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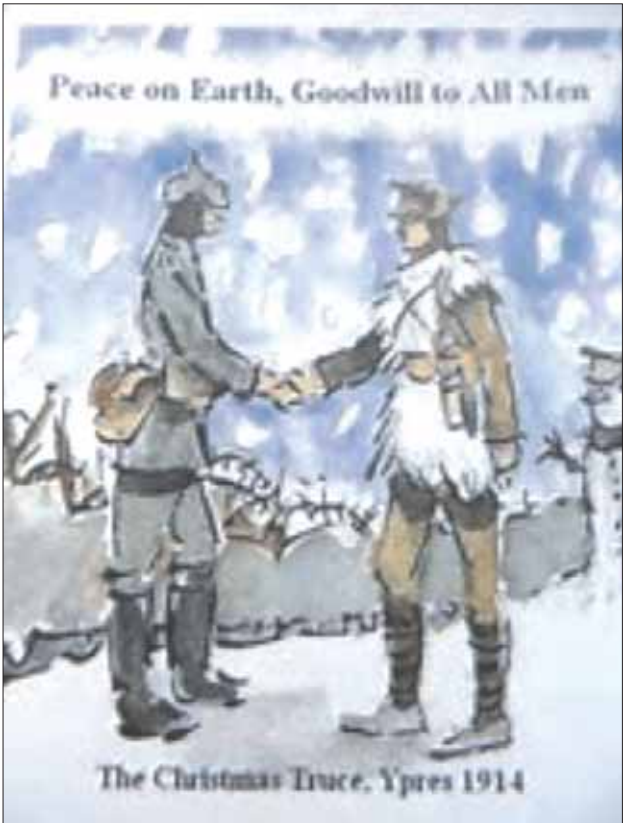
Nu-Roc to transition ownership

The owners of Nu-Roc Community Healthcare, Craig and Paul Newton have made announcement that as of January 1, 2018, transfer of ownership will take place and that Champion Care, LLC will be the provider to carry on the Nu-Roc tradition. The family business of nearly 65 years will be transferred to a company which is committed to excellence in health and elder care.

The Newton's position was to progressively pursue options that would keep Nu-Roc viable for years to come by securing a provider with the same philosophies of high quality care and strong employee commitment. Although it was a tough decision, the reality existed that carrying on the family tradition was not a future option as immediate family members had taken other career paths in various places.

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The Christmas Truce in World War I



By Mike Monte

2017 marks the 100th anniversary of the entry of the United States into World War I. By the time our troops entered that war, it had already raged since August of 1914. Europe was experiencing a blood bath like it had never experienced before. It was nothing like the flag waving and colorful speeches that started this mass killing of young men.

It is written that 24,000,000 people lost their lives in this war. What was accomplished?

This war put an end to many of the European

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The Christmas Baby



By Mike Monte

Nu-Roc Nursing Home has a special resident. She is turning 100 years old on Christmas Day! Her name is Tillie Wall.

Actually, while she has answered to Tillie all of her life, she was actually named Nathlie. Her maiden name is Pierwola, and she was born in New Jersey. She came to Armstrong Creek at the tender age of four.

Her parents, Steve and Katherine Pierwola, were in New Jersey, but wanted to farm. They were planning to go back to Poland to farm when they received a letter from a

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Christmas Door Decorating at the Forest County Courthouse



Forest County Child Support

The departments in the Forest County Courthouse have decorated their doors again this year. Every year, the departments have a friendly competition on who can decorate their door with the most Christmas cheer. Every year each participating department comes up with unique designs and artwork.

This year's winner is the third floor with their version of Whoville, second place goes to the Forest County Child Support and third place honors goes to the Forest County District Attorney. The decorations will be up through the new year so don't miss out on seeing all these beautiful Christmas decorations. Enjoy more photos of doors inside this issue.

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Wabeno Logging Museum is being repaired & restored



By Museum Manager Cheri Collins

The Wabeno Logging Museum is a 78 - year - old building in need of structural repairs. We have recently had several generous donations from the community to help in restoration efforts.

The Christian Thrift Store, in Wabeno, gave a \$12,000 donation, and the Wabeno Lions Club and Dual Sport Riders each contributed \$2,000, which will be put towards repairing this historic museum.

These gifts are dearly appreciated as we continue to preserve and protect Wabeno history.

It's too soon!




If you have the itch to get your ice shack on the lake right away, just wait a bit. This shack went through on Farmer's Bay on Metonga on Monday the 18th. Not only the shack went through. There is a submerged ATV in front of the shack. It now has a water-cooled engine. The gas and oil in the lake makes the DNR happy!

Lake Metonga and Lake Lucerne are always the last lakes to freeze, and extra caution should be used when on the ice early in the season.

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The Christmas Baby Cont. from pg. 1
friend in Armstrong Creek telling them that a farm was for sale. They went to Armstrong Creek. The people hadn't moved from the farm they bought, so they stayed with neighbors for awhile until they could take over their farm. She remembers that the neighbors had kids, a small house, and they slept six to a bed until they could make the move to their own house.

Tillie attended Bonneval School through 8th grade, and that was the end of her formal education. She was needed on the farm, and she and her sisters did farm work. There was no son, so she worked like a son until she married Tony Wall at age 21.

Tillie and Tony started their own farm. It was 40 acres, but as time passed they added three more 40-acre parcels, and they took over her father's farm when he passed away. In spite of the ever-present farm work, Tony also worked in the mill in Goodman throughout his working life. They usually milked and fed 18 cows, and Tillie did much of the farm work.

They had three children: Chester, Mary Ann and Veronica. All of her children live in the Chicago area, and all are now in their seventies.

Tillie lost her husband 17 years ago, but she continued to stay on her Armstrong Creek farm in to her 90's. She had hip surgery, developed diabetes and moved to the Crandon Nursing Home. With that closure, she moved to Nu-Roc. She says she doesn't miss farming!

She comes from a line of people who live a long time, with the exception of her father who had a heart attack at age 60 and died. Her mother lived in to her 80's, and her sister lived into their 90's.

Tillie has six grandchildren and six great grandchildren.

Tillie wants to wish everyone in Armstrong Creek a Very Merry Christmas!

Preliminary registration numbers available for the 2017 bear hunting seasons

MADISON - Preliminary registration numbers show hunters harvested 4,157 bears during the 2017 Wisconsin bear hunting seasons.

Preliminary registration totals for the 2017 bear hunt are as follows:

- Zone A: 1,069;
- Zone B: 816;
- Zone C: 1,009; and
- Zone D: 1,263.

"Although harvest declined slightly from 2016, this follows a pattern of annual variation that has developed in recent years, and reflects the goal to reduce bear numbers in certain areas of the state," said Jeff Pritzl, Department of Natural Resources acting large carnivore specialist. "The preliminary harvest of 4,157 is very close to the previous four alternate year harvests when hound hunters had the first week of the season. Crop and property damage reports, along with nuisance complaints have declined measurably this year, due in part to purposeful management of the population through hunting."

Summary tables and more information regarding bear hunting in Wisconsin can be found by searching the DNR website, dnr.wi.gov, for keyword "bear."

