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Laona and Wabeno High Schools present spring musical



High school English teacher Chaucer, played by Andrew Boor has fallen in love with Secret Agent Nancy Penn, played by Elycia Baker. The onlookers to the blossoming love are Victoria Magnum (Christy Mattern), Agent Moriarty (Nina Ferraro), and student Chelsea (Samantha Exford).

The Laona and Wabeno Music and Drama Departments will once again present an original full-length musical this spring. Saved by the Belle will have its world premiere weekend Friday, March 21st through Sunday, March 23rd. The Friday and Saturday performances are at 7 PM, and the Sunday show is at 1 PM. All performances are at the WHS Auditorium. Advance tickets for all shows are \$5.00, and are currently available at both high school offices. Tickets are \$7.00 at the door for all shows.

Saved by the Belle was created for Rebel Drama by Nick Ireland. It is the story of Nancy Penn, a rookie Secret Service linguistics analyst who secretly dreams of writing detective novels.

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Wisconsin Public Service Foundation Offers Scholarships

Application for the Wisconsin Technical College Scholarships is Now Open!

Green Bay, WI - Wisconsin Public Service Foundation is accepting scholarship applications from students who live within the company's service area and plan to attend technical college programs. Scholarships are offered to students who are high school seniors. Scholarships of up to \$500 per year are awarded based upon outstanding academic achievement, leadership in school and community activities and financial need.

Applying is easy. For more information regarding available scholarships, and for an on-line application, visit our scholarship website. High school students can visit their guidance counselors for additional information. Deadline to apply is April 15, 2014.

Candidate Spotlight

Anyone seeking political office is invited and encouraged to announce their candidacy in the Candidate Spotlight. It is an opportunity to tell the voters why you are running, goals if elected, etc. It is not a forum for bashing an opponent, and there is no charge.

Steve Bunda, Candidate for Forest County Supervisor, District 16

I'm Steve Bunda and I'm running for re-election to represent my constituents in the Town of Lincoln as the County supervisor of District 16. Crandon has been a big part of my life since I was a youngster. In 1980, my wife Laurie and I built our cottage on Lake Lucerne, and we became full time residents a few years ago. I am a respected craftsman with national reputation for my passion and restoring old wood boats such as Chris Craft and Garwoods.

As a Supervisor, first and foremost I listen to my constituents and represent their desires and concerns. I serve on numerous boards and committees with the sole focus of doing what's best for the great people I represent. Boards/committees that I'm currently involved with Audit and Claims; Advertising; Zoning; Off-road Park Oversight; Human Service Center in Rhinelander; and WCA Environment and Land Use. I am honored to serve as a County Supervisor, and it would be my pleasure to continue to work hard on your behalf. I appreciate your continued trust and support.



To help fill your pot of gold, the Pioneer Express has free personal classifieds for the month of March. 1 week, up to 30 words FREE!

Cinderella and the Glass Slipper to be presented by Crandon Drama Dept.



Crandon Drama presents "Cinderella and the Glass Slipper", an hour-long comedy in two acts. We all know the story of Cinderella, poor little step-sister. Let's relive the dream of poor to rich and revisit all of the fun characters we know. Opening night, Friday, March 21st at 7:00 p.m. will be "Pack the House Night." Anyone wearing Cardinal apparel will get in for only \$1. Saturday, March 22 at 7:00 p.m. and Sunday, March 23rd, at 2:00 p.m. prices return to normal which is \$3 for adults, \$2 for students and seniors, ages 4 and under are free.

Trenton Vladik Benefit March 15th Donations needed!

Donations are needed for a benefit for Trenton Vladick. Trenton is a 22-month old child who has had numerous surgeries, the most recent on January 7th.

While he is recovering, the family could, as you can imagine, use some financial help, and a benefit is planned for March 15th at the Laona Community Building. A BBQ plate will begin at 3:00 p.m. and be served until 8:00 p.m. There will be plenty of raffles and music provided by DJ Daniel Henkelman.

An account has been set up at the Laona State Bank. For more information, please contact Leslie Howen at 715-889-1452 or Dana Vladik at 920-716-3705.

Enrollment deadlines fast approaching for health insurance

Submitted by Forest County ADRC

ACA Health Insurance Marketplace

Open enrollment for the ACA Health Insurance Marketplace ends March 31, 2014. After March 31, people desiring health insurance on the Marketplace will have to wait until the fall's open enrollment season from October 15-December 7 to enroll with coverage beginning January 1, 2015. The only way a person can qualify to enroll in health insurance outside the open enrollment period is if they experience a life-changing event such as marriage, divorce, death of spouse, retirement, etc.

Enrolling in the Marketplace before March 15, 2014, will result in an April 1, 2014, start date for coverage. Enrolling between March 16 and March 31 will result in a May 1, 2014 start date. Those people losing BadgerCare or HIRSP should be sure to enroll on or before March 15 to ensure they have coverage beginning April 1.

Medicare Part B

Open enrollment for Medicare Part B also ends March 31, 2014. People who enrolled during this year's part B general enrollment period will have Part B coverage start July 1, 2014. People who do not enroll in Medicare Part B by March 31 will have to wait until next year's Part B open enrollment season (January 1, 2015 - March 31, 2015) to apply and coverage would then start July 1, 2015.

The only exception for mid-year Part B enrollment is if a person qualifies for QMB, SLMB, or SLMB+, OR is employed with active employment health insurance and eight months thereafter active employer coverage ends. NOTE: People who lose Medicaid mid-year do NOT qualify for a special enrollment period to get into Part B. They must wait until the next Part B open enrollment season to apply and will be subject to a Part B late-enrollment penalty because Medicaid is not active employer coverage.

BadgerCare

People can enroll in BadgerCare any time during the year. There are no open enrollment periods for BadgerCare as enrollments are accepted on an ongoing basis.

Guest Editorial

Where is the Progress in Forest Management? Previously published in "The Log," the official publication of the Lake States Lumber Association

By Dick Krawze

Another year has gone into the history books and another one is ahead for us. For the most part a lot of the same problems our Forest Products Industry has faced are still with us, and some are getting more difficult to cope with. Have we made some progress? Yes - however, the wheels of progress are turning very slowly.

Over the years I have arranged tours of private, county, state and federal lands, with the help of a lot of very qualified loggers, foresters, truckers, media people and others. These tours were arranged to make legislators, land managers, industry leaders and others aware of the need to improve what is happening on these lands. We have witnessed management from the very good to the very bad. The countless hours that many have contributed in this effort need to produce favorable results for the benefit of the people, wildlife, industry and the long term health of the forests themselves.

Frankly, I do not see the progress that is needed to accomplish this necessity in a time frame that is critical to the future of this state and nation.

Our industry's AFFORDABLE RAW MATERIAL issue continues to get more costly each and every year. Our wildlife continues to suffer, our communities continue to face a huge loss of revenue, workers cannot find suitable jobs to properly raise their families, our forest lands on federal and now on some of the state lands have a higher mortality rate than a harvest rate. Why have land managers at the state and federal level allowed this to happen and continue?

On a recent tour of the Highlands State Forest we witnessed the good and the bad, and were told that there are 22 different land classifications for management on this forest. Is that necessary?

The forest managers on large private and public ownerships in the past did not need that and did a remarkably good job of balancing the management of their lands for the benefit of all, including wildlife.

It is almost three years now since members of this Association met in Madison with those who can have a huge impact on improving the management of our state lands, the proper management of our MFL lands and impact on the proper management of federal lands.

I have seen little improvement in the last three years, and this is very unfortunate considering the benefits.

I challenge our leaders to show us a substantial improvement. If not now - when?



St. Patrick's Day Parade March 15th, Pickerel

The 25th Annual St. Patrick's Day Parade is Saturday March 15th in beautiful downtown Pickerel. The fun starts at 11:00 a.m. The parade starts at noon. See page 3 of this issue for more information.

Keyes Peak Ski Hill Committee Presents Mid America Snow and Terrain Expert Racers

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March 15th and 16th, 2014



Hillclimb-Saturday, March 15th

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Hillcross-Sunday, March 16th

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 •Tuesday's - 6:00 p.m.
 •Wednesday's - 12 Noon
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Missi VanZile 715-478-5115 or
Tom VanZile 715-478-7519

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 Reflections at 6:30 p.m.
 A social will follow.

Wed., March 26th: Mass at 6:30 p.m.

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Come and help us celebrate Lent by enjoying our "Lenten Fish Fry"

St Mary's of the Lake in Lakewood, is sponsoring a "Lenten Outreach Fish Fry", on Friday, April 4th, 2014 from 4:30 to 7:30 p.m. Fish Fry includes fish, coleslaw, potato salad, bread and dessert. \$9.00 for adults, \$4.50 for children under twelve and kids under five are free! Elevator is accessible. Follow signs on the doors to find your way to an enjoyable meal with your friends. Hope to see you there!

Friends of St. Mary's P51

The 22nd Annual St. Patrick's Day Pancake Brunch

Sunday, Mar. 16, 2014

9 am to 1 pm
Argonne Town Hall
 Cost: 5 & Under FREE
 6-11 \$4.00 12 & Up \$6.00

Pancakes, Potato Pancakes, Sausage, Bacon, French Toast and Beverages



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Bill Farr

dancing, The Tartan Terrors deliver heavy doses of comedy through skits and original songs. Says co-director Ellen Wilkes Irmisch, their performance is more aptly described as a Celtic variety show, a blend of traditional and funky traditional Celtic music infused with rock n'roll.

Appearing on stage in Scottish kilts, The Tartan Terrors perform throughout Canada and the United States at festivals, Highland games, and theatres, in addition to performances given throughout the world by various ensemble members. Whiskey Before Breakfast, their eighth CD, will be released soon.

"All ages will enjoy this concert," said Nicolet Theatre Director Jim Nuttall. "The musicians and dancers are wonderful. But we advise some parental discretion for younger children, because the Tartan Terrors are known - and loved - for their rousing, campish style of humor that can at times get a little wild."

Tickets are \$18 and selling quickly. They can be purchased in advance online by visiting nicoletlive.com, or by calling the box office at (715) 365-4646.

