim Administrator, reported the following:
 - Review of information obtained at the State School Board Convention.
 Preliminary work on a school calendar for 2012-2013.
 Preliminary budget report for 2012-2013 school year.

 - Spring Breakfast will be on March 7.
 NLC School Board Meeting will be on May 21.

 - 6. Update on January Count.

7. Meeting with Laona to discuss Co-oping. The meeting will take place on Monday, March 6.

There was a motion by Ann Barfknecht seconded by Edith Huettl to go into Closed Session under SS 19.85 (1)(c) and (e).

A. Considering employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public

employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility.

A roll call vote was taken as follows: Janet Opiela, yes; Robert Seeber, yes; Patricia A. Manthey, yes; Dawn Jakubiec, yes; Ann Barfknecht, yes and Edith Huettl, yes. The motion carried 6 to 0.

There was a motion by Ann Barfknecht seconded by Patricia A. Manthey to come out of Executive Session. The motion carried. The board returned to open session and took action on the following items:

There was a motion by Edith Huettl seconded by Patricia A. Manthey to issue a final notice of non-renewal to the least senior social studies teacher due to reduction in force caused by decreasing enrollment. The motion carried.

There was a motion by Dawn Jakubiec seconded by Robert Seeber to adjourn at 8:37 P.M. The motion carried.

/S/Patricia A. Manthey, District Clerk

Crandon Crime Report

CITY OF CRANDON POLICE DEPARTMENT FROM THE DESK OF CHIEF PACKARD January 2012 CPD Activity Report:

- 4 Accident(s)
- 10 Animal Complaint(s)
- 7 Assist to Citizens/Motorists
- 13 Assists to Forest County Sheriff's Dept.
- 1 ATV Complaint
- 1 Child Abuse/Neglect Complaint(s)
- 1 Child Custody/Dispute(s)
 3 Criminal Damage to Property/Vandalism Complaint(s)
- 8 Disorderly Conduct/Fight (3 CITATIONS ISSUED/4 ARRESTS)
- 5 Domestic Dispute/Disturbance (2 ARRESTS)
- 2 Drug Investigation(s)/Drug or Paraphernalia Possession (3 ARRESTS)
- 1 Fraud/Forgery/Counterfeiting/Identity Theft
- Complaint(s) 6 Harassment/Threat Complaint(s)

- 26 Health/Safety/Welfare Complaint(s)/911 Calls
- 1 Intoxicated Person/Driving Complaint(s) 5 Liquor Law Violation(s) (8 CITATIONS ISSUED)
- 1 Noise/Disturb Peace Complaint(s) 2 O.W.I. (2 ARRESTS)
- 1 Snowmobile Complaint
- 2 Suspicious Person/Activity/Vehicle Complaint(s) 2 Theft Complaint(s) (1 ARREST)
- 8 Traffic/Parking Complaint(s)
- 10 Vehicle Lockout(s)
- 16 Warnings to Drivers (re: Vehicle or Traffic Safety)
- 4 Citations Issued re: Traffic-Related Matters



Regular Meeting Laona Board of Education Monday, February 13, 2012 - 6:00 p.m. Special Executive Session - 5:30 p.m.

Library, Laona High School

- A. Call to order.
- B. Enter Into Executive Session.
- C. Adjourn to Open Session.
- 1. Call to order.
- 2. Pledge of Allegiance Paula Johnson
- 3. Approval of the Agenda.
- 4. Appearances: None
- 5. Public Forum (10 Minutes)
- Additional open action items:
 - Review and possible approval of the Minutes of the Open and Closed Regular Meeting dated Monday, January 9, 2012.
 - B. Approval of the School Disbursements from
 - Previous Weeks.
 Approval of the School Purchase Orders from Previous Weeks.