AREA EVENTS

Nashville Town Hall Craft & Flea Market

Hwy 55 & B, 5 miles south of Crandon

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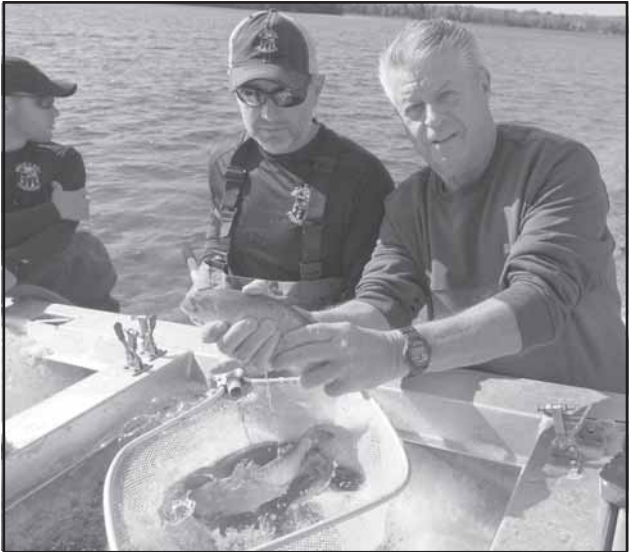
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Whitefish reintroduced to Lake Lucerne waters



By Chris Suchocki
Aquaculture Technician at UW-Milwaukee
300 lake whitefish (*Coregonus clupeaformis*) were stocked into Lake Lucerne on October 19th. The fish were around 15-18 inches, large for their age due to being hatchery raised in an environment facilitating accelerated growth. There were no antibiotics or chemicals used in the raising of these fish, and they were fed a pelleted feed.

Eggs were taken from lake whitefish in a lake within the Lake Michigan watershed in November of 2015. The eggs were incubated, and the fish were raised by senior scientist Fred Binkowski and his aquaculture lab at the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee School of Freshwater Sciences. They were transported from Milwaukee and stocked into Lake Lucerne with the help of fishery biologist Mike Preul from the Sokaogon Chippewa Community's Mole Lake Fishery.

The females should be ready to lay eggs in two years, possibly only one. Males should be ready within a year. Because of this, it is recommended that anglers refrain from keeping any captured whitefish for the next year at least, if not two years.

The whitefish are primarily insectivores, and are intended to fill an unused ecological niche (uneaten insects and invertebrates). Whitefish and cisco were once native to Lake Lucerne, but out-competed by introduced smelt. Smelt have been virtually absent eliminated from Lake Lucerne in the past decade. This allows lake whitefish the chance to thrive in Lake Lucerne once again.



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Warm for Winter free clothing and bedding set for Saturday, Dec. 30

Just in case Santa didn't have room in his sleigh for that warm coat or comforter, free clothing, boots and bedding are available at the next Warm for Winter giveaway on Saturday, December 30, 10 a.m. to noon, at Friendly Village, 900 Boyce Dr. across from Co-Vantage Credit Union in Rhinelander. There are also free toys for the kids.

New items are coming in regularly, according to organizers Gale Willcox and Jan Leschke, who encourage everyone to bring a bag to fill. There are no income limits and no questions asked.

Warm for Winter is a local volunteer effort that collects and organizes items that are vital for life in the Northwoods. Everyone is welcome to take what they need. For more information, contact Jan at 715-362-7157.

Johnson introduces bipartisan bill to empower student borrowers

WASHINGTON — Today, U.S. Senator Ron Johnson (R-WI), Joe Donnelly (D-IN), and Amy Klobuchar (D-MN) introduced the bipartisan Empowering Student Borrowers Act to help students understand the financial implications of student loans and educational debt. The legislation would require colleges and universities to send a letter to students every year detailing each student's total loan debt, projected monthly repayment amounts, and the estimated interest rate for each loan. The bill would also require the Department of Education to develop best practices for colleges and universities on useful methods to teach financial literacy skills and provide information to assist students when making financial decisions related to student borrowing.

"Students borrowing to pay for college should be fully aware of the financial obligations they are taking on," Sen. Johnson said. "Making student loan information more transparent is an important step in the right direction toward helping students make responsible borrowing decisions."

"We know that having better informed students, makes for more responsible borrowers," Derek Kindel, director of the Office of Student Financial Aid at UW-Madison, said. "Annual information to students on their borrowing, repayment and loan limits is always important. We appreciate the commitment from lawmakers, like our own Sen. Johnson, to continue this conversation and support timely and accurate student information."

Indiana and Wisconsin currently have state laws requiring colleges and universities to send these annual letters to their students. Indiana University started the practice in 2012 and found that students significantly changed how much they borrowed after becoming more aware of their debt. According to Indiana University, from the 2011-12 academic year to 2016-17, IU students had a \$112.8 million (17%) decrease in student loans. The Wisconsin state law just went into effect for the 2017-18 academic year.

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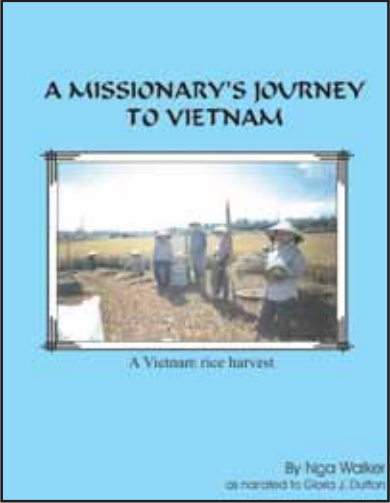


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• **Overeaters Anonymous meeting** - Thursday at 4:30 p.m. in Associated Bank at 210 S Lake Ave., Crandon. Contact Debra at 715-784-0031 for more information.

• **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.

• **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. Meetings for November, December & January will be held at Duck's Bar.

• **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.

• **Senior Snoop Shop** - Closed for the season.

• **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** - Closing Thursday, Dec. 21 due to weather. See you in the spring. 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.

The Senior Snoop Shop will be having a "special" meeting on Thursday, Feb. 8, 2018 @ 9:00 a.m. at Associated Bank.



Bids & Notices

Town Of Wabeno Request for Bid
--Ceiling at Trump Lake Pavillion
--Unfinished - End Matched T&G Pine.
--Approx. 3300 Sq Ft.
--Insulated with R-38 insulation
--Bid should include all Material and Labor
--Questions call: Jim Smith- 715-850-1602
--Job must be completed by Feb 1st, 2018
--Bids must be received by Jan 3rd, 2018 to be considered.

Send Bids to: Town of Wabeno
PO Box 447
Wabeno, WI 54566
Or Email: wabenoclerk@yahoo.com

SCHOOL DISTRICT OF WABENO AREA
PL81-874 Impact Aid Meeting
Wednesday, January 3, 2018 - 6:00 P.M.
Library - Wabeno Area Elementary School

AGENDA

1. Call meeting to order
 2. Attendance
 3. Discuss the minutes of the January 4, 2017 meeting
 4. Explanation of the Impact Aid Program
 5. Review and revise School Board Policy 2112.01- Tribal and Parental Involvement
 6. Building Updates
- * Elementary School Principal, will report on Native American participation, events and goals at the Elementary School.
- * Junior/Senior High School Principal, will report on Native American participation, events and goals at the Jr/Sr High School.
7. Public Input—Future Goals
 8. Any other business allowed by law
 9. Adjourn

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Notice to Taxpayers

Notice is hereby given, that the 2017 tax roll is complete and in my hands for collection. Real Estate taxes may be paid in full or by installments. First payment of 50% plus special charges where applicable, but not less than \$99.99 per parcel, is due on or before January 31, 2018. Second payment due and payable to the Forest County Treasurer, Christy Conley on or before July 31, 2018.

Tax payments may be mailed to the address shown on the tax bill. (PO BOX 421, Crandon, WI. 54520) If you wish to pay in person, please call for an appointment: 715-478-2524.

Dog licenses expire December 31, 2017. Licenses must be purchased for any dog over the age of 5 months. An application was mailed with the tax bills. Fees are \$3.00 for spayed or neutered animals, \$8.00 for others. You must pay with a separate check and proof of rabies vaccination is required.