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COMMUNITY BILLBOARD

- **AA Meetings** - Back Door Group - Open meetings Monday & Thurs. Nights @ 7 p.m., Lakewood Lakes Country Library. Call Mary 715-276-2318 or Bill 715-889-3512.
- **Forest Co. Big Book Closed AA Meeting** - Thurs. 7 p.m., Crandon Library. 715-478-2598 or 715-889-1829.
- **Al-Anon Meetings** - Courage to Change Group. Every Friday, 7-8 p.m., lower level Crandon Library.
- **Forest Cty. Humane Society** - Open to public every Sat. from 1-4 p.m. Call for more info. 715-478-2098.
- **AA Meeting** - Saturdays, 9 a.m., Wabeno Fire Station, side entrance.
- **Crandon VFW Post** - Meets every first Tuesday of the month. 6 p.m. at the VFW building, 104 N. Forest.
- **Support Group for Parents of Children with Disabilities** - Call Chris at 715-784-0058.
- **Crandon Lions Board Meetings** - 1st Monday of the month at Crandon Library at 7 p.m. (downstairs). Member Meeting - 3rd Monday of Month at 5:30 p.m.
- **Bridge Community Dental Health Clinic** - This project serves people of all ages in Forest County for people who have Badger Care, medical Assistance & UNINSURED. To schedule an appointment call (715) 848-4884. Call the Health Dept. for more information at 715-478-3371.
- **Good Shepherd Lutheran Church** - Hwy. 55N, Crandon. Sunday service 9:30 a.m. No Saturday services.
- **Christian Motorcyclist Association** - Spirit Ryders Chapter of Langlade & Forest Co. Invites you to attend out monthly meetings on the **last Saturday of each month**. Call George 715-350-1679.
- **Crandon PTO** - 1st Monday of month, 6-7 p.m., Elementary Cafeteria.
- **Wellbriety 12 Step Meeting (AA/NA)** - Monday nights, 6 p.m. - ? Lower level of the FCP Museum, Mish•Ko•Swin Lane, Crandon. Call Brooks Boyd for more info. at 715-889-4902.
- **Mole Lake Flea & Craft Sale** - Every Thursday, Mole Lake Casino Bingo Hall. 9-4 p.m. Free coffee and soda. \$5.00 tables. Everyone welcome. Call 715-478-7557 for more information.
- **Town of Lincoln Board meetings** - 2nd Monday of each month, 6 p.m., Town of Lincoln Hall.
- **AA Meeting** - Antigo Hospital, Saturdays at 7:00 p.m.
- **Forest County Humane Society Meeting** - Every fourth Monday of the month, 6:30 p.m., Crandon Library.
- **Women's Closed AA Meeting** - Sundays from 6:30-7:30 p.m., 300 S. Lake Ave, Crandon. Questions 715-478-1117 or 784-0680
- **St. Patrick's Day Brunch** - Sunday, March 16, Argonne Town Hall, 9 am - 1 pm. Features pancakes, potato pancakes, sausage, bacon, French toast & beverages.
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Langlade County Humane Society Fundraiser

Saturday, March 22
Elcho Clubhouse (Hwy. K, Elcho)
From 2:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

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The Tartan Terrors to perform at Nicolet College Theatre on March 21



The Tartan Terrors will bring an evening of Celtic song, dance and comedy to the Nicolet College Theatre stage on Friday, March 21, at 7:30 p.m.

The Canadian troupe of musicians, singers and dancers has been described as "Riverdance meets Saturday Night Live," reflecting the multiple skills that the ensemble members bring to the stage.

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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.

Limiting Local Control To Our Detriment

Senator Tom Tiffany has introduced yet another bill, Senate Bill (SB) 632, to limit local government control over nonmetallic mining.

In a press release dated 2/26/14, Senator Tiffany included a quote from the Wisconsin Towns Association (WTA) Executive Director stating that the WTA did not oppose SB 632 and its Assembly companion bill, AB 816. This was a critical statement for Senator Tiffany because the WTA had strongly opposed his earlier version of the bill, SB 349, introduced in Fall 2013. In typical fashion, Senator Tiffany scheduled an immediate public hearing for his bill on 3/3/14, within days of its release.

But the WTA's position on both bills changed from neutral to opposed by the day of the public hearing. On Monday, 3/3/14, the WTA Board of Directors voted to oppose the bills. By memo to Senator Tiffany's Committee dated 3/4/14, the WTA executive director explained that the WTA had changed its position "because many town officers and others contacted the Association via email, telephone and in person at the District meeting in Eau Claire on Friday, February 28, 2014 and expressed their concerns and opposition to these bills."

The WTA's memo to Senator Tiffany's Committee on Workforce Development, Forestry, Mining and Revenue, explained in no uncertain terms exactly why SB 632 and AB 816 would prevent essential local control over nonmetallic mining.

The WTA explained that under the bills, "Pre-existing nonmetallic operations would not be subject to new ordinances." The WTA stated, "This is of concern in relation to industrial sand mining because as new technology and health impacts may be identified, if the original ordinance does not address these new issues the ordinance can not be amended to apply to existing nonmetallic operations."

The WTA explained that the bills go beyond what is necessary to protect nonmetallic mining in Wisconsin by requiring that "any existing ordinances of 'off-site facilities' must have been written separately from the nonmetallic mining ordinances that may have been written in the past." As the WTA pointed out, this requirement "will dramatically limit towns, villages and cities in regulating existing, 'off-site facilities.'"

The WTA explained that "grandfathering protections" under the bills will give protections to possible nonmetallic mining sites "that may not open for nearly 20 years out." Under these provisions of the bills, local governments could be prevented from updating ordinances even if new technology and health impacts warranted such updates in order for local governments to protect public health and safety.

The WTA concluded its memo to Senator Tiffany's Committee by stating: "These bills are not needed to protect the nonmetallic mining industry, in particular the industrial sand mines of the state. No existing ordinances have prevented any industrial sand mines from operating once approved. We ask the legislature not pass SB 632 and AB 816."

Senator Tiffany called for a vote on SB 632 in the Committee he chairs on Wednesday, 3/6/14. His bill passed out of that committee on a vote of 3 to 2.

Senator Tiffany continues to "author" legislation that seeks to prevent citizens and local units of government from pursuing their right to direct their own affairs. His High-Capacity Well legislation, SB 302, is still pending; he's taken a second shot at limiting local control over nonmetallic mining (SB 632); he was selected to push through the Non-Ferrous Mining legislation; and he succeeded in changing our State's Managed Forest Law. His allegiances are clear. And they are not to us.

Senator Tiffany may be emboldened. But he is not empowered. We The People have the power. We can vote.

Susan Sommer



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Nicole Shutt to speak on Native Plants or Invasives

Most of us don't even know invasives exist. We have the illusion of lush, green landscapes, when in fact much of what we see may be invasive plant species. Invasive species can alter ecological relationships among native species and can affect the environment and human health.

Nicole Shutt, is a Biological Science Technician with the United States Department of Agriculture-Forest Service and will be the guest speaker at 6:00 on Thursday, March 20, 2014 at the Lakewood town Hall.

Nicole will do a presentation on Invasive Plants in the National Forest and give suggestions on how to control them. Invasive plants, animals and pests are taking a toll on lakes, rivers and landscapes. How can we slow the spread of invasive species? Through educational outreach, strategic planning and active management we are looking to protect our environment and economy from invasives.

Nicole will also inform us what native plants would be best for our gardens. If you have transplanted flowers, shrubs or small trees from other areas into your garden by the woods, join our "Woods In Bloom" for this informational meeting. As we await springtime, come and learn about friendly plants for your garden.

What's So Bad About Sitting?

Are you sitting down? Better stand up as you read this: Sitting has joined the list of major risk factors for chronic disease in America, along with high blood pressure, smoking and unhealthy cholesterol.

Researchers have connected lengthy sitting to obesity, metabolic syndrome and premature death from any cause, apart from other risks, such as smoking, even in people who regularly exercise. When you're sitting, your muscles aren't moving, so metabolism slows down.

Your back may be the most obvious sign you're sitting too long. Sitting exerts more strain on your back than standing, increasing spinal pressure that often leads to chronic backache, disc problems, headache, muscle stiffness and fatigue.

Bottom line: Get up and move more every day. During long periods of sitting:

- Stand up, stretch and walk a few steps.
- Stand up while talking on the phone.
- Get off the couch while watching TV.
- Schedule 10 minute activity breaks a few times a day.
- Take a break to do some chores.
- Combine meetings with walking.
- Position a work surface above a treadmill.

You could set a timer to remind you to get up often, until you make it a habit.

While researchers say daily exercise can't reverse the effects of sitting, regular physical activity is

still the key to better health - provided we don't sit down the rest of the time.



Best Bits

- Celebrate Nutrition Month in March by exploring a new cuisine. Many popular cuisines, such as Vietnamese, Indian, Spanish and beyond, can be inexpensive and healthful. They emphasize wholesome plant foods with only small amounts of animal protein. Enjoy the flavors unique to each country.
- Having a bad workday? Feel like you'd rather hide than deal with coworkers, customers and disputes? Recognize you're not at your best and, despite a bad mood, keep a cool head. Don't raise your voice, place blame or say anything you'll regret. Listen first, learn the facts and focus on solutions.
- How to cut heart disease and stroke risk by half if you're overweight or obese? Improve your blood pressure, cholesterol and blood sugar levels, based on a review of studies involving 1.8 million people worldwide by Harvard's School of Public Health. The greatest threat to overweight and obese people is high blood pressure, which raises the risk for heart disease 31% and for stroke 65%. About 3.4 million people worldwide die each year due to overweight and obesity.

HIGHWAY WEIGHT LIMIT NOTICE FOREST COUNTY

A reminder that we are very close to that time of year when seasonal weight restrictions will be going into effect on County Highways. We try not to post these weight limits until absolutely necessary, however, due to the unpredictability of the effects of warmer weather on the roadways, there may not be further notification. The limits will be going into effect as soon as the weight limit signs are uncovered. If you need delivery service or have materials to haul on County Highways, NOW is the time to have these things done.

No permission will be given to exceed posted weight limits on any County Highway. We would appreciate the public's cooperation to protect our highways.

Forest County Highway Dept.
John H. Rogers, Commissioner

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LOOKING FOR RETIRED DNR GENTLEMAN

who got miscellaneous items for grandkids in December of 2013. We located the bag with Carrom game board parts and they can be picked up at the Pioneer Express office in Crandon.
P49



FOUND:

Duffle bag on Pickerel snowmobile trail. Found on February 23rd. Please call 715-484-2800.
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CALLING ALL MARINES - WE WANT YOU!

