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Lakewood-Townsend Ambulance
Service Brat Fry

May 27 and 28 will give you a chance to eat all the brats you can hold, but will also give you a chance to support the Lakewood-Townsend Ambulance service. There will be a brat fry at the EMS Week Open House at the Ambulance Garage. The funds are being raised to purchase new cardiac monitors. This will give you the chance to see the new monitors(which might save your life someday), get a blood pressure check and get your blood sugar checked. Stop in between 11:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m., enjoy the food and the company and get checked out at Valley View Road in Townsend.

"The Letter" World Premier
A Tribute to Our Veterans, Memorial Day
Weekend, May 25th-28, 2017



A perfect weekend to celebrate Memorial Day is by attending Wabeno Area Players production of "The Letter." It will be an evening of Big Band Music, featuring 26 songs from The Andrews Sisters, Bing Crosby and Glen Miller. Some of the songs included are: Boogie Woogie Bugle Boy, Don't Sit Under the Apple Tree, Rum and Coca Cola, Moonlight Serenade, In the Mood, Shoo Shoo Baby, Swinging On a Star, Hold Tight, Tuxedo Junction, Sing, Sing, Sing, Chattanooga Choo Choo and many more. A live 16-piece Big Band will accompany the production. You will go back in time to 1944 to a USO Tour in Italy. This is a heartfelt story of history, remembrance and tribute to our veterans. Celebrate Memorial Day with our area Veteran's at "The Letter." It is a show of remembrance for those who have serviced in our armed services. The event will take place at Firefighters Park Grounds located on Fair View Road in the Wabeno. The show will take place indoors as the facility is ideal for this Historic USO Production. If you are in active military service, you will have free admission as long as you are in uniform.

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Crandon International Raceway
Getting Set For June's 24th Forest
County Potawatomi Brush Run



With construction to update its facility now well underway, the world's largest purpose-built off-road track is getting ready to open its massive gates to welcome fans, racers and teams back to Crandon International Raceway. Located in heart of Wisconsin's scenic Northwoods, the legendary track will host the first of two major weekends on Friday, June 23 through Sunday, June 25 for the 24th annual Forest County Potawatomi Community Brush Run event.

A combination of racing, camping, music and family fun, the weekend will feature three days of TORC PRO and Sportsman competition featuring high-horsepower trucks, open-wheel buggies and the growing UTV classes.

The Forest County Potawatomi Community Brush Run race weekend will feature many of the sport's fastest off-road vehicles and star drivers that make up The Off-Road Championship (TORC) series presented by AMSOIL. Crandon's legendary high-speed dirt track will host a full schedule of intense, door-to-door action including the ultra-competitive PRO truck classes for Rounds 5 and 6 of the 2017 TORC season that begins this weekend at the Route 66 Dirt Track near Chicago.

After practice sessions that take place Friday June 23, on Saturday and Sunday the stars of TORC will take to Crandon's legendary high-speed dirt track including the ultra-competitive PRO 4WD, PRO 2WD and PRO LIGHT truck classes. Race fans will also be entertained on both days by door-to-door action in a wide variety of TORC Sportsman categories.

Off-road racing began in Crandon, Wisconsin in 1970 with the inaugural Brush Run 101 event that ran through the forests surrounding the small town. The event grew so large that in the 1980s track officials added a spring race -- renamed the Brush Run -- to augment the hugely popular fall World Championship Off-Road Races® that last year hosted 49,600 fans over the Labor Day holiday weekend.



The newly-renamed "Vision Wheel Hospitality Complex" at Crandon International Raceway is taking shape. Scheduled for debut at June's FCP Community Brush Run weekend, the new complex includes a second grandstand facility (top) as well as a brand new, expanded food kitchen and bar building (above).

The weekend's on-track action will culminate late Sunday afternoon with the 24th Annual "Forest County Potawatomi Community Chairman's Cup Heavy Metal

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Photo by Phil Resch; "A Sure Sign of Spring"

Effort to find new Agi ownership
appears over

The ownership of AGI Healthcare in Crandon appears to be at a point where closure and receivership are inevitable. Efforts over the past two weeks to secure a new owner have come to a point where negotiations are seemingly at an end. As a result of a phone call with potential new owners late Friday, Mark Ferris, Forest County Economic Development Partnership, stated, "AGI insists on a purchase amount that will not work for the buyer. There is such a difference in what is acceptable that the possibility is not going to happen at this time."

Copper Leaf Management Group owns and successfully operates several facilities; providing a variety of options for residents including assisted living, memory care, and short respite stays. Their plan for Crandon would include a significant investment in the rehabilitation of the facility and property. The plan also included identifying and training a potential local operator to eventually assume local ownership. Copper Leaf stated in their Friday call to Ferris that as the process with AGI unfolds in the months ahead, they will still have an interest in the Crandon facility. In their visit to AGI and Crandon, Copper Leaf came away impressed with the staff and community and the importance of such a facility for Crandon and the surrounding communities.

Ferris commented that Todd Greenway and the AGI staff have continually done their best to assist with information that could benefit an ownership change. "Throughout this trying process, the staff has done everything possible for the benefit of the residents, families and the community. Several community members have worked behind the scenes to try to find a solution for the AGI situation. Without naming them, we know who they are and we are appreciative of their efforts." Ferris stated he is not aware if there is some undisclosed plan for the facility that AGI ownership has not made public. "While it is apparent there is no immediate solution, we will keep working toward a solution at some point down the road."

Submitted by Mark Ferris
Executive Director, Forest County Economic Development Partnership

Samantha Stauber Schmelling
is the Laona graduation speaker

The Laona High School graduation ceremony will take place June 3 at 1 p.m. in the Laona High School Gymnasium. Speaker at the graduation ceremony will be Samantha Stauber Schmelling.

Samantha is the accounting manager at Volm Companies, a multinational packaging solutions company in Antigo. At Volm Companies, Samantha leads financial reporting, budgeting and systems process improvement efforts. A 2004 graduate of Laona High School, Samantha left Laona to pursue her bachelor's degree in accounting at Lakewood College in Sheboygan. She began her career in accounting at a prominent manufacturing company in Rhinelander, compiling, analyzing and executing monthly financial statements. While working, Samantha continued her education and obtained her Certified Public Accountant (CPA) license in 2010 and her Masters of Business Administration from UW-Oshkosh in 2012. While



Samantha Stauber
Schmelling

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Senior Chatter
When You Can't Afford a Funeral
Submitted by Kathy O'Melia
By the GWAAR Legal Services Team

It's not unusual to avoid thinking about your death or a loved one's death. The unintended result however is that you may not adequately plan for payment of your funeral, burial or cremation. When a person has not prepaid for funeral services and has not set aside enough money to cover the expenses of those services after death, there is another option in Wisconsin: the Wisconsin Funeral and Cemetery Aids Program (WFCAP).

The benefit

The benefit is actually payable to funeral/burial/cremation service providers -- not the deceased person or family member. If an eligible person died and his or her estate does not have the money necessary to pay all expenses, the service provider may be paid up to \$1,000 for cemetery/crematory expenses

and up to \$1,500 for funeral/burial expenses (for a total of \$2,500).

Eligibility requirements

The deceased person must have been eligible for one of the following benefits at the time of death:

- BadgerCare+ (some restrictions apply)
- Categorically needy EBD Medicaid (but not MAPP)

• Categorically or medically needy institutional Medicaid

• Home and Community-Based Waiver recipient (including IRIS, Family Care & COP)

- Federal and/or State SSI or SSI Medicaid
- Medicaid deductible (once the deductible has been met)

If the deceased person was eligible for one of the above benefits but not actually receiving them/enrolled at the time of death, the representative of the estate may still apply for benefits after his or her death if the program permits post-death applications.

Other things to consider

• Only funeral homes and cemeteries/crematoriums can submit WFCAP applications, and they must do so within one year of the date of death. (Families cannot apply on their own).

• In order to receive any benefit amount, the total funeral/burial costs cannot exceed \$4,500 and the total cemetery/crematory costs cannot exceed \$3,500.

• Payments are made to the service provider only, and only to an outstanding balance. This benefit will not reimburse anyone for funeral costs already paid.

• Service providers must make a reasonable effort to locate all other funding sources before submitting an application, which now includes life insurance policies where the deceased person is named as the insured.

For more information, see the WFCAP manual: www.emhandbooks.wisconsin.gov/wfcap.htm

Bus Schedule

Monday - May 22 - Alvin, Nelma, Laona and Crandon to Rhinelander - **Bus driver:** Dan Pedersen

Tuesday - May 23 - Wabeno, Laona and Crandon to Rhinelander by 9 a.m. Walmart complex and Aldi's only. No lunch. Depart Rhinelander at 11:45 a.m. - **Bus driver:** Dan Pedersen

For reservations please call the bus driver for that day.

Bob Shepherd: 715-478-2683

Dan Pedersen: 715-478-4254

TOPIC OF THE MONTH

"Staying Well"

MEAL SCHEDULE

CRANDON, WABENO, LAONA

Monday - May 22 - Chicken ala king, brown rice, tossed salad, biscuit, pumpkin pie

Monday - May 29 - No Meal - HAPPY MEMORIAL DAY

CRANDON, WABENO, LAONA, ARMSTRONG CREEK

Tuesday - May 23 - Beef stew with potatoes, carrots, onion and celery, fruit, sunflower flax bread, chocolate cake - **MUSIC: Armstrong Creek**

Tuesday - May 30 - Chicken alfredo pasta, broccoli, fruit, Italian bread, marble cake - **BINGO: Armstrong Creek**

CRANDON

Wednesday - May 24 - Turkey sandwich on whole wheat, carrot raisin salad, fruit, Oh Henry bar

Wednesday - May 31 - Beef tips over mashed potatoes, carrots, dinner roll, rice pudding - **BINGO**

LAONA, WABENO CONGREGATE

Thursday - May 25 - Kielbasa, parsley potato, sour kraut, dinner roll, ice cream - **BIRTHDAY PARTY & BINGO:**

Laona

ALVIN

Thursday - May 25 - Lasagna, salad, garlic bread, peaches, bars, birthday cake

The local number for the ADRC: 478-2162 is no longer in service. The only number for the ADRC is the 800-699-6704.

The Forest County Elderly Benefits Specialist, Kathy O'Melia, has a new local telephone number. Kathy can be reached at 715-478-3067.

Please register with Commission on Aging - 800-699-6704.

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.

Alvin site manager Florence Kostka at 715-545-4063 (home) or 715-545-3323 (site). Meal served at 4:30 p.m. on Thursday.

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

Wabeno site manager Chris Geske at 715-473-6312 (site). Meal served at 11:30 a.m. on Monday and Tuesday. Home delivered on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday.

Armstrong Creek site manager Sharon Giles at 715-674-3532 (home) or 715-336-2218 (site). Meal served at 11:30 a.m. on Tuesday.



AREA EVENTS

**Praise Chapel
Community Church**
200 East Sixth Street
Sunday Service - 10 am
Saturday Service - 6 pm
Wed. Kids Club 3:15 pm
Bible Study Wed. 6:30 pm
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Sunday Morning Worship: 10 a.m.

Sermon Topics:

May 21 - Praise, Worship and Wisdom (Exodus 18:1-27)

May 28 - A Call to Maturity and Holiness (Exodus 19:1-8)

June 4 - How to Approach God (Exodus 19:9-25)
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**MAY 27-28
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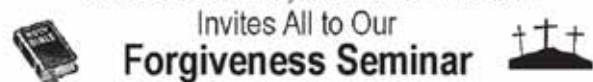
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When: Friday Evening Only * May 19, 2017
Where: Wabeno Town Hall
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Time: 7pm—9pm (Two Sessions this evening)
Fellowship between sessions and afterwards

Memorial Day services for Newald, Cavour and Laona

Paul W. Thornton, Commander of Cook-Elfors
VFW Post #6823 of Laona, has announced Memorial Day
services on Monday, May 29 for Newald at 9 a.m., Cavour
at 10 a.m. and Laona at approximately noon following a
military parade which starts at 11 a.m.

The guest speaker will be Joe Verich and the
Laona High School Band, under the direction of Steve
Benaszkeski, will participate in all events. Father Felix
Penetrante will read the invocation and the Ladies
Auxiliary will join in with the services at Laona.

Following all events, a luncheon will be held at
JARS in Laona for all VFW and Auxiliary members and their
families. All currently serving personnel, participation
veterans and their families are also invited to the luncheon,
which will be donated by Jane and Rick Albrecht.

All VFW members are to meet at JARS at 7:30
a.m.

Laona Speaker Cont. from pg. 1

pursuing her MBA, she participated in an MBA-level study
abroad program that studied the supply chain of Mercury
Marine in China and South Korea.

With a forte in financial analysis, passion for
helping others and desire for personal development,
Samantha taught cost accounting as an adjunct instructor
at Northcentral Technical College. In 2011, Samantha was
elected onto the Board of Directors for the Rhinelander
Chamber of Commerce, where she served for two years.
At the Chamber, she served as a member of the Finance
and Executive Committee and Treasurer.

Along with financial accounting, Samantha has a
passion for fostering growth of aspiring business leaders.
She has been leading business internships since starting
her career. Since 2008, she had mentored more than 25
interns.

