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## Swans on Lake Metonga

Swans used to be rare to see in this area, but in recent years their numbers have increased. This pair of tundra or whistling swans was on Lake Metonga last week, and they weren't camera shy. Likely the car traffic has made them a bit less shy.

This is a great time of year to observe waterfowl on our lakes and rivers. Lake Metonga has the road close to the east side of the lake, and it is a great place to look at our ducks and geese and swans.

## NorthLakes Community Clinic in Lakewood is selling raffle tickets!



## Win a Shopping Spree!

NorthLakes Community Clinic Lakewood is selling raffle tickets each Friday at Mike's Supermarket in Townsend for its wacky fundraiser called The Shopping Spree to raise money for its Farm to Patient Program. The fundraiser event is like the television show Grocery Grab, where shoppers race through a grocery store, grabbing as many food items into their cart as the time constraints allow. The Shopping Spree is an enjoyable spectacle where the two pulled ticket winners will run through Mike's Supermarket in Townsend and grab up to \$500 of food in 60 seconds. The event will take place on Sunday, June 2, 2024.

Besides, the fundraising efforts, we recently received a grant from the Wisconsin Public Service Foundation to support The Farm to Patient program. This program recognizes that families living with poverty have shorter life spans due to chronic illnesses such as strokes, diabetes, and obesity. These health issues may be preventable through increasing access to fresh, nutritious vegetables while understanding and working on the underlying reasons for unhealthy food choices. NorthLakes distributes Community Supported Agriculture (CSA) boxes to low-income patients prescribed by one of our providers. The patients must have a willingness to create a change in their overall health. At the exchange of CSA boxes to the patients, there is education and an introduction to the vegetables in the box along with a discussion of any barriers such as cooking preparation, family adjustment to fresh food, adjustment of recipes, transportation challenges, and discussion of child care. This program is at the heart of NorthLakes Community Clinic's mission of responding to the community's health care needs with an integrated array of quality services and actively removing barriers to wellness.

To support this worthwhile program and a chance to win one of the two opportunities of a lifetime by running through Mike's Supermarket, raffle tickets will be available for \$10 each or 3 for \$25 until May 24 at NorthLakes Community Clinic in Lakewood, the Krist Station in Wabeno and Mike's Supermarket in Townsend during business hours.

## Forest County Health Department "Creative Sessions" Open Art April Schedule & "Journeys" April Schedule

"Creative Sessions" is a fun and free experience for all Forest County adults using various art forms (painting, collaging, other art forms). "Journeys" is a creative arts program that strives to assist individuals in their healing journey after any loss.

- Creative Sessions**  
**April 9,** -Wabeno Town Hall (Meal Site) 10:15 11:30 a.m.  
**April 16,** -Crandon Community Building (Meal Site) - 12:30 2:00 p.m.  
**April 22,** -Wabeno Town Hall (Meal Site) 10:15 11:30 a.m.  
**April 23,** -Laona Senior Center (Meal Site) 12:30 2:00 p.m.  
**April 25,** - "Bridges" (formerly Memory Café) Praise Chapel, Crandon 10 a.m. 12:00 p.m.  
**April 30,** - Crandon Community Building (Meal Site) 12:30 2:00 p.m.  
**"Journeys"**  
**April 15,** -Forest County Courthouse Boardroom 10:00 a.m. 12:00 p.m.

"Creative Sessions"/"Journeys" require no specific artistic talent just individual self-expression no judgment involved. Pre-registration is welcomed, but not required.

To pre-register call the Forest County Health Department at 715-478-3371 or e-mail Lenore Blemke - [Lenore.Blemke@co.forest.wi.us](mailto:Lenore.Blemke@co.forest.wi.us)

## Meeting on Crandon School Safety

On April 1st a meeting was held by the Crandon School District to inform the public of the action taken by the District to insure the safety of the building before the restart of school on April 2, 2024.

Interim District Administrator Kirby Schultz called the meeting to order. He introduced the School Board members present, then Sheriff Jeff Marvin, Deputy Tom Robinson and Deputy D.J. Wilson. The members of the of the Forest County Sheriff's Department explained what tests were done in the investigation of the school building and the illness of people that day.

The District called in two different agencies to clean and check the boiler system of the school. RT Krueger of Northern Lakes Service took water samples, all of which passed inspection

Kirby Schultz then presented a timeline of the work done by the school to guarantee the safety of the building for the return of students and staff on April 2nd.

The district then opened the floor for questions and answered all of the questions that they could.

## A Choice Not Made in Vain

By Anna Childers

My plan, or at least dream, had always been to go to the Olympics. I knew it was a big dream but someone once said, "If your dreams don't scare you, then they aren't big enough." One day that dream became a reality. I was a talented freestyle skier on Team Breck. No one was surprised when a National Olympic Committee member came to Breckenridge, Colorado, as they did every year. They chose me. I suppose the perfectionist in me would have been pretty disappointed if they didn't, but I was thrilled.

"I'm so glad summer is over," I expressed to my older brother Christian, as we rode the gondola up Breckenridge Mountain for another day of skiing. Somehow in his busy life logging, he always trained with me; the coaches didn't seem to mind and he was an excellent skier. Several months had passed and it was November.

"That's usual for a teenager," he responded nonchalantly.

"Well, I guess I'm just glad to get back on the slopes. You know, I must be pretty awesome to make the 2022 Winter Olympics in Beijing," I quipped, provoking another of our banters.

"I think you need a little humbling. Let's hit the slopes," he responded cheerfully as the gondola door opened and we stepped out into the glistening sunlight reflecting off the snow.

The weeks went on. I turned sixteen. Then, finally, the moment I had been waiting for since I could remember had finally arrived. We took the winding roads out of the mountains, through the foothills, into the city of Denver. We went through the extraneous traffic and crowds, just the beginning of the drudgery. I was just hours away leaving for Beijing. Once I found the rest of the Olympic team, I started mingling even though most of them were mid twenties. I continued my small talk, nerves overcoming my excitement for the 2022 Winter Olympics, when I noticed my mom had left the area that was designated to the team, and went to go find her. When I found her she was crying, "Mom? What's wrong?" I sat down by her on the metal bench. We had to leave in an hour but my mother's grief seemed more important. "Hadlee," Mom worked the words out, "Christian, uh, he got caught in an avalanche while he was logging," she referred to my brother's dangerous mountain job.