 - D. Policy Updates
 1. Building Access & Security (2nd Reading).
 - 2. Key Control Guidelines (2nd Reading).
 - E. Co-op Discussion and Decision(s).
 - Approval of Calendar 2012-2013.
 - Approval of Special Education Aide.
- Summer School.
- Copier Lease. Informational Items:
- A. Maintenance Report/ DASHIR Update
- B. Business Manager's Report C. Administrator's Report
- 8. Board member reports:
- 9. Enter Closed Session pursuant to Wisconsin statutes for the following reasons: Pursuant to Wis. Stat. 19.85 (1)(c) for Personnel Matters and 19.85 (1)(g) for Legal Matters and 19.85 (1)(e) for Negotiations
 - A. Legal Matters (5)

B. Personnel 10. Return to open session to possibly take action on items discussed in closed session and to handle the following additional open action items:

11. Adjourn: III D RE SUBJECT TO LAST MINUTE CHANGES

Wabeno Jr/sr High School 2nd Quarter Honor Roll

HIGHEST HONORS 4.00 GPA

<u>SENIORS:</u> Ashley Baugnet, Kathryn Essermann, Stephanie Harris, Kathryn Lowery, Marissa Popp JUNIORS: Hali Nygard, Stephanie Prasser

SOPHOMORES: Savannah Hennessy-Luther, Christy Mattern, Miranda Vogel

FRESHMEN: Autumn Huettl 8th GRADE: Ryan Brauer, Alissa Gill 7th GRADE: Lindsey Dinkelman

HIGH HONORS 3.50-3.99 GPA

SENIORS: Lindsey Anderson, Donald Bartels, Marissa Bartels, Andrew Clay, Taylor Derfus, Sedona Geiter, Travis Harris, Margaret Koszalinski,

Chase Mason, Brittany Mischo, Jeffery Schaefer, Giorgia Sirtori, Jordan Smith, Kimberly Spreeman, Cassidi St. Peter, Travis Tucker, Ian Waubanascum, Christina Weyer <u>JUNIORS</u>: Brielle Bodoh, Haley Christianson, Brandon Oberleitner, Kacy Piontek, Robert Rocole, Ty Saunders, Miranda Tarlton

SOPHOMORES: Andrew Boor, Aria Demerath, Jared Demmith, Samantha Exferd, Keith Fryar, Jacob Pakulski, Hunter St. Peter, Lukas Tallier, Melissa Waube FRESHMEN: Austin Andrews, Austin Bauer, Zachary Burki, Justin Cassidy, Danette Huettl, Jacob Kroll, Holly

Spaude 8TH GRADE: Abigail Ashbeck, Kaitlyn Ashbeck, Teagen Bodoh, Nacie Calarco, Claire Carpenter, Alexis Christianson, Zachary Dinkelman, Mandi Jameson Hannah Lytle, Courtney Schaefer, Alex Webb 7th GRADE: Hope Barfknecht, Allison Bartels, Rachel Calarco, Cooper Chrisman, Sheila Deverney, Michael Gilpin, Jasmine Hanson, Timothy Helnore, Ashlyn Hooper, Spencer Huettl, Olivia Kralovetz, Brandon Moravec, Allisen Novak, Kelly Spaude, Margaret Warrner

HONOR ROLL 3.00-3.499 GPA SENIORS: Alan Bowman, Shawn Cassidy Jr., Michael Dailey, Zachary Derfus, Nicholas Pichotta, Derek_Williams JUNIORS: Skylor Challender, Annie Champine Lamadeline Costanza, Stone Koenig, Joseph Kroll, Breanna McLaughlin, Frederick Mermuys, Jeremy Norris, Alisa Piontek, Tyler Piontek, Kayla Ponton, Stacy Roy, Andrew Shepard, Amanda Stefanski, Megan Tucker, Gloriann Waube

SOPHOMORES: Delphine Frank, Mesa Geiter, Alexis Harris, Rvan LaFond, Australiana Peterson, Rolland

FRESHMEN: Abby Borchardt, Kyle Merschdorf, Desiree Meyer, Olivia Oliver, Kurt Pence, Simon Phillips 8TH GRADE: Brian Connor Jr., Noah Exferd, Presley Keeble, Tressa Lange, Jordan Schuhart, Abigail Smith, 7th GRADE: Samantha Bath, Nicole Eggert, Rae-Jean Frank, Lake Koenig, Casey Riebe, Jenna Skarlupka

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College Goal Wisconsin Feb. 19 to help students complete financial aid forms

Anyone planning on attending college next fall and looking for help filling out financial aid forms is invited to attend College Goal Wisconsin at 2 p.m., Sunday, Feb. 19, at Rhinelander High School.