Samantha and her husband, Matt Schmelling,
live in Rhinelander. They enjoy spending time boating,
working on home improvement projects and spending
time with family, especially their nieces and nephews.
Samantha has a love for traveling and exploring new
places. She also enjoys refinishing old furniture pieces,
thrift shopping and reading in her spare time.

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Mr. Gabe Coconate (owner of Gabe's Kitchen) has passed away. (Most items excellent) Sun. May 21 Starts 10:30 AM (View 9:30) (Lunch) (May sell in two rings) One mile East of Minocqua WI on Hwy. J to (8997) near Catholic church. Motorhome: 1999 Winnebago Ultimate Freedom diesel pusher (sug. retail \$228,000) (Only 55,000 miles) Concession Trailers: (1) 2010 like new fully equipped, popcorn, 10' hotdog wagon, st. steel prep concession station. 2003 Toy Hauler 5th wheel: 36' United Express Line fully equipped Trailers: 2008 (24) enclosed, Rugged Rd. tandem tilt bed Hobart Equipment: meat slicers, meat grinder, scales, refrigerators, band saw & more! Restaurant, Sausage, refrigeration equipment, 11 Guns, Tools, Scissors Lift: Condor (2032) Home Generator: 10k w/transfer switch, Handicap chair: Jazzy style, Mounts, Home contents, Collectables, Sporting goods & more! Terms: Cash or good check, credit cards. Sales tax charged. Not responsible for loss or accidents. Settlement made before removing items. Conditions: Sold as is, where is. Announcements made on auction day take precedence over printed material. R.W.A. Col. Rene' Brass #424, Col. Robert St. Louis #450, 6728 Whitefish Lk. Rd., Three Lakes, WI 54562. PH: 715-367-1668

To the Editor,

I always look forward to the beginning of fishing
season, not because I catch very much, but because I
enjoy being out on the water.

We usually go out on Metonga, but the life of me, I
can't figure out why the city wasn't ready for opening day.
The big dock was still on land, so we had to use the small
short dock. This wasn't quite so bad, except for the fact
that they should have put some two-by-fours along the
side and across the end of it so that you didn't get your
boat all scratched up.

I know that some people would laugh about that,
but when you have put out about fifty or sixty thousand
dollars for it, you tend to get a little mad about getting it all
scratched up.

I would not think that this would be good
advertisement for the city if they are looking to get more
tourism in the community.

Sincerely,
Bill Chaney

Nu-Roc Community Healthcare Celebrates National Nursing Home Week May 14th - 19th With Residents, Families & Staff This Year's Theme... The Spirit of America

Resident Activities

SUNDAY.....Beverages and refreshments for
Mother's Day, 9:30 – 11:00 AM

MONDAY.....Bingo W/Wabeno High School
FCCLA, 1:30 PM

TUESDAY.....Music provided by Friends From
The Big Easel, 1:30 PM

WEDNESDAY.....Catholic Church, 2:00

THURSDAY.....Old Fashioned Ice Cream Social,
2:00 PM

Friday.....Polka party with a live polka band, 1:30

All residents will be entered into a cash
drawing every day during the week.

Staff Treats

MONDAY.....Salad bar and a drawing for a case
of bacon

TUESDAY.....Pizza and a drawing for a block of
cheese and stick of salami

WEDNESDAY....Sandwiches and chips and a
drawing for a \$20 gas card and block of cheese

THURSDAY.....Broasted chicken and potato
wedges and a drawing for a pit ham

FRIDAY.....BBQ on bun and potato salad and a
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Mr. Joe Doleshal passed away. (Most items excellent) (Sun. May. 28) (Starts 10:30 AM) (View 9:30) (Lunch) 11 mile west of Watersmeet MI on Hwy. US 2 to N. Cisco Lk. Rd., North to Old US 2 West & S. Beatons Lk. Rd. (across from Roger's Bar) 2 miles to E. Beatons Lk. Rd., 1 mile to (6315) Mini Excavator: Kobelco 35 SR2 (2400 hours) Bulldozer: D2 Cat Loader: Michigan 55B (new engine/trans) Grader: Galion Mod. 503 Roller: John Deere tire compactor 1955 Oshkosh Truck: w/v-plow & wing, 220 Cummin, 22,000 miles (stored inside) 1-Ton Dump Truck: Ford F-350 Compact Tractor: Farm Trac 30 4wd w/loader + grapple (700 hours) Farmall Tractors: H (running), MD (single wheel), W-4 & (2) C 3pt. + other attachments: post hole digger (2-bits), back blade, fork extensions, cast iron roller, sickle mower, wheel weights, Farmall loader Hydraulic Log Grapple loader on wheels: Gas self contained Wallenstein 3pt. Skidding Winch: Like new Commercial Tiller: rear tine (pd.\$2300) Like new Portable Saw Mills: Wood-Mizer LT10, Chainsaw mill Firewood Wrapper: Wood Beaver bundle wrapper (pd.\$2,400) Like New Commercial Wood-splitter: Timber Wolf TW5 w/Honda 11hp Like New ATV: Kawasaki 4wd Trailers: 14' Dump trailer, Rugged Road tandem, Triton pontoon trailer, 5x10 enclosed, tri-axle flat bed, boat & more! Tools, Etc.: Husqvarna & Dol-Mar chain saws, Lincoln welder, Dewalt impact, grinder & drill, air compressor, circular saw, acetylene, cherry picker, hitches, vise, measure wheel, blow torch, tongs, nuts & bolts organizer, jacks, gas & elect water pumps, chain binders, shop lights, work station, lg. socket set, hand tools, tap & die set, drills, pneumatic tools, work mate, o-ring set, fuel tank & pump, shop heaters, oils & sprays & more! Wood stove: sm fancy cast iron Sporting, Outdoors: Alumacraft boat, push mower, yard tools, wheelbarrow, dolly, yard cart & more! Terms: Cash or good check, credit cards. Sales tax charged. Not responsible for loss or accidents. Settlement made before removing items. Conditions: Sold as is, where is. Announcements made on auction day take precedence over printed material. R.W.A. Col. Rene' Brass #424, Col. Robert St. Louis #450, 6728 Whitefish Lk. Rd., Three Lakes, WI 54562. PH: 715-367-1668

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DOUBLE TAKE

By Mark Szorady

FIND AT LEAST SIX DIFFERENCES BETWEEN CARTOONS!

ANSWERS: 1. MOUTH DIFFERENT 2. HAIR ADDED 3. FENCE DIFFERENT 4. CLOUD MOVED 5. SHIRT STRIPES DIFFERENT 6. WORD BALLOON DIFFERENT

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WORD PiLE

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COMBINE THE LETTERS TO MAKE SIX WORDS. EACH WORD CONTAINS AT LEAST FIVE LETTERS.

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ANSWERS: EATER, PETER, PRATE, REPEAT, TAPER, TRAPEZE

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COMMUNITY BILLBOARD

- **Nashville Craft & Flea Market** - Hwy 55 & B Crandon. Opening Thursday, May 25, 2017. 10 a.m.- 4 p.m. For info, call Lindy at 715-484-3152.
- **Senior Snoop Shop** check-In days are Wednesday, May 24th and Thursday, May 25th from 10:00 a.m to 2:00 p.m. The official opening day of the shop will be Friday, May 26th from 10:00 a.m. til 4:00 p.m. The shop will be open six days a week, closed on Sundays.
- **Cathedral Church of the Northwoods Arbutus\Lutheran Church**, ELCA, W6607 Church Ln., Pearson, invites any and all to worship with them Sunday mornings at 10:30 a.m. Sunday School is at 11 a.m. Communion is open to all on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month. For more information, call 715-484-5055 or 715-623-6850.
- **Forest Larger Parish Presbyterian Church** – Sunday Worship: Lakewood – 8:00 (15552 Hwy. 32), Wabeno – 10:00 (4347 North Branch St.), Laona – 11:30 (5265 Linden St.). Call 715-473-3603 for more information.
- **St. John's Lutheran Church (LCMS)** - Worship at 9 a.m. Sunday and 6 p.m. Monday. Wednesday - children's after school. Located at N9834 Hwy. 55 in Pickerel. Call 715-484-3382 for more information.
- **Good Shepherd Lutheran Church** - Hwy 55N, Crandon. Sunday service 9:30 a.m. with Communion on 1st & 3rd Sunday. No Saturday services.
- **St John Lutheran Church** - 5502 Beech Street, Laona, Sunday Service at 8:00 a.m. Bible School Mondays at 3:30 p.m.
- **Trinity Evengelial Church (WELS)** - 1741 Forest Avenue, Wabeno. Sunday morning service at 9:30 a.m.; Youth Bible Study at 3:30 p.m. on Wednesday.
- **Bethel Baptist Church** - 1761 East Ave., Wabeno. Worship service Sunday at 9 a.m. Bible study Wed. at 2 p.m.
- **Lakeland Baptist Church** - Sunday Service at 10 a.m, Sunday School 9 a.m. Sunday night at 5 p.m. Prayer meeting Wednesday 6 p.m.
- **St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church (WELS)** - 501 N. Park Avenue, Crandon. Sunday worship service at 9 a.m.; Youth Bible School (grades pre k - 8) on Wednesday at 3:45 - 5 p.m. 715-478-5620.
- **Overeaters Anonymous meeting** - Thursday at 4:30 p.m. in the basement of the Crandon Library. Contact Debra at 715-784-0031 for more information.
- **Stitch'n Sisters Needlework Group** - We invite anyone interested in needle arts to join us Tuesdays from 9 a.m. – noon in the Associated Bank Community Room, located at 210 S. Lake Ave., Crandon.
- **Elcho Area Community Food Pantry** moved into a new location at 11224 Antigo St, Elcho, WI 54428. It will be open each week: Mon. 11 a.m. – 1 p.m.; Wed. 4 – 6 p.m. and Thur. 11 a.m. – 1 p.m. If any further information is needed please contact David A. Schindler at (715) 610-5886.
- **Forest County Humane Society** - Open to public Monday - Friday, 7 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. and Saturday from 7 a.m. to 1 p.m. Call for more info. 715-478-2098.
- **Forest County Humane Society Meeting** - Every fourth Tuesday at 5:30 p.m. in the lower level of the Crandon Public Library. The public is always welcome.
- **Crandon Lions Board Meetings** - 1st Monday of the month at Ducks Bar at 6 p.m.
- **Pickerel area 50 Plus** will meet at St John's Church on Thursday, May 11th at 12 noon. Our guest speaker is from the Health Aging Admin. Bring friends and a dish to pass.
- **Crandon Lions Membership Meeting** - 3rd Monday of month. Social hour 5:30 p.m., dinner at 6:30 p.m. & meeting at 7 p.m. February - May meetings held at Ducks.
- **Nashville Town Board Meeting** Wednesday, May 17th at 7 p.m. 1038 County Rd. Q, Pickerel.
- **Bridge Community Dental Health Clinic** - This project serves people of all ages in Forest County for People 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.
- **Christian Motorcyclist Association** - Spirit Ryders Chapter of Langlade & Forest Co. invites you to attend our meetings on the last Saturday of each month. Call George 715-350-1679.
- **Town of Lincoln Board Meetings** - 2nd Monday of each month, 6 p.m., Town of Lincoln Hall.
- **Nashville Craft & Flea Market** - Will open for the season at the Nashville Town Hall May 25, 2017. Interested vendors or for more information, call Lindy at 715-484-3152.
- **Tops** - will meet at Wabeno Town Hall on Mondays. Weigh in at 7:35 a.m. with meeting following at 7:45 a.m. For more info call 715-473-2613.
- **Crandon PTO** - 1st Monday of month, 6-7 p.m., Crandon Elementary School Cafeteria.
- **Support Group for Parent of Children with Disabilities** - Call Chris at 715-784-0058.
- **Survivors of Suicide Support Group** - Support group for those who have lost a loved one to suicide will gather the third Saturday of each month from 10 a.m. until noon at the Curran Building located at 315 South Oneida Avenue in Rhinelander. For info call Sue at 715-275-5399.
- **Crandon Public Library Board Monthly** meeting. 6 p.m. Lower Level. 715.478.3784. www.crandonpl.org.
- **Wellbriety 12 Step Meeting (AA/NA)** - Mondays at 6 p.m. - ? lower level of FCP Museum, Mish•Ko•Swin Lane, Crandon. Call Brooks Boyd for more information at 715-889-4902.
- **AA Meetings** - Back Door Group - Open meetings Monday & Thurs. nights at 7 p.m., Lakewood Lakes Country Library. Call Mary at 715-276-2318 or Bill at 715-882-3512.
- **AA Meeting** - Saturdays, 9 a.m., Wabeno Fire Station, side entrance.
- **AA Meeting** - Antigo Hospital, Saturdays at 7:00 p.m.
- **AA Meeting** - White Lake, Sundays at 10 a.m. at the White Lake Fire House. Mike at 715-882-8901 or Bill at 715-882-3512.
- **AA Meeting** - Every Tuesday at 7 p.m. at Carter Springs. Contact Peggy at 715-889-3116 for more information.