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## Easter Egg Hunt in Crandon



The Easter Bunny was in Crandon last Saturday. The Easter Egg Hunt was unfortunately in the snow, but the kids enjoyed it anyway.

The Easter Bunny was also enjoying his visit to Crandon, and visiting with all of those attending.

The little fellow with the eggs obviously enjoyed the hunt, and was quite pleased with his finds.

## Conservation Corner

Conservation Corner is a weekly article produced by the Forest County Land & Water Conservation Department. For more information contact Steve Kircher, County Conservationist-Land Information/GIS Director at 715-478-1387 or by e-mail at [lcc@co.forest.wi.us](mailto:lcc@co.forest.wi.us).

### Announcing Wisconsin Land & Water Summer Camps for Middle and High School Students

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Upon successfully finishing their first semesters of college, Owen Seeber and Maddy Calhoun were each awarded \$500 "Muggs" Armstrong Memorial Golf Scholarships. They are pictured above receiving their scholarships with Tom Armstrong, "Mugg's" husband.



Owen is now pursuing a career in the service industry. Maddy is attending Nicolet to finish her general education courses and plans to transfer to Mankato for Sports management. Her dream is to be working in the NFL in 6 years. The money for the scholarships was raised at a golf tournament in honor of "Muggs" Armstrong in October 2021. They will continue to be awarded to a male and female golfer for one more year.

The Laona/Wabeno Golf Team would like to extend appreciation to "Muggs" Armstrong's family for their generous scholarship opportunity for their athletes.

Also pictured is Coach Anderson with the Rebel golf team's last installment from the Armstrong family of \$2,885.20. The Armstrong family has changed our golf program and we can not appreciate them enough! Their unbelievable generosity has our program loaded with top of the line equipment and training tools.

The Armstrong family will forever be Rebels!

**Wabeno Elementary's Mid-Year Celebration**

Wabeno Elementary students attended the Forest County Potawatomi (FCP) Community Center recently celebrating their mid-year goal of earning logs to fill half of Larry's Log Truck! Students have been working hard all year focusing on following classroom/school-wide expectations and having **P.B.I.S.** (Positive Behavior In School)! We appreciate the FCP Community Center for having activities planned for our students and, most importantly, we appreciate the staff and students at Wabeno Elementary for having...

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The facility will reopen Monday, April 15 for limited services: public computer access (with reservation); prints/copies/fax; holds pickup; and requests from library shelves. We anticipate that the policy will be in effect until mid-June and appreciate your patience during a very hectic but exciting time.

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**LITTLE LEAGUE AND SOFTBALL**  
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**TIME: 5PM TO 7PM**  
**LOCATION: CRANDON HIGH SCHOOL**  
This sign up is for any children living in the Crandon School District area for the following teams/levels:  
T-Ball - Current 4K Students/Kindergarten - boys and girls  
Minor League - 1st Grade/2nd Grade - boys and girls  
10U - Boys in 3rd/4th Grade 9/10U Girls age as of Jan. 1st  
12U - Boys in 5th/6th Grade 11/12U Girls age as of Jan. 1st  
This is the **only** sign-up there will be for these teams so you do not want to miss it! You will need to register and pay \$10 on the night of the sign-ups. This is for all players interested in playing - new players and existing players. Checks can be made payable to Forest County Little League. If you do not sign your child up on April 17th, there will be no other opportunities for sign-up, so plan to be there.  
If you have any questions, please contact Terri Palubicki at 715-499-1068 prior to April 17th.



## SPONSOR A SENIOR - CRANDON HIGH SCHOOL CLASS OF 2024



As the school year winds down and Spring approaches, it is that time of year to honor our 2024 Crandon High School graduates. One way we do that is through our annual tradition of "Sponsor a Senior," in which we hang senior banners throughout downtown Crandon. We have had great success with this project in the past, and we hope to continue it for years to come.

The banners will cost \$50 each. If you are interested in donating to the "Sponsor a Senior 2024" project, you can donate toward a specific senior or you can donate toward the overall project to help offset the cost of the banners. You can donate any amount of money that you feel comfortable with, and any donations are greatly appreciated as this is a privately funded project.

We are hoping to gather all donations by April 15th so that there is ample time for the production of banners as well as getting them hung downtown well before graduation day on Saturday, May 25th.

If you have any questions concerning our Sponsorship Opportunity, feel free to contact Terri Palubicki at 715.499.1068. If you would like to Sponsor a Senior by providing a donation, please make checks made payable to Terri Palubicki and mail to: 10484 Bocek Lane, Argonne, WI 54511. I can also accept venmo so please reach out if you need that information. Thank you for your help!

With Gratitude,  
Crandon School District Class of 2024

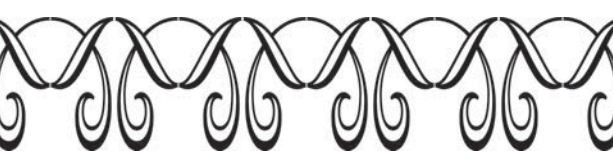
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**"Protecting Our Waters: We're All Connected!"**  
**Six-County Lakes Meeting on July 12**  
"Protecting Our Waters: We're All Connected" is the theme for the annual Northwoods Six-County Lakes Meeting, set for Friday, July 12, at Nicolet College. Lake association leaders and members along with the general public will convene to learn about and discuss our interconnected water resources and our human connections to each other and to our lakes, streams, wetlands and groundwater.  
A committee with representatives from Oneida, Vilas, Forest, Langlade, Lincoln, and Iron counties is at work developing plans for the meeting. The program will include a five-member panel discussion on the connections among water resources and the people who use them, along with presentations on the impacts of climate change and drought on our water resources and fisheries, and the problem of PFAS in the environment.  
There will also be exhibits from educational and nonprofit organizations and excellent opportunities for networking. The meeting will run from 8:30 a.m. to noon. All are welcome; there is no charge and no need to register. More details and a full agenda will be announced as the meeting date approaches.  
The event is jointly sponsored by the Oneida County Lakes and Rivers Association ([www.ocrla.org](http://www.ocrla.org)) and the Vilas County Lakes and Rivers Association ([www.vclra.org](http://www.vclra.org)). For more information contact Ted Rulseh at 920-242-8671 ([trulseh@tjrcommunications.com](mailto:trulseh@tjrcommunications.com)) or Tom Ewing at 630-985-8472 ([president@vclra.org](mailto:president@vclra.org)).