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

SCHOOL DISTRICT OF WABENO AREA 2014 March 17 - 21 LUNCH MENU

MON: Breaded chicken patty, sweet pot./apples, peaches
TUES: BBQ pork, potato rounds, coleslaw, frozen fruit bar
WED: Beef stew w/ gravy, mashed potatoes, carrots & peas, applesauce, biscuit
THURS: Turkey deli meat, wrap, California veg., soup, sliced apples/ car.
FRI: Gold Fish strips, baked beans, sweet potato puffs, fresh strawberries, dbl. choc. bars
PLEASE NOTE - ROMAINE SALAD BAR & MILK AVAILABLE DAILY. BREADS, BUNS & PASTA ARE WHOLE GRAIN.
Menus are subject to change

SCHOOL DISTRICT OF WABENO AREA 2014 March 17 - 21 BREAKFAST MENU

MON: Mini corn dogs, cherry fruited yogurt
TUES: French toast sticks, sausage patty, peaches
WED: Cereal, toast, peanut butter cup, pears
THURS: Grilled cheese on Goldfish bread, orange wedges
FRI: Chocolate Malt-O-Meal, mini Danish, banana
PLEASE NOTE - 100% FRUIT JUICE & MILK AVAILABLE DAILY. BREADS, BUNS & PASTA ARE WHOLE GRAIN.
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Bids & Notices

School District of Wabeno Area - Regular School Board Meeting Tuesday, March 4, 2014 - 6:30 P.M.

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by School Board President Janet Opiela.
Board members present: Janet Opiela, Al Gardebrecht, Patricia A. Manthey, Dawn Jakubiec, Ann Barfknecht, and Bill Connors, Jr. Administrative staff present: Kim Odekirk, District Administrator, and Jr/Sr High Principal Matthew Paulsen.

Board members absent: Robert Seeber
Others present: Dan Moravec, Laurie Christianson, Sara Swearingen, Laura Klescewski, John Twardowski, Katherine Opiela, Mike Chrisman, Michelle Boor, Alissa Gill, Kristie Gill, Pete Gill, Jaclyn Champine, Jody Kalata, Caroline Coughlin-Lampeur, Pat Lowery, and Sam Exferd
Pledge of Allegiance.

A motion was made by Al Gardebrecht seconded by Dawn Jakubiec to approve the agenda as amended. The motion carried.

Pat Lowery and Samantha Exferd appeared to present information about an overnight trip for Skills USA.

Michelle Boor appeared to present updates on the Senior Class Trip.

The Next Generation Pilot Team appeared to present updates on Personalized Learning and Next Generation Classrooms.

Laura Klescewski appeared to present updates on math intervention and aligning math curriculum.

John Twardowski appeared to present updates on Prom.

Kristie Gill appeared to discuss alternate travel plans for FCCLA.

There was a motion by Ann Barfknecht seconded by Patricia A. Manthey to approve the minutes of the February 5, 2014 school board meeting. The motion carried.

There was a motion by Ann Barfknecht seconded by Dawn Jakubiec to approve the payment of vouchers by general checks 72104 to 72216 for \$208,210.83, payroll checks 900024074 to 900024297 for \$171,388.81 and a state tax/employee trust fund electronic transfer of \$102,486.73. The motion carried.
The following financial statement was presented to the board:

Cash Summary March 4, 2014	
Cash Balance - February 5, 2014 (Cash-325,896.04, Scholarship Fund-47,207.88)	373,103.92
Checks	208,210.83
Payroll	171,388.81
Elec. Trans. State Tax/Employee Trust Fund	102,486.73
Interest applied to CD's/Money Market	1,365.12
Transfer from Checking to Money Market	1,250,000.00
Receipts	1,727,337.75
Cash Balance - February 5, 2014 (Cash-320,926.69, Scholarship Fund-46,063.49)	366,990.18

INVESTMENTS:

Laona State Bank \$744,912.61 - Interest Rate 0.70% - Due 07/15/14

Laona State Bank \$316,301.15 - Interest Rate 0.70% - Due 04/14/14

Laona State Bank \$339,499.09 - Interest Rate 0.70% - Due 03/11/15

Laona State Bank \$2,918,782.38 - Interest Rate 0.50% - Money Market

The Skills USA trip was discussed. There was a motion by Patricia A. Manthey seconded by Al Gardebrecht to approve the Skills USA overnight trip to Madison on Apr. 28 - 30. The motion carried.

Calendars for the 2014-15 and 2015-16 school years were discussed. A decision on the calendars will be postponed until legislative action is completed on the 180-day requirement.

Updates for the District's nondiscrimination statement were reviewed. There was a motion by Dawn Jakubiec seconded by Bill Connors, Jr. to adopt the following nondiscrimination statements for our various publications and notices:

The School District of Wabeno Area is committed to providing an equal educational opportunity for all students in the District. No person may be denied admission to any public school or be denied participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be discriminated against in any curricular, extracurricular, pupil services, recreational, or other program or activity because of a person's race, color, religion, national origin, ancestry, creed, pregnancy, marital status, parental status, sexual orientation, sex, including transgender status, change of sex or gender identity, disability, age (except as authorized by law), military status or physical, mental, emotional, or learning disability or handicap as required by Sec. 118.13, Wis. Stat.

and

The School District of Wabeno Area is an Equal Opportunity employer. The School District does not discriminate against applicants or employees based on race; age; sex or sexual orientation; creed or religion; color; handicap or disability; marital, citizenship, or veteran status; membership in the National Guard, state defense force, or reserves; national origin or ancestry; arrest or conviction record; use or non-use of lawful products off the District's premises during non-working hours; or any other characteristic protected by law.

The motion carried.

Alternate travel plans to FCCLA's state competition were discussed. There was a motion by Patricia A. Manthey seconded by Ann Barfknecht to approve the alternate travel plans as presented to accommodate the need to transport students on two different days. The motion carried.

A letter of resignation from a staff member was reviewed. There was a motion by Bill Connors, Jr. seconded by Dawn Jakubiec to accept the letter of resignation from Nicole Blondheim, effective at the end of the 2013-14 school year. Mrs. Blondheim will remain on unpaid leave of absence for the remainder of the school year. The motion carried. The Board and Administration would like to thank Nicole for her years of service to the District and would like to extend best wishes to her family as they continue to care for their twins.

Kimberly Odekirk reported on the following in Allison Space, Elementary Principal's, absence:

1. RtI/PBIS updates were shared. Curriculum Professional Development will take place in June.
2. Mrs. Space and Mrs. Klescewski attended a Math Leadership Conference to help us focus on our vision for Math Instruction and Assessment.
3. Summer School surveys are offered on our school website to help us build a program to fit family needs/wants.
4. Family Engagement Team will be taking surveys on School Climate at the P/T conferences. Raffle drawing for those who participate.
5. Thank you to Home & School for the generous donation of \$1,000 toward our Personalized Learning software for K-6.
6. Family Literacy Night is Fri., Mar. 7 from 5:00 - 7:00 P.M.
7. Free vision and hearing screenings will take place later in April and will be provided by our Lioness volunteer group.
8. Parent/Teacher Conferences will be on Mar. 13 from 1:30 - 8:00 P.M.

Matthew Paulsen, Jr/Sr High School Principal, reported on the following:

1. RtI & PBIS: SWIS data presented
2. Ongoing practice in Pilot for Educator Effectiveness.
3. Sarah Ostrowski was recognized for her outstanding contribution to our students.
4. Door security issues and plans were discussed.
5. Personalized Learning plans for next year were discussed.
6. Information was shared from the Principal's Conference.
7. Updates were shared regarding the ASCD Conference.
8. Parent/Teacher Conferences will be on Mar. 13 from 1:30 - 8:00 P.M.
9. 59.7% of Jr/Sr High students are on the Honor Roll.
10. Other Jr/Sr High updates were shared: 1 to 1 and virtual learning days; play performance for students on Mar. 20; Prom at Indian Springs Lodge and Conference Center on Apr. 26 from 7:00 to 11:00 P.M.

Dr. Kimberly Odekirk, District Administrator, reported the following:

1. Updates were given on staffing report and staff licensing.
2. The Community Coalition of Forest County continues to meet monthly.
3. Transportation department updates.
4. Professional development for math intervention is being hosted in our district this summer.
5. Update on required hours and minutes of instruction - we are still within our requirements and do not yet need to make up any school time due to cancellation.

There was a motion by Ann Barfknecht seconded by Al Gardebrecht to go into Closed Session under Wisconsin State Statute 19.85 (1) (c) and (e)

to:

A. Discuss employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility.

A roll call vote was taken as follows: Janet Opiela, yes; Al Gardebrecht, yes; Patricia A. Manthey, yes; Dawn Jakubiec, yes; Ann Barfknecht, yes; and Bill Connors, Jr., yes. The motion carried 6 to 0.

There was a motion by Bill Connors, Jr. seconded by Dawn Jakubiec to come out of Executive Session. The motion carried.

The Board returned to open session and took action on the following:

There was a motion by Al Gardebrecht seconded by Bill Connors, Jr. to issue a preliminary notice of non-renewal to a probationary teacher. The motion carried 6 to 0.

There was a motion by Al Gardebrecht seconded by Dawn Jakubiec to adjourn at 10:00 P.M. The motion carried.

/S/ Patricia A. Manthey, District Clerk



Open Meeting, Laona Board of Education Monday, February 10, 2014 – 5:30 p.m. C. L. Robinson Elementary – Room 24

President Jim Aschinger **Called the Regular Meeting to Order** at 5:30 p.m. Present: Jim Aschinger, Rick Krawze, Scott Reeves, Kay Connors, Laurie Asher, Dawn Cote, and Sherry Kramer to take the minutes. Frank Shepard was absent. There were no guests in attendance. Notice has been posted in accordance with Wis. Stat. 19.84.

Kay Connors led the **Pledge of Allegiance**.

Motion by Krawze, seconded by Reeves to approve the **Agenda**. All in favor, motion carried.

Appearances/Correspondence – None

PUBLIC FORUM (10 minutes):

Scott Reeves shared that he would like to see the concession stand equipped with a two (2) door cooler rather than having a cooler with ice.

OPEN ACTION ITEMS:

The Open and Closed Regular Meeting minutes dated Monday, January 13, 2014 were pulled from the consent agenda.

Consent Agenda:

Open and Closed Work Session Meeting minutes dated Monday, January 27, 2014.

School Disbursements and Wires paid from 1/10/14-2/6/14=\$189,951.08

Cash Receipts for period 1/1/14-1/31/14=\$33,873.25

Purchase Orders for period 1/10/14-2/5/14=\$509.70

Motion by Reeves, seconded by Connors to approve the **Consent Agenda** as presented. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Krawze, seconded by Reeves to approve **Open and Closed Meeting Minutes dated Monday, January 13, 2014** after amended. Motion passed with Krawze, Connors, and Reeves voting yes. Aschinger abstained.