Bids & Notices

Invitation for Quotes
WABENO AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

The School District of Wabeno Area is receiving quotes to blacktop three separate areas: Elementary playground, fuel pump area, and a section of the High School parking lot. Please contact Laurie Pries, Maintenance/Custodial Supervisor, at 715-473-2592 ext. 5138 to set up an appointment for a walk through of these areas. Quotes must confirm, in detail, the products that will be used and the work that will be performed. Quotes must be inclusive of all costs and all work must be completed by August 28, 2017. All quotes must be received in the District Office, located at 4346 Mill Lane, Wabeno, by 4:00 pm, on June 2nd, 2017 either in person or by mail to: Jennifer Vogler, District Administrator, PO Box 460, Wabeno, WI 54566. Please mark the outside of the envelope “Blacktop Quote.”

The School Board reserves the right to reject any and all quotes.

Notice-Town of Laona

Town of Laona property owners please make sure you bring your garbage/recycling cans up from the road within 12hrs of pick up. This is pursuant of town ordinance 13.02(5.3)

Laona Town Board

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CLEAN-UP DAYS
Town of Wabeno
May 20th and 21st

Saturday: 8am – 4 pm

Sunday: 10am – 4 pm

- Garbage in bags must be paid for as normal
 - Tires will be \$3.00 per auto tire.
- NO EXCEPTIONS!**
- Freon products \$10.00
 - T.V's any size \$10.00
 - Computer monitors \$5.00

Town of Wabeno Residents Only.

Public Library Hours

Lakes Country Public Library - Lakewood - Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.; Wednesday 9 a.m. - 8 p.m.; Saturday 9 a.m. - 2 p.m. Story Time: Wednesdays at 10 a.m. • 715-276-9020.

Wabeno Public Library - Tues & Fri. 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.; Wed. & Thurs. Noon - 5; Sat. 9 - Noon. Closed MONDAYS & SUNDAYS. Wifi signal: 8 a.m.-9 p.m., 7 days/week. 715-473-4131

Crandon Public Library - Monday, Tuesday & Friday 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.; Wednesday 9:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.; Thursday 9:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.; Saturday 9:00 a.m. - Noon • 715-478-3784.

Laona Edith Evans Community Library - HOURS: Monday: noon to 5 p.m., Tuesday thru Thursday: 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., Friday: 8 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Closed Saturday & Sunday • 715-674-4751

Museum Hours

Forest County Museum- Located at 105 W. Jackson in Crandon.

Forest County Potawatomi Cultural Center & Museum - Monday -Thursday 7 a.m. - 5 p.m. If you have special research needs or want to inquire about collection, please call 715-478-4841.

Wabeno Museum - Open everyday from Memorial Day weekend through Labor Day weekend, 10:30 a.m. to 4:30

School District of Crandon - Summer Food Service Program

Stressing the importance of offering nutritious meals to children during the summer months, the School district of Crandon announces the sponsorship of the Summer Food Service Program.

The Summer Food Service Program (SFSP), which is funded by the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) and is administered by the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction, provides nutritious meals to children during the summer, when free and reduced-price school meals are typically unavailable. Free meals will be made available to children 18 years of age and under. Persons over 18 years of age who are determined by a state or local public educational agency to be mentally or physically disabled and who also participate in a public or private non-profit school program during the regular school year may receive free meals as well.

Crandon Elementary School cafeteria will be serving the free meals this summer at the School District of Crandon location, 9750 US Highway 8 W, Crandon, WI. Breakfast and lunch will be served from June 12th through July 24th, Monday thru Friday, excluding weekends. Breakfast is served from 7:30 a.m. -8:30 a.m. and lunch is served from 10:45 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Meals are provided to eligible children regardless of race, color, national origin, age, gender or disability and there will be no discrimination in the course of meal service.

“This program fills a void created when school lunches are not available,” said Dr. Kryder.. “Helping parents meet the nutritional needs of their children is the strength of this program.”

The U.S Department of Agriculture prohibits discrimination against its customers, employees, and applicants for employment on the bases of race, color, national origin, age, disability, sex, gender identity, religion, reprisal, and where applicable, political beliefs, marital status, familial or parental status, sexual orientation, or all or part of an individual's income is derived from any public assistance program, or protected genetic information in employment or in any program or activity conducted or funded by the Department. (Not all prohibited bases will apply to all programs and/or employment activities.) If you wish to file a Civil Rights program complaint of discrimination, complete the USDA Program Discrimination Complaint Form, found online at http://www.ascr.usda.gov/complaint_filing_cust.html, or at any USDA office, or call (866) 632-9992 to request the form. You may also write a letter containing all of the information requested in the form. Send your completed complaint form or letter to us by mail at U.S. Department of Agriculture, Director, Office of Adjudication, 1400 Independence Avenue, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20250-9410, by fax (202) 690-7442 or email at program.intake@usda.gov. Individuals who are deaf, hard of hearing or have speech disabilities may contact USDA through the Federal Relay Service at (800) 877-8339; or (800) 845-6136 (Spanish). USDA is an equal opportunity provider and employer.

Wabeno School
Breakfast Menu
May 22-26

- Monday** - Pancake on a stick, fruit cup, fruit juice, milk
- Tuesday** - Waffle, strawberries, fruit juice, milk
- Wednesday** - Breakfast pizza, peaches, fruit juice, milk
- Thursday** - French toast sticks, sausage patty, fruit juice, milk
- Friday** - Cinnamon roll, assorted fresh fruit, fruit juice, milk

Wabeno School
Lunch Menu
May 22-26

- Monday** - Cheeseburger, curly fries, baked beans, watermelon, garden bar, milk
- Tuesday** - Chicken nuggets, mashed potatoes, gravy, corn, garden salad, milk
- Wednesday** - Hot dog, tator tots, assorted fresh fruit, garden salad, milk
- Thursday** - Spaghetti, meat sauce, garlic bread, assorted fresh fruit, garden salad, milk
- Friday** - Crispito, nachos w/ cheese, Mexican corn, kiwi, ice cream sandwich, garden salad, milk

Bids & Notices

School District of Wabeno Area
Regular School Board Meeting
Wednesday, May 3, 2017

The meeting was called to order at 3:20 P.M. by School Board President Mike Rocolé.
Board members present: Mike Rocolé, Janet Opiela, Dawn Jakubiec, Ann Barfknecht, Joan Sackett Jim Smith and Lori Mattern. Administrative staff present: Jennifer Vogler, District Administrator; Allison Space, Elementary Principal; and Bill Taylor, Jr/Sr High Principal.
Others Present: Caroline Coughlin-Lampeurer, Laurie Pries, Dan Exferd, Olivia Kralovetz, Amy Wysocki, Kim Voelker, Rachel Sippel, Melissa Sparks, Sara Collins, Mary Ellen Keller, Sherry Christianson, Kristie Gill, John Twardowski, Elizabeth Couillard, Ashley Baugnet, Laurie Christianson, Laura Klescewski, Teresa Romprey, Terri Brauer, Diane Ashbeck, Joanne Sisler Pledge of Allegiance.
A motion was made by Janet Opiela seconded by Ann Barfknecht to approve the agenda as amended to add letters P through T in the action items. The motion carried.
There was a motion by Janet Opiela seconded by Dawn Jakubiec to go into Closed Session under Wisconsin State Statute 19.85 (1) (c) to discuss employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility:
a. Teacher wages and contracts for 2017-2018 and CPI increase
b. Support staff wages and contracts for 2017-2018 and CPI increase
c. Maintenance supervisor, transportation supervisor, food service supervisor, computer technician, district bookkeeper, and administrative assistant wages and contracts for 2017-2018
d. Elementary principal, JR/HS principal, Director of Special Education, and district administrator wages and contracts for 2017-2018

A roll call vote was taken as follows: Janet Opiela, yes; Mike Rocolé, yes; Dawn Jakubiec, yes; Ann Barfknecht, yes; Joan Sackett, yes; Jim Smith, yes; and Lori Mattern, yes. The motion carried 7 to 0.
There was a motion by Joan Sackett seconded by Ann Barfknecht to Come out of Executive Session.
A roll call vote was taken as follows: Janet Opiela, yes; Mike Rocolé, yes; Dawn Jakubiec, yes; Ann Barfknecht, yes; Joan Sackett, yes; Jim Smith, yes; and Lori Mattern, yes. The motion carried 7 to 0.

The board returned to open session and took action on the following items:
Information was shared regarding the Herb Kohl Award received by Mary Ellen Keller.
Mary Ellen Keller thanked her colleagues and Administration for their support and shared her thoughts with regard to winning the award and what it means to her and to the district.
The very prestigious School of Recognition plaque was presented to Allison Space by Laurie Christianson. Wabeno Area Elementary was among the 178 schools to receive this recognition. Wabeno Area Elementary was also one of four schools to receive the “Beating the Odds” award for “graduating” from the focus school status. Allison Space thanked her staff for their outstanding work and dedication. Words of thanks were shared from Sara Swearingen. Laurie Christianson thanked the Board, Administration, her colleagues, Kim Odekirk and Allison Space for the support that made this award possible.
Caroline Coughlin-Lampeurer shared her thoughts on the progress made throughout the elementary due to personalized learning and the great staff at Wabeno Area Elementary.
Mary Ellen shared the following dates for Band and Choir: Band Concert 5/8, 7 pm; Choir Concert 5/16, 7 pm; Large Group Festival 5/11 at Three Lakes.
There was a motion by Ann Barfknecht seconded by Janet Opiela to approve the minutes of the April 5, 2017 Regular School Board Meeting. The motion carried.
There was a motion by Janet Opiela seconded by Ann Barfknecht to approve the payment of vouchers by general checks 76899 to 77023 for \$247,738.98 and payroll checks 900032533 to 900032745 for \$175,396.21, and a state tax, federal tax and employee trust fund electronic transfer for \$120,605.79. The motion carried.
The following financial statement was presented to the board:

Cash Balance – April 5, 2017	94,457.84
(Cash – 21,295.27/Scholarship Fund – 50,624.69/Cap. Improvement Fund – 22,537.88)	
Checks	247,738.98
Payroll	175,396.21
Elec. Trans. State Tax Fed Tax/Employee Trust Fund	120,605.79
Interest applied to CD's/Money Market	2,677.49
Receipts	312,282.42
Transfer from Money Market to Checking	400,000.00
Voided Check 75453 & 76503	65.29
Cash Balance – May 3, 2017	260,387.08
(Cash – 144,220.96/Scholarship Fund – 93,620.58/Cap. Improvement Fund – 22,545.54)	
INVESTMENTS:	
Laona State Bank \$607,456.63 – Interest Rate 1.00% - Due 01/15/18	
Laona State Bank \$323,702.89 – Interest Rate 0.85% - Due 10/14/17	
Laona State Bank \$347,735.81 – Interest Rate 0.90% - Due 07/11/17	
Laona State Bank \$3,456,622.29 – Interest Rate 0.50% - Money Market	

Jennifer Vogler, District Administrator, reported on the following:

1. We had a special recognition for our school district during public comments.

• Mary Ellen Keller received the Herb Kohl Award.

• The School of Recognition Award that our elementary school received for “Beating the Odds” was presented.
Congratulations on these accomplishments! These two items recognize the success the faculty members have had in educating our students. Thank you for your dedication to our students and helping them achieve greatness in our school district!

Allison Space, Elementary Principal, reported on the following:
1. All Forward Exam assessments for grades 3-6 are complete.
2. End of year Field Day Celebration is scheduled for May 23.
3. Summer School offerings and information went home on May 3.
4. Grandparents Day is May 12.
5. Thank you to 6th grade staff and leadership group for events in the building.
6. Special thanks to Wabeno Lions, McCaslin Lions and Lioness for the monetary donation toward a free book for every child at Wabeno Area Elementary!
7. Thank you to area businesses for helping our students learn through tours and hands on experience.
8. Thank you to Officer Tanner from Forest County Sheriff’s Department for a successful DARE year!
9. Upcoming Events for Wabeno Elementary:
• May 9 – DARE Graduation 1:00 pm
• May 10 – Community Pow Wow 12:30 pm
• May 12th: Grandparents Day
• May 19th: 4th-6th Grade Dance
• May 23: Field Day and School Carnival

Bill Taylor, Jr./Sr High School Principal, reported the following:
1. Thank you to the Carter Casino for hosting our junior prom and providing a secure place for our students and families.
2. ACT Aspire testing is underway.
3. Senior Banquet sponsored by our Lion’s club is May 10th.
4. Senior Night is June 1st.
5. Thank you to everyone who helped out to make the strides walk a success. Thank you to the Loduha family for the information on diabetes presented to our staff and 7-12 students.
6. Brighter Future conference update.
7. Large group performance in Three Lakes May 11th.
8. Band Concert May 8th at 7pm. Choir concert May 16th at 7pm.
Janet Opiela shared a review of the student field trip to fire and rescue with the board.
Jim Smith shared that the Town of Wabeno may have an interest in purchasing the downtown softball field and asked that an action item be placed on the June agenda.
Mike Rocolé thanked Janet Opiela for her many years of service as School Board President.
Student Insurance for the 2017-2018 school year was discussed. There was a motion by Janet Opiela seconded by Dawn Jakubiec to contract with Student Assurances Services for student insurance for the 2017-2018 school year. The motion carried.