Sandy Frank, Clerk/Treasurer
Town of Nashville

Notice
Town of Laona

The 2017 Tax Roll is now in my hands for collections.

Your tax bills are in the mail. Please check your address and let me know of any updates. When making a payment of cash or check make sure it is the exact amount accompanied by the tear-off coupon on your tax bill. All payments made by mail will be posted to the 2017 tax year if they are postmarked December 31st or before. You may also drop your payment off at the Laona Town Hall during office hours.

All Personal Property has to be paid in full and Real Estate Taxes may be paid in full or by two installments, first payment of 50% plus special charges, but not less than \$99.99 per parcel is due on or before January 31, 2018.

The offices of Clerk and Treasurer are now combined so you can pay your taxes during regular office hours. Regular office hours are Tuesday - Thursday 8:00 to 3:00 and Fridays 8:00 to 12:00.

Dog licenses for 2018 are also due, the fees are \$3.00 for spayed or neutered, and \$8.00 for all others. All dogs need a license and rabies vaccination. Please make a separate payment for the dog licenses.

When requesting a receipt please send a business sized, self-addressed envelope along with your payment.

Erin Lane, Clerk/Treasurer
Town of Laona

Request for Bids
Uniform Dwelling Code Inspector
Forest County, WI.

Forest County is requesting bids for the contracted position of Uniform Dwelling Code Inspector. This contracted position will be for state required inspections of all new, one and two family dwellings in all townships. Bidders for this contractual position shall be certified by the Wisconsin Department of Commerce as specified by Wisconsin Statute, Section 101.654

Bid packages and specifications are available from the office of the County Clerk at 200 East Madison Street, Crandon, Wisconsin 54520 beginning January 2nd, 2018. All bids are due in the office of the clerk on or before 4:30 p.m. January 22nd, 2018. Call for bid packages can be made to 715-478-1387.

Nicolet College Empty Bowls
raises nearly \$1,500 for area food
pantries



Nine area food pantries recently received donations from the money raised at the Empty Bowls event at Nicolet College. In all, the event raised \$1,476, which was divided equally among the pantries.

Food pantry representatives accepting checks included, front row, left to right, Doe Munch, Three Lakes Christian Food Pantry; Jill Rohloff, Headwaters Food Pantry (Land O' Lakes); Janlee Joska, Vilas Food Pantry (Eagle River); Teleka Dewing, Wasmogishek Food Pantry (Crandon); back row, Tom Rohloff, Headwaters Food Pantry; Jan Hintz, Three Lakes Christian Food Pantry; Katy Ralph, Empty Bowls coordinator and Nicolet Art Gallery director; Guy Hansen, Rhinelander Food Pantry; and Linda Zimmerman, Personal Essentials Pantry (Rhinelander).

Other organizations that received donations include the Lakeland Area Food Pantry, Open Arms Community Food Pantry (Tomahawk), and the Boulder Junction Food Pantry.

The fundraising event consisted of a simple meal of soup and bread prepared and served by Nicolet College Culinary Arts students. Participants were able to select a bowl from a wide variety of one-of-a-kind bowls crafted by Nicolet students and area potters.

As a bonus, those attending the event were able to keep the bowls of their choice.

Bids & Notices

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Our Mission: As a culturally diverse community, the School District of Wabeno Area will work in harmony with respect for one another, providing a safe and superior learning environment, enabling individuals to reach their fullest potential and become caring, contributing life-long learners in our ever-changing local and global society.

SCHOOL DISTRICT OF WABENO AREA
REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

WEDNESDAY, January 3, 2018

High School Library - Wabeno Junior High/ High School

Approximately 6:30PM - Immediately following the 6:00 PM Impact Aid Meeting

AGENDA

- I. Call to Order
- II. Roll call
- III. Pledge of Allegiance
- IV. Agenda Approval
- V. Approval of Minutes of the Regular School Board Meeting on December 6, 2017 and the Special School Board Meeting on December 15, 2017.
- VI. Approval of Vouchers and Payroll
- VII. Informational Items
 - a. Jennifer Vogler, District Administrator, will present updates and information.
 - b. Eric Becker, Elementary Principal, will present updates and information.
 - c. Bill Taylor, Jr./Sr. High School Principal, will present updates and information.
 - d. School Board Members Report
- VIII. Action Items
 - a. **Discuss and make revisions as recommended to NEOLA Policy 2112.01 (Tribal and Parental Involvement)**
 - b. Review the space guidelines for Open Enrollment for the determination of spaces available for 2018-2019 school year.
 - c. Discuss and take action on 2018-2019 school year calendar.
 - d. Discuss and take action on a staff member's letter of retirement.
 - e. Discuss and take action on job descriptions.
 - f. Discuss and take action on Memorandum of Understanding between the School District of Wabeno Area and the Family and Child Learning Centers of Northeast Wisconsin, Inc (Wabeno Head Start Program)
 - g. Discuss and take action on the elementary school heating system controls.
- IX. Public Comment (5 Minute Maximum per Person)

This is a listening session for the community to address the Board. The maximum time limit for this section is 30 minutes. The purpose of this segment of the meeting is for the Board to listen to the views of our community. *All individuals who comment during the public comment period are reminded that the information provided this evening is intended to provide information to the Board so that it can fulfill its role. In that vein, all parties are reminded that all information offered be truthful and honest. False statements or stigmatizing charges may subject the individual making such statements to legal repercussions, including, but not limited to, defamation claims. Comments that identify students shall be subject to the Wisconsin pupil records law and FERPA. As such, student information that is not directory data as designated by the board, for example individual student behavioral or progress records, shall not be discussed in this forum. Comments that identify personnel are subject to the applicable personnel records statutes in section 19.36 (10), Wis. Stats. Please understand that although the Board may not necessarily comment or ask questions, this does not mean your concerns have not been recognized or understood.*
- X. Pursuant to Wisconsin Statutes 19.85 (1) (c) (e) and (f) the Board will enter into closed session to discuss employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility:
 - a. Employee performance review
- XI. Return to open session to take possible action on items discussed in closed session.
- XII. Adjourn

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

Nu-Roc transition Cont. from pg. 1

Champion Care, LLC emphasizes high quality outcomes and customer service with the goal of servicing each community's individual needs. Principal owners Mark Ruvel and Izzy Weinberg manage Champion's clinical and operational teams in all seven homes and bring with them a combination of administrative, executive and operational nursing home experience. After working for close to a decade as a skilled nursing home administrator, Mark has a talent for identifying issues and developing innovative, company-wide solutions after maintaining five-star Medicare website ratings in his homes. He combines his passion for elder care advocacy with a forward-thinking approach to rehabilitative care with advanced customer service programs that cater towards both residents and staff. Izzy Weinberg served as COO of seven skilled nursing facilities in the Tristate area before joining Champion Care and brings with him a progressive work technique and a commitment to excellence in health and elder care. Izzy focuses on perfecting staffing procedures and quality control as well as leadership and team building measures with the belief that the key to the successful operation of a home is the quality, sensitivity and commitment of its employees.

Champion Care believes that each resident is entitled to safety, dignity and the highest practicable well-being and quality of life. These goals are attained by working to improve the functional and psycho-social wellbeing of each of its residents, whether they are looking for a short-term rehabilitative stay or long-term care. To achieve this, Champion focuses on effective communication across the spectrum. With core team member visibility and on-the-ground feedback, its clinical and operational teams are empowered to deliver the maximum level of care, elevating the post-acute aspect of a patient's recovery and ensuring the highest standard of clinical outcomes for both short and long-term care residents. Champion Care seeks to optimize its service to the community by working to identify each community's individual needs and further improve the overall level of care available in the area.