Dawn Cote and a committee has been updating policies for Board approval. Policies will be brought forward comparing the old policy with the new policy including changes. The **First Reading** was done on the following policies:

6110 - Federal Funds; 6120 - Safety Deposit Box; 6144 - Investment Income; 6145 - Borrowing; 6150 - Tuition Income; 6151 - Bad Checks; 6152 - Student Fees, Fines, and Charges; 6155 - Check Signing Procedure; 6230 - Budget Hearing; 6231 - Budget Implementation; 6235 - Fund Balance; 6460 - Vendor Relations

First Reading for Policy 6470 - Payment of Claims was done. Dawn Cote outlined the current procedure for payment of claims. Discussion was held as to whether payment should wait until after Board approval. The purchase order policy was also discussed and will be brought to the next meeting.

District Custodial and Maintenance Services Contract for 2014-15 was taken into closed session.

An update was given on **School Forest Harvest Day**. The contract expires on March 15, 2014. Jim Ambrosius, Ambrosius Forest Products, was contacted and confirmed that it would be completed by the deadline. While harvesting is being done, students will be brought to the site for educational purposes.

One (1) **Youth Options Course** application was received for Human Body and Health through NWTC. Motion by Reeves, seconded by Connors to approve the application unless the course is offered through Nicolet College. All in favor, motion carried.

Mrs. Asher explained the possibility of a grant to form a **Youth Connections Consortium**. This consortium would include youth connection curriculum, counselor training, and a mobile lab for each of the three (3) counties included. After discussion, motion by Krawze, seconded by Connors to approve participation in the Youth Connection Consortium with approval of the grant and no additional cost to the District. All in favor, motion carried.

An update was given on the **Staff Handbook Options Committee**. Two meetings have been held and more will be taking place.

The **Assumptions** formulated in the **Staff Handbook Options Committee** were presented. Motion by Reeves, seconded by Aschinger to approve the Assumptions as presented. All in favor, motion carried.

Discussion was held on the need for **Gym Floor Refinishing**. The life of the current floor is approximately 1-2 more years. More information will be gathered on options and a posting for bids will be put in the newspaper.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:

A written **Maintenance/DASHIR Report** was shared and discussion held on boiler seal replacement.

Dawn Cote gave her **Business Manager's Report**. She shared information on her summary reports, inventory, and policy updates.

Mr. Bradley's **High School Principal's Report** was presented. He congratulated the Laona High School students for exceeding the monthly overall attendance goal of 94%. He also included information on honor roll status, Trap Shoot Club meeting, Accuplacer test results, technology night, Wausaukee classroom observations, spring musical, upcoming parent/teacher conferences, and graduation preparations. He also shared that Mr. Kircher and 4 students will be traveling to Madison for the Morgridge Institute for Research Summer Camp.

Mrs. Asher gave her **Administrator's Report**. She thanked Sara Perry for the great job she did in organizing the elementary technology night. Information was also given on Red Ribbon Week and the assembly held in Wabeno, non-violent crisis Intervention training, TAPS, mascot selection, Brighter Futures Conference invitation, school time update, and scholarship announcements provided by Mrs. Kruger. Mrs. Asher also congratulated Mrs. Kruger for writing and receiving a \$2000 NEA grant which will be used for a student response system.

Board Member Reports – Scott Reeves inquired about the progress of the computer policy. This policy will be going to the technology committee. Rick Krawze would like to see Mr. Kelley's tech. ed. class repair the Board Room chairs. Jim Aschinger stated that he was impressed with the technology night. He would have liked to have seen more participation.

Motion by Krawze, seconded by Connors to **enter into closed session** pursuant to the following statutes for the following reasons: Wis. Statute 19.85 (1)(c) for personnel matters and (f) for considering personal histories or disciplinary data of a specific persons. The motion carried with Aschinger, Reeves, Krawze, and Connors voting yes.

After returning from closed session, the following action was taken: Motion by Reeves, seconded by Aschinger to notify Dashir Management that at this time, we would like to use the opt out clause of the contract. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Krawze, seconded by Connors to **Adjourn** the meeting. All in favor, motion carried. (9:10 p.m.)

Public Library Hours

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Museum Hours

Forest County Museum- Summer Hours: 10-4 on Tuesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday.

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

Wabeno Museum - Memorial Day - Through Labor Day - Monday-Thursday: 11:00 a.m.- 4:00 p.m.; Friday-Saturday: 10:00 a.m.- 5:00 p.m.; Sunday: 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Four-Year Old Kindergarten Open House

On March 19th and March 26th, the Crandon School District is having an open house from 11:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. for parents interested in Four-Year-Old Kindergarten during the 2013-2014 school year. Any interested parents can fill out an enrollment form for their child on this day.

Parents are required to bring their child with them when they come to enroll in the Four-Year-Old Kindergarten program. This will give your child an opportunity to meet the teachers.

Parents should bring their child's birth certificate and immunization record. The 4K staff will also present information and answer questions for parents. Please contact the Crandon Elementary School at 478-3723 with any questions.



Crafters wanted for Memorial Day event

The Pelican Lake Women's Civic Club is seeking crafters for its Annual Memorial Day Fundraiser on Sunday, May 25th from 8:00 am to 4:00 pm. This event is held at the Schoepke Town Hall on Highway 45 in the village of Pelican Lake.

Crafters/flea market vendors are welcome to set up anytime after 7:00 am. There is no set-up fee.

For more information, please contact Lucy at 715-487-5173 or Marsha at 715-487-5990.

NOTICE

The Schaefer's Laona State Bank Branch will be closed due to construction from Monday, March 17th - Saturday, March 22nd.

Re-opening Monday, March 24th. (This includes the Night Drop Box)

You may do all your banking at that time at the Downtown Branch at 108 North Lake Ave., Crandon.

Monday-Thursday: 8:30am-5:00pm
Friday: 8:30am-6:00pm
Saturday: Drive Thru Only: 8:30am-Noon
Sorry for any inconvenience this causes.

Key Points for the Upcoming Referendum in the School District of Wabeno Area

Many school districts around the state have utilized operating referendums for several years. The referendums are necessary to exceed state-imposed revenue limits and to cover budget shortfalls triggered by declining enrollment.

The referendum for the School District of Wabeno Area will be on the ballot on April 1, 2014. The referendum would ensure the continuation of the current programs and opportunities available to our students and will be used for general operating expenses.

The referendum is asking district property owners for an additional \$750,000 per year for 2014-15, 2015-16, and 2016-17. The current mill rate for the School District of Wabeno Area is 5.62. For 2014-15, the referendum will raise the mill rate to approximately 6.29. If your home is valued at \$50,000, the referendum will increase your school taxes approximately \$34. If your home is valued at \$100,000, the referendum will increase your school taxes approximately \$67. With the referendum, the projected mill rate for 2015-16 is 6.11 and the projected mill rate for 2016-17 is 5.92.

In order to continue to maintain the current programs and opportunities for our students, the referendum is necessary. The School District of Wabeno Area needs and appreciates the support from our families, businesses and communities.



McCasin Lioness report on the 9th Annual Fish-a-ree

We had a great day at Valley Inn's 9th Annual Fish-a-ree.

38 people entered for big prizes, but only four were winners:

3rd place perch – Kathy Evans

2nd place perch – Ron Skotzke

1st place perch and largest – Dale Szyzkiewicz

1-2-3 place blue gill & crappie – Bruce Beno.

Rose Lamer from Little Chute won the MarCum camera. John & Sandy Slezak of Townsend & Mike Kowaski of Crivitz won the portables.

Charlie and Les cooked a great fish boil and the McCasin Lioness are pleased with all that came out for the raffle.



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Forest County CAN Coalition promotes physical activity

The Forest County CAN Coalition's third quarter health campaign is focusing on getting one hour or more of physical activity each day.

Regular physical activity helps improve your overall health and fitness, and reduces your risk for many chronic diseases. Fitting regular exercise into your daily schedule may seem difficult at first but you can reach your goals through different types and amounts of activity each week.

Children and adolescents should get one hour of physical activity per day and it should be a mix of intense activity such as walking or biking, muscle-strengthening like push-ups or playing on playground equipment, and bone strengthening like jumping rope or basketball.

Adults should get at least 150 minutes of a mix of aerobic activities and muscle strengthening activities per week. This might sound like a lot of time for someone who isn't active but you can break it up into smaller chunks of time throughout the day as long as you are doing a moderate to vigorous activity for at least 10 minutes. Try going for a brisk ten minute walk, three times a day, five days a week. This will give you a total of 150 moderate-intensity activity.

For even greater health benefits, adults should increase their activity to 300 minutes a week. As you grow older, regular physical activity is one of the most important things you can do for your health. It can prevent many of the health problems that seem to come with age. It also helps your muscles grow stronger so you can keep doing your day to day activities without becoming dependent on others. If you have a disability or health condition and aren't sure what types of exercise would be best for you, discuss it with your provider.

Not doing any physical activity can be bad for you, no matter your age or health condition. Keep in mind, some physical activity is better than none at all and your health benefits increase with the more physical activity you do.

The coalition, along with other partners will be offering a Free Community Couch to 5K program for those individuals who would like to get ready to run or walk a 5K

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this summer. There will be a kick off event and registration at the Crandon Public Library on April 1st at 5:30 p.m. Ministry Rehabilitation Services will provide tips and techniques and Paul Lamon will be at hand to offer optional body measurements. Join us on our journey from beginner to runner in eight weeks.

The coalition is encouraging businesses, schools, day cares, churches, healthcare providers and community members to increase physical activity by providing incorporating physical activity into daily life, sponsoring activities, hanging posters, or participating in challenges.

For more information and resources please visit www.forestcountycan.org

National Nutrition Month is celebrated at Potawatomi Health & Wellness Center

This month-long campaign highlights the importance of making informed food choices, and includes flavorful foods as part of a healthy eating plan.

Forest County Potawatomi Health and Wellness Center is proud to join the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics during March in celebrating National Nutrition Month®. This year's National Nutrition Month® theme is "Enjoy the Taste of Eating Right" and focuses on combining taste and nutrition to create healthy meals that follow the recommendations of the 2010 Dietary Guidelines for Americans.

Here are a few ways to "Enjoy the Taste of Eating Right" from the food and nutrition experts at the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics:

--Explore New Foods and Flavors

Add more nutrition and eating pleasure by expanding your range of food choices. When shopping, make a point of selecting a fruit, vegetable or whole grain that's new to you or your family. Choose a restaurant that features ethnic foods or find new flavors at community food festivals. Try different versions of familiar foods like blue potatoes, red leaf lettuce or quinoa.