The Jr/Sr High School schedule was discussed.
Office technology upgrades were discussed. There was a motion by Ann Barfknecht seconded by Lori Mattern to accept a quote from SHI for \$15,584 to upgrade office technology. The motion carried.
Upgrading the district network server was discussed. There was a motion by Janet Opiela seconded by Dawn Jakubiec to accept a quote from SHI for \$5,039.50 to upgrade the district network server. The motion carried.
The Title VII application was discussed. There was a motion by Janet Opiela seconded by Joan Sackett to approve Deb Kruger to file the Title VII application. The motion carried.
Open Enrollment applications for the 2017-2018 school year were discussed. There was a motion by Dawn Jakubiec seconded by Jim Smith to approve six new Open Enrollment in students and 13 new Open Enrollment out students for the 2017-2018 school year. The motion carried.
Erate applications for internet service provider for the 2017-2018 school year were discussed. There was a motion by Janet Opiela seconded by Ann Barfknecht to approve WiscNet and AT&T to provide internet service for the 2017-2018 school year. The motion carried.
The WIAA Cooperative Team Track application for 2017-2018 and 2018-2019 was discussed. There was a motion by Joan Sackett seconded by Ann Barfknecht to approve the WIAA Cooperative Team Track application for 2017-2018 and 2018-2019. The motion carried.
A resignation letter from the Athletic Director was discussed. There was a motion by Joan Sackett seconded by Janet Opiela to accept the resignation letter from Athletic Director Terri Palubicki. The motion carried. The Board and Administration thanks Terri for her service as an Athletic Director and wishes her luck in her new position.
Selling a 2000 Blue Bird bus was discussed. There was a motion by Janet Opiela seconded by Joan Sackett to approve selling the 2000 Blue Bird bus to the highest bidder, but not less than \$900. The motion carried.

Quotes for asphalt seal/fill/repair/restriping were discussed. There was a motion by Joan Sackett seconded by Janet Opiela to accept a quote from Asphalt Seal and Repair for \$2935 to seal and restripe the HS student parking lot. The motion carried.
No action was taken on the discussion regarding performance based pay for teachers.
A retirement letter from the Library Media Specialist was discussed. There was a motion by Janet Opiela seconded by Joan Sackett to accept a letter of retirement from Carol Bartlein. The motion carried. The Board and Administration thanks Carol for her four years of service to the district.
There was a motion by Janet Opiela seconded by Joan Sackett to go into Closed Session under Wisconsin State Statute 19.85 (1) (c) to discuss employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility:
a. Teacher wages and contracts for 2017-2018 and CPI increase
b. Support staff wages and contracts for 2017-2018 and CPI increase
c. Maintenance supervisor, transportation supervisor, food service supervisor, computer technician, district bookkeeper, and administrative assistant wages and contracts for 2017-2018
d. Elementary principal, JR/HS principal, Director of Special Education, and district administrator wages and contracts for 2017-2018

A roll call vote was taken as follows: Janet Opiela, yes; Mike Rocolé, yes; Dawn Jakubiec, yes; Ann Barfknecht, ABSENT; Joan Sackett, yes; Jim Smith, yes; and Lori Mattern, yes. The motion carried 6 to 0.
There was a motion by Joan Sackett seconded by Janet Opiela to Come out of Executive Session.
A roll call vote was taken as follows: Janet Opiela, yes; Mike Rocolé, yes; Dawn Jakubiec, yes; Ann Barfknecht, ABSENT; Joan Sackett, yes; Jim Smith, yes; and Lori Mattern, yes. The motion carried 6 to 0.
The board returned to open session and took action on the following items:
Wages and contracts for teaching staff for the 2017-2018 school year were discussed. There was a motion by Joan Sackett seconded by Jim Smith to approve a 2% increase to be divided equally between teaching staff for the 2017-2018 school year. The motion carried 5 to 0. Mike Rocolé abstained from this vote.

Wages and contracts for support staff for the 2017-2018 school year were discussed. There was a motion by Joan Sackett seconded by Janet Opiela to approve a 2% increase for support staff for the 2017-2018 school year. The motion carried 6 to 0.
Wages and contracts for maintenance supervisor, transportation supervisor, food service supervisor, computer technician, district bookkeeper, and administrative assistant for the 2017-2018 school year were discussed. There was a motion by Joan Sackett seconded by Dawn Jakubiec to approve a 2% increase for maintenance supervisor, transportation supervisor, computer technician, district bookkeeper, and administrative assistant for the 2017-2018 school year. The motion carried 5 to 0. Lori Mattern abstained from this vote.
No action was taken on wages and contracts for the elementary principal, Jr/Sr high principal, Director of Special Education, and district administrator for the 2017-2018 school year.
Health insurance for the 2017-2018 school year was discussed. There was a motion by Dawn Jakubiec seconded by Joan Sackett to approve health insurance as proposed by WEA Trust. The motion carried 5 to 0.
Dental insurance for the 2017-2018 school year was discussed. There was a motion by Janet Opiela seconded by Joan Sackett to approve Delta Dental to provide dental insurance as proposed for the 2017-2018 school year. The motion carried 5 to 0.
LTD insurance for the 2017-2018 school year was discussed. There was a motion by Janet Opiela seconded by Dawn Jakubiec to approve Standard Insurance to provide LTD insurance for the 2017-2018 school year. The motion carried.
There was a motion by Dawn Jakubiec seconded by Lori Mattern to adjourn at 7:10 P.M. The motion carried.

(Signed) Lenora Mattern, Deputy District Clerk

GRADUATION IS FAST APPROCHING!



Bids & Notices

School District of Wabeno Area Organizational Meeting Minutes Wednesday, May 3, 2017 - 3:00 P.M. Library - Wabeno Jr/Sr High School

The meeting was called to order at 3:00 P.M. by the School Board President Janet Opiela.

Janet Opiela, School Board President, conducted a roll call of school board members. Board members present: Janet Opiela, Mike Rocole, Dawn Jakubiec, Ann Barfknecht, Joan Sackett, Jim Smith, and Lori Mattern. Administrative staff present: Jennifer Vogler, District Administrator; Allison Space, Elementary Principal; William Taylor, Jr/Sr High School Principal.

A discussion was held concerning the election of board officers: There was a motion by Joan Sackett seconded by Dawn Jakubiec to elect Janet Opiela as President. There was a motion by Ann Barfknecht seconded by Jim Smith to elect Mike Rocole as President. Board members cast paper ballots electing Mike Rocole as Board President. The motion carried 4 to 3.

There was a motion by Dawn Jakubiec seconded by Joan Sackett to elect Janet Opiela as Vice President. The motion carried.

There was a motion by Joan Sackett seconded by Dawn Jakubiec to elect Ann Barfknecht as Clerk. The motion carried.

There was a motion by Joan Sackett seconded by Mike Rocole to elect Dawn Jakubiec as Treasurer. The motion carried.

There was a motion by Mike Rocole seconded by Joan Sackett to elect Lori Mattern as Deputy Clerk. The motion carried.

No action was taken on the designation of official depositories for district funds.

There was a motion by Joan Sackett seconded by Mike Rocole to designate the Laona State Bank for the district's checking account. The motion carried.

There was a motion by Ann Barfknecht seconded by Dawn Jakubiec to designate the Lakes/Forest Beacon and Pioneer Express as the official newspapers for school board publication. The motion carried.

There was a motion by Mike Rocole seconded by Lori Mattern to approve affiliation with the Wisconsin Interscholastic Athletic Association (WIAA) for 2017-2018. The motion carried.

There was a motion by Ann Barfknecht seconded by Mike Rocole to approve affiliation with the Wisconsin Association of School Boards (WASB). The motion carried.

There was a motion by Mike Rocole seconded by Janet Opiela to designate Ann Barfknecht as the District's WASB representative and there was a motion by Janet Opiela seconded by Ann Barfknecht to designate Dawn Jakubiec as the alternate. The motions carried.

There was a motion by Janet Opiela seconded by Ann Barfknecht to set regular board meetings for the 1st (first) Wednesday of each month at 6:30 P.M. and on the 1st (first) Wednesday of each month at 7:00 P.M. during the Lenten season. The motion carried.

There was a motion by Dawn Jakubiec seconded by Joan Sackett to designate Mike Rocole as the District's CESA representative. The motion carried. No alternate representative was designated.

There was a motion by Dawn Jakubiec seconded by Mike Rocole to adjourn at 3:15 P.M. The motion carried.

(Signed) Ann Barfknecht, District Clerk

USDA offers homeownership opportunities

U.S. Department of Agriculture Rural Development Acting State Director Dave Schwobe announced today that funding is available for Wisconsin residents to purchase a home without a downpayment through Rural Development's Direct Loan Program.

"Home ownership should be an achievable dream," Schwobe said. "In many cases, USDA Rural Development's Direct Loan Program provides the only way for rural residents to buy a home."

Financing is available to households that are below 80 percent of the median household income for the county. The income limit for most counties in Wisconsin for a one person household is \$34,150 and a six person household may earn up to \$56,600 and be eligible. Higher income limits may be applicable in some counties. These loans are made directly through USDA Rural Development's Area Offices. The current interest rate is 3.25 percent but if you qualify for a subsidized rate, your interest rate could be as low as one percent. Monthly principal and interest payments on a \$100,000 loan would be \$413 plus taxes and insurance. If the household qualifies for a subsidized rate, the principal and interest payment could be further reduced to \$297 per month.

Eligibility is based on income, acceptable credit and repayment ability. Properties financed must be modest and located in a rural area. Portions of all counties in Wisconsin are eligible for Rural Development's housing programs with the exception of Milwaukee County.

SCHOOL DISTRICT OF CRANDON CHILD FIND & CHILD SCREENING 2017



The SCHOOL DISTRICT OF CRANDON will be offering speech and language and general developmental screenings for all children **ages 3-5 years old** who reside within the School District of Crandon. It will be held in the **Elementary School, Room 13** on **June 7th, 8th, and 9th from 7am-5pm each day.**

The goal of this developmental screening is to determine whether children are performing skills appropriate for their age level.

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For more information on USDA Rural Development's Direct Loan Program and to verify if your income and property qualify, please call USDA Rural Development at 715-345-7611 or visit our website at www.rd.usda.gov/wi.



QUARTERLY MEETING Pine Lake Protection and Rehabilitation District

WHEN: Saturday May 27 2012

TIME: 9:00 A.M.

WHERE: Hiles Town Hall, Hiles, Wisconsin

AGENDA

**** 9:00 A.M. Call to Order**

**** Approval of minutes from last Quarterly Meeting**

**** Accept—**

**** Second--**

**** Treasurer's report**

**** Accept—**

**** Second--**

**** Old Business**

**** Lake management plan**

**** Plant Harvesting**

**** Committee for upcoming elections**

**** Upcoming budget expenses**

**** Any Other business to come before the**

Commission

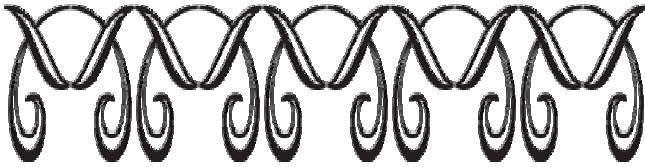
**** Adjourn**

Annual Board of Directors and Membership Meeting for Grow North Regional Economic Development Corporation will be held in Three Lakes

The Grow North Regional Economic Development Corporation will be holding its annual Board of Directors and Membership meeting at the Three Lakes Center For The Arts, 1760 Superior Street in Three Lakes, Wisconsin, on Monday, May 22th from 10 AM until 12 PM. Current and prospective members, legislators, and interested community members are encouraged to attend this meeting to learn about the various economic development strategies the organization is currently involved with. The meeting will include the first annual Grow North Legislative Update, sponsored by AT&T; representatives from the offices of Senator Tiffany, Representative Felzkowski, Representative Mursau, and Representative Swearingen will make up the legislative panel. Panel discussions will focus on the region's priorities for economic development, workforce development, Fab Labs, wood products, and policy issues that will impact these initiatives at both state and federal levels.

This event is sponsored by AT&T, a Cornerstone Partner of Grow North. Other Cornerstone Partners include CoVantage Credit Union, Ministry Health Care, Nicolet College, Northeast Wisconsin Technical College, RDC National, Inc., Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation, and Wisconsin Public Service.

Grow North Economic Development Corporation focuses on creating economic development opportunities to improve the vitality of Oneida, Vilas, Forest, Lincoln, Langlade, Oconto, Florence, and Marinette counties. If you would like to attend the annual meeting to learn more about what Grow North is doing to improve your community, please RSVP by contacting Collette Sorgel, Grow North President, at grownorthed@gmail.com.



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Tools, stands, water tube, windows,
household, shoes shoes shoes, lamps,
garden tools, dresser (old).