Following are quotes from the Champion Care management team:

"The ownership team of Champion Care is very involved in the minute details of each facility's operations. Although

Champion has excellent leadership teams in place in each of their eight Wisconsin homes, the ownership and management teams are fully involved in the transition on the ground and capitalize on helping to improve each facility and its staff. What I'm hearing over and over from the staff is that they appreciate the visibility of our management and ownership team in their homes, as well as the opportunity for more direct feedback." - Kim Wozniak, Regional Director of Operations for Champion Care.

"Our objective is to treat our residents with the same love, care and respect that we would want accorded to us. We want each and every patient entrusted to our care to feel as if he or she is our very own Grandma or Grandpa." Izzy Weinberg, Principal Owner of Champion Care

"Champion Care's vision is to make a difference in people's lives. Whether with residents, families or staff, we take pride in helping these people in any way that we can, in making their experience in our facilities a positive one. Nothing gives me greater pleasure than seeing smiling faces or receiving positive feedback when I go down to the facilities." Mark Ruvel, Principal Owner of Champion Care.

The tradition of the Nu-Roc name will remain with a small change. The new name will be "The Bay at Nu-Roc Health and Rehabilitation Center." The name and company goal truly pursues rehabilitation and community commitment.

Craig Newton will be fully retiring as of January 1, 2018 after nearly 41 years of dedication. His commitment as administrator and assistant administrator was truly a huge part of the family tradition. Paul Newton, administrator and co-owner for nearly 40 years will remain on as administrator. The present staff at Nu-Roc will remain on and now become part of the Champion Care family. Under the direction of Champion Care, The Bay at Nu-Roc will strive to continue on as your trusted community healthcare provider.

The Newton brothers extend their appreciation to the surrounding communities for the tremendous confidence and trust that has been placed in their family and Nu-Roc for the past 64 years. "We will remain a huge part of Nu-Roc and the community for years to come." A new chapter will now turn and we look forward to an exciting future under the direction of Champion Care and look forward to the many new and innovative ideas they will bring.

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Just in case Santa didn't have room in his sleigh for that warm coat or comforter, free clothing, boots and bedding are available at the next Warm for Winter giveaway on Saturday, December 30, 10 a.m. to noon, at Friendly Village, 900 Boyce Dr. across from Co-Vantage Credit Union in Rhinelanders. There are also free toys for the kids.

New items are coming in regularly, according to organizers Gale Willcox and Jan Leschke, who encourage everyone to bring a bag to fill. There are no income limits and no questions asked.

Warm for Winter is a local volunteer effort that collects and organizes items that are vital for life in the Northwoods. Everyone is welcome to take what they need. For more information, contact Jan at 715-362-7157.

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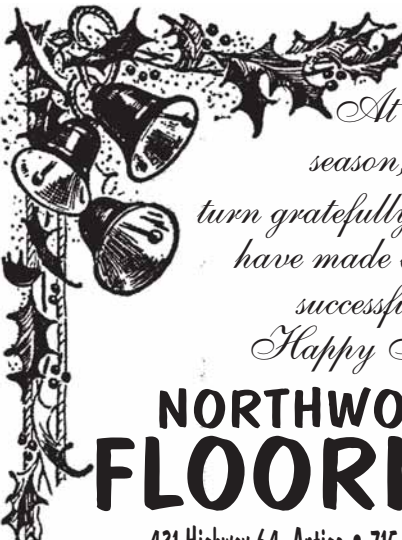
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Death Notices

On Sunday, December 17, 2017, the heavens gained a beautiful angel. At the age of 90, **Clara Mae Koskella** found eternal peace, passing away at her home in Carter. She was born Clara Mae Niedzwiecki on January 11, 1927 to the late Frank and Gertrude Niedzwiecki, in Munising, MI.



She married William Koskella and had two daughters, Shirley and Linda. They moved from Munising to Milwaukee and then to Carter. Throughout that time, Clara also raised her many siblings.

After moving up north, Clara worked at Wabeno Bowl for many years before taking over The Red Nose Bar. Over the years, many people came to The Red Nose to enjoy her cooking, the deer pen, motel units and to have a gathering place where they all felt welcome. She was a mentor to many people in our community.

Clara's biggest joy in her life were her grandsons and great-grandchildren. Her great-grandkids enjoyed spending endless hours at her house when they were younger. Grandma Clara, as she was lovingly known, beamed with pride when she spoke of her great-grandchildren: Zack, Kaitlyn, Abigail, and Kassidy. She was so proud of all of their accomplishments and they truly adored their Grandma Clara.

Clara was known for her feisty, yet good sense of humor. She had a gift of making everyone feel loved. She had an infectious laugh and a smile that brightened up a room.

Clara spent years keeping everyone up to date on the happenings in Carter by writing the Carter News for the Forest Republican. She respectfully served for more than 50 years on the American Legion Auxiliary. She was also an active member in the Forest County Tavern League and wrote countless fire permits for the Forest Service as a Fire Warden.

When Clara was able, she enjoyed an active social life, often driving her pick up wherever she wanted to. Her family often joked about her “lead foot.” She enjoyed being on the go.

Clara enjoyed making piles of Christmas cookies and breads to share with family and friends. Many will remember how festive her yard looked during Christmas. Grandma Clara loved decorating for the holidays.

She was proceeded in death by husband, William Koskella; daughter, Linda; brothers, Richard and Francis; sisters, Irene, Ruth, Delores and Antoinette; special friend, Jack Nelson; and family friend, Jr (Joe) Lemay. She is survived by sister, Darlene (Dirk) Wilson; daughter, Shirley Ashbeck; grandsons, Mick (Brenda) Ashbeck and Steve (Raletta) Ashbeck; great-grandchildren, Zackary, Kassidy, Kaitlyn and Abigail; and friend of the family, Rusty Oehler. She is also survived by her best friend, Shirley Shampoo.

Family and friends will gather to celebrate her wonderful life on Friday, December 22 at Forest Larger Parish Presbyterian Church, 4347 North Branch Street in Wabeno. Visitation 2-5 p.m. with funeral service to follow.

Peggy L. Smith, age 45, of Long Lake, passed away on Monday, December 18, 2017 at the U.P. Health System in Marquette, Michigan.



She was born April 29, 1972, the daughter of Edward and Loretta (Smith) Grant. After graduating from high school, she went on to earn her Associate's Degree.

She was self-employed as an Interior Designer for 20 years. She was a member of the Sokaogon Chippewa Tribe of Mole Lake. She loved children and was a mother to everyone, always willing to lend a helping hand. She had a passion for interior design and enjoyed watching movies, working puzzles and spending time outdoors, especially around a campfire.

Peggy is survived by her mother, Loretta Grant of Alvin; significant other, Emerich Chromcik II of Long Lake; many nieces, nephews and extended family and friends.

She was preceded in death by her father, Edward Grant; and three daughters, Teasha, O'Darian and Christen Dobson, as well as many grandparents and extended family.

Services will be held on Thursday, December 21, 2017 in Mole Lake at the Cultural Center.

Condolences may be expressed to the family of Peggy L. Smith online at www.jacobsfuneralhomeir.com. Funeral arrangements by the Jacobs Funeral Home of Iron River.



Gerald William “Jerry” Lowery, 82, of Lakewood, passed away early Saturday morning, December 16, 2017. Jerry was born in Mountain on March 24, 1935, one of nine children of Thomas and Edith (Jones) Lowery.