--Get the most nutrition out of your calories

Choose the most nutritionally-rich foods you can from each food group each day - those packed with vitamins, minerals, fiber and other nutrients but lower in calories. Use added salt, sugars and fats sparingly.

--Get Cooking

Cooking at home can be healthy, rewarding and cost-effective. Making cooking fun and easy by learning some cooking and kitchen basics, like how to dice an onion or how to add flavor to foods with herbs and spices. Try new recipes and incorporate the best of them into your

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--Enjoy Family Meal Time

Research shows that family meals promote more healthful eating. Plan to eat as a family or with friends at least a few times each week. Set a regular mealtime with no distractions. Get kids and all participants involved in meal planning and cooking and use this time to talk about healthy foods. Use MyPlate as a guide for a healthy meal. Visit www.KidsEatRight.org for healthy recipes and cooking tips for the whole family.

Initiated in 1973 as a week-long event, "National Nutrition Week" became a month-long observance in 1980 in response to growing public interest in nutrition. Additionally, to commemorate the dedication of registered dietitian nutritionists as advocates for advancing the nutritional health of Americans and people around the world, the second Wednesday of March has been designated "Registered Dietitian Nutritionist Day." In 2014, RDN Day will be celebrated on March 12.

As part of this public education campaign, the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics' National Nutrition Month website includes a variety of helpful tips, fun games, promotional tools and nutrition education resources, all designed to spread the message of good nutrition around the "Enjoy the Taste of Eating Right" theme.

The Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics is the world's largest organization of food and nutrition professionals. The Academy is committed to improving the nation's health and advancing the profession of dietetics through research, education and advocacy. Visit the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics at www.eatright.org.

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Death Notices



JEROME "JERRY" SCHUH, age 75, of Pickerel passed away Friday, March 07, 2014 at Eastview KTCR, after a brief illness. Jerry was born August 9, 1938 to the late Ignatious and Martha (VerHagen) Schuh in Freedom, WI.

On April 4, 1957 he was united in marriage to Carolyn M. Jagoditsch in Appleton, WI. She preceded him in death on September 6, 2009.

After vacationing in the Pickerel area, Jerry and Carol moved to the area

permanently and owned and operated Jerry & Carol's Sportsmen's Lodge for 41 years.

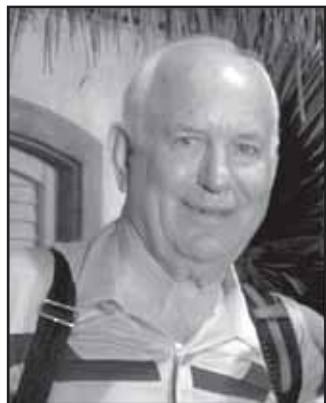
Jerry was active in the area as a member of Tombstone Pickerel Snowmobile Club, Pearson Pickerel Lion's Club, Forest County Tavern League, Pickerel Pearson Business Association, and St. Mary's Catholic Church in Pickerel. He was a recipient of the Melvin Jones Fellowship award through the Lions Club.

He had a kind and generous spirit. He took pleasure in turning his work into a hobby because of his love of friends.

Survivors include his four daughters, Marilyn (Jim) Jansen of Pearson, Diane (Joe) Zelazoski of Pickerel, Gail (Chris) Johnson of Antigo and Terri Schabo of Pickerel, 5 sisters, Arelen VanDynHoven (special friend Les), Margaret Ann (Raymond) VanDynHoven, Dorothy (Jim) Appleton, Carol (Vernon) Fredrickson, Pat (special friend Bob) Schuh, 5 brothers Don (Mary), Dan (Therese), Paul (Mary), Bob (Sherry), Tom (Carolyn), 6 grandchildren, Jamie (Joe) Steliga of Wittenberg, Melissa (Russ) Siemers of Post Lake, Brad (Amber) Johnson of Antigo, Stephanie Jackson and fiancé Justin Puls of Pearson, Grant Zelazoski of Pelican Lake, Kristi Jansen of Pearson, 8 great grandchildren, Brianne and Madison Siemers, Seth and Ethan Steliga, Hunter and Gavin Puls, and Zane and Zoe Johnson.

In addition to his wife and parents, Jerry was preceded in death by a brother Mike and a son-in-law Larry Schabo.

Mass of Christian Burial will be on Thursday, March 13 at 1:30 p.m. at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Pickerel. Visitation will be on Wednesday, March 12 from 4:00 - 8:00 PM at Strasser-Roller Funeral Home and on Thursday from 10:30 AM until the service at the church. Friends may visit online at www.strasserrollerfh.com



THOMAS PHENTON GROSS age 81 of Crandon, Wisconsin passed away peacefully Sunday March 2nd surrounded by family members at his bedside. He was born on April 9, 1932 in Key Kentucky.

Shortly after the passing of his Father in 1939 the family moved to Crandon Wisconsin. Graduating from High School in 1951 he worked in Milwaukee at Gueder

Paschke Fry as a punch press operator when he was drafted into the Korean War on December 10th, 1952. While in the service he was stationed in different states before going to Korea. Upon returning from the war he married his wife Lorraine Jasinski on April 16th, 1955 and lived in Waukegan, IL. Later they moved to Milwaukee then onto Oconomowoc and back to Crandon after retiring from Miller Brewery where he worked for 39 years. Phenton loved being outside no matter what the weather was tinkering with something.

He is survived by his wife Lorraine Gross of 58 years, son Tom (Cathy) Gross of Watertown Wisconsin, son Greg (Ginny) Gross of Thomaston Georgia, daughter Kathy (Mike) Stanke of Thomaston Georgia, 6 grandchildren, 16 great grandchildren, his twin brother Joseph Quenton (Bernice) Gross, sister Erma Evans of Crandon Wisconsin, brother Hiram (Dolly) Haney of Neenah Wisconsin, brother-in-laws Connie Jasinski, Henry (Sandy) Jasinski of Waukegan Illinois, Donna Gross of Altamonte Florida and Michaeline Friedman of Springdale, Arkansas.

He was preceded in death by his father Thomas Gross, mother Grace Gross Haney, step father Bert Haney, sisters Joy Davison, Nona Sears, brothers George Gross, Earl Gross and nephew Joe Sears.

Services were held at Weber-Hill Funeral Home on March 6th, 2014.

MARIE MACAULEY, age 80, of Crandon, passed away at her home on Saturday, March 8, 2014 under the care of Ministry Home Care Hospice. No services will be held. A complete obituary will appear in next week's publication. Online condolences www.weberhillfuneralhome.com

CAROLYN L. PATRICK, 66, Crandon, passed away Saturday, March 8, 2014 at the Aspirus Wausau Hospital. She was born in Crandon on February 25, 1948 to Charles and Tillie (Ackley) Mericle.

Carolyn moved to California in 1956, at the age of 17, moved to Arizona; She married Rallo Baptisto, they later divorced. She worked as a social worker in Fort McDowell, AZ and on the Yavapai Reservation. Carolyn married Esau Patrick on February 2, 1984; he preceded her in death. In 2001 Carolyn moved back to Mole Lake to help take care of her mother.

She loved to cook frybread, and play softball and volleyball. Carolyn was a board member of the NIIJII organization for Menominee, Lac du Flambeau and Mole Lake tribes. She was also part of the elder task force on the GLNAEA (Great Lakes Native American Elders Association). She also cooked for the Potawatomi elder meal site.

Carolyn is survived by her daughters, Michelle Baptisto of Phoenix, AZ and Raquel Baptisto of Mesa, AZ, 14 grandchildren, 2 great-grandchildren and sisters, Naomi Elsworth of Maryland, Judy Anaya of Mole Lake and Elizabeth Dougherty of Mole Lake.

She was preceded in death by her parents, two husbands, four sons: John, Steven, Maurice, Dominick, and one grandson Clarence Burke.

Visitation will be held on Monday, March 10 from 3-7:00 p.m. at the Boys and Girls Club and again on Tuesday, March 11 from 10-11:00 a.m. at the Weber-Hill Funeral Home, Crandon. Funeral Service will follow at 11:00 a.m. with Bishop Tom Jones officiating. Interment will be in the Mole Lake Tribal Cemetery. Weber-Hill Funeral Home is assisting the family. Online condolences at www.weberhillfuneralhome.com.

RAYMOND J. LUKAS, 89, of Laona, passed away on Thursday March 7, 2014, at his home. He was born on August 4, 1924 in Chicago, IL to Andrew and Elizabeth (Strauss) Lukas.

Early in his childhood, the family moved to a farm in the Fence area, where he attended school. After school, Ray began his career in the lumber industry starting at the Goodman Mill. In 1944, he enlisted in the Navy and served in various locations during WWII. While he was in service, he married Betty McLean on June 2, 1945; she preceded him in death on November 15, 2001. After his years in service, he began working at Connors Chair factory; where he worked until the mill closed in 1985. He then worked for garbage detail for the town of Laona, and peeling pulp. Ray also bartended at the Club House for 30 years.

Ray was very active and was a member of VFW Post 6823. He was also a member of the DAV and American Legion. He served on the Honor Guard for fellow veterans funerals until his health wouldn't allow him to any longer. He also volunteered for the Laona Fire Department. Ray loved hunting, fishing and riding snowmobile. He was a known guide for the 100 miler, having completed the route over 1000 times.

Ray is survived by his four children: Beth (Dan) Wandsnider of Laona, Andy (Linda) of Laona, Terry (Linda) of Laona, and Michael (Cindy) of Rhineland, one sister Shirley (Paul) Dunkel of Appleton. He is further survived by grandchildren: Richard, Rachel, Dawn, Jessie, Brenda, Dawn, Lee, Jamie, Justin, Joe, Luke, Holly, Josh, Sara, Amanda, Melessia, Ashley, and 24 great grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents, wife, grandson Lawrence "Pumpkin" Lukas, great grandson Ryan, and a brother Bernard.

Funeral services for Ray will be held on Monday March 10, 2014 at 12 noon at St. Leonard's Catholic Church in Laona. Fr. John Cerkas will officiate. Visitation will be from 9:00 a.m. until the time of service at the church. Burial will be in the Town of Laona Cemetery. Weber-Hill Funeral Home is assisting the family with arrangements. Online condolences at www.weberhillfuneralhome.com.



SANDRA (SANDY MADSEN) L. EGGERS passed away February 14, 2014 at NuRoc Community Healthcare, Blackwell, WI. She was born May 14, 1939 in Milwaukee. Sandra L. Eggers met Lawrence H. Madsen in Milwaukee where they got married on September 26, 1959, and later divorced on April 10, 2006.