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Culinary Arts Instructor Vicki Mendham said, "Whether students are passionate food enthusiasts or simply curious about exploring career options in the culinary field, this bootcamp offers something for everyone."

The two-day bootcamp will be held on the Nicolet College campus in Rhinelander on Monday, June 17, 2024 and Tuesday, June 18, 2024.

Explore Careers in Culinary Arts: Gain insight into various career paths within the culinary industry, including chef and pastry chef.

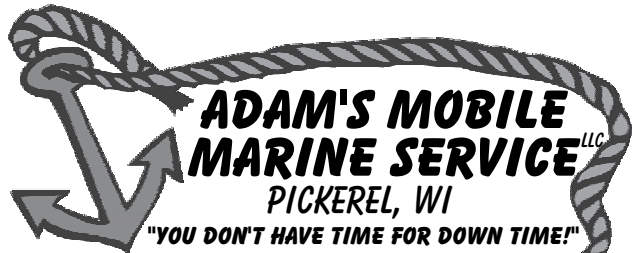
Learn Safety and Sanitation: Acquire essential knowledge and skills in food safety and sanitation practices, ensuring a healthy and hygienic culinary environment.

Master Kitchen Tools: Discover the functionalities of different kitchen tools and equipment, and learn how to use them effectively to create culinary masterpieces.

Prepare and Enjoy Delicious Lunches: Roll up your sleeves and get hands-on experience in preparing delectable dishes under the guidance of our experienced culinary instructors. Students not only make food, but they also have the opportunity to taste test.

The Nicolet College High School Culinary Bootcamp is free of charge, but registration is limited to the first 20 students. To secure your spot, register online at <https://www.nicoletcollege.edu/admissions/visits/events/high-school-culinary-bootcamp> or call Nicolet College at 715-365-4694.

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- 2 - Accident(s) (1 CITATION)
- 1 - Alarm Call(s)
- 7 - Animal Incident(s)
- 6 - Assists to Citizens/Motorists/Business
- 10 - Assists to Forest County Sheriff's Dept.
- 2 - Assists to Forest County Sheriff's Dept. (Drugs/K9 Deployment)
- 3 - Assist Other Agency
- 5 - Assist Rescue
- 3 - ATV/UTV Incident(s)
- 1 - Bail Jumping Incident(s) (1 ARREST)
- 3 - Dangerous Drug/Drug Para. And/or Poss. (3 CITATIONS)
- 1 - Death Notification
- 1 - Disorderly Conduct/Fight(s) (1 CITATION)
- 2 - Domestic Dispute/Disturbance (1 ARREST)
- 1 - Drug Abuse/Possible Drug Abuse Incident(s)
- 2 - Environmental Concern(s)/Hazardous Materials
- 1 - Fraud/Scam Incident(s)
- 3 - Harassment/Threat Incident(s)
- 5 - Health/Safety/Welfare Incident(s)/911 Calls
- 1 - Liquor Law Violation(s)
- 1 - Lost/Missing Property Incident(s)
- 1 - Lost/Missing/Runaway Person(s)
- 1 - Noise/Disturb Peace Incident(s)
- 1 - O.W.I. (4 ARRESTS / 9 CITATIONS)
- 1 - Parking Complaint
- 1 - Probation/Parole Violation(s) (1 ARREST)
- 2 - Property Dispute Incident(s)
- 22 - Security Checks—Businesses/Residences
- 3 - Suspicious Person/Activity/Package/Vehicle Incident(s)
- 3 - Theft/Possible Theft Incident(s)
- 4 - Traffic/Driving/Parking Incident(s) (1 CITATION)
- 1 - Trespassing Complaint(s)
- 3 - Unauthorized Use of Vehicle Incident(s) (1 ARREST)
- 3 - Vehicle Lockout(s)
- 3 - Warrant Arrest(s)/Apprehension Request(s)
- 14 - Citations Issued re: Traffic-Related Matters (14 CITATIONS)
- 1 - Warning(s) to ATV/UTV Operator(s)/Passenger(s)
- 36 - Warning(s) to Drivers (re: Vehicle or Traffic Safety)



### Forest County Residents Vote Down Referendum

Forest County residents voted down the April 2 referendum question to exceed the current levy limit of \$2,000,000. If passed, the referendum would have provided a stable funding source to maintain the current level of services and provide more regionally competitive wages for county employees. It would have had a tax impact of about \$120 per year on a \$100,000 home.

The unofficial results of the April 2 election are 30.6% yes to 69.4% no. A total of 2260 ballots were cast.

The Forest County Board of Supervisors will begin determining what services will be reduced or cut with the least possible impact on residents and employees while balancing the budget. All county services will now be evaluated for potential reductions starting in 2025.

Due to state law, the earliest the county could place another referendum question on the ballot is 2026. The soonest those funds would be available is 2027.

The Forest County Board of Supervisors remains committed to providing the highest quality services possible to the community and thanks everyone who voted on this important ballot question.

The County Board of Canvassers will certify the election results at their April 9 meeting.

More information about the referendum can be found at [www.co.forest.wi.gov](http://www.co.forest.wi.gov).

### Nicolet College to offer free High School Culinary Bootcamp

Nicolet College invites high school students and current 8th graders who will be entering high school this fall to enroll in the upcoming High School Culinary Bootcamp for two days of culinary exploration this summer at no charge.

This immersive culinary bootcamp is not only educational but promises to be a fun-filled adventure for high school students. Designed to introduce participants to the diverse and rewarding world of culinary arts, the event is open to all, and no prior experience is required.

# SENIOR CHATTER

## A Choice continued from pg. 1

My mind whirred. Christian, what? When? Where? How? "Mom?" my voice choked and my eyes swam with tears, "Is-is he dead?"

"No, but he's not okay. He has broken ribs and a punctured lung. He's in emergency surgery right now," Mom spoke slowly, trying to contain her emotions.

"We need to go see him," I was beginning to panic. My brother's life was in jeopardy.