He grew up in Mountain and Lakewood and graduated from Wabeno High School. After graduation Jerry moved to Milwaukee and worked for Tomoro Contractors doing deep tunnel construction. He worked there for forty years and was part of the Local 113 Union for fifty years.

In Milwaukee, he met Genevieve Jakubowski on a summer day at Bradford Beach, later to marry on June 13, 1963. Together they had six children and lived in the Milwaukee area until they retired to Lakewood in 1999.

Throughout his life, Jerry enjoyed spending time with his family, playing football, playing cards, reading and discussing the Bible, spending time outdoors, entertaining friends, singing, and ballroom and country dancing with his wife. In the spring you would find him trout fishing on Knowles Creek, in the fall hunting for grouse or deer on the McCaslin Mountain, and picking blackberries on a hot August day. During his retirement, Jerry wrote poetry and enjoyed driving down scenic country roads, prior to his admittance to Woodland Village Nursing home due his progressing battle with Parkinson's Disease. Special thanks to the staff at Woodland for their care and concern during his eight-year residence there.

Jerry's adventurous and generous spirit will be missed by his wife, Genevieve; their five children, Jonathan Lowery, Phillip Lowery, Lydia (Brian) Janick, Rhoda (Jonathan) Wood and Jared Lowery; and his five grandchildren, Cooper Prindl, Ella Wood, Anna Wood, Maxwell Janick, and Samuel Janick. He is also survived by his siblings, Duane Lowery, Neil Lowery, Larry (Mary) Lowery and Lorraine Lowery; brother-in-law, Melvin Pordon; sister-in-law, Lucy (Rod) Smith; and by many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his infant sons, Jerome, Robert, and Matthew; his parents, Thomas and Edith; his siblings, Tom Lowery, Richard Lowery, Lois Jean Pordon and Doris Schwamb; sisters-in-law, Rosemary Lowery, Margaret Lowery, Helen Nuernberg and Kathy Jakubowski; and brothers-in-law, Bill Nuernberg and Ted Jakubowski.

Memorial Service will be held at 11 a.m. Thursday, December 21, 2017 with visitation beginning at 10 a.m. at Bethel Baptist Church, 1775-1777 East Ave, Wabeno, WI 54566. Luncheon held after the service.

Letters to the Editor

We welcome letter to the Editor; however the letters should be legible, in good taste, not libelous and pertinent to current issues. Names will not be withheld upon request, except for very special circumstances. NAME AND PHONE NUMBER SHOULD BE INCLUDED FOR VERIFICATION PURPOSES. We reserve the right to reject any and all letters.

To the Editor

In light of the tragic wildfires that have ravaged Southern California, it's important to take note of a 2015 issue of the U.S. Forest Service's journal, Fire Management Today, entitled “Climate Change: The Future is Here.”

This publication states that “Increasing temperatures and changes in precipitation and snowmelt patterns are increasing the severity and size of wildfires in the West.” Concern is also expressed about “the occurrence of fire that is outside the range of our existing experience” and the danger this poses to firefighters and communities.

Thirteen of the twenty largest wildfires in California’s history have occurred since the year 2000. Biologist F. Stuart Chapin III has said that the planet is calling out, but no one is listening.

Many members of Wisconsin's state legislature and congressional delegation are avid hunters who have a great appreciation for the outdoors. It’s crucial for these politicians to hear the plea from our nation's forests and wildlands and take a leadership role regarding climate action.

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Letters continued on Page 10



PIONEER EXPRESS PAGE 9, DECEMBER 25, 2017

To the Editor:

As reported in the Dec. 4th issue of the Pioneer Express, plans are being considered for renovations of the Forest County Courthouse and Jail, at taxpayer cost of up to \$23M+. As a longtime community member and business owner in Crandon, I believe our community interests are best served by taking a step back and considering the predominant cause of our current criminal justice concerns and whether building bigger jails/prisons is truly the best solution.

Forest County officials have raised public safety issues including the opioid epidemic and the increasing incarceration of women, both of which require attention on multiple fronts. Reform starts with local practices, and as the Opioid Epidemic ravages the entire country, it is our responsibility as citizens to find and implement best practices for handling it in our own community.

According to VERA Institute of Justice, Wisconsin incarceration rate is 158 per 100,000 residents. However, Forest County incarceration rate is 250 per 100,000 residents.

Taxpayers are paying an average of \$30,000 to \$40,000 per year, per inmate, in Wisconsin. Building prisons is expensive, and maintaining those prisons is even more expensive, particularly when the majority of prisoners are there because of drug-related crimes. As our neighbors suffer from addiction, so does our community; particularly children. The children of our community should be our first concern.

Children with an incarcerated parent are at greater risk of dropping out of school, taking up delinquent behavior and going to prison themselves. This alone should cause us to pause, and consider a better way forward. A 2012 study found that in classrooms where a large number of children had incarcerated mothers, even pupils who didn't have a parent in jail were more likely to have lower grades and graduation rates.

New research has found that sending offenders with a history of drug and alcohol abuse to an addiction treatment program rather than institutionalizing them in jail or prison is not only the humanitarian choice, but cuts crime rates and saves money. States are finding initial drug treatment is less expensive than incarceration and it also shows positive results in re-arrests. When the crime rate drops, it cuts the cost of law enforcement and court costs. No matter how expensive treatment is, the cost that adds up over years of drug addiction impact each and every one of us. The community pays in so many ways when neighbors are addicted and unable to support themselves.

Let's take time to reach out to the states and counties that have taken a rehabilitation over incarceration approach and see if it would be worth considering.

Caroline Oberholtzer

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Letters to the Editor continued
Jack and the Beanstalk

Have you ever read the story? I'm sure everyone has heard it at one time or another. And I can really see some parallels in local politics. More on that later.

Talk about hearing. I guess I've awoken a sleeping giant. Seems the Forest County Board's "Executive Committee" is now awake, and is holding a meeting this Thursday 12/21/17 at 5:30pm. {Funny, how it doesn't get posted in the local weekly papers sooner. But then again, if more people knew about it, other people besides the Executive Committee might attend.}I find item Number 6 on the Agenda interesting, and I quote "Discussion to address false accusations in the papers and possible rebuttal." I haven't seen any false accusations in the papers, have you? If there were false accusations made, I'd sure like to hear what the rebuttal would be. Do you think we will hear?

Oh, yes. I also wanted to mention that there is only one other item up for discussion at this meeting. The Executive Committee will also be discussing Home Town Trolley that evening under item number 5. {It doesn't say what about Home Town Trolley will be discussed, just that it will be discussed.}

I did go to Forest County 's official website to check out the suddenly posted meeting, and its agenda. And yes, the meeting is posted there, {posted at 8:40am and sent to the local weekly papers and media, on 12/18/17.}

I'm going to make the point, that this is an open meeting of our county government's "Executive Committee." Do you know which county board members are on the Executive Committee? Is your county board member on the Executive Committee? What are the duties of the Executive Committee? And just one more question, who appoints {not elects}the members of the Executive Committee, and why are they chosen? Yes, anyone can go and sit in at the executive committee meetings. You may not speak, but you can listen and record these open public meetings of your elected officials. It might be a good idea for some of us to go this Thursday, 12/21/17 to the County Board Room at 5:30 p.m. and listen in, and perhaps shed a little light on the workings of the executive committee, who is on it, and what their ideas are.

And just a short {I promise}update of mushrooms {not bean stalks}growing in the Courthouse.