This free event will offer tips on filling out the Free Application for Federal Student Aid, more commonly known as FAFSA, and also give those attending the opportunity to fill out the application right at the event.

"Earning a college degree is a great way to get ahead in life and, for many, receiving financial aid is the only way they are able to make college a reality," said Jill Price, Financial Aid director at Nicolet College.

She added that about 80 percent of the students

attending Nicolet receive some form of financial aid and about \$3 million was distributed to qualified Nicolet students for the current Spring Semester.

Applications are entered into a national datab used by educational institutions to determine student eligibility and determine each individual student's

Prospective students and their parents planning to complete the FAFSA form at the event will need to bring along completed income tax returns for 2011, W-2 statements, schedules and any other 2011 income or benefit information (dependent students should bring their parents income and asset information). To find out more about the program, visit collegegoalwi.org.



Continue the Season of Giving

Although the Christmas season is over, the season of giving can last all year. Wabeno's Christian Thrift Store is in need of volunteers. If you have time (an hour, a few hours, a few days, or any amount of time), consider giving some of your time to the Christian Thrift

The thrift store has provided a needed service to Wabeno and surrounding communities for five years. Except for one manager and one assistant manager, the store relies on volunteers. During the winter months. especially, many volunteers leave the area and leave a gap that needs filling.

Volunteers can work in intake. sorting/warehouse, pricing, stocking the floor, retail (which includes display and cash register), cleaning, trash and dump runs, repair, etc. The kinds of jobs are endless. The hours are flexible. Come when you can and stay as long as you can during the Monday through Saturday 11 to 4 schedule.

If you have an interest, please stop in the store and talk to store manager Sue Kaufman or assistant manager Mary Carpenter (or phone 715-473-6509) or contact any store volunteer.

An hour, a few hours, a day, whatever you can give, Wabeno's Christian Thrift Store needs you!

When you stop in the store, take advantage of year-end sales or shop for gifts, decorations, etc., for upcoming holidays such as Valentines Day, Easter, and Mothers Day. Spring clothing will be coming to the floor after the year-end sales.

Townsend Festival Spring Meeting

It is time to start planning for the Summer. We will be meeting on the 21st of February at 7:00 p.m. at the Townsend Town Hall.

The Festival Committee maintains the beautiful ball park and the weekly baseball games and tournaments. They plan and direct the July 4th activities, which include the craft fair, the parade and the children's games before the magnificent fireworks display.

The park is funded by the committee and does not use town or tax monies. If you want to be a part of community activities and have fun while doing it, please join us. We are always looking for more volunteers with their many talents to help us.

USDA Announces Greater Flexibility & Additional Tools for Beginning Farmers

RHINELANDER, February 3, 2012 - - The Farm Service Agency (FSA) has recently announced a new rule that expands loan opportunities for beginning and socially disadvantaged farmers and ranchers, while also establishing a new Land Contract Guarantee Program. The rule provides additional flexibility allowing FSA loan officers to consider all prior farming experience, including on-the-job training and formal education, when determining eligibility for FSA's farm operating and ownership loans. It also expands a previous pilot program, the Land Contract Guarantee Program, from six states to all 50 states. This program is designed to encourage farmers and ranchers to sell their property to beginning and socially disadvantaged (SDA) farmers and ranchers through the use of seller financing.