"Hadlee, we're in the airport. We have to leave for Beijing in thirty minutes, but we can go to the hospital. You make the decision. You can go to the Olympics or we can go see Christian. Okay?" She left me there and went to talk to my coach about our crisis. So she left me to decide. First I prayed. I prayed for protection of Christian's life and discernment for me to make the right decision. I held my head in my hands with my elbows on my knees. My long brunette hair fell over my face. What was I going to do? Live out my dream or see my brother. Family or dream? What was I going to do? My head spun. Over and over I asked myself. I may never be able to go to the Olympics again, but I may never see my brother again, and his life is way more important to me than my hobbies or even my career. So I decided. I was going to stay in Denver and be with my brother. It was last minute, and my coach was disappointed. She told me what I already knew. I may never be able to compete in the Olympics again, but family is so much more important to me. That evening we went to the hospital. I hated the atmosphere, the putrid smell of disinfectant, the distant cry of a child, and the stark white that could not be blurred by my tears. We found Christian's room. He had come out of that surgery safely. He was awake and able to communicate with us, but I could see the pain on his face. An IV sent some type of medicine to his blood stream and an oxygen tube ran around his face and into his nostrils. He looked so helpless in the hospital bed. He couldn't have been the same person that just a couple of days earlier skied with me. I came out of that room heartbroken.

Two days later Christian died in surgery. At first I was angry at everything, especially myself. My brother was dead and I never got to go to the Olympics. I brought my anger on my mom one evening, but instead of punishing me, she sat down quietly next to me, "Hadlee, please talk to me. I know you're hurting," I sat down on the couch and set my head in my mother's lap; she began to gently stroke my hair. "I miss Christian," was all I could get out before the tear in my eyes flowed over. "Oh, Hadlee. I know but I think you made the right decision. You put family before career. You got to see him one last time," she spoke tenderly but my anger interpreted it as pity.

"But he's dead! It doesn't matter!" I sobbed until my shirt was soaked.

"That's not true, sweetheart. It mattered more than you know," my anger subsided and her words soothed me; I knew they were true now. I felt at peace that my decision wasn't in vain. I wiped my face with my sleeve, "You're right. Thank you."

## Death Notices

**Lana Palubicki (nee Carter)** passed away on March 28, 2024, at the age of 70 following a lengthy battle against cancer. Despite the obstacles that her health caused, Lana faced each day with courage and a smile.



Born on January 18, 1954, to Jack and Ruby Carter, Lana was a lifelong resident of Crandon, WI. Much like her, she was proud of the resiliency of the Crandon community where she met many of her beloved friends. Lana was an active member of St. Luke's United Methodist Church and Women's Group, the Crandon Community Guild and also led a fundraising event to raise money for those affected by Hurricane Sandy.

Upon graduating from Crandon High School in 1972, Lana worked at the Crandon Nursing Home and later as an Economic Support Specialist for Crandon Social Services in a career that spanned 20 years. During this time, Lana also found time to raise a beautiful family and earn a degree from Nicolet College.

Lana enjoyed cooking, baking, reading, and visiting with her family and friends. She enjoyed camping, crocheting and stamping cards. She loved her family more than anything and if there was a school function or a sporting event that one of her grandchildren was participating in, you could be sure that Lana would be there supporting her family.

Lana is survived by her children, Marsha (Randy) Schwaller, Chad (Tamarr Vollmar) Palubicki and Hilary (Nathan) Thompson; and her brother, Jack (Penny) Carter. Lana is further survived by her grandchildren, Jake (Alex) Schurr, Brooke (Tyler) Dinan, Joseph (Tori Stelter) Kluss, Lexi and Lauren Schwaller, Caden and Cruz Palubicki, Zandrea and Zatrina McGeshick (Trevor Carter), Hutson, Samara and Brexden Kane, Brielle and Teague Thompson; great-grandchildren, Kinsley and Brantley Schurr and Elleonna Kluss; nieces, Courtney Hauser and her children, Peyton and Lincoln, Ashley and Brittney Carter; nephews, Larry (Terri), Corey (Jamie), Brad (Lacey) and Ryan (Ashley), and her sister-in-law, Susan Palubicki.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Jack, and Ruby Carter.

A memorial service will be held on Friday, April 5, 2024, at St. Luke's United Methodist Church in Crandon at 12 p.m. Pastor Debra Spira will preside. Visitation will be held from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. preceding services at church.

Online condolences may be directed to [www.weberhillfuneralhome.com](http://www.weberhillfuneralhome.com).



### A note from the three busmen (Mike, Bob & Kevin) ...

The first is on April 9, 2024 to Winter Bingo at the Kalmar Community Center in Eagle River. Bingo begins at 12:30 sharp and finishes around 3 p.m. Price for each bingo cards is 50¢ each with option of up to four cards. There are 50/50 raffles for purchase and concession stands are available for food and beverages. The more people that attend, the bigger the pots! So grab a friend and make this a successful day!

We will also be going to the Rouman Cinema Theatre on April 24, 2024 as requested by my friends in Wabeno. Jump on the bus, get to the movie and enjoy popcorn and soda while watching a good movie.

Please let us know if there are any special trips on your bucket list and we will see if we can make it happen. Please call 715-784-1497 if you would like to join us for these trips or for any other rides you'd like to attend.

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Forest County to Rhinelander, Antigo and Iron Mountain. We will pick you up at your home sometime between 8 and 9 a.m. and typically arrive at the destination town around 9:45. Walmart is a popular stop but we will attempt to take you wherever you wish. Then...LUNCH!!! (Optional) We talk about where to eat and all riders are encouraged to voice their opinion. Then return home, arriving between 1:00 and 2:00 most days.

- Thursday, April 4:** Antigo
- Tuesday, April 9:** Winter Bingo in Eagle River
- Thursday, April 11:** Rhinelander
- Tuesday, April 16:** Antigo
- Thursday, April 18:** Iron Mountain
- Tuesday, April 23:** Rhinelander
- Wednesday, April 24:** Rouman Cinema in Rhinelander
- Thursday, April 25:** Antigo
- Tuesday, April 30:** Iron Mountain