What I've heard in response to my letter, are lots of interesting ideas, on how the courthouse could be saved, ideas on how existing structures could be re-purposed. Some of them are quite exciting ideas, coming from normal citizens, and elected officials both. There are other ideas out there, but only two proposals being forwarded {like a done deal}for our consideration. There has been no input from the people of the county, or most county board members , towards the already existing plan to borrow and spend 23 million to tear the courthouse down, or 26 Million and "save" it. It's my feeling that some county board members aren't interested in hearing any other ideas. Apparently there are meetings now scheduled in January to present just these two current proposals, at the Crandon, Laona, and Wabeno Schools {Armstrong Creek, your being ignored again. I guess you will have to go to Laona to hear how your Tax dollar is being spent.}

I highly suggest that you the people and taxpayers of this County go to these meetings and listen, and ask questions. Otherwise, this issue is going to move ahead only with your tax dollar, not your input. The current estimates are 140 to 160 additional dollars taxed per

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On that note, please remember that all county board elected positions are now open for the spring election and papers can now be circulated, if you know anyone interested in serving. I truly believe in our system of open government.

Again, I am entirely aware of the neglect suffered for years by our county's courthouse, and the much needed upgrades and security issues. Please weigh in, let your thoughts on this and other county issues be known. Perhaps we'll have to grab an axe and chop down a Beanstalk or two.

Jim Odekirk- Cavour

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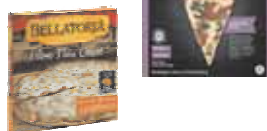
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Alzheimer's Association shares tips on navigating the Holiday Season
Heading Home for the Holidays; Know the 10 Warning Signs of Alzheimer's

Green Bay, WI, December 6, 2017– Holidays are a beautiful time of year, but can be stressful for those with Alzheimer's and their caregivers. Visiting with relatives over the holidays may raise questions about the physical and cognitive health of family members. Although some change in cognitive ability can occur with age, serious memory problems are not a part of normal aging. Recognizing the difference between normal aging and more serious problems can help you identify when it may be time for your relative to see a doctor.

The Alzheimer's Association has seen a rise in calls to its 24-hour Helpline, 800-272-3900, during and after the holiday season when people return home and visit with friends and family whom they may not see as frequently during the year. The Alzheimer's Association encourages anyone to call their Helpline if anyone has a question or doubt about the state of an aging family member or friend.

"Education and understanding the 10 warning signs benefits the whole family in making proper decisions for a loved one when faced with Alzheimer's disease or a related dementia," said Kathy Davies, Program and Advocacy Director, for the Alzheimer's Association Greater Wisconsin Chapter.

Every individual may experience one or more of the 10 Warning Signs in different degrees. If you notice any of them, please see a doctor.

Alzheimer's Association 10 Warning Signs of Alzheimer's

1. Memory loss that disrupts daily life. One of the most common signs of Alzheimer's is memory loss, especially forgetting recently learned information. Others include forgetting important dates or events; asking for the same information over and over; relying on memory aides (e.g., reminder notes or electronic devices) or family members for things they used to handle on one's own.

What's typical: Sometimes forgetting names or appointments, but remembering them later.

2. Challenges in planning or solving problems Some people may experience changes in their ability to develop and follow a plan or work with numbers. They may have trouble following a familiar recipe or keeping track of monthly bills. They may have difficulty concentrating and take much longer to do things than they did before.

What's typical: Making occasional errors when balancing a checkbook.

3. Difficulty completing familiar tasks at home, at work or at leisure. People with Alzheimer's often find it hard to complete daily tasks. Sometimes, people may have trouble driving to a familiar location, managing a budget at work or remembering the rules of a favorite game.

What's typical: Occasionally needing help to use the settings on a microwave or to record a television show. (more)

4. Confusion with time or place: People with Alzheimer's can lose track of dates, seasons and the passage of time. They may have trouble understanding something if it is not happening immediately. Sometimes they may forget where they are or how they got there.

What's typical: Getting confused about the day of the week but figuring it out later.

5. Trouble understanding visual images and spatial relationships. For some people, having vision problems is a sign of Alzheimer's. They may have difficulty reading, judging distance and determining color or contrast. In terms of perception, they may pass a mirror and think someone else is in the room. They may not realize they are the person in the mirror.

What's typical: Vision changes related to cataracts.

6. New problems with words in speaking or writing. People with Alzheimer's may have trouble following or joining a conversation. They may stop in the middle of a conversation and have no idea how to continue or they may repeat themselves. They may struggle with vocabulary, have problems finding the right word or call things by the wrong name (e.g., calling a "watch" a "hand-clock").

What's typical: Sometimes having trouble finding the right word.

7. Misplacing things and losing the ability to retrace steps. A person with Alzheimer's disease may put things in unusual places. They may lose things and be unable to go back over their steps to find them again. Sometimes, they may accuse others of stealing. This may occur more frequently over time.

What's typical: Misplacing things from time to time, such as a pair of glasses or the remote control.

8. Decreased or poor judgment. People with Alzheimer's may experience changes in judgment or decision-making. For example, they may use poor judgment when dealing with money, giving large amounts to telemarketers. They may pay less attention to grooming or keeping themselves clean.

What's typical: Making a bad decision once in a while.

9. Withdrawal from work or social activities. A person with Alzheimer's may start to remove themselves from hobbies, social activities, work projects or sports. They may have trouble keeping up with a favorite sports team or remembering how to complete a favorite hobby. They may also avoid being social because of the changes they have experienced.

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10. Changes in mood and personality. The mood and personalities of people with Alzheimer's can change. They can become confused, suspicious, depressed, fearful or anxious. They may be easily upset at home, at work, with friends or in places where they are out of their comfort zone.

What's typical: Developing very specific ways of doing things and becoming irritable when a routine is disrupted.

Early diagnosis of Alzheimer's disease or other dementias is an important step in getting appropriate treatment, care and support services. Following are additional benefits to receiving a diagnosis as early as possible:

Benefits of an early diagnosis of Alzheimer's disease

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- Benefit from care and support services, making it easier to manage the disease

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Senator Baldwin urges Trump to Hold drug companies accountable for overpricing

WASHINGTON, DC – U.S. Senator Tammy Baldwin today joined a group of colleagues in a letter led by Senator Gary Peters (D-MI) to the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) expressing alarm over the department's decision to further delay implementation of a rule holding drug companies accountable for overcharging for prescription drugs. The final rule, which was announced in January by the Obama Administration, would give HHS greater authority to penalize pharmaceutical companies that knowingly and intentionally overcharge 340B health care providers. The 340B program requires drug companies to sell discounted prescription drugs to safety net hospitals, rural health facilities, and other entities that provide care in underserved communities. Despite President Trump's pledge to take action to control drug prices, his administration has delayed the rule four times.

"Currently, HHS has limited authority to penalize pharmaceutical companies that overcharge 340B health care providers despite significant evidence that these companies frequently and impermissibly overprice their products," wrote the Senators. "Further delays or changes the implementation of this rule contradict President Trump's repeated promises to crack down on unfair drug pricing and allows bad actors to continue enriching themselves at the expense of the American public."

The 340B program was established in 1992 to help lower drug prices for hospitals and health clinics serving vulnerable communities that would otherwise not be able to afford prescription drugs. In 2015, the 340B program helped health care providers save over \$6 billion in prescription drug costs. However, the practice of pharmaceutical companies overcharging 340B health care providers is a long-standing problem. A 2006 audit from the HHS Inspector General found 340B health care providers were overcharged in 14% of total prescription purchases in a 30-day period, and that 68 of 70 340B health care providers have been overcharged at least once in the past.