As a national leader in providing access to capital to our next generation of farmers and ranchers. FSA unveils another option for landowners to consider when transitioning land to beginning farmers. USDA continues to find ways to improve our services for farmers and ranchers by streamlining processes, accelerating delivery, and using innovative solutions to 21st century agricultural challenges. These improvements demonstrate FSA's commitment to helping the next generation of America's farmers and ranchers participate in our nation's agricultural economy. The new flexibility also enlarges the pool of potential farmland buyers, which is important to young, beginning and socially disadvantaged farmers.

The changes in eligibility announced will increase access for farmers and ranchers to FSA loans and credit assistance. The new rule enables landowners to sell their farmland to the next generation on a contract for deed with a 90-percent guarantee against losses to the seller. Alternatively, the agency can provide a guarantee of three years' amortized loan installments, plus payment of real estate taxes and hazard insurance premiums for the same three-vear period

More information on the new Land Contract Guarantee Program and the other changes are available at local FSA offices nationwide. Information about Farm Loan Programs and FSA loan qualifications can be found at www.fsa.usda.gov. Producers in Oneida, Florence, Forest and Vilas Counties can contact Diane Jackson at 715-682-9117 or diane.iackson@wi.usda.gov.

Nicolet AARP Chapter 1191



Flip and Beth Hartman.

January meeting of the Nicolet AARP Chapter 1191 was attended by 30 members who enjoyed a pot luck dinner and a presentation by Flip and Beth Hartman on how to stay fit and healthy with exercise that can be done at home at low cost. Flip and Beth Hartman are the owner operators of Tri Fitness located in Lakewood. Several members take advantage of fitness programs at their facility. The Hartman's showed the group how to get fit with simple exercises which can be done by those with limited cost, time, or physical ability. The presentation was interesting, helpful and loaded with a good amount of levity.

As members arrived at the meeting each one was given a pin which said "The Good AARP." This is a reminder to the members to volunteer to help others and to do good deeds for others as suggested by the Good AARP Program which was recently launched.

The Spring Valentines Party this year will be at Mulligans Sports & Grill in Lakewood on February 13 starting at 4:30 PM with dinner at 5:30 PM. Members will order from the menu. Contact Joyce West at 715-276-9409 to make reservations.

At the next meeting on February 28 at 1:30 PM the speaker will be Scott Anderson from the US Forestry Service. The topic is "Bears" which is a favorite of the local AARP group.

All persons 50 and over are invited to join the local AARP Chapter. AARP meetings are social, entertaining, and informative. Contact Joyce West, Membership Chairman, at 715-276-9409. Submitted by Dick Culver, Public Relations Chairman

Motivational Speaker, Karl Randall to visit Crandon and Goodman

Karl Randall, motivational speaker from Baxter Minnesota, will be guest speaker on February 16 and 17. Mr. Randall's presentation will focus on self - worth concepts, coping with the stress and pressures of school life and the difficult choices facing young adults today.

Mr. Randall speaks from the heart, as an individual who has paid a very high price for making bad decisions. Mr. Randall lost his eyesight at the age of seventeen when he was involved in a drug related automobile accident. He spent a year in the hospital recovering from extensive plastic surgery and rehabilitation for his impairment. During the next year, at home, he became very depressed and tried suicide twice. After realizing that his life did have a purpose and direction, he went on to earn his high school diploma, (he dropped out twice) and had further education at the University of Missouri and the University of Minnesota.

Mr. Randall speaks to all age groups kindergarten through the post - secondary

in the upper Mid - West. He also speaks to parents, teachers and civic groups.

Mr. Randall has dedicated his life and the past forty years to helping the youth of today learn to cope with the pressures of life. He can relate to all age levels since he has, as he states, "been where they're at and been where some of them are heading." He " went along with the crowd" and tried to fit in and be "cool" but to what price! He still pays for his mistakes as a teen and through this he hopes to help young adults and younger children learn that it is okay to be yourself.

Mr. Randall will be presenting at the Goodman School District on Thursday, February 16 at 1 p.m. He will also be presenting at the Crandon Middle School on Friday, February 17 at 8 a.m. until noon.