## Forest County Commission on Aging Nutrition Program SENIOR MEALS

- CRANDON, WABENO, LAONA**  
**Monday - April 8** - Seasoned chicken breast, broccoli, Mediterranean salad, whole wheat bread, vanilla yogurt and berries  
**Monday - April 15** - Crab pasta salad over mixed greens, tomato wedges, dinner roll, peaches, lemon bar
- CRANDON, WABENO, LAONA, ARMSTRONG CREEK**  
**Tuesday - April 9** - Chef salad with mixed spring greens, tomatoes, diced turkey, hard boiled egg, shredded cheese, dressing, fresh roll, minestrone soup and crackers, cookie  
**Tuesday - April 16** - Hamburger on a bun, grilled onions, ketchup, German potato salad, baked beans, mixed fruit
- CRANDON, LAONA, ARMSTRONG CREEK, WABENO**  
**Wednesday - April 10** - Spaghetti and meat sauce, Italian blend vegetables, garlic breadstick, diced pears, rhubarb cake  
**Wednesday - April 17** - Chicken breast, mushroom and bacon sauce, mashed potatoes, California blend veggies, biscuit, banana
- ALVIN (Alvin now serving at 12:00 p.m.)**  
**Thursday - April 11** - Chili, pea salad, corn bread, apple slices, milk, brownie  
**Thursday - April 18** - Pork chop, sweet potatoes, green peas, bread with butter, pears, milk, cupcake
- Please register with Commission on Aging - 478-3256.
- Crandon site is at 715-478-3040. Serving at 12:00 p.m. on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. Alvin nutrition site manager Tammy Wolfe is at 715-545-3323.
- Laona site manager Peggy Alderton at 715-889-3116 (cell). Meal served at 12:00 p.m. Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday.
- Wabeno site manager Linda McEwen at 715-889-0123 (cell). Meal served at 11:30 a.m. on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday.
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# 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.

### Volunteer Appreciation Month

Dear Editor,

April is Volunteer Appreciation Month, and I want to attest to the incredible impact that caring volunteers make in the lives of others in our community. Compassus is an organization that cares for individuals experiencing life-limiting illnesses, and the kind words, warm smiles and other efforts of the volunteers who generously give their time to bring comfort to others is something we should all take time to recognize and celebrate.

Volunteers are an essential extension of the Compassus hospice care team. From directly interacting with patients and families to working with care team members behind the scenes to help operations run smoothly, they provide a vital service. The nationwide impact of hospice volunteers is just as significant. According to the National Hospice and Palliative Care Association, volunteers care for more than 1.5 million hospice patients each year, totaling millions of hours of care annually.

This month and every month, we are thankful for volunteers. Please join us in showing gratitude for the people who give of themselves to improve the lives of patients, families, teammates and our community. We are grateful to have their support and proud to recognize their efforts.

If you're interested in becoming a hospice volunteer, please call our office at 1-800-234-3542 to learn more about this rewarding role.

Sincerely,  
 Mary Ellen Kaminski  
 Volunteer Coordinator

### Felzkowski and Senate Republicans finish session on a high note

Madison, WI – On Tuesday, State Senator Mary Felzkowski (R-Tomahawk) and her colleagues convened for the last scheduled floor period of the 2023-24 legislative session. Despite a long agenda of appointees and bills, Senator Felzkowski focused on four pieces of legislation in particular: funding the tip-line at the Office of School Safety, preventing the Governor from using a partial-veto to increase taxes, requiring high school athletic teams fall into three categories based on gender at birth (male, female, or co-ed), and giving college students the right to waive immunization requirements – similar to what we allow for K-12.

Felzkowski commented: "All four of these bills attempt to right a wrong. Whether it's the Governor creating programs with federal COVID dollars and choosing not to continue funding them, or his partial veto in the budget that created a property tax increase for the next 400 years – our constituents deserve more. Whether it's our young female athletes having championships stolen from them by male counterparts, or our college students being required to take vaccinations – our constituents deserve more.

The State Senate also passed two of Senator Felzkowski's bills, including: preventing local governments from requiring business permits for minors who operate occasionally, and protecting vehicle sellers from civil and criminal enforcements brought against them once the title is signed and transferred to the buyer.

Felzkowski continued: "I'm glad to see basic, commonsense legislation, such as these bills, pass through the Senate. There is no reason that children should have to apply for permits to run a lemonade or crafts stand at the park or a farmers market, instead their entrepreneurial spirit should be given room to grow and thrive. Hands-on experience is the best way for younger generations to learn and prepare for their futures."

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## Baldwin Celebrates Capping Inhaler Prices at \$35

U.S. Senator Tammy Baldwin (D-WI), a member of the Senate Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions, celebrated the progress made to lower health care costs for Wisconsin families and hold big drug companies accountable. Less than three months after Senator Baldwin launched an investigation into the four major manufacturers of inhalers, three of the companies have made commitments to cap the out-of-pocket costs of their inhalers at \$35 for patients at the pharmacy counter.

25 million Americans have asthma, including 500,000 Wisconsinites, and 16 million Americans have COPD and rely on inhalers to breathe. Inhalers have been available since the 1950s, and most of the drugs they use have been on the market for more than 25 years. In other countries, the inhaler manufacturers sell the exact same products for far less. One of AstraZeneca's inhalers, Breztri Aerosphere, costs \$645 in the U.S. but just \$49 in the U.K. Boehringer Ingelheim's Combivent Respimat costs \$489 in the U.S. but just \$7 in France. GSK's Advair HFA costs \$319 in the U.S. but just \$26 in the U.K., and Teva's QVAR RediHaler costs \$286 in the U.S. but just \$9 in Germany.

In the past five years, AstraZeneca, GSK, and Teva made more than \$25 billion in revenue from inhalers alone. That is part of a broader pattern: between 2000 and 2021, manufacturers of all inhaler products in the U.S. brought in more than \$178 billion in revenue.

### Baldwin obtains an additional \$50 Million for Community-Driven Projects

U.S. Senator Tammy Baldwin (D-WI), a member of the Senate Appropriations Committee, announced she successfully secured over \$49.8 million for community-driven projects in the second bipartisan Fiscal Year 2024 government funding package that passed the Senate early Saturday.

"I was proud to deliver for communities in every corner of the state to help grow our economy, keep our state safe, and ensure our children get the strong start they deserve," said Senator Baldwin. "Whether it's supporting our first responders or investing in prevention and treatment, this will help Wisconsin communities take the fentanyl and opioid crisis head-on. With this funding, high-quality health care and mental health counseling will be within reach for more people. And, I secured funding to support our small businesses, expand workforce training, and grow our Made in Wisconsin economy.

The Fiscal Year 2024 legislation includes funding for the Department of Defense; Financial Services and General Government; Department of Homeland Security; Department of Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies; Legislative Branch; and Department of State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs.

Earlier this month, the Senate passed the first government funding package in which Senator Baldwin secured \$211 million for community-driven projects that support affordable housing, expand access to childcare, and invest in our law enforcement among other priorities for Wisconsin communities.