Under the Affordable Care Act, HHS is required to implement rules to better enforce penalties on drug companies that wrongfully charge higher prices for prescription drugs to 340B health care providers. Following a series of public comments, HHS announced in January a proposed rule that would enhance oversight of the 340B program and establish a \$5,000 penalty for each case where a drug company knowingly and intentionally overcharged a 340B customer. Since then, the Trump Administration has delayed implementation of the rule four times and has suggested possible changes – delaying the ability to hold drug companies accountable.



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Senior Chatter

2018 Social Security Changes

Submitted by Kathy O'Melia

The Social Security Administration recently announced that beneficiaries will receive a 2% increase in 2018 due to the cost of living adjustment.

Starting in January, individuals receiving the following benefits: Social Security retirement, survivors and disability will see a modest increase in their monthly benefit amount. People who receive the federal needs based benefit Supplemental Security Income (SSI), will see their monthly benefit increase from \$735 to \$750. The Wisconsin state supplement for SSI will remain the same at \$83.78.

Remember, Social Security retirement, survivor and disability benefits are paid out one month after they are earned. For example, the July benefit is paid in August. Therefore, beneficiaries will not receive the increased benefit amount until February. Additionally, beneficiaries who pay a Medicare Part B premium will likely not notice a net increase in their Social Security benefits because the increase will go towards paying their Medicare Part B premium. Also, Social Security has a "hold harmless" provision that protects beneficiaries from paying the full amount of a Medicare Part B premium if the Social Security benefit checks did not go up by a corresponding amount. This provision protected beneficiaries from incurring the full increase in the Medicare Part B premium (a \$12.20 increase) that occurred in 2017; however, with a 2% increase in Social Security benefits in 2018, this will cause beneficiaries to be responsible to pay a larger portion of the premium increase.

For 2018, the maximum Social Security benefit for a worker retiring at full retirement age is \$2,788.

The Elder Benefits Specialist in Forest County has a new telephone number. You can reach Kathy O'Melia, the Elder Benefit Specialist, at 1-800-699-6704.

Bus Schedule

Thursday - December 21 - Argonne, Hiles and Crandon to Rhinelander - **Bus driver:** Dan Pedersen

Tuesday - January 2 - Carter, Wabeno, Laona and Crandon to Rhinelander - **Bus driver:** Dan Pedersen

Wednesday - January 3 - Armstrong Creek, Cavour, Newald, Popple River, Laona and Crandon to Iron Mountain - **Bus driver:** Fred Draves IV

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Monday - January 1 - No Meal - New Year's Day

CRANDON, WABENO, LAONA, ARMSTRONG CREEK

Tuesday - December 26 - No Meal

Tuesday - January 2 - Beef pot roast, mashed potato, Harvard beets, sunflower flax bread, apple pie square -

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Wednesday - December 27 - No Meal

Wednesday - January 3 - Turkey sandwich on whole wheat, potato salad, baked beans, fruit, Oh Henry bar

LAONA, WABENO CONGREGATE

Thursday - December 28 - No Meal

Thursday - January 4 - Pork paprikash, egg noodles, green beans, fruit, dinner roll, ice cream

ALVIN

Thursday - December 28 - No Meal

Thursday - January 4 - Beef stew, potatoes, carrots, peaches, dinner rolls, bars

*** Effective Dec. 7, the Alvin Meal Site will be serving meals at 1 p.m. Instead of 4 p.m. ***

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.

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

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Senators Baldwin, Johnson & Klobuchar propose bipartisan reform to enhance American timber economy

The Good Neighbor Authority Improvement Act would update Good Neighbor Authority to avoid timber harvest delays, allow needed road repairs

WASHINGTON, D.C. – Today, U.S. Senator Tammy Baldwin is continuing her advocacy for the forest products industry by introducing the bipartisan Good Neighbor Authority Improvement Act that would amend the 2014 Farm Bill to allow the Forest Service's Good Neighbor Authority (GNA) to cover forest management efforts that require road repair, improve forest access and complete stalled Forest Service projects. The bipartisan legislation is cosponsored by Senators Ron Johnson (R-WI) and Amy Klobuchar (D-MN).

The Good Neighbor Authority Improvement Act proactively addresses the need to conduct road repairs in order to complete Forest Service projects in the next few years. This modification also supports ecosystem goals by improving forest health, restoring wildlife and fish habitat, and improving water quality.

"Good Neighbor Authority has proven to be a very useful tool to accelerate the pace of work done on our national forests. We have made real progress in recent years both in forest restoration and in increasing timber sales. In order to keep moving forward, we need to update Good Neighbor Authority and I'm proud of the bipartisan coalition we have built in support of that effort," said Senator Baldwin. "This needed update will lead to more gains in forest health and wildlife habitat, while continuing the increased timber sales we've seen in recent years and meeting long-term forest stewardship goals for our national forests."

"While having the GNA program in place since 2016 has boosted the logging economy across northern Wisconsin, we need to remove the program's current exemption on the use of GNA funds to fix permanent forest roads. When a bid turns into a sale and a cut is lined up, we can't let a forest road in need of repair slow down the process," said Senator Johnson. "I'm proud to partner with my colleagues to push for an improvement in a program that is helping Wisconsin loggers not just survive, but begin to thrive."

"Minnesota's forests don't just provide recreational opportunities and environmental benefits. They can also sustain rural economies," said Senator Klobuchar. "This bipartisan bill will continue to encourage collaboration between the U.S. Forest Service and state agencies to undertake forest management projects, which will help protect water resources, enhance wildlife habitat, restore forest health, and strengthen our local economies."

During her time in the United States Senate, Senator Baldwin has worked to ensure the U.S. Forest Service has the tools it needs to work with the timber industry and wildlife advocates to meet goals the Forest Service has for sustainable timber harvest, forest restoration, and wildlife habitat. In October 2014, she hosted Forest Service Chief Tom Tidwell for a discussion of forest management issues in Wisconsin, and pressed him to ensure that tools including stewardship contracting and "Good Neighbor Authority" were used in Wisconsin.

The Good Neighbor Authority Improvement Act is supported by the Federal Forest Resource Coalition, Forest Resources Association, National Association of State Foresters, Hardwood Federation, Boone and Crockett Club, Great Lakes Timber Professionals Association, Wisconsin County Forests Association, LP Building Products, Flambeau River Paper Mill, Futurewood Corporation and Johnson Timber Corporation.

Senator Baldwin supported the 2014 Farm Bill that authorized the use of Good Neighbor Authority. The bill also permanently authorized Stewardship Contracting, which allows the Forest Service to partner with stakeholder groups to accomplish forest management and wildlife habitat restoration projects.