Any questions you can call the Goodman School District at 715-336 2575 or

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January seed planting?



4th graders broadcasting seeds in their "rain garden" in the ditch on the north side of the school



3rd graders holding their seed packets which they prepared along with some helpful 6th graders (back row)

Why are Laona 4th graders planting seeds in the middle of January? To see if they will grow! On January 11, Mrs. Chitko's third grade class and Mrs. Bobbe's fourth grade class "stratified" the wildflower seeds that they harvested last October. They were separated, cleaned, and put into different treatments such as "cold and wet" or " warm and dry". The seeds will be planted indoors in April under greenhouse lights, and by late May young seedlings will be ready to plant in one of our three wildflower gardens on school grounds. Extra seeds were directly thrown outside on this balmy January day to see if they can make it on their o w n

This is the last year of a five-year "More Kids in the Woods" grant, which teaches children about native wildflowers and promotes wildflower gardens on school grounds. Due to the efforts of Ms. Nicole Shutt, US Forest Service, students in Laona, Crandon, and Wabeno have benefitted from this grant.







Wabeno Knights of Columbus



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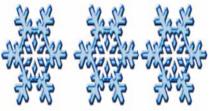
Chamber Welcomes New Members



The Forest County Chamber of Commerce is happy to announce the newest members: Heritage Hunt Club, Laona, and Connor Human Restoration, Crandon. Chamber Ambassadors recently welcomed both of these fine businesses to the growing list of members.

To find out how you can become a member of the Forest County Chamber, contact the Chamber office at (715)478-3450 to receive your membership information packet. You can also download this information from the Chamber's website www.visitforestcountv.com.







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She is shown with her Beautician (who is also her Aunt) Kristy Parsons. Kristy is employed by the Trio in Antigo.

Family fun at Riverview Ice Rink



It has been just wonderful to see so many Families at the Ice Rinks this season. Nearly every weekend there has been a large family on the Hockey Rink. That usually means Dad without skates in the net trying to keep all of the kids from scoring a goal. He says "Nice Shot", "Wide Right", "Swing and a Miss", "Better Luck Next Time". So far we have not heard "Ouch! That was my Shin".

Mom is often encouraging the first timers. Yes, they do often say "Get Up", "You're OK". Just had three more walkers donated. No, that does not mean young people have been banned from the Ice Rinks. As it turns out, a walker is better than the old ridged chair we used to hold on to when first learning how to skate. It really is fun to watch the little ones grab a walker and take off down to the

other end of the rink. Next is untangling there legs after a spill. After only a few more attempts, the art of spinning with a walker has become a new

accomplishment. It usually started as a "Whoa - gotta - hold on" but quickly becomes "Look - at - ME"

We say "You are most welcome" to the many who have said "Thank you for providing a place for Family

Fun!" We will have Ice as long as this "non winter" winter

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The Riverview Ice Rinks are supported by donations from the Adopt-a-Tree sponsors and the turkey bowlers. If you haven't heard, Northern Oconto County has a growing number of residents who will proudly say "yes i am a turkey bowler"

We still have a few more lanes available for teams for the February 25th Event! Contact Karen (920) 323-0336 for information or applications. Remember you can help little Fluffy and Bowser with our special Snoopy Dog House donation opportunity. Bring a "hockey puck size" small pet food can for the "Snoopy Shot" donation.

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Frica was nominated for her continued desire to learn new skills, her willingness to take on a challenge, and new responsibilities. Through her continued desire to learn Erica provides assistance and encouragement to other team members at Nicolet to stretch beyond their comfort zone and feel good in what they do.

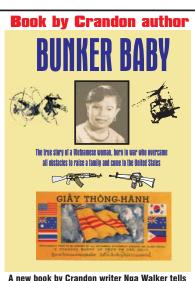
Chris was nominated for his continued dedication to self-growth through post education, family focus, team dynamics, and pursuit of his manufacturing

Erica and Chris are valued employees of Nicolet



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