G A R A G E S A L E :
CRANDON - 200 S. Central.
May 26-28, 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.
Adult clothes, baby items,
furniture, cabinets,
chandelier lights, crib
bench, many leather and
s u e d e c l o t h e s ,
scrapbooking items and so
much more. P7

GARAGE SALE: CRANDON
- 9842 Rocky Siding Lane, 2
miles south on Hwy. 55.
Friday and Saturday, May 26-
27. Moving - Everything must
go! Antiques: wood rocker,
pedestal round table, Amish-
made double bed, love seat,
chairs, mattress, lamps, light
fixtures, ceiling fans, lawn
furniture, mini-fridge, tools,
kayak, books, dolls, foosball
game/table, DVDs, tapes,
computer and monitor, Canon
digital camera, glassware & other
household. P7

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GARAGE SALE:**
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residence. From Crandon:
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S, left on Old 8 Rd. From
Rhineland: Hwy 8 E, left
on White Eye Lake Rd.,
Right on Old 8. Follow the
signs. May 25, 3 p.m. - 6
p.m.; May 26 and 27, 8
a.m.- 6 p.m. Home decor,
kitchen stuff and
glassware, books (kids,
adult and craft), young
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P7

G A R A G E S A L E :
CRANDON - 9995 Lemke
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Saturday and Sunday, May
27 and 28, 9 a.m.-4 p.m.
Tools, children's clothes,
toys, deer stand, ice
shanty, golf clubs,
children's books, stroller,
misc. clothes, household
items and much more. P7

FIVE FAMILY SALE:
CRANDON - 4580
Sportsman Lane, Lake
Metonga. Friday and
Saturday, May 26 and 27,
8:30 a.m. - 4 p.m. Twin bed
frame, bedspreads, wood
garbage bins, home
accessories, plants,
clothes and much more. P7

ELCHO

HUGE Rummage Sale

Thursday-Sunday, May 18-21
9 a.m.-5 p.m.

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Upper Post Lake off Pratt Rd.

Boat motors, tools, TV, pool table, riding
lawn mower, Packer jackets & phone,
hunting clothes, refrigerator & freezer,
etc. Too many items to list

GARAGE SALE: ELCHO -

Half mile north of Elcho on
the corner of Sunset Rd &
Hwy. 45. Friday, May 26
and Saturday, May 27, 8
a.m. - 4 p.m. P6

LAONA

R U M M A G E S A L E :
LAONA - 4501 Airport
Lane. May 26-27, 8 a.m. - 4
p.m. Household, furniture,
men's, women's and girls'
infant to toddler clothing.
P7

LAKEWOOD

HUGE GARAGE SALE:
LAKEWOOD - 15917
Archibald Lake Rd. May 26
and 27, 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.
Sporting, bows, bamboo
rods, ultra-lite canoe, old
motors, ice drill, game
mounts, antlers, antiques,
all size clothes, ATV, UTV,
lots of misc. P7

GARAGE/MOVING SALE:
LAKEWOOD - 17289
Pinkowsky Lane off East
Chain Lake Rd. Saturday,
May 27 only, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Tools, household, boat and
motor. P7

M U L T I - F A M I L Y
R U M M A G E : L A K E W O O D
- 17361 Lake John Rd (Cty
F to Lake John Rd). Friday
& Saturday, May 26-27, 9
a.m.-2 p.m. Wool & cotton
fabric, yarn, jewelry-
making supplies,
handmade felted knit
purses, medical scrubs
(size M), boys' clothes size
5-6, lawn trimmers,
FoodSaver, computer
desk, NEW Usborne
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F A B R I C S A L E :
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John Rd (Cty F to Lake
John Rd). Friday &
Saturday, May 26-27, 9
a.m.-2 p.m. NEW wool &
cotton fabric, lots of yarn,
quilt patterns, and craft
books. P7

MOUNTAIN

HUGE GARAGE SALE:
MOUNTAIN - 15614 Maiden
Lake Rd. Friday and
Saturday, May 26-27, 9 a.m.-2
p.m. Chris Craft boat, 12'
boat, motors, generators,
Salamander pumps, tools,
garden decor, etc. B6

ARGONNE

TWO PARTY RUMMAGE

SALE: ARGONNE - 8524
Zimmer Lane. Friday, May
26, 4:30 - 7 p.m.; Saturday,
May 27, 8 a.m. - 4 p.m. Lots
of clothes (kids to adult
sizes), Red Avon glass,
perennials, camping tents,
toys, Bradford bird plates,
4 ft. Jewelry armoire,
Halloween decor and
much more. Rain or shine!
P7

HUGE RUMMAGE SALE:

ARGONNE - 8501 Cty Rd.
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families. Friday & Saturday,
May 26 & 27, 8 a.m. - 6 p.m.
24' round dough boy pool
with LP heater (needs
liner), 2 outboard motors,
boats & trailers, old malt
mixer, car hop trays, A&W
items, cash register,
generator, power saws, old
saws, hunting tree stands,
fishing items, books,
records, lanterns, wood
rocker, bikes, toys, stained
glass windows, name
brand Jr. & girls size
clothing and much more.
P7

POPPLE RIVER

2 FAMILY RUMMAGE

SALE: POPPLE RIVER -
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signs on Hwy. 8, go north
on 139. 4 days - May 26-29,
8 a.m. - 4 p.m. Couch, love
seat, ottoman (matching),
glider, 3 dressers with
mirror, antiques, Harley t-
shirts, lots of jeans , (2) ½
helmets - black, yard
decor and misc. B7

CARTER

HUGE SALE: CARTER -
Maple St. Thursday-
Saturday, May 25-27, 8 a.m.
- 4 p.m. Cleaning out house
and barn. Household
items, refrigerator,
furniture, snowmobiles,
motorcycles, truck, ATV,
s c o o t e r , r i d i n g
lawnmowers, pop up
camper, building materials,
canoe, something for
everyone. P7

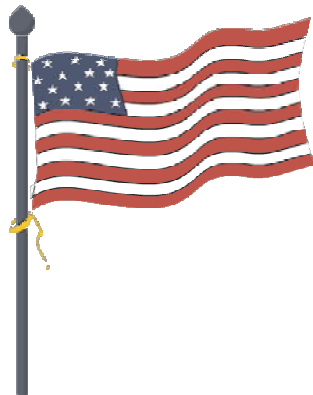
TOWNSEND

R U M M A G E S A L E :
TOWNSEND - 16539
Archibald Parkway. Friday
and Saturday, May 26 and
27, 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. Single bed,
computer chair, dresser,
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stuff. P7

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"Some camps run for a just a day or two and
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Engleman, Continuing Education specialist at Nicolet.

"All of the camps are loaded with hands-on
activities that are both entertaining and educational,
giving students the chance to explore areas of interest
and gain knowledge and understanding of the subject at
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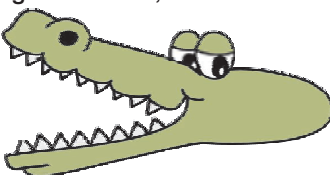
Upcoming camps include:

- Medical Basics 101, 9 a.m. to noon, June 19 to 23. Build
medical knowledge about the human skeleton, how to
use a microscope, and more. Cost: \$100.
- Our Native Lands and Shorelines, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., June
19 to 23. Learn more about the fascinating flora and fauna
that surround the Nicolet College Campus. Cost: \$175.
- Tell Your Story with Computer Science, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.,
June 19 to 20. Build the foundation to write a book by
joining a Google First CS Computer Club. Cost: \$70.
- Computer Science Sports , 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., June 21 to
22. Combine a love for sports and computer science by
joining a Google First CS Computer Club. Cost: \$70.
- Youth at Work: Talking Safety, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., June 19.
Through simulations and role-playing, learn how to stay
safe at work. Cost: \$35.
- Camp Create: Wonderful Watercolor, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.,
June 20 to 21 and again June 27 to 28. Explore watercolor
materials and techniques. Cost: \$175.
- Nicolet CSI: Crash Scene Investigation, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.,
June 20. Learn how investigators solve complex cases.
Cost: \$35.
- Psychology in the Real World, 9 a.m. to noon, June 21 to
22. Ever wonder what a favorite color says about a
personality? Can we shape other people's behavior?
Cost: \$40.
- The Sound of Silence: Sign Language for Beginners, 9
a.m. to noon, June 26 to 30. Learn basic sign language.
Cost: \$100.
- Rhythm Jamboree, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., June 26 to 30. Jam to
the rhythm created by a variety of instruments. Cost:
\$175.
- Be Ready for an Emergency, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., June 27 to
29. Learn skills to use in a medical emergency situation.
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Death Notices

Robert M. Jones LTC (Ret.) passed away quietly on May 6, 2017. He is survived by his wife, Phyllis; daughter, Kris Jones of Minneapolis, MN; sons, Robert II of Cavour and Leo (Phyllis) of Spring, TX; daughters, Helen Carol of Minneapolis, MN and Margaret Lambalot (Ronald) of Dayton, OH; granddaughters, Kelly (Roger) Martin and Rebecca Myers (Fritz Gugelmann); grandsons, Robert III (Emily) and Jeffrey; and great-grandchildren, Connor, Aidan, Evan, Harper, Ellis, Quinn, and a new great-granddaughter coming in May; and three sisters, Fay (Roger) Jones, Gloria (Bud) Nuquist and Laurel (Larry) Johnson. He is preceded in death by his parents, Mabel (Bjorgum) and Neil Jones of Minneapolis; his wife, Carol; and sister and brother-in-law, Carolyn and Dennis Adair.



Bob was born on November 15, 1928, in El Centro, California, where his father was working at farming. After the crash of 1929, Bob's parents returned to Clear Lake, Wisconsin, and took up dairy farming. Bob grew up during the depression, and with that experience, his parents later insisted that Bob continue in school. While still doing daily farm chores, Bob graduated from Clear Lake High School in 1946.

Bob first joined the Army in October 1946, and after training as a medic, was stationed with the U.S. Army of Occupation in Osaka, Japan, under General Douglas MacArthur. After serving three years he was honorably discharged as a corporal, assigned to the U.S. Army reserve group at Ft. Benjamin Harrison, and returned to Wisconsin to attend the University of Wisconsin at Madison. Supporting himself working as a farm hand in Middleton and a fry cook on the University campus, he met Carol Hess from Cavour, whom he courted and married.

In October 1950, his reserve unit was recalled to active duty and destined for Korea. Bob very quickly distinguished himself and was promoted to sergeant. He was singled out and, in December of 1951, was sent to Officer Candidate School at Ft. Monmouth, NJ. Graduating as a U.S. Army Signal Corp Officer in May of 1952, he was posted to Supreme Headquarters Allied Powers Europe (SHAPE) in Paris, France, where he served until 1956. Bob's next assignment was to the White Sands nuclear missile proving grounds outside of El Paso, Texas, during which time he also attended the 3 month Infantry Officer Command School at Ft. Benning, GA.

Upon returning from a 13 month tour in Korea, in early 1959, Bob was assigned as company commander of B Company of the 50th Airborne Signal Battalion at Ft. Bragg, NC. He served there until 1961 when, after a short stay at Ft. Monmouth, NJ, for additional training, he returned with his growing family to Paris, France, with assignment to NATO headquarters.

Bob was relieved from active duty as an officer during the congressional budget cuts in 1964. He was immediately reverted to active duty as a Non-Commissioned Officer, taking a grade determination as a Staff Sergeant; while still retaining his reserve commission as an officer. Bob rotated to the 106th Signal Battalion in Stuttgart, Germany, where he again distinguished himself and his promotion was accelerated to Sergeant First Class. During this time Bob attended night school and completed his bachelor degree with graduation ceremonies at the University of Heidelberg where guest speakers were U.S. Supreme Court Chief Justice Earl Warren and Associate Justice Hugo Black. In 1966 Bob received orders for a tour in Vietnam with the 86th and then the 36th Signal Bn. Having completed his correspondence courses with the Reserve Officer Corps, his reserve commission was advanced to Major. Upon his safe return in 1967, he was assigned as active duty advisor to the Nebraska National Guard in Lincoln. With his promotion to First Sergeant came another posting for 13 months in Korea and then back to the 50th Airborne Signal Battalion in Ft. Bragg, NC, to prepare for their deployment to Vietnam. While there he was assigned as the senior Jump Master responsible for the first, full Battalion (250 paratroopers), manned equipment drop, from the C5A Galaxy aircraft. He also used his leave time there to attend the Command and General staff College at Leavenworth, Kansas. This advanced his reserve commission to a rank of Lieutenant Colonel.

Bob next assignment was with the 29th Signal Bn at Schofield Barracks on the island of Oahu in Hawaii. His active duty promotion to Sergeant Major in December 1964 sent him back to his final assignment at Ft Rucker, Alabama. There, promoted quickly to Command Sergeant Major of the Strategic Communications Command Group, he continued his night school, and received his Master's degree in Criminal Justice.

Bob retired from the Army in 1978, returned to Cavour, served briefly on the Crandon Police Department, and began preparation to attend Law School at the University of Wisconsin, Madison. Graduating in 1983 in the top 10% of his class, he return to Forest County and hung out his shingle as Jones Law Office in Cavour. Bob practiced law in Forest and several surrounding counties, serving as Guardian ad Litem, Family Court

Commissioner, Special Court Commissioner, and public defender as assigned. He served on the boards of several tri-county organizations and Ministry health clinics. Bob made his final retirement in 2011.

Bob always was an active supporter and participant in community organizations, member of the Laona Lions Club, the VFW and DAV. He was alumni Justice of his Phi Alpha Delta law fraternity. Throughout his life and travels he maintained his membership in the various Masonic Lodges wherever he was stationed and was elevated to Master of the Masonic Lodge in Crandon.

Bob was an avid hunter and fisherman and spent many hours in the woods and countless hours flogging the waters of Silver Lake and any other body of water he could get his boat into, in search of the elusive muskie or bass trophy. He sang barbershop music with the SPEBSQSA, enjoyed singing in the choir, and as a soloist at weddings and funerals. To quote him, "No instrument or electronic device can mimic the pure sound of the a capella human voice."