As a strong supporter of Wisconsin's timber economy, Senator Baldwin championed the use of Good Neighbor Authority in Wisconsin. The Chequamegon

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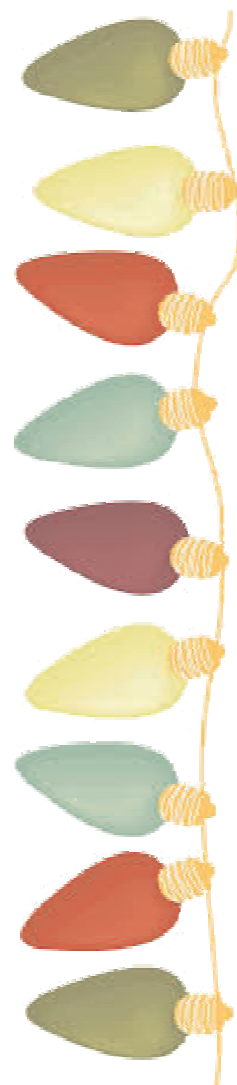
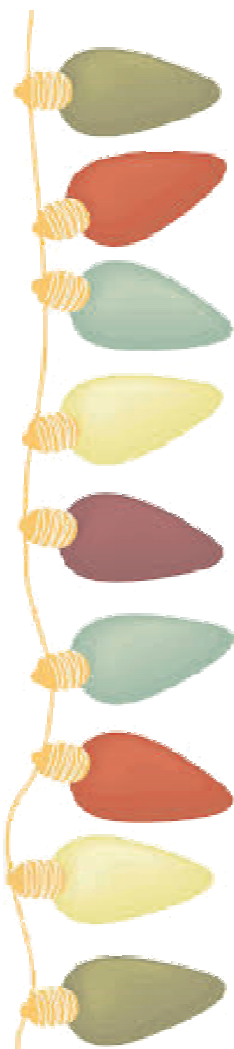
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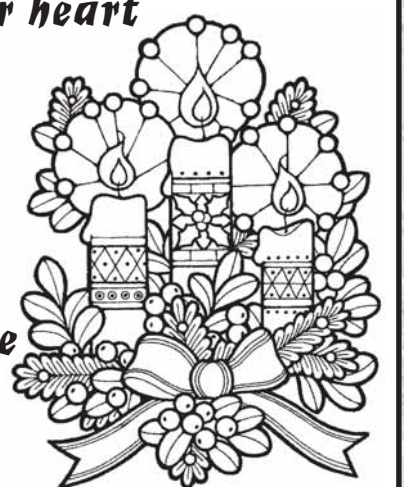
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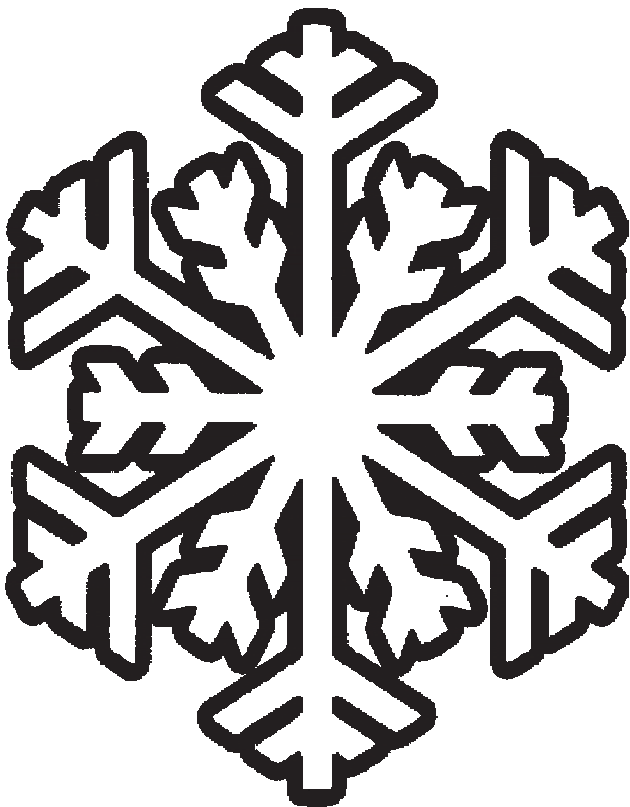



Merry Christmas



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Ring Those
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YOU A
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CHRISTMAS**





monarchies, and this should have improved the lives of many people, but unfortunately, the Treaty of Versailles didn't make the Great War the war to end all wars. Instead it became World War I, because the reparations leveled on Germany set the stage for Hitler to rise to power, and the world had to experience another "Great" War, which became World War II.

It is politicians and other rulers who start these glorious conflicts, but they are never the ones who freeze, live in mud or get hit by a bullet or shrapnel.

In 1914, the first Christmas of World War I, both sides faced each other in trench systems that stretched across Europe. It was this Christmas that an extraordinary thing happened. In many areas of the battle line, troops from each side put aside the war and enjoyed the Christmas holiday. It didn't happen over the entire front line, and while the two sides were celebrating in one section of the line there may be fierce fighting in other areas.

In the first year of the war, the resources of the warring nations weren't stretched thin. Christmas goodies were sent to the troops on both sides, and the German troops were even supplied with small Christmas trees and candles to light up the trees. As the war raged on, neither side could afford to be that generous with their troops on the Christmas holidays that followed.

Books have been written on this subject, and there are some of the stories that can be shared here.

Germans have a strong Christmas tradition, and those of German descent can probably testify to that. In one section of the line, the Germans put their lit Christmas trees on the parapet of the trench. The British Tommies had a great time doing target practice on the trees until the Germans started singing "Silent Night." The shooting stopped, and in the morning, they met in no-mans land between the trenches, buried the dead and started exchanging the goodies from home. Soon they were playing soccer and having a grand time. When Christmas was over, the officers couldn't get them to shoot at each other.

In one instance, a German cook was making candy in a deep bunker. British mortar rounds were hitting nearby and sand was falling between the cracks in the ceiling boards, ruining his marzipan. The British were amazed when a rotund German wearing an apron and a chef's hat climbed out of the German trenches carrying a Christmas tree. He walked into the killing zone between the trenches looking very angry. Dozens of British rifles, safety off, were sighted on the heavy duty chef, but nobody pulled a trigger. The chef stuck the tree in the mud, glared at the British and pointed at the tree. They got the message, and soon both sides were meeting each other and enjoying Christmas.

In one instance, the Germans hoisted a barrel of beer over the edge of the trench. Climbing out, they started rolling it towards the British. They were unarmed, and the British troops refrained from firing. They may have also been thinking about good German beer! Soon, the British left their trenches and joined the Germans. It seemed that the friendship offered by the enemy was more important than the war.

And so it was. British and German soldiers as well as French and German soldiers forgot they were supposed to be enemies and instead enjoyed the Christmas Spirit. Officers too joined in the informal truce, and while there were officers on both sides who didn't like it, it was impossible to stop.

After Christmas, it was found that both sides had a hard time shooting at their newfound friends. Often, when they did shoot, they purposely aimed high, not wanting to hurt anyone. As a result, both sides were forced to move units to a different sector of the front so they wouldn't be shooting at somebody they had met and liked. In the years that followed, top brass on both sides ordered artillery barrages on Christmas to prevent this fraternization from happening again. After all, there was a war to fight!

The Christmas Truce is a perfect example of the fact that people who start wars never have to fight them. The posturing and tough speeches were the reason that World War I happened in the first place, but the Kaiser, King George and the rest never had to live for weeks in the mud or suffer an artillery barrage or a poisonous gas attack.

Common soldiers on the front lines demonstrated that "peace on earth and good will towards men" was possible and more worthwhile than shooting each other.

Christmas Door Decorating
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The County Clerk and County Treasurer

Forest Larger Parish helps out
at Christmas



Members of the Mission/Evangelism Committee at Forest Larger Parish Presbyterian Church deliver holiday hams to New Cap in Crandon (and to New Hope Shelter also in Crandon and to Christian Food Pantry in Townsend.) Shoeboxes for Operation Christmas Child also we're delivered to Praise Chapel to begin their long journey to kids in need around the world.

Crooked Lake/Mountain Lions donate
to Christian Food Pantry-Townsend



The Crooked Lake/Mountain Lions Club recently made their second of the year \$1000.00 contribution to the Christian Food Pantry in Townsend.

The money that is distributed to the Community by the Lions Club is raised by Community members attending their fundraisers and purchasing the \$10 money raffle calendar. Without the help of everyone who supports the club, these donations wouldn't be possible.

Lion Treasurer is pictured presenting the check to Jim Zittlow of the Christian Food Pantry.



Forest County Health Department

MORE DOORS
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