In our area the Sokaogon Chippewa Health Clinic will receive \$3,000,000 to support expansion of the Sokaogon Chippewa Health Clinic to improve health services delivered to the community in Forest County, Wisconsin.

### Senator Cowles, Representative Mursau Applaud Signing of Bill to Ease Wetland Mitigation

MADISON – Senator Robert Cowles (R-Green Bay) and Representative Jeff Mursau (R-Crivitz) released the following statement after the Governor signed Senate Bill 255 into law yesterday as 2023 Wisconsin Act 111:

"When a wetland is disturbed by development, the goal is always to mitigate close to the site of the discharge," Senator Cowles stated. "That allows us to still reap the benefits from the healthy growth of wetlands and their natural wildlife habitats, reduced impacts from flooding, and cleaner ground and surface waters. Act 111 helps us to achieve each of these goals by removing one of the biggest hurdles towards successful, high-quality wetland mitigation near the discharge site."

"When selecting a site for a wetland mitigation project, a number of factors need to be present, and finding one with public access can be a major obstacle," stated Representative Mursau. "Wisconsin's in lieu fee subprogram is the only state-managed program in the United States that requires public access. By making public access optional, we may end up attracting more private landowners to the program."

Act 111 was drafted following a recommendation from the Wetland Study Council, and address worries from landowners about privately-funded wetland mitigation on private property. The new Act eliminates the requirement that any wetlands in the DNR's In-Lieu of Fee Subprogram be open to the public, while also ensuring there is no net loss of public access to wetlands in Wisconsin. This change in statute aligns access requirements with other wetland mitigation programs in Wisconsin, and every other wetland mitigation program across the United States.

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We could call this an old Argonne photo, but that really wouldn't be correct. The place was North Crandon when this photo was taken. The man in the photo is called "My" Lord, which is probably a nickname for William Lord who had a two story saloon about where Mainstreet Eds is today. What is interesting is that there was a horse pasture in the middle of town. That is the former Catholic Church in the background, and what looks like the future home of Joe Yeskis across the street, which isn't there today. Notice that this is a Houle photo, which was likely taken by Jess Houle after his return from WWI where he was trained to be a photographer and then brought the camera home after the war. So this was possibly taken in 1919.

## Lakewood Clinic welcomes new Behavioral Health Therapist, Christi Fowler, LPC

NorthLakes Community Clinic is proud to welcome Christi Fowler, Licensed Professional Counselor (LPC), to its team of dedicated Behavioral Health Therapists. She provides counseling for patients at the Lakewood Clinic – both in-person and virtually.

With a Master of Arts in Clinical Mental Health Counseling from Liberty University Online, Fowler is also a National Certified Counselor with a deep interest in neuroplasticity, the ability to rewire the brain and develop new coping strategies.

Not only does she bring extensive knowledge and expertise to the position, but her personal experiences also connect her to this field of care. Reflecting on why she chose to pursue a career in mental health, Fowler said, "I have personally experienced the power of someone meeting me where I was at – without judgment. Through counseling, I was able to find hope for the future. I would like to provide that same support for those who are hurting."

The counseling she provides is rooted in the attempt to meet individuals where they are and help them reach their mental health goals. Through a versatile approach to care, Fowler develops treatment plans specific to the needs of each patient.

The Behavioral Health team at NorthLakes understands the importance of creating a confidential atmosphere that promotes healing, problem-solving and personal growth for patients of all ages – including seniors and children.

For more information or to schedule an appointment with the Lakewood Clinic, please call (715) 276-6321. NorthLakes Community Clinic accepts most insurances, including Medicaid, and offers a Sliding Fee Scale for those who qualify.

## New DNR fishing tournament registration requirement takes effect april 1

MADISON, Wis. – The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR) announced today that fishing tournaments that are statewide or regional in nature, seasonal without specific fishing dates or that have fewer than 20 boats or 100 participants will be required to register with the DNR starting April 1. Registration of these tournaments will be free of charge.

The DNR regulates fishing tournaments or organized competitive fishing events where money or prizes are awarded to protect fish populations from overharvest and to avoid crowding or conflicts among waterbody users. Larger tournaments and some specialized tournaments are monitored and regulated through a paid permit system, but there is little information on unpermitted tournaments. This registration requirement will help the DNR gather data on the number and types of tournaments held on Wisconsin's waterbodies.

Tournament organizers will be able to submit their registrations using simple online or paper forms that ask for organizer contact information and event information, including waterbodies to be fished, dates, target species and expected number of boats or participants. Only one registration is required per calendar year for tournaments that recur as part of a series. Registrations are required to be submitted 72 hours before the start of a tournament. Once submitted, registrations are complete, and no approvals are required.

A screening tool that asks questions about the planned tournament will help organizers determine whether they need a registration or permit. Processes and regulations for tournaments that require permits are unchanged.

Anyone interested in hosting a fishing tournament in Wisconsin can visit the DNR's Fishing Tournaments webpage for information about tournament requirements, registration deadlines and permit and registration forms.

## Protecting Our Waters: We're All Connected! Northwoods 6-County Lakes Meet July 12

"Protecting Our Waters: We're All Connected" is the theme for the annual Northwoods Six-County Lakes Meeting, set for Friday, July 12, at Nicolet College.

Lake association leaders and members along with the general public will convene to learn about and discuss our interconnected water resources and our human connections to each other and to our lakes, streams, wetlands and groundwater.

A committee with representatives from Oneida, Vilas, Forest, Langlade, Lincoln, and Iron counties is at work developing plans for the meeting. The program will include a five-member panel discussion on the connections among water resources and the people who use them, along with presentations on the impacts of climate change and drought on our water resources and fisheries, and the problem of PFAS in the environment.

There will also be exhibits from educational and nonprofit organizations and excellent opportunities for networking. The meeting will run from 8:30 a.m. to noon. All are welcome; there is no charge and no need to register. More details and a full agenda will be announced as the meeting date approaches.

The event is jointly sponsored by the Oneida County Lakes and Rivers Association ([www.oclra.org](http://www.oclra.org)) and the Vilas County Lakes and Rivers Association ([www.vclra.org](http://www.vclra.org)). For more information contact Ted Rulseh at 920-242-8671 ([trulseh@tjcommunications.com](mailto:trulseh@tjcommunications.com)) or Tom Ewing at 630-985-8472 ([president@vclra.org](mailto:president@vclra.org)).