In addition to raising 3 children she worked at the Rainbow Supper Club for over 20 years as a wonderful cook. She opened her own restaurant later called Sandy's Dream Cafe in Newald. Then she got a job at NuRoc Community Healthcare

where she loved to cook. She also was a first responder for many and an Avon Rep. for many years.

She loved cheese puffs, Food Network, CSI shows, cooking, gardening, being outdoors, cake decorating, ceramics, watching the birds & deer, and playing games on her computer. She loved it when we had a garden with tomatoes because she could wait until they were ready to eat and sneak out there to get them. She enjoyed watching her cat's Sqweber and Muchkin playing and being goofy. She also enjoyed spending family time with her daughter (Janet) and her family either shopping or just hanging out cooking and being goofy. She really loved her grandson Dylan and was so proud of all his accomplishments.

Sandy is survived by her 3 daughters Janet (Rob) Kubiak Jr. and grandson Dylan in Newald, WI, Karen Madsen of Armstrong Creek, WI and Cheryl Burnett and granddaughter Sandra of Arkansas, also her sister Todd (John) Overfelt of Arkansas and her brother Peter (Judy) Eggers of Milwaukee.

Mom (Grandmother) will be greatly missed but never forgotten. We love you, Dylan, Janet & Rob Kubiak Jr.

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.

Hello again,

I was asked to share more about the "get together" I'm organizing. First of all, most of you know me: My name is Bill Farr. I have been involved in the School Board, I was a deputy Medical Examiner, my wife and I have sung in numerous programs, I drive a school bus, I've done numerous weddings and funerals, and I'm the pastor of Praise Chapel Community Church.

It will be a very relaxed meeting; I don't want to complicate things or turn it into some kind of group therapy. I feel that those of us who have gone through loss in our lives, whether it be a death of someone, divorce, serious illness, depression, or something else that has caused you to be in a dark place, feeling alone and abandoned-need each other. We need to know we are not alone, that there is hope, and that we can draw strength from each other.

Oh, by the way, the only plate that will be passed will be the plate your food comes on. There will be no cost, other than the cost of the food you order.

Let's meet at the Hotel Cafe at 8:00 a.m. on the 29th of this month-that's Saturday. I would like to make this a once-a-month meeting. But, let's start with one meeting and see where it goes.

Hope to see you there,
Bill Farr

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

Applications will be accepted until **3:00 p.m. on April 2, 2014.**

By order of the Forest County Highway Committee:
John H. Rogers, Highway Commissioner

TABLE GAMES PIT BOSSES

Mole Lake Casino is searching for experienced Table Games Supervisors.

Position Summary:

This position is responsible for direct oversight of all the casino table games in compliance with all the rules and regulations.

Qualifications:

- Minimum of one year as a supervisor or three years as a dealer
- Exceptional customer service skills
- Knowledge of basic strategy and all forms of advantage play
- Excellent math and counting skills
- Be physically able to handle all facets of the job

Native American Preference is granted according to PL 93-638

For more information contact:

HR Manager 715-478-7549 or hr@molelake.com
Table Games Manager 715-478-7501 or blackjack@molelake.com



TABLE GAMES DEALER

Mole Lake Casino is looking for personable, energetic, and customer-service oriented individuals who are knowledgeable in Table Games Operations. Candidates who successfully complete the Mole Lake Dealer Training Program March 17th - March 28th will also be considered for the dealer positions. A completed application must be submitted prior to training. Please visit www.molelakecasino.com/ to submit an application. Native American Preference is granted according to PL 93-638

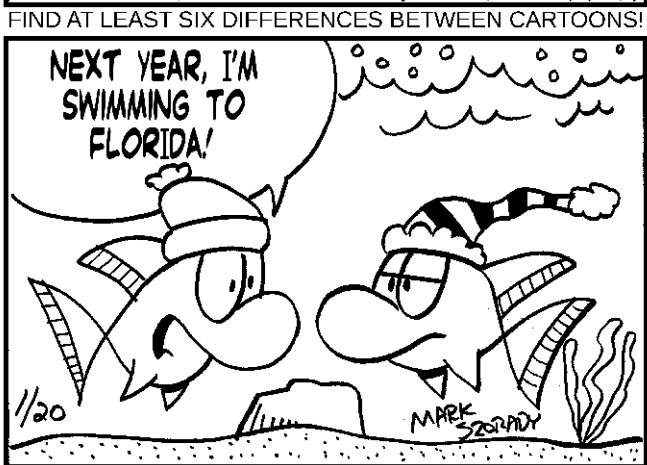
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DOUBLE TAKE

By Mark Szorady



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8. Must be able to go on overnight trips if needed.
9. CNA Certification preferable
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HELP WANTED

Full-Time Math Teaching Position

Job Description: The School District of Wabeno Area has a full-time mathematics teaching position available for a dynamic teacher beginning in the 2014-2015 school year. The successful candidate will become an important member of an outstanding collaborative team working towards excellence in education.

Qualifications: Preferred candidates will possess a thorough knowledge of mathematics and demonstrate a passion to educate all students. The candidates will also have experience with professional learning communities, technology, common core, PBIS, 21st century skills, Educator Effectiveness, and RtI including interventions and data analysis. An innovative approach with a focus on continuous improvement is necessary. The ability to engage students and form positive relationships is vital to success. Collaboration with staff, students, and community members to improve learning is imperative.

Requirements: Candidates must have appropriate DPI license (400-Mathematics).

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- 3 large egg whites
- ½ cup (2 oz.) skim milk
- mozzarella cheese, grated
- ¼ tsp nutmeg
- ½ red bell pepper, chopped

1.) Preheat oven boiler. Parboil broccoli 2-3 minutes; drain well.

2.) Heat oil in a medium oven-proof skillet over medium heat.

3.) Add broccoli and mushrooms and saute 5 minutes, until tender.

4.) Meanwhile, whisk whole eggs with whites; blend in cheese and nutmeg. Pour mixture into skillet.

5.) Cover and cook over medium-low heat 5 minutes or until almost set.

6.) Remove cover and broil 5 minutes or until set and lightly browned.

7.) Cool 3-4 minutes before slicing; top each slice with chopped bell pepper.

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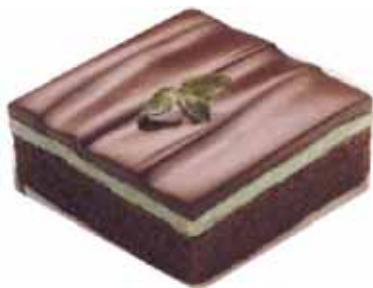
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A sprain or strain may cause pain, some swelling

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Seek medical care if: The injury is numb or deformed, or becomes weaker, more painful, swollen or discolored. Severe injuries might require physical therapy.

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Laona Drama Continued from pg 1

When Callie Taylor, a major party presidential candidate's daughter needs protection, the youthful Nancy is tapped to go undercover as a student at an all girls' high school. Nancy's job quickly becomes complicated. Callie is a complete brat; Nancy falls for Chaucer, the handsome young English teacher; Callie and Nancy get wrapped up in a feud between the kindhearted country girls called The Daisies and a group of rich city girls known as The Royals. Meanwhile, Victoria Magnum, Nancy's lead character in her unpublished detective stories, keeps popping into Nancy's head to try and convince her to give up her day job and become a full-time writer. All this is bad enough, but then someone actually tries to kidnap Callie! Will the girl become a prisoner, or will she be "saved by the belle"?

The musical features songs by contemporary pop artists like Lorde, Phillip Phillips and Bruno Mars. The Daisies also treat us to a rowdy country song by Gretchen Wilson.

The cast features seniors Elycia Baker as Nancy, Andrew Boor as Chaucer, Samantha Exferd as Chelsea, Nina Ferraro as Agent Moriarty, Christy Mattern as Victoria and Ksenija Zivkovic as Dunja. Reverend Lee Jennings plays Senator Wilson Taylor, and his daughter Callie is played by Sarah Jennings. Samantha Lake plays headmistress "Doc" McBride. The Daisies are played by Teagen Bodoh and Leslie Lukas. The rest of the cast includes Abigail Ashbeck, Kaitlyn Ashbeck, Kaylee Babich, Kelci Godin, Jasmine Hanson, Sarah Matuszewski, Max Milkie and Amelia Weber.

Crew includes Max Milkie, Ian McKenna, Noah Exferd, Nacie Calarco, Alex Webb and Billy Peterson. Mary Ellen Keller is the show's music director. Carol Bartlein and Pat Lowery join her in the orchestra. Lowery also serves as tech director. Olivia Zimmer is the "Costume Mama," and the show is directed by Nick Lowery.

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Senior Chatter

Submitted by Kate Schultz

Fun Facts about St. Patrick's Day

St. Patrick's Day is observed on March 17th because that is the feast day of St. Patrick, the patron saint of Ireland. It is believed that he died on March 17 in the year 461 AD. It is also a worldwide celebration of Irish culture and history. St. Patrick's Day is a national holiday in Ireland, and a provincial holiday in the Canadian province of Newfoundland and Labrador.

The actual color of St. Patrick is blue. Green became associated with St. Patrick's Day during the 19th century. Green, in Irish legends, was worn by fairies and immortals, and also by people to encourage their crops to grow.

St. Patrick did not actually drive snakes out of Ireland; the snakes represent the pagans that he converted to Christianity.

The very first St. Patrick's Day parade was not in Ireland. It was in Boston in 1737.

In Chicago, on St. Patrick's Day, the rivers are dyed green. Mayor Daley is also of Irish descent.

In Seattle, there is a ceremony where a green stripe is painted down the roads.

Most Catholics attend mass in the morning and then attend the St. Patrick's Day parade.

Shamrocks are worn on the lapel on this day.

In Ireland on St. Patrick's Day, people traditionally wear a small bunch of shamrocks on their jackets or caps. Children wear orange, white and green badges, and women and girls wear green ribbons in their hair.

Many young people dye their hair green for the special day.

Many people wear green on this holiday to avoid being pinched.

The phrase, "Drowning The Shamrock" is from the custom of floating the shamrock on the top of whiskey before drinking it. The Irish believe that if you keep the custom, then you will have a prosperous year.

Many bars in the United States, and abroad, serve green beer to celebrate St. Patty's Day.

Lucky Charms, a favorite cereal brand among many, young and old, was created in 1963, with its popular mascot, Lucky the Leprechaun. Its jig is a memorable tune for many, including the young at heart.

Fun Facts about the Irish

34 million Americans have Irish ancestry, according to the 2003 US Census. That's almost nine

times the population of Ireland, which has 4.1 million people.