Visitation was held from 4-8 p.m. Thursday, May 11, 2017 at the Weber-Hill Funeral Home, Crandon. Masonic Service at 7 p.m. Visitation continued on Friday, May 12, 2017 from 9:30 to time of service at 11 a.m. Services were held at 11 a.m. Friday, May 12, 2017 at St. Arbutus Lutheran Church, Pearson. Weber-Hill Funeral Home is assisting the family with the arrangements. Online condolences for the family may be directed to www.weberhillfuneralhome.com.

Lois Jane Lauritsen, 92, of Sheboygan, formerly of Lakewood, WI, passed away Saturday morning, May 13, 2017 at the Shores of Sheboygan.

Born February 7, 1925 in Kenosha, WI, Lois was the daughter of the late Leonard and Minnie Kunze Seelman. She attended schools in Kenosha and graduated from Bradford High School. She continued her education in nursing at the University of Michigan.

She was united in marriage to Harry L. Lauritsen on February 7, 1948 at Friedens Ev. Lutheran Church in Kenosha. The couple moved to Sheboygan in 1951 when Harry took a job with Plastics Engineering Company. Following Harry's retirement in 1989, the couple moved to Lakewood, WI. They were married for 61 years before Harry preceded her in death on February 1, 2010.

Lois was a teacher's aide at Urban Middle School until her retirement. She previously worked at Wigwam Mills and as a librarian at Pigeon River and at Urban Middle Schools. During W.W.II, she worked as a nurse. She was a member of First United Lutheran Church in Sheboygan. She enjoyed water and snow skiing, golfing, bowling, muskie fishing and playing handball at the YMCA. She and Harry served on the National Ski Patrol for over 30 years. She belonged to the Red Hat Society and the McCauslin Lioness. She also loved playing cards, sewing, reading and her Old Fashions.

She is survived by her children, Susan (John) Blaise of Denver, CO, James (Judy) Lauritsen of Shreveport, LA, Keith Lauritsen of Green Bay, Renee (fiancé Dave Poleski) of Sheboygan, and Scott (Carla) Lauritsen of Kiel; her daughter-in-law, Carol Lauritsen of Lizton, IN; her grandchildren, Michelle Blaise, Michael (Alyssa) Blaise, Christine (Chris) Bankson, Jessica (Andrew) D'Avy, Jennifer (David) Batic, Joshua Lauritsen, Christopher (Christina) Lauritsen, Robyn Lauritsen, Jocelyn (Michael) Gilligan, Jacklyn (James) Pittner, Jesse Grunow, Janette Neils, Dylon (Victoria) Lauritsen, and Leah Lauritsen; and 13 great-grandchildren; nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

In addition to her parents and her husband, Harry, she was preceded in death by her son, Ronald L. Lauritsen; and her two brothers, Leonard (Elmyra) Seelman and Elmer (Dorothy) Seelman.

A memorial service will take place at 11 a.m. on Tuesday, May 23, 2017 at the Olson Funeral Home & Cremation Service, 1132 Superior Avenue. The Rev. Kristin Berglund will officiate. Family and friends are welcome at the funeral home on Tuesday from 9 a.m. until the time of service. Inurnment will take place in Wildwood Cemetery.

A memorial fund has been established in her name.

The family would like to thank the nurses and staff of the Shores of Sheboygan and St. Nicholas Home Health & Hospice for all of their loving care and support.

The Olson Funeral Home & Cremation Service has been entrusted with Lois' arrangements.



Susan Ella (Novak) Krawze, 74, died unexpectedly at her home on Silver Lake in Laona, WI on Thursday May 11, 2017. She was born May 8, 1943 in Laona to the late Stanley and Anne (Baltus) Novak. Sue graduated as Salutatorian from Laona High School in 1961. On December 30, 1961, she married the love of her life, Richard Krawze, at St. Leonard's Church in Laona.



For 15 years, Sue worked for the Lakeland Council/Howard Young Medical Center, where she assisted the elderly and home-bound. Following that, she spent five years working for Ministry Health Care. Sue was also employed at the AODA Office in Crandon, Connor Forest Industries and the Laona Clinic. She volunteered her time on the Laona Rescue Squad and at St. Leonard's as a CCD teacher. Sue was on the Laona Public Library Board and a member of Christian Mothers and the Red Hat Ladies.

Since the 1980s, Sue loved vacationing in the Florida Panhandle with family and friends, especially Destin. She had a love for traveling and gardening, but found the greatest joy in spending time with her grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Sue often talked about her childhood growing up on the lake and wanted to get back to her favorite place (Piney Point). A few years back, one of her final dreams was fulfilled when they built their dream home on Silver Lake. She enjoyed hosting many parties, picnics and holiday gatherings there. Family time was very important to her.

Sue is survived by her husband of 55 years, Richard; children, Amy Lafferty of Cavour, Stanley (Jacqueline) Krawze of Suamico, Richard Jr. (Claire) Krawze of Laona and Chester Krawze of Appleton; ten grandchildren, Justin (Kari) Lafferty, Jacob Sr. (Kara), Jennifer, Catherine, Erica, Elizabeth, Grace, Karley, Alyssa and Nadia; three great-grandchildren, Bryce, Liliana, and Jacob Jr.; sisters, Mary Anne (Richard) Connor, and Jane (Bruce) Belland; and many nieces and nephews.

Sue was preceded in death by her parents, Anne and Stanley; in-laws, Chester and Ardis Krawze; and granddaughter, Hannah.

Visitation was held on Monday, May 15, 2017 from 4-7 p.m. and again on Tuesday, May 16, 2017 from 10-11 a.m., with a Christian mass and burial to follow at St. Leonard's Catholic Church in Laona. Interment will be at the Laona Cemetery. Online condolences may be left for the family at www.weberhillfuneralhome.com.

Gerald P. "Jerry" Bowles

age 57, ended his hard fought battle with cancer and was born to eternal life on April 23, 2017 at Agrace HospiceCare in Fitchburg, WI. He was born in Lebanon, MO on October 8, 1959.



Jerry is preceded in death by his mother Sylvia Bowles, father-in-law Ralph Sell, Jr. and sister-in-law Diane (Rufo) Bowles. He is survived by his wife, Erin (Sell) Bowles; son, Patrick Bowles (Raya Sohn); father, James Bowles; mother-in-law, Ashlee Sell; brothers and sisters, Debbie (Hector) Castro, Kathryn (Dave) Luithle, David Bowles, Robert (Kazuko) Bowles, Elizabeth Bowles (Dee Jackson), Linda (Marcelo) DaSilva, Laura Bowles (Rob Reilly), Paul (Kathleen) Sell, Eric Sell (Cindi Stroud), and Carolyn (Joe) Lohr; as well as many beloved nieces and nephews.

Jerry grew up loving God, his family, friends, sports, and music, becoming an accomplished athlete and musician. Jerry graduated from Marquette University in 1982 where he met his wife Erin singing in the MU choir. They have been singing together ever since, spending over 20 years singing with the Milwaukee Choristers. Being a devout Catholic, upon moving to Madison Jerry continued to share his love of music by singing at both St. Peter Catholic Church in Madison and St. Olaf Catholic Church in DeForest.

A Mass of Christian Burial was held at 10:30 a.m. on Friday, May 12, 2017 at St. Peter, 5001 N. Sherman Ave, Madison with Monsignor Charles Schluter officiating. Burial was held at St. Mary's Cemetery, Menasha, WI following the funeral. In lieu of flowers, a memorial fund has been established and donations will be made to organizations dear to Jerry's heart. For more information on the fund please email Kathryn Luithle at kluith1@cox.net.



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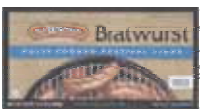


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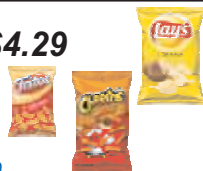
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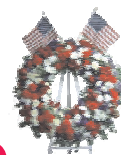
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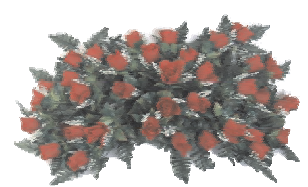


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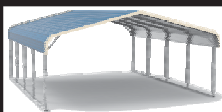
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Local group continues to manage invasive species

Beginning its eighth year of invasive species management efforts, the Wild Rivers Invasive Species Coalition (WRISC) will host its Annual Meeting on June 7th, 2017 at the Florence Natural Resources and Wild Rivers Interpretive Center in Florence, Wisconsin. Free and open to the public, this event is a great chance to learn more about what is being done to manage aquatic and terrestrial invasive species in the area. WRISC is a cooperative invasive species partnership that conducts invasive species education, outreach, and management in northeast Wisconsin and the Upper Peninsula of Michigan (Forest, Florence, Marinette, Dickinson, and Menominee counties). While the group operates through grant funding, WRISC Partners include federal, state, and local agencies, departments, and organizations, along with individual members and volunteers across the five county WRISC area.

The all-day event will feature morning presentations from WRISC Partners and guest speakers on topics including long-term stream monitoring, Hemlock Woolly Adelgid and other forest pests, and new invasive plants to watch for. WRISC Coordinator Lindsay Peterson will give an update on WRISC's projects for 2017 as well. Attendees will also have the opportunity to view educational displays, connect with invasive species managers from across the area, and discover which outstanding WRISC member will be given this year's WRISC'er of the year award. Whether you are a landowner, land manager, water recreationist, public official, or related staff or business, there will be something to learn!

Registration begins at 8:30 a.m. for the Program portion of the Annual Meeting which will run from 9am to Noon. Attendees can stay for an optional lunch (\$5) and the afternoon business portion of the meeting will continue at 12:45 for the WRISC Board elections and meeting.

For more information, please contact Lindsay Peterson at wildriverscwma@gmail.com or (906)774-1550 ex 102, or visit the website at www.wrisc.org for more details.

Forest Larger Parish Flea-Zaar

Forest Larger Parish Presbyterian Church (FLPPC) will be holding our annual Flea-Zaar on Friday and Saturday July 14 and 15 at our Lakewood location 15552 Hwy. 32. If you like rummage sales and flea markets, this is the place for you! We welcome donations of gently used household items, furniture, and small appliances as well as lawn mowers, recreational vehicles, boats, bikes, etc. We'll give you a receipt for income tax purposes! Please, no clothing, mattresses, pianos, baby car seats, cribs, electronics, or large appliances (anything with a dump disposal fee). If you find you have an excess of perennial plants as you are doing your spring yard work, please share them with us. We will also accept donations of fine and costume jewelry.

On Friday, we'll have popcorn, Chicago Style Hot Dogs, and beverages for sale. Saturday's sale will include popcorn, a bake sale, a lunch of hamburgers and brats and our famous Strawberry Shortcake! Hand crafted items made by members of FLPPC will be sold on both days and, as always, we'll be having a silent auction of items donated by area businesses.

Donations will be accepted at the church on July 11, 12, and 13 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. If you have larger items you need us to pick up ahead of time, please call Elmer at (715) 276-3447 or (715) 850-1250 or the church office at (715) 473-3603. If you live in the Laona area, call Mike Mentz at (715) 674-3092. Please DO NOT DROP ITEMS OFF AND LEAVE THEM IN THE PAVILION. Donations must be left when there is someone at the church to receive them.

We'll be open on Friday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Saturday from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. We hope to see you there!

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Application and position description may be obtained at www.co.forest.wi.gov or in the County Clerk's Office, Forest County Courthouse, 200 East Madison Street, Crandon, WI 54520. The deadline for applications returned to the County Clerk is May 26th, 2017.

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FOREST COUNTY COURTHOUSE POSITION AVAILABLE

The Honorable Leon D. Stenz, Forest/Florence County Circuit Court Judge, is seeking an individual to fill a vacancy for the Register in Probate/Juvenile Court Clerk position.

This is a full time position (35 hours/week). Starting pay is \$15.15/hour. After 1 year the rate of pay is \$16.84/hour. Benefits as may be available through Forest County.

Qualifications:

- Ability to read, understand and apply relevant State law and statutes.
- Knowledge of legal practices and familiarity with court procedures preferred.
- Excellent computer typing and grammar/spelling skills.
- Exceptional organizational skills and the ability to work without close supervision.
- Ability to maintain a high level of confidentiality, discretion and integrity.

Job Duties:

- Keep records and minutes of court proceedings.
- Exercise Court Commissioner powers and conduct hearings when authorized as those duties and powers set forth in Wis. Stats. §851.72 and §851.73.
- Coordinate and schedule cases in Probate, Juvenile, Guardianship and Mental Commitment cases.
- Other duties and responsibilities as assigned by the Judge.

A complete list of qualifications, job duties and application are available at the Judicial Assistant's Office in the Forest County Courthouse during normal business hours of 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m..

Application and Resume to be submitted by the deadline of June 2, 2017 to the Honorable Leon D. Stenz, Circuit Court Judge for Forest/Florence County, Forest County Courthouse, 200 E. Madison Street, Crandon, WI 54520.

Help Wanted

The Forest County Highway Department is accepting applications for a full time position. This position would be involved with all road maintenance functions of the Highway Department.

Applicants must have a valid drivers license, with a clean driving record and with a CDL class A endorsement, and be able to pass a physical, audiogram, and D.O.T. drug screen. Applications may be obtained at the Highway offices, located at 5350 County Road "W" Crandon, Wisconsin.