# Forest County Election results

The state referendum questions both passed in Forest County. Question 1 passed by a vote of 1187 to 1002 and Question 2 passed by a vote of 1439 to 728.

The Forest County Referendum lost by a total of 497 for to 1183 against.

In the Crandon School Board Race, Bryan Schallock won over Calli Victor by a score of 609 to 301.

In the Laona School Board election, two people ran for two seats and they are Chad Albrecht and Shonda Laurence with Albrecht gathering 274 votes and Laurence 286 votes.

In the Wabeno School Board election Dawn Jakubiec had 104 votes and Penny McLaughlin 105 votes for Forest County. The Oconto County seat had Jason Boor unopposed with a total of 122.

Armstrong Creek elected Debbie Thompson to the School Board, who was running unopposed.

The Crandon City Council had nobody as a registered candidate. Dawn Schmidt was elected with a write-in vote in Ward 1, as were John Rogers in Ward 2 and Michael Smith in Ward 4. Ward 3 had no write-in, so that the City Council can appoint a councilman at a later time.

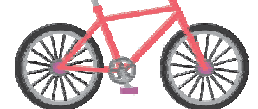
The Town of Wabeno referendum was defeated by a vote of 144 to 81.

The County Board had no seats that were a contest. Write-in candidates stepped up to provide a candidate in some of the districts. In Dist. 1-Dehart, Dist. 2-Gretzinger, Dist. 3-Augustin, Dist. 4-Goode, Dist. 5-Piasini, Dist. 6-Peterson, Dist. 7-Moravec, Dist. 8-Tallier, Dist. 9-Lukas, Dist. 10-Karl, Dist. 11-Miller, Dist. 12-Vacant, Dist. 13-Landru, Dist. 14-Vacant, Dist. 15-Chaney, Dist. 16-Decorah, Dist. 17-Weber, Dist. 18-Skallerud, Dist. 19-Marvin, Dist. 20-Vacant, Dist. 21-Dailey.

Vacant seats will be filled by appointment of the County Board in the future.

And, Donald Trump was victorious over Joe Biden in Forest County by a total of 1332 to Biden's 540. It should be noted that other candidates did receive some votes, with Nikki Haley receiving 100 votes. Ron DeSantis was actually able to gain 28 votes and Dean Phillips 34 votes and Chris Christie 21 votes. Uninstructed Delegation on the Democratic side was 24 votes and 22 on the Republican side.

## Forest Service annual seasonal trail & road closures to motorized, equestrian & bicycle



RHINELANDER, Wis., March 12, 2024 — In the interest of public safety and to ensure the integrity of trails, the USDA Forest Service has authorized an emergency closure for the Chequamegon-Nicolet National Forest. Use by all-terrain vehicles (ATVs), utility task vehicles (UTVs), equestrian, and bicycles will be prohibited on trails and routes identified in the Forest Motor Vehicle Use Maps, effective immediately through May 1, 2024 per order # 09-13-24-01.

"With less snow this winter and warm temperatures thawing soils, recreational trails are soft, muddy and vulnerable to substantial rutting," said USDA Forest Service Recreation Program Manager Karen Katz. "Trails will be closed until May 1, 2024 to protect the tread from lasting damage."

The USDA Forest Service coordinates with trail partners as much as possible to ensure continuity of routes and consistent closure decisions. Riders and other users should check local regulations for non-federal trails they plan to use as many counties in northern Wisconsin are also closing to protect trails from damage.

Each year in spring, motorized trails are closed to ATVs, UTVs, mountain bikes, and horses or other pack or saddle animals. The seasonal closure reduces rutting and erosion, which are more likely when the ground is saturated. Protecting the recreation trails now minimizes the need for summer closures to repair damaged segments. While ATV/UTV routes and other trails that are designated by towns under state law are not subject to this closure, users should check local regulations for non-federal trails they plan to use.

Maps can be obtained at district offices and online, here: <https://www.fs.usda.gov/main/cnnf/maps-pubs>. General questions can be addressed by calling (715) 362-1300.

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**Conservation Corner continued from pg 1** generation of environmental leaders.

Wisconsin Land & Water believes in the power of education and experiential learning to foster a deep appreciation for our natural world. The Summer Conservation Camps are guided by the mission to instill environmental stewardship values in young minds and empower them to become advocates for sustainable practices in their communities. Through immersive outdoor experiences and expert-led workshops, participants will gain valuable insights into environmental conservation and develop the skills needed to make a positive impact on their surroundings.

The Wisconsin Land & Water Summer Conservation Camps offer an exciting array of activities tailored to middle and high school students interested in environmental science, ecology, and conservation. Highlights of the program include:

- Field Excursions:** Explore Wisconsin's diverse ecosystems through guided field trips to forests, wetlands, rivers, and prairies. Participants will have the opportunity to observe native wildlife, study plant species, and learn about the interconnectedness of natural habitats.
- Hands-On Workshops:** Engage in interactive workshops led by conservation experts, where campers will learn about topics such as water quality monitoring, soil conservation techniques, native plant restoration, and sustainable agriculture practices.
- Outdoor Adventures:** Embark on outdoor adventures including hiking, kayaking, fishing, and camping, fostering a deeper connection to the natural world while promoting teamwork and leadership skills.
- Community Service Projects:** Make a tangible difference in local communities by participating in conservation projects such as habitat restoration, trail maintenance, and shoreline cleanups. These service opportunities allow campers to apply their newfound knowledge and contribute to meaningful environmental initiatives.
- Educational Sessions:** Attend informative sessions on environmental conservation, climate change, wildlife conservation, and other pressing environmental issues, led by guest speakers and educators from renowned conservation organizations.

Wisconsin Land & Water Summer Conservation Camps are open to middle and high school students passionate about environmental conservation and eager to make a difference in the world. Registration is now open, with limited spaces available on a first-come, first-served basis. To register or learn more about the camp schedule, tuition fees, and scholarship opportunities, visit our website at [www.wilandwater.org/camps](http://www.wilandwater.org/camps).

This year, Forest County Land & Water plans on offering scholarships for High School students to attend the Summer Camp.

For inquiries and further information, please contact: Steve Kircher, County Conservationist-Land Information/GIS Director at 715-478-1387 or by e-mail at [lcc@co.forest.wi.us](mailto:lcc@co.forest.wi.us).

**How much is smoking costing you?**  
Submitted by Kathleen Kautz, RN, Forest County Health Dept.

As we hear concerns regarding the challenges of inflation, let me share with you some recent data from the CDC and US Department of Health and Human Services. The following is for the entire state of Wisconsin.