Nine of the people who signed our Declaration Of Independence were of Irish origin, and nineteen Presidents of the United States proudly claim Irish heritage - including our first President, George Washington.

Some American towns have "Irish" names. You could visit: Mount Gay-Shamrock, West Virginia; Shamrock Lakes, Indiana; Shamrock, Oklahoma; Shamrock, Texas; Dublin, California and Dublin, Ohio.

The harp is the symbol of Ireland. The color green is also commonly associated with Ireland, also known as the "Emerald Isle."

The Irish flag is green, white and orange. The green symbolizes the people of the south, and orange the people of the north. White represents the peace that brings them together as a nation.

The name "leprechaun" has several origins. It could be from the Irish Gaelic word "leipreachan," which means "a kind of aqueous sprite". Or, it could be from "leath bhrogan," which means "shoemaker."

Fun Facts about Clovers

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TOPIC OF THE MONTH "Color Meals Green" MEAL SCHEDULE

CRANDON, WABENO, LAONA

Monday - March 17 - St. Patrick's Day - Corned beef, boiled dinner w/cabbage, carrots & potatoes, soda bread, rice pudding

Monday - March 24 - Baked ham, sweet potatoes, broccoli, corn muffins, molasses cookie
CRANDON, WABENO, LAONA

Tuesday - March 18 - Turkey wild rice, casserole, tossed salad, fruit, sunflower flax bread, cranberry bars

Tuesday - March 25 - Meatloaf, mashed potatoes, beets, sourdough bread, apple cake
CRANDON

Wednesday - March 19 - Chicken salad with grapes & cashews, french onion soup, fruit, dinner roll, chocolate cake -**BINGO-**

Wednesday - March 26 - Egg salad sandwich on whole wheat, cream of potato soup, fruit, chocolate pudding
LAONA

Thursday - March 20 - FIRST DAY OF SPRING - Chicken salad with grapes & cashews, french onion soup, fruit, dinner roll, chocolate cake

Thursday - March 27 - Egg salad sandwich on whole wheat, cream of potato soup, fruit, chocolate pudding
ARMSTRONG CREEK

Tuesday - March 18 - Corned beef boiled dinner with cabbage, carrots & potatoes, soda bread, rice pudding - **MUSIC-**

Tuesday - March 25 - Meatloaf, mashed potatoes, beets, sourdough bread, apple cake -**BINGO-**
ALVIN

Thursday - March 20 - FIRST DAY OF SPRING - Breakfast for dinner egg bake, applesauce, orange juice, cinnamon bread, bars

Thursday - March 27 - Boiled dinner with cabbage, carrots and potatoes, pears, dinner rolls, birthday cake
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The budget figures for 2003-2007 show Judge Robert A. Kennedy, Jr., ran a surplus every year:

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The budget figures for 2009-2013 show Judge Leon Stenz ran a deficit every year:

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Wolf River-Nicolet Scenic Byway program on fast track to reality

by Richard D. Ackley, Jr

A local scenic byway group in Crandon, has been meeting over the past several months and is now establishing a mailing list to get information out to the public regarding a proposed Wolf River-Nicolet Scenic Byway, along a portion of state highway 55, in partnership with the Wisconsin Department of Transportation, D.O.T.

A 1999 state law (Wisconsin Act 9) directed the Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WisDOT) to develop and administer a state Scenic Byways program. Currently, there are four state designated scenic byways and hopefully Hwy 55, running from mid-Langlade County and all the way north through Forest County up to the Michigan line, will become the newest addition.

The scenic byway program is a cooperative effort between local communities and WisDOT to identify and promote state highway corridors with scenic and/or historical attributes that provide travelers an enjoyable visual, educational and recreational experience.

The goal of the mailing list is to invite all interested parties including towns, villages, business owners of tourism venues, individuals and businesses which support the tourism trade for example; to a mid-April meeting to be held at the Mole Lake Lodge/Conference Center, Forest County. A representative from the Wisconsin D.O.T. will also be on hand for discussions.

The Scenic Byways program is similar but separate from WisDOT's Rustic Roads program <https://mail.uwex.uwc.edu/owa/rusticroads.htm>. The Rustic Roads initiative provides local groups an opportunity to nominate local roadways as "Rustic Roads." Typically, Rustic Roads are lightly-traveled town or county roads that offer bikers, hikers and other travelers a leisurely opportunity to see native terrain and wildlife in a rural setting.

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We invite you to contact us if you have an interest in more information about the project by providing your current mailing address; contact email: richard.ackley@ces.uwex.edu

For Old Time's Sake



You may or may not have seen these photos of Herb Cundiff's first gas station in Crandon, but they are worth another look. That's Duck's Bar in the background, and the station is where Ray Tyler eventually had his Buick dealership and where Car Quest is located now. We think that is Herb on the left and the other fellow is not identified. The time frame is on the photo as 1934 to 1950.



Herb's next station was a little nicer. You could grease and change oil on cars in one of the stalls instead of in the great outdoors. It is now the home of Northwoods Paving.

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The past couple of months building up to the benefit was nothing short of a miracle! Words can not express our gratitude to all our friends, family and the communities we live, work and shop in. The out pouring of love and support can not be described in its full abundance. We are so very grateful to each and every one of you - each and every business and the beautiful people behind those businesses! We have received so many Blessings above and beyond our furthest imagination. We thank each and everyone of you from the bottom of our hearts.

The "Benefit Team" was such an awesome group of Angels! They worked so very, very hard - not only on benefit night, but for weeks and weeks putting all this together in such a beautiful way. You know - I am trying so hard to come up with words - but it's just all in our hearts, our love for each and every one of you. The Lord has truly Blessed us when he placed you folks into our lives - HOW CAN WE EVER THANK YOU? He Blessed us with ALL OF YOU!

Zachary Zagar - You are our precious son and we are so proud of you! We love you more than you will ever know! Thank you so much for everything! Caron Hartman-Zagar, you complete our lives. Thank you for being the best and most caring and kind daughter-in-law we could ever ask for! Of course we are so proud and blessed to have Kyle and Lizzy in our lives, along with the whole Hartman crew. We love and cherish you all!

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And now I would like to share this quote from Leo: "Many ask me why we live in this northern, very rural area - well, I'll tell you why - it may snow and it may get cold, but the people who live here have the warmest, generous and most compassionate hearts in the whole universe."

THANK YOU EVERYONE!
Leo and Jill Zagar

St Patrick's Day facts

Most kids know of St. Patrick's Day is that you must wear green or you'll get a pinch from your friends. Adults see the day as an occasion to celebrate, sometimes with green beer and other assorted alcoholic beverages. However, few really know what they are celebrating or why the holiday is so important, particularly in the Americas.

The following facts may help you to better enjoy this popular holiday

11. March 17th is when Patrick died. Saint Patrick is a saint of the Catholic Church, and his holy day is the day of his death, and subsequent entrance to heaven, rather than the day of his physical birth. After spending most of his adult life converting the pagans of Ireland to Christianity, St. Patrick went to his reward on March 17, 461 AD.

10. St. Patrick wasn't Irish. St. Patrick wasn't Irish, and he wasn't born in Ireland. Patrick's parents were Roman citizens living in modern-day England, or more precisely in Scotland or Wales (scholars cannot agree on which). He was born in 385 AD. By that time, most Romans were Christians and the Christian religion was spreading rapidly across Europe.

9. St. Patrick was a slave. At the age of 16, Patrick had the misfortune of being kidnapped by Irish raiders who took him away and sold him as a slave. He spent several years in Ireland herding sheep and learning about the people there. At the age of 22, he managed to escape. He made his way to a monastery in England where he spent 12 years growing closer to God.

8. St. Patrick used the shamrock to preach about the trinity. Many claim the shamrock represents faith, hope, and love, or any number of other things but it was actually used by Patrick to teach the mystery of the Holy Trinity, and how three things, the Father, The Son, and the Holy Spirit could be separate entities, yet one in the same. Obviously, the pagan rulers of Ireland found Patrick to be convincing because they quickly converted to Christianity.

7. Legend says St. Patrick drove all the snakes from Ireland. According to legend, St. Patrick drove all the snakes, or in some translations, "toads," out of Ireland. In reality, this probably did not occur, as there is no evidence that snakes have ever existed in Ireland, the climate being too cool for them to thrive. Despite that, scholars suggest that the term "snakes" may be figurative and refer to pagan religious beliefs and practices rather than reptiles or amphibians.

6. Patrick's color is blue. The original color associated with St. Patrick is blue, not green as commonly believed. In several artworks depicting the saint, he is shown wearing blue vestments. King Henry VIII used the Irish harp in gold on a blue flag to represent the country. Since that time, and possibly before, blue has been a popular color to represent the country on flags, coats-of-arms, and even sports jerseys. Green was associated with the country later, presumably because of the greenness of the countryside, which is so because Ireland receives plentiful rainfall. Today, the country is also referred to as the "Emerald Isle."

5. The Shamrock is not the symbol of Ireland. The shamrock is a popular Irish symbol, but it is not the symbol of Ireland. As early as the medieval period, the harp has appeared on Irish gravestones and manuscripts. However, it is certain that the harp was popular in Irish legend and culture even well before that period.

Since the medieval period, the harp has represented the nation. King Henry VIII used the harp on coins as early as 1534. Later, the harp was used on Irish flags and Irish coats of arms. The harp was also used as a symbol of the Irish people during their long struggle for freedom. Starting in 1642 the harp appeared on flags during rebellions against English rule. When Ireland became an independent country in 1921, it adopted the harp as the national symbol.

4. There are more Irish in the USA than Ireland. Well, sort of. An estimated 34 million Americans have Irish ancestry. Some are pure-blood Irish, meaning they or their parents came from Ireland, but many more have mixed ancestry today. By contrast, there are 4.2 million people living in Ireland. This peculiarity has a lot to do with the troubled history of Ireland. During the potato famine in Ireland, millions of Irish left the country for the US. This diaspora of Irish continued throughout much of the 19th century. Great numbers of Irish immigrants filled factories, served as railroad laborers, and even joined the military, sometimes immediately upon stepping foot on American soil! During the US Civil War, entire regiments of troops were comprised exclusively of Irish immigrants. It wasn't until the economic boom of the 1990s that more Irish stayed in their native country than traveled abroad searching for better opportunities.