All interested parties must file a new job application to be given consideration.

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Posted 5/11/2017

The School District of Crandon is seeking a High School English Teacher. Proper DPI teacher certification is required.

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Any person interested in this position should submit an application on WECAN or complete a written application and mail to:

School District of Crandon
Attn: Andy Space
9750 US Highway 8 W
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Deadline for applications: May 26, 2017 at 4:00 p.m.

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Forest County Sheriff's Department is now accepting applications for a full time Deputy Sheriff position.

Individuals will be required to work day and/or night shifts, weekends, and holidays as shift rotations dictate.

Salary & Benefits: The hourly starting rate of pay for this position is \$21.70 per hour, with wage increases to \$24.01 per hour after two years of service, based on 2017 wages.

Qualifications: Must be 21 years of age; US citizen; high school graduate or equivalent; have valid Wisconsin driver's license; have earned 60 college credits or an Associates Degree or a Bachelors Degree from an accredited institution in a related field, or is able to obtain 60 college credits within the first five years of employment, and is eligible to be certified per State of Wisconsin standards; have successfully completed Wisconsin certified recruit training or will complete recruit training prior to appointment, or presently be certified as a law enforcement officer by the State of Wisconsin; ability to use all police equipment, and have the ability to physically perform all police tasks.

Apply: Submit Wisconsin Law Enforcement Standards Board form, DJ-LE-330 (forms available at the Forest County Sheriff's Department or on www.wilenet.org), by Thursday, June 1st, 2017 at 12:00 PM, to the Forest County Sheriff's Department, 100 South Park Avenue, Crandon, WI 54520 Attention: Chief Deputy Alex Walrath. Please include a cover letter, a current DJ-LE-330 application, and a resume. All questions on the application MUST be completed. This includes Section 6 - Questions A, B & C and your social security number. Applications that are not completely and accurately filled out will be rejected.

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Don't forget that the 1st Annual Forest County Festival slated for June 30 – July 2, admission and carnival rides will be free of charge for Forest County residents. A nominal fee will be charged for parking. When it comes to food and souvenirs, you're on your own. All three days will be jam packed with fun things to do: truck pulls and school bus races, kid's games and talent show, non-stop carnival rides and musical entertainment, plus fireworks courtesy Crandon Fire Department at the track on Saturday night. Watch for more information as events may be added!

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Artwork sought for WRAP exhibit at Nicolet College

Northwoods artists are invited to submit works of art for the upcoming Wisconsin Regional Art Program exhibit at Nicolet College May 30 to June 24.

“The art must be original and can be in any media,” said Nicolet Art Gallery Director Katy Ralph.

The best pieces in the Nicolet exhibit will be included in the annual State Art Exhibit and conference held in Wausau in September. That exhibit will feature \$4,500 in prize money.

To receive an entry form, email Ralph at kralph@nicoletcollege.edu or call her at (715) 365-4556, and leave your name and address. Entry fee is \$30 and registration forms are due by Friday, May 12. Artists submitting work must be age 14 or older.

This year’s exhibit will be judged by award-winning painter Stephen Wysocki, who will also lead a critique of the exhibit and an artist workshop from 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m., Saturday, June 24, at Nicolet.

“I love to paint and I am always painting, even when I don’t have a brush in my hands,” said Wysocki, who commonly paints ordinary objects to allow viewers to experience everyday sights in a fresh, new and often unexpected way.

The workshop will begin with a discussion about ways to determine a good composition. He will also explain the importance of toning a canvas before beginning a painting and demonstrate his own approach to painting the rural landscape both en plein air and in the studio.

WRAP began in 1940 to encourage the creative expression of Wisconsin non-professional artists from rural areas. It is headed by the University of Wisconsin Division of Continuing Studies and now includes urban areas and more seasoned artists as well as emerging artists. Each year regional exhibits are held throughout the state.

The Nicolet College Art Gallery is located in the Northwoods Center on the Rhinelander campus, one mile south of the city just off of Hwy. G.wyHwy

Nicolet's Ed O'Casey explores life on the Mexican-American border in his first book, "Proximidad One Hundred Feet"

That’s the distance between the quaint and comfortable confines of El Paso, Texas, and the decidedly opposite Juarez, Mexico, once a peaceful border city infested today by drug cartels that are violent to the extreme.

Those one hundred feet – and the different realities on either end – are well known to Nicolet College Creative Writing Instructor Ed O’Casey. He grew up in El Paso and frequently visited family in Juarez during its earlier, more peaceful times.

“It’s a strange paradox and one that today is absolutely insane,” O’Casey said of the dichotomies of the two very different current-day realities. “I often think of how different my life would be if I had been born in Juarez.”

That question makes up the crux of Proximidad, a book O’Casey recently authored which was published by Broadstone Media.

In its 92 pages, O’Casey pieces together a series of vignettes, often startling and sometimes even horrific, using a breadth of writing styles that easily transition from memoir, journalism, creative nonfiction, and rich documentary poetry.

Born to a Mexican mother and Irish father, the family frequently crossed the border to Juarez in the late 1970s and 1980s to visit his mother’s family.

It was a time that O’Casey remembers fondly, but one he struggles with today considering the current day reality of life just across the thin strip of water known as the Rio Grande River.

“It really hurts to see a place you love so much become something like a war zone,” he said. “I have to reconcile the fact that I’m alive and the reason I’m alive is that I wasn’t born a mile south of where I grew up.”

O’Casey, who has two master’s degrees in writing, one in English from the University of North Texas and the second a Master of Fine Arts in Creative Writing from New Mexico State University, wrote the book over the course of three years. This included countless hours of research about the drug trade and the abject violence, murders, and sex trafficking that are all a part of cartel life in Juarez.

Nicolet student Jesse Swearingen is enrolled in O’Casey’s creative writing class and held her instructor in high regard even before Proximidad was published.

“Without question Ed is an amazing instructor,” Swearingen said. “The fact that he’s now a published author even adds more credibility to his teaching.”

Nicolet student Katie Grulke is also in O’Casey’s Creative Writing class.

“Ed is fantastic writer and a great teacher,” she said. “My writing has developed tremendously. There’s so much more to writing than what I originally thought.”

A writer by nature, O’Casey mentioned he has other manuscripts in the works, and may in the future write a book about something that won’t be as emotionally taxing as Proximidad was to write.

“Maybe food,” he said. “I’ve always wanted to write a book about food.”

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Explore Careers in Corrections May 23 at Nicolet College

Anyone interested in starting a career in criminal justice is invited to attend the Careers in Corrections Open House at Nicolet College from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m., Tuesday, May 23, in Birchwoods Center 116.

At the event prospective students can learn about the training necessary to work in corrections, primarily as county corrections officers, and details of the college’s upcoming Part-Time Jail Academy.

The 10-week Academy will meet Tuesday and Thursday nights and on Saturdays July 18 to Sept. 23.

Nicolet staff along with corrections professionals will be on hand to talk one-on-one with individuals at the Open House about what it’s like to work in the field, the college admissions process, and how to apply for the academy.

Instruction and training in this Wisconsin Department of Justice program will cover all elements necessary to work in corrections, said Tim Gerdmann, Criminal Justice Services specialist and Academy director.

“The program will give students the skills they need to effectively handle the day-to-day tasks along with the issues that are not so routine that crop up in a jail environment,” Gerdmann explained.

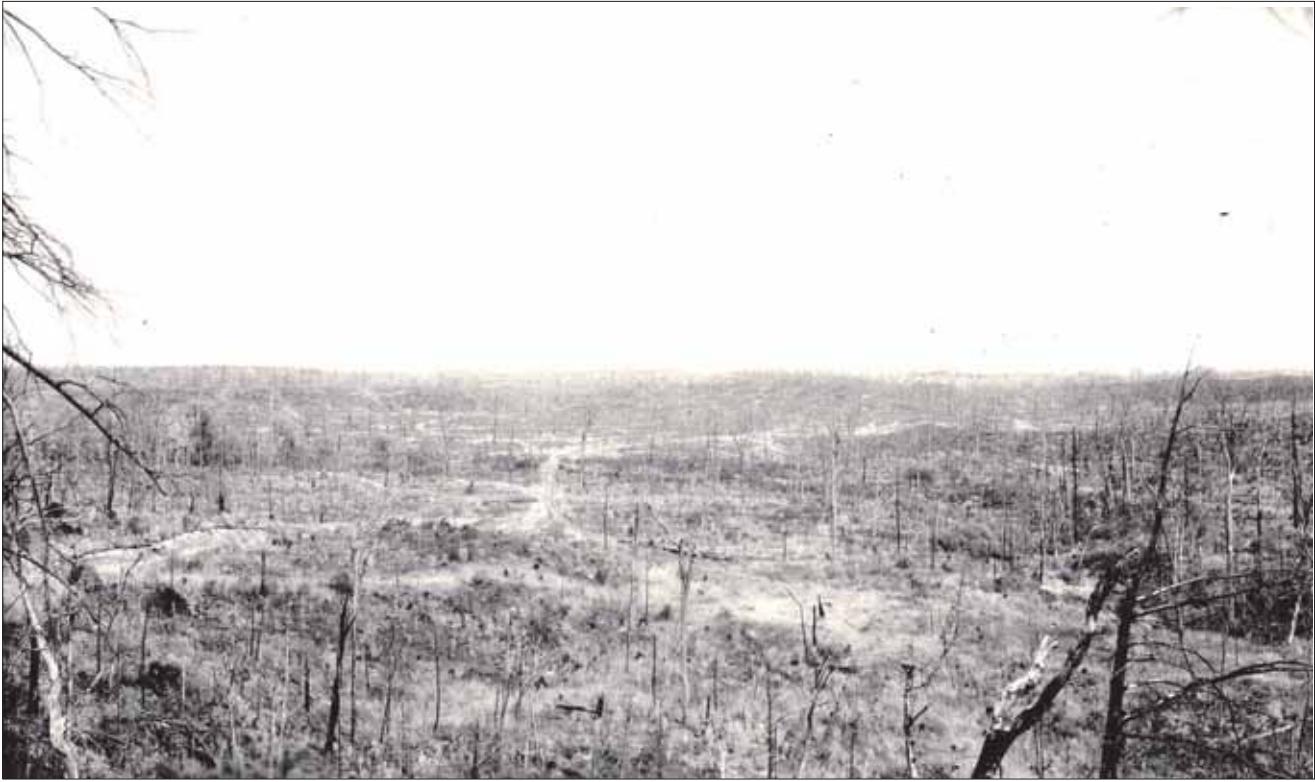
Training will include how to admit and fingerprint new prisoners, search a jail cell, use communication skills to diffuse situations, how to physically control inmates as a last resort, along with other skills.

Academy instructors are experts in the field, many with more than 15 years experience in corrections and several who have attained the rank of sergeant, Gerdmann added.

Individuals interested in registering for the Part-Time Jail Academy at the event will need to bring along a copy of their birth certificate and proof they graduated from high school. All students admitted to the program will need to pass strength, endurance and agility tests to enter the program and also to graduate.

For more information, contact Gerdmann at (715) 365-4535 or by email at tgerdmann@nicoletcollege.edu.

For Old Time's Sake



This photo taken in September, 1928 near Setting Lake in northern Oconto County. Probably within 5 years of being cutover and also recently burned. F.T. Thwaites, an eminent glacial geologist from the University of Wisconsin, took the photo. He was touring the northern portions of the state, mapping and photographing geologic features that were readily visible in the denuded landscapes. The photo is courtesy of the UW Digital Collections. Submitted by John Lampereur

Crandon Senior
Spotlights - Rachel
Schallock



Rachel Schallock, daughter of Bryan Schallock, said her best high school memories include going to sporting events, being a Cardinal Crazy and being involved in sports (volleyball, cross country, basketball and softball).

In the past twelve years, she’s learned not to procrastinate because it will get the best of you. Also to have fun while you’re in high school because it only lasts for a short while.

Her future plans include going into the National Guard, the 92L (petroleum laboratory specialist). Then in the fall of 2018, she plans to go to Nicolet Tech School for her general education courses.

She would like to thank her dad, grandparents and sister for getting her this far and for pushing her in the right direction and pursue her dreams.



OCHCE Program
Focuses on
Hearing Loss

Audiologist & Speech Pathologist, Daniel Hamersky, MA, CCC-A/SLP from Prevea Health presented a very interesting program on hearing loss to members of the Oconto County Home and Community Association, Thursday, Aril 20, 2017. The program was held at the Wells Fargo Bank in Gillett and included information on hearing loss causes, symptoms, prevention, tests, exams and understanding of normal hearing. Much was learned by all, it can be partial or total, sudden or gradual, temporary or permanent.

After learning of the importance of hearing health care, the HCE group enjoyed a potluck lunch. Join HCE, meet great people, form new friendships, have fun & learn. HCE offers opportunities for learning in a social setting. For information to find or join a local club in your area or to become and Individual Member, contact Joy Campshure, Oconto County HCE President, 920-834-2257.

Traffic crashes result in 41 deaths on
Wisconsin roads last month

Preliminary data from the Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WisDOT) shows 41 people died in Wisconsin traffic crashes last month, the same as April of last year and slightly above the five-year average of 38. The safest month of April since World War II occurred in 2014 with 25 traffic deaths, and the deadliest was in 1973 with 113 deaths.