- Adults who smoke: 14.3%
- High school students who vape: 10%
- Annual health care costs in WI directly caused by smoking: \$3.09 billion
- Medicaid costs caused by smoking In WI: \$624.9 million
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Answers phone calls, schedules meetings, and assists visitors  
Clerical duties including, filing, typing, copying, collating, scanning, etc.

**PAYROLL SPECIALIST**

Full Time  
Experience with accounting principles preferred  
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Ability to work effectively with minimal supervision and meet strict deadlines  
Responsibilities:  
Process payroll for various companies and maintain accurate payroll records  
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is now taking applications  
for dependable, hard working  
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**Bookkeeper/Secretary  
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**715-493-6121**



**Bids & Notices**

**Laona Board of Education  
Regular Meeting**  
Wednesday, April 10, 2024 • 5:30 p.m.  
Room 24, C.L. Robinson Elementary School

1. Call to Order
2. Pledge of Allegiance - Melissa McLaughlin
3. Public Forum (10 Minutes)
4. Approval of the Agenda
5. Consent Agenda
  - A. Bills and Claims
  - B. Meeting Minutes
6. Items for Discussion and/or Action
  - A. Co-Curricular Hires
  - B. Overnight Basketball Trip Approval
  - C. 6th Grade Field Trip Approval
  - D. Start College Now
  - E. CESA Contract
  - F. Reading Specialist Positions
  - G. Middle School Science
  - H. 2024-2025 Staffing
7. Informational Items:
  - A. Business Manager's Report
  - B. Middle/High School Principal's Report
  - C. District Administrator/Elementary Principal's Report
  - D. Committee Reports
  - E. Board Member Reports
8. Enter Closed Session Pursuant to Wisconsin Statutes 19.85(1)(c) for considering employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee.
  - A. Personnel
  - B. Reading Specialist Position
  - C. Middle School Scientist
  - D. 2024-2025 Staffing
9. Return to Open Session to possibly take action on items discussed in closed session.
10. Adjourn:

Notes: This meeting is a meeting of the Board of Education in public for the purpose of conducting the School District's business and is not to be considered a public community meeting.  
The agenda could be subject to last minute change(s).

**Bids & Notices**

**WHAT'S TO EAT**

**Wabeno School  
Breakfast Menu  
April 8 - 12**

**Monday** - Assorted cereal, yogurt, peaches, fruit juice, milk

**Tuesday** - Breakfast bites, hash brown patties, tropical fruit, fruit juice, milk

**Wednesday** - Cheese omelet, tater tots, mixed fruit, fruit juice, milk fruit juice, milk

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

**Friday** -W,G. cinnamon rolls, yogurt, strawberries, fruit juice, milk

**Wabeno School  
Lunch Menu  
April 8 - 12**

**Monday** -Spaghetti, meat sauce / Marinara , California blend, garlic bread, grapes, garden bar, milk

**Tuesday** - Taco bar, Spanish rice, corn, pineapple tidbits, garden bar, milk

**Wednesday** - Sloppy joes, fries, mixed vegetable, oranges, garden bar, milk

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

**Friday** - Lasagna, garlic bread, California blend, apple slices, garden bar, milk



**NOTICE**

**TOWN OF CRANDON**

The Town will hold their  
**ANNUAL MEETING**  
at the Town Hall on...  
**April 16th**  
Time: 6:00 p.m.  
Ron Cole Clerk, Town of Crandon

**TOWN OF LINCOLN ANNUAL MEETING**

**Tuesday, April 19, 2024**  
**6:00 PM**

**\*The regular April meeting will follow this meeting and will not be held on Monday, April 8,2024**

### Eleven Crandon Youth Wrestlers Qualified for State



Back Row (L-R): Monroe Brockway, Calvin Glinski, Emmitt Deer, Riley Votis, Pesh Kno Alloway, Vince Keao Front Row (L-R): Michael Renkas III, Lennon Guth, Parker Wilson, Rhett Palubicki, Saj Alloway

The Crandon Youth Wrestling program is pleased to announce that 11 wrestlers have advanced to the WWF Kids Folkstyle Championships to be held in Madison, WI at the Alliant Energy Center on March 22-24. To qualify for the state tournament, wrestlers compete in one of eight regional qualifiers held throughout the state. The top three wrestlers in each weight class advance. Of the eleven qualifiers, Crandon's Emmitt Deer, Riley Votis, Vince Keao, Rhett Palubicki, Lennon Guth and Saj Alloway were all crowned regional champions at the Merrill qualifier which took place on March 16. Congratulations and best of luck as you compete at the next level.

### Post 44 Gunless Poultry Shoot Everbreeze Resort, Mountain

Don't miss the next American Legion Gunless Poultry Shoot on Saturday, April 20, 2024 at Everbreeze Resort, Mountain starting at 1 pm.

Bring along your friends, they will be raffling off packages of meat, poultry, sausages, bacon, beverages and items donated by local businesses. There will also be 50/50 and basket raffles. Come on in, win a prize and help a veteran. Everyone is welcome.

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April 5th thru April 8th**

Excludes Easy Care 365 Everyday  
Limit: Five 1-gallon cans per household  
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**Conway True Value Hardware  
Pioneer Plaza in Crandon**

**Open**  
M-F 7 a.m. - 6 p.m.  
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**Casino Housekeeping**

**Cage Cashier (Fri & Sat mid-shift)**



Enter your non-winning tickets from the Men's Division games during brackets into a second chance drawing.

Drawings **Monday April 8** | Starting at 5PM

1st Quarter: \$100 in Free Play  
 2nd Quarter: \$200 in Free Play  
 3rd Quarter: \$300 in Free Play  
 4th Quarter: \$500 in Free Play



Management reserves the right to change or cancel any promotion at any time. Must be present to win. Must be 18 years old or older to gamble. Must have a valid I.D. for redemptions. All player rewards are non-transferable/non-replaceable. See the Player's Club for more details.

## MUSIC PARTY

COOPER'S DJ & KARAOKE

In the Conference Center

**Friday April 5, 6pm-10pm**  
**Wednesday April 17, 5pm-9pm**

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Conference Center

**Tuesday, April 9**  
**1pm-4pm 18+**

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## FUELING GOOD REWARDS

**GOOD DEAL**  
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