3. St. Patrick's Day in the US has a strong political history. In the mid 19th century, the Irish faced discrimination much like that faced by African Americans. In a few rare instances, prejudice against the Irish was even more fierce! The Irish were culturally unique, Catholic, and because of deplorable conditions in Ireland, flooded into the US in large numbers. They were perceived as a potentially disloyal and were treated harshly. To combat this, the American Irish began to organize themselves politically. By the end of the 19th century, St. Patrick's Day was a large holiday for the Irish and an occasion for them to demonstrate their collective political and social might. While the political emphasis has faded along with the discrimination, the holiday remains ever popular as an opportunity for festivity regardless of one's cultural background.

2. St. Patrick's was a dry holiday in Ireland until 1970. Aside from the color green, the activity most associated with St. Patrick's Day is drinking. However, Irish law, from 1903 to 1970, declared St. Patrick's Day a religious observance for the entire country meaning that all pubs were shut down for the day. That meant no beer, not even the green kind, for public celebrants. The law was overturned in 1970, when St. Patrick's was reclassified as a national holiday - allowing the taps to flow freely again.

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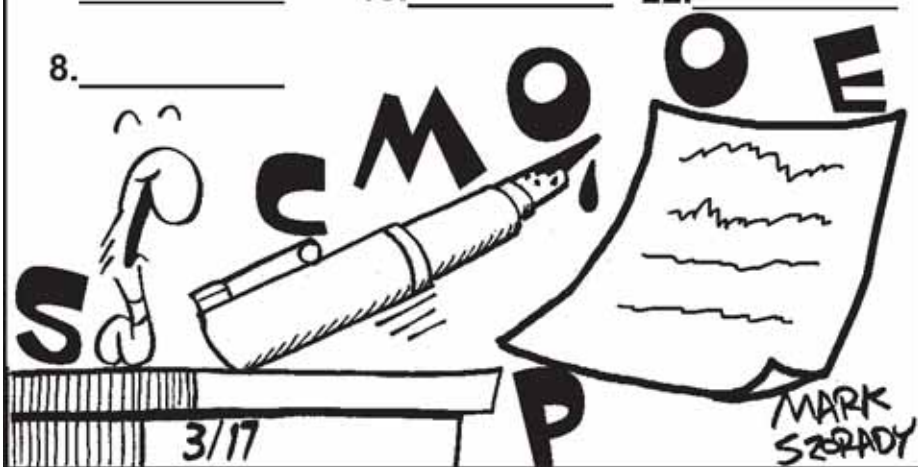
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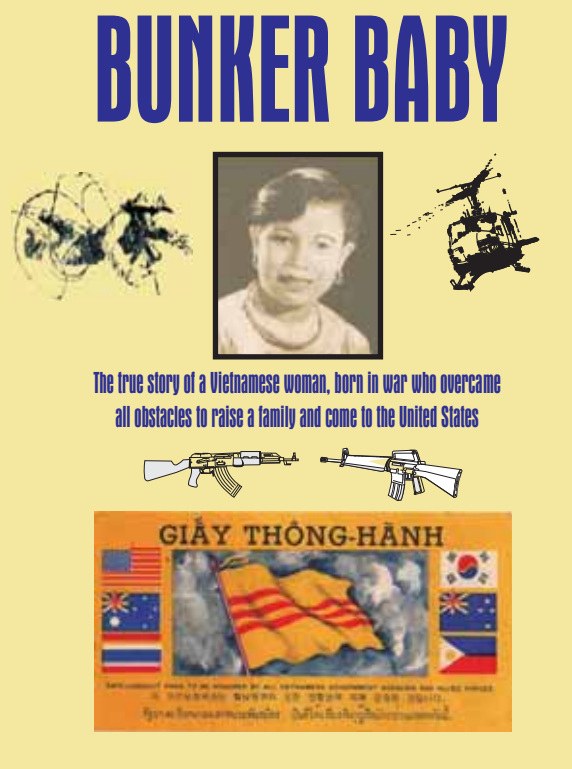
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The first one for 2014 is the "Celebrate Spring Spaghetti Dinner" which will be held on Saturday, March 22nd from 4-7 at the Crooked Lake Community Center. Besides the food pantry, in May the Club will be donating money for scholarships to the local high school seniors.

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DNR is measuring winter's impact on deer and turkey

MADISON - As one of the harshest winters on record continues its icy grip on Wisconsin state wildlife officials are monitoring its effects on wildlife, particularly deer and turkey.

"We have received some reports of dead deer and turkey, especially in northern Wisconsin where snow is more than 30 inches deep in some areas," said Tom Hauge, director of wildlife management for the Department of Natural Resources.

While animals native to Wisconsin are equipped to handle snow and cold, too much for too long can overwhelm an individual animal's resources.

DNR biologists use a "winter severity index" to gauge winter stress levels. Points are assigned for each day with snow deeper than 18 inches and temperatures below zero. WSI measurements are recorded at 43 stations across the northern third of the state and in several east-central counties. Winter conditions are considered mild if a station accumulates less than 50 points, moderate between 51 and 80 points, severe between 81 and 100, and very severe if more than 100.

Many stations in northwestern counties have already reached "severe" on the index, said Mike Zeckmeister, DNR northern wildlife supervisor and more stations likely will record a severe winter index in coming weeks. The 2013-2014 Winter Severity Index [PDF] is available on the DNR website.

DNR biologists are asking the public to report any observations of winter deer mortality. The reports can be submitted through the DNR website by searching for keywords "dead deer."

Concerned citizens can also search the DNR staff directory for local wildlife biologists and technicians to receive their reports. Additionally, DNR biologists are working in the field this time of year, monitoring deer and their habitats and talking to loggers, foresters, trappers and others who frequent the winter woods.

Sam Jonas, DNR wildlife biologist for Iron County surveyed a 4-mile stretch near the Wisconsin-Michigan border that runs through a wintering area and observed about 70 deer and 16 turkeys.

"The deer are browsing cedar, hemlock and other brush in area," Jonas said. "I am sure we do have some winter mortality in areas, however, the deer I have seen in this wintering area look like they are faring pretty well so far, including the fawns. Late March and April is historically when we see winter mortality so I will be doing a lot of snowshoeing into deer yards at that time to check on things."

The harsh winter is generating questions from the public about feeding deer. Zeckmeister said it is a legitimate and compassionate inquiry but one without an easy answer.

"I understand people want to try to help deer through a hard winter, but feeding can do more harm than good," he said.

Feeding unmixed corn or hay can actually be harmful to deer in late winter. A commercialized pellet - or mixes containing small quantities of corn, plus alfalfa, oats and soybeans, as well as various vitamins and minerals - is the best choice. The food should be spread out to reduce fighting, kept away from roads or snowmobile trails to avoid collisions, and placed near areas sheltered from the wind.

Deer feeding is regulated under Wisconsin law and is prohibited in counties affected by chronic wasting disease. In all other counties, feeding is limited to a maximum of 2 gallons per site. Feeding sites must be placed within 50 yards of a dwelling or a business building open to the public and may not be placed within 100 yards of a roadway with a posted speed limit of 45 mph or higher.

Interested individuals can search the DNR website for "baiting and feeding regulations."

"There is no question this winter will affect decisions concerning the deer season," said Kevin Wallenfang, DNR big game ecologist. "We are watching this very closely and will adjust the 2014 antlerless deer quotas in response. Based upon what we've seen to date, northern Wisconsin deer hunters can expect to see a lot of buck-only units this fall. The availability of antlerless permits will be extremely low or at zero across the north, depending on the area."

"This has been a tough winter for many of our resident wildlife species, and turkeys are no exception," said Scott Walter, DNR upland wildlife ecologist. "Although turkeys are very capable of surviving brief periods of cold and snow, the longer those conditions last the more likely it is that we'll see mortalities, and we've already had verified reports of weather-related mortality in at least a few northern counties. Young birds are likely to be the hardest hit, as they don't have the fat reserves that allow adults to survive up to four weeks with minimal food."

The cold forces turkeys to either increase their food intake or burn more of their fat reserves to stay warm while deep or crusted snow makes it difficult to locate food on the ground. Powdery snow more than 12 inches deep makes it difficult for turkeys to travel in search of food.

As a result of poor production last spring and a severe winter, hunters might see fewer turkeys during the spring 2014 season.

"The levels of harvest that typify Wisconsin's spring and fall turkey seasons have little impact on population trends, however," Scott said. "Some hunters understandably have suggested reducing harvest during the upcoming spring and fall to help turkeys recover. Reducing permit levels, however, would greatly reduce hunter opportunity while doing little to help turkey populations."

Landowners interested in habitat enhancements to buffer turkeys against the effects of severe winter weather can receive grain seed for winter plots through the National Wild Turkey Federation Conservation Seed Program, which provides outdated corn as well as sorghum, highbush cranberry and flowering crab seedlings to federation members for reduced costs.

"These programs allow National Wild Turkey Federation members to make a significant contribution to wild turkey winter survival in the Upper Midwest," said Rick Horton, National Wild Turkey Federation Midwest Conservation Field Supervisor.

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2014 Wisconsin Fishing Report, calendar and fishing regulation pamphlet now available

MADISON - The 2014 Wisconsin Fishing Report, a fishing calendar, and regulations for hook and line and inland trout fishing are now available online to help anglers start planning their fishing trips. Fishing licenses for the 2014-15 season went on sale March 5.

"Wisconsin's a great place to fish and we hope these pieces can help make your fishing a little easier," says Karl Scheidegger, a Department of Natural Resources fisheries biologist who leads DNR fisheries outreach efforts.

The annual 16-page 2014 Fishing Report compiles fishing forecasts submitted by DNR fisheries biologists and shares information about the number and sizes of fish they found during population surveys on a wide range of waters across the state. The forecasts are organized by species and alphabetically by county name.

The 2014 Fishing Report is also available in print at DNR Service Centers and will be inserted into the April issue of Wisconsin Natural Resources magazine.

Subscribe to the magazine any time in the next six weeks to get that issue and the report delivered to your mailbox. The magazine is \$8.97 for one year, six issues; \$15.97 for two years and 12 issues, and \$21.97 for three years.

Again this year anglers can download and print off a color Making Fishing Better calendar with important fishing dates; moon phases; game fish identification tips; and monthly forecasts.

The calendar highlights the work of fisheries biologists as they continue to make fishing better for state anglers.

Also now online: the Guide to Wisconsin Hook and Line Fishing Regulations 2014-2015 and the Guide to Wisconsin Trout Fishing Regulations 2014-2015.

New this year: the largemouth bass harvest season opens statewide in Wisconsin on May 3, with anglers now able to keep largemouth 14 inches and over in what's long been known as the northern bass zone. Smallmouth bass are still catch and release from May 3 through June 20 in that zone, with the harvest season on smallies opening June 21.