As of April 30, a total of 143 people have died in Wisconsin traffic crashes this year, including six motorcyclists and 17 pedestrians. Traffic deaths through April were 18 fewer compared to the same period in 2016 and one above the five-year average.

“The approach of warmer weather generates additional highway safety concerns because traffic volumes tend to ramp up along with overall vehicle speeds,” said David Pabst, Director of WisDOT’s Bureau of Transportation Safety. “To emphasize the importance of safety belt use by all drivers and passengers, law enforcement agencies across Wisconsin will participate in the annual Click It or Ticket safety belt mobilization from May 22 to June 4. Last year in Wisconsin, nearly half of the drivers and passengers killed in traffic crashes were not wearing a safety belt.”

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Birth Announcement

Michael and Amy
Kampstra of Phillips are
excited to announce the birth
of their daughter, Renata
Evangeline Kampstra. She
was born May 4, 2017, weighs
8 lbs. 8 oz. and is 20.5” long.

Renata is welcomed by her five year old sister,
Atia; grandparents, Marsha Sipple and Howard Sipple of
Crandon and Ron and Sue Kampstra of Tomahawk; and
great-grandmother, Iris Bighley of Rhinelander.



Wabeno Post 44

American Legion Social

Enjoy the fellowship of your comrades at Old Town Hall, Townsend, on June 5, 2017. Cocktails 4:30 p.m. and dinner at 6:00 p.m. Reservations/payment with check payable Old Town Hall in the amount of \$15.00 includes tax and tip, should be sent to June Hostess Gary & Susie Mercil, P O Box 186, Wabeno, WI 54566 . RSVP March 26, 2017. For information, contact Gary or Susie Mercil 715-850-0559

Reminder postcards are being mailed to persons attending at least one of the 2016-17 socials. All that is required to receive notice by postcard is to attend one of the socials. Dates of socials are listed in the Bugler Newsletter, submitted to the newspapers and posted at the Legion Hall.

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When Tim and Connie Friesen, owners of the Big Easel Gallery and Bistro in Wabeno, first asked whether I might be willing to write a play or two to be performed in their establishment, I was reluctant. Although my wife has been a long time visitor to the area, I was new; I knew no one in Wisconsin beyond my wife's family. What could a guy from rural Oklahoma produce that rural Wisconsinites.... Wisconsinians..... Wisconsers (who are you folks???) would enjoy? But Tim and Connie were enthusiastic and supportive, which translated as “No isn't the answer” and not too long afterward came “Death at the Big Easy”. Since then has come “Showdown at the Séance”; “The Return of Kenny”; “Planting Season”; and over this Memorial Day weekend, “The Letter”. I've also had the pleasure of writing a few dozen Reader Theater pieces, and have conducted two playwriting workshops.

What I have learned in working with Tim and Connie and with the Wabeno Area Players is that we....and I include myself as a transplanted “we” are blessed with a body of patrons and audience members who enjoy, appreciate, and support theater and the arts, and the range of talent here meets or exceeds any group with which I have ever worked. My efforts are heavily influenced by the knowledge that the performers, director, technicians and the many eager volunteers do their best to stage productions that our patrons will truly enjoy. Regardless of the author, the energy, focus, and hard work results in entertainment that I believe compares with anything one finds in far larger locales. My friends on stage and in the audience here in Wisconsin have become family and you all make me want to be a better writer. I am truly grateful for the opportunity to be a part of the Big Easel and Wabeno Area Players

Wabeno Elementary receives
School of Recognition Award



State Superintendent Tony Evers praised Wabeno Elementary for being among 178 schools in the state that received Wisconsin Title I School of Recognition honors for the 2016-2017 school year during a special May 1 ceremony at the State Capitol in Madison.

The School District of Wabeno Area's Elementary School was recognized at the ceremony for “Beating the Odds”. The schools that earned this recognition must have met the state's test-participation, attendance, and dropout goals as well as additional award criteria. Wabeno Elementary School met the additional criteria by being a school which is in the top 25 percent of high-poverty schools in the state and has above average student achievement in reading and mathematics when compared to schools from similarly sized districts, schools, grade configurations, and poverty levels. Wabeno Elementary was also recognized as one of four schools for “graduating” from the focus school status. State Superintendent Evers congratulated the schools stating, “These schools stand out for their efforts to educate our kids. They are staffed by dedicated educators who work with parents, families, and the school community to support the needs of all kids through rigorous programming and attention to student needs.”

Wabeno Elementary teacher representatives, Sara Swearingen and Laurie Christianson attended the ceremony in Madison. The School of Recognition plaque was presented to Allison Space, building principal, at the May 3rd Board meeting. “I was overwhelmed with pride in our school. Throughout the award ceremony, I found myself reflecting on the journey of our staff to reach this achievement. I wish to thank my colleagues for their dedication, collaboration, innovative ideas, inspiration and perseverance. I am also thankful for our community and families who have supported us in this process of change,” Christianson said. Swearingen stated, “We made it here because as a staff we stood together and focused our attention on how we could best support and reach our students. We should all be proud of our achievements and this outstanding accomplishment.”

This success serves as an example of the importance of schools, families, and communities working together to ensure that every child is successful!

Brush Run Cont. from pg. 1

Challenge Race." Pitting theTORC PRO 4WD classes together on the same track with a staggered start, the intense annual race offers a total cash prize package of \$25,000, with the winner picking up a healthy \$15,000 pay day. In addition, the winner will receive valuable product bonuses from Lincoln Welders and MasterCraft Safety.

Last year, the Traxxas/Cooper Tire-sponsored entry of local resident Keegan Kincaid took home the Chairman's Cup honors. Proving his Brush Run performance was no fluke, Kincaid then returned on Labor Day weekend to claim the AMSOIL Challenge Cup

A backbone of Midwest off-road racing, the TORC Sportsman series will field unique categories of unique short-course machinery the Brush Run weekend. The Sportsman classes and their sponsors include Auto Gear 1600 Light Buggy, Parsons Chevrolet Classix, Londerville Steel Stock Truck, Lincoln Welders 1600 Buggy, Trigs Smoke House Super Buggy, Brew Pub Pizza Short Course Karts, Miller Lite Limited 4, MasterCraft Safety Formula 4x4, Mountain Dew Super Stock Truck and Country Hearth Super Truck.



Last year Crandon's own Keegan Kincaid took home the big prize at the Forest County Potawatomi Community Chairman's Cup Heavy Metal Challenge Race. This year's event will boast a \$25,000 cash purse in addition to special product awards from Lincoln Electric and MasterCraft Safety (Mike Roth image).

Thousands of fans are expected to invade a Big House's facility that includes 2,000 carefully groomed grass camp sites that make up "Crandon Experience." While many campsites are already spoken for, fans can still reserve their sites, as well as ordering entry wristbands and grandstand seats, by going directly to www.crandonoffroad.com.

In keeping with Crandon tradition, Saturday night, June 24th will feature a festival-style concert featuring Wisconsin's The Presidents band. The concert is free to fans camping at Crandon for the weekend or those attending Saturday's races. Gates will open for concert-only attendees with a \$10.00 charge.

Known as "Wisconsin's Favorite Party Band," The Presidents are a "monumental collection of musical powers united in Wisconsin's Fox Valley with the mission of helping people have a good time." The Presidents have since become one of the most requested party bands in the state. Combining a high energy show with an eclectic mix of classic to contemporary party rock songs, the band will rock Crandon International Raceway with a mix of repertoire, talent, and charisma.

"The number one goal of Crandon International Raceway is to provide our racers, teams and fans with a world-class experience," explained Crandon President Cliff Flannery. "The addition of our new Vision Wheel Hospitality Complex will take that experience to the next level of service and enjoyment. We can't wait to open our gates for June's Forest County Potawatomi Community Brush Run."

Crandon International will open its gates to the public all three days beginning at 8:00am. Friday admission is free to all spectators. Weekend admission is \$45 for adults, with children 12 and under and seniors 75 and older getting in free. One-day admission is \$25 for adults, children under 12 and senior 75 or older admitted free.

Crandon will also offer Saturday night-only admission to enjoy the Presidents Band concert for just \$10. Parking is just \$5 per day.

Snoop Shop check -in days are fast approaching

The opening of the Snoop Shop for the 2017 summer season is just around the corner. So the days for checking in consignment items is fast approaching. Check-In days are Wednesday, May 24th and Thursday, May 25th from 10:00 a.m to 2:00 p.m. All consignees are asked to bring in their items on either of those two days so that there will be plenty of crafts available for opening day. If it isn't possible for you to bring your items in during check-in days, please contact one of the officers below for options.

The official opening day of the shop will be Friday, May 26th from 10:00 a.m. til 4:00 p.m. The shop will be open six days a week, closed on Sundays. We look forward to another successful summer season.

For questions and other information, you can contact any of the officers. President: Marge Scardino (715-478-1164); Vice-President: Pat Schultz (920-362-1542), Treasurer: Kathy Gibbs (715-478-0403) or Secretary: Ann Koziol (715-478-2785).

Crandon Girls 6th & 7th Grade Tourney Play



The Crandon 6th - 7th grade girls basketball team participated in the Wisconsin State Invitational Championship Tournament hosted at D. C. Everest, Marathon, Mosinee and Wausau East on April 8 and 9, 2017. This tournament, which was organized by The Great Northwest Basketball League, brought together 24 of the top community-based 7th grade girls basketball teams in divisions 4 and 5 from all across the State of Wisconsin.

Mineral Point defeated Osseo-Fairchild in the championship game. The Crandon 7th grade girls team finished in 7th place. The results of Crandon's six games were as follows:

Pool Play: Crandon 37, Belleville 31; Crandon 30, Darlington (finished in 3rd place) 31

Crandon 39; Manitowoc Lutheran 22

Sweet 16: Crandon 37, Bangor 21

Elite 8 Quarterfinals: Crandon 32, Cochrane-Fountain City (finished in 4th place) 40

7th Place Consolation Game: Crandon 28, Winnebago Lutheran Academy 18



Lifestyle Changes Reduce Stroke Risk

By Julie Davis, parentgiving.com

New guidelines issued by the American Heart Association/American Stroke Association say that people who make healthy lifestyle choices can significantly reduce stroke risk by 80 percent.

"Between 1999 and 2006, there's been over a 30 percent reduction in stroke death rates in the United States and we think the majority of the reduction is coming from better prevention," said Larry B. Goldstein, MD, chairman of the statement writing committee and director of the Duke Stroke Center in Durham, NC.

Before this, the incidence of stroke may have been increasing, according to the statement that cites a 39 percent rise in hospitalizations between 1988 and 1997. As the population continues to age, the total number of Americans having a stroke is expected to rise.

Of the 795,000 strokes occurring in Americans each year, 77 percent are first events. Stroke is the third leading cause of death in the United States after heart disease and cancer and one of the major causes of disability in adults.

For the first time, the stroke prevention guidelines address all types of strokes. For prevention, there is often little difference along the stroke spectrum, said Dr. Goldstein, who is also a professor of medicine and director of Duke's ASA-Bugher Foundation Center for Stroke Prevention Research.

Stroke types are:

- Ischemic stroke. These account for 87 percent of all strokes and occur when a blood vessel in or leading to the brain is blocked.
- Hemorrhagic stroke. A blood vessel rupture causes a non-ischemic or bleeding stroke.
- Transient ischemic attack or TIA. This occurs when the blockage is temporary, but is considered a major risk factor for a later, larger stroke.

The new guidelines feature several key prevention updates based on recent research and say that making healthy lifestyle choices can lower risk of a first stroke as much as 80 percent compared with those who don't make such changes. The preventive benefit increases with each positive change you make.

You can reduce stroke risk by:

- Not smoking
- Eating a low-fat diet high in fruits and vegetables
- Drinking in moderation
- Exercising regularly
- Maintaining a normal body weight

Other findings include:

Emergency room doctors should attempt to identify patients at high risk for stroke and consider making referrals, conducting screenings or beginning preventive therapy.

Although genetic screening for stroke among the

general population isn't recommended, it may be appropriate in certain circumstances, depending on family history and other factors.

General population screening for carotid artery narrowing isn't recommended.

The usefulness of stenting in people with a narrowing of a carotid artery in the neck compared to surgery (endarterectomy) is still uncertain. Because of advances in standard medical therapies (including a change in lifestyle factors, treating high blood pressure and using antiplatelet and cholesterol lowering drugs) the usefulness of either procedure in people who have not had symptoms is unclear. Doctors must decide whether to perform either procedure on a case-by-case basis.

Aspirin doesn't prevent a first stroke in low-risk people or those with diabetes or asymptomatic peripheral artery disease. However, it's recommended for those whose risk is high enough for the reduction in stroke risk to outweigh the bleeding risks of aspirin.

Talk to your doctor about how to make the lifestyle changes that will lower your stroke risk.

Flamingo Flocking for a good cause



If you look out the window, and you have this herd of pink flamingos in your yard, you have been flocked!

This is a fundraiser for the Northwoods Relay For Life and the American Cancer Society that is being conducted by Ashton Votis. With a donation to this charity, the highly skilled removal technicians will arrive and place the flamingo gang in another person's yard, and you might even have something to say about who the next victim will be. If you are flocked, you should act quickly, as plastic pink flamingos have been known to clear a lawn of grass in short order, and they don't eat the dandelions!



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