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More on the off-road park controversy opinion

By Mike Monte

If you are tired of the Off-Road Park controversy, you aren't the only one. Wisconsin Off-Road Park, Inc. (WORVPI) bought a full-page ad in the *Forest Republican* last week pointing out the "inaccurate information" published by those not in love with the idea of taxpayer support of an off-road park. The ad does require a response, as those of us who have questioned the park, also question the contents of this ad.

Those who have followed this issue are aware of the hype put out by WORVPI on the tremendous economic boon that an off-road park would have on Forest County. They are also aware of the opposing viewpoint expressed by others who see the park as a boondoggle that won't have the customer base to make it a paying proposition for WORVPI and especially for the county taxpayers who will pick up the economic burden should a venture like an off-road park fail. The WORVPI group, argues that the park will pay for itself and taxpayer dollars won't be used. But, it can be argued, if the park doesn't pay its own way, the taxpayers, indeed, will pick up the tab, as Forest County will be the name on the mortgage.

To back up on this issue, the park was promoted as the "Lambeau Field" of off-road vehicle parks. Money would "rain" on Forest County. It would be on 10,000 acres of wooded land somewhere in the county on one of seven eligible and likely sites. The sites could not be disclosed as land speculators would flock to cash in on the project, the price of the land would soar, etc., etc. Secrecy was vital to the success of a project that would use taxpayer funds.

The plans have changed through the months, and the criticisms leveled at me, Judy Savard, Jim Odekirk, Steve Bunda, and Dave Meier are quotes taken from months back, when the plan was to borrow money to build the park. To use these criticisms is akin to saying on December 8, 1941, the fellow that said we weren't at war with Japan on December 6, 1941 wasn't being factual.

When I wrote back in December that the county might borrow \$10,000,000 or more to put this project in gear, I was reacting to what was said at a County Board meeting where the park promoter said emphatically that the county had to own the land. He had previously said that the land would cost about \$1,200 per acre. Chairman Paul Millan said that they could borrow the money from the Board of Commissioners of Public Lands (BCPL), at which County Supervisor Don Lemaster said we have to do some work on the courthouse. Will this much money hinder our borrowing capacity? Millan replied that no it wouldn't, we can get more. At this time, it was the most accurate information available on this project.

The criticisms of statements made by the people mentioned all are from months ago, before WORVPI changed the plan and their schemes to finance the project.

Consider the details given to the public on this venture. Our County Board and those citizens in attendance were given grandiose versions of what this park would do, but couldn't be given any of the "confidential" information they had, including a study conducted by Ripon College or a North Central Regional Planning (NCRP) study. It was far too sensitive material for our minds to digest, and there was a fear that another county would seize on this grand idea and do it before Forest County could get it in operation. After all of the hype put out by WORVPI has anybody noticed any other county jumping on this idea?

On that note, have you noticed that on the pages of the *Pioneer Express* that Forest County already has an off-road park at the Crandon International Off-Road Raceway (CIORA)? What I have found interesting is that Cliff Flannery, who is working diligently to finish this facility, has never been approached by any County Board members, WORVPI, or the Forest County Economic Development Corporation (FCEDP) to do a tour of the site and educate themselves on whether or not all of this effort to build another facility to compete with the existing facility is worth the effort, not to mention the possible cessation of this eternal wrangling over the issue.

Since the initial efforts to use the BCPL as an interest-bearing source of financing, the park promoters have come up with a different idea to obtain money for at least part of the park.

It became known that County Forester Dave Ziolkowski was using DNR Project Loans and the DNR Stewardship program to buy more county timberlands. Our forestry office has successfully brought our county forest acreage up from 10,848 acres to a total of 14,089

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The Lumberjack Steam Train & Camp 5 Museum start their 45th Season



Camp 5 Museum and the famous Lumberjack Steam Train will open for the season on Friday, June 20, 2014, when Old-4 Spot, the 1916 vintage steam train will leave the depot on Highway 8, in Laona, Wisconsin. This season marks the 45th year that the Lumberjack Steam Train will bring visitors to the Camp 5 Museum complex.

The dream of the late Mary and Gordon Connor, the Camp 5 Museum and the restored Vulcan locomotive give visitors a glimpse into the lives and times of those who worked in the early logging days of northern Wisconsin. A visit is educational as well as great fun.

People of all ages enjoy a visit to the Camp 5 Museum via Old 4-Spot. Grandparents to grandchildren will enjoy the train ride in a vintage caboose or passenger coach, the museum, the petting zoo, the Green Treasure Forest Tour, and the pontoon boat ride on the Rat River. The Cracker Barrel Gift Shop await the visitor, and there is delicious food available on the grounds at the Choo Choo Hut.

The Lumberjack Steam Train leaves the depot Monday through Saturday, June 20th through August 23rd. There are four runs a day to Camp 5, starting at 11:00 a.m. with the last train back to Laona at 4:00 p.m. The rates are reasonable with adults - \$20.00, children (Age 4-16) - \$8.00, and a family (2 adults and 3 or more children ages 4-16) - \$60.00, and Children under 3 visit FREE.

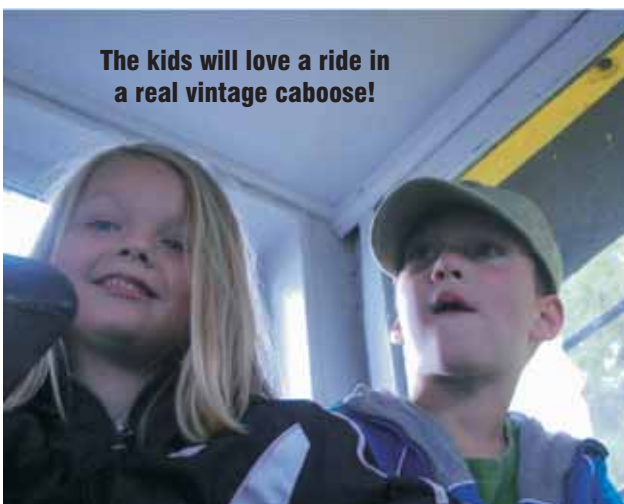
In recognition of the men and women who work in the timber industry, a member of the Great Lakes Timber Professionals Association, plus their families, enjoy a 30% discount. Active servicemen and women and their families ride free in recognition of their service to the country.

Special events at Camp 5 include a visit by the Cowboys on July 12th, with a great display of horsemanship and all the characters associated with the Wild West. You may witness a train robbery or the rescue of an outlaw from the clutches of the lawman who is bringing him to justice. It is a great spectacle with interaction between the re-enactors and the Camp 5 guests.

The Lumberjack Show is coming to Camp 5 on July 19. Witness real lumberjacks exhibiting the skills that are legendary here in the Northwoods. Be careful, however, as these intrepid woodsmen often bring people from the audience to participate in the event.

Camp 5 and the Lumberjack Steam Train opens up for three color runs each fall on September 20, 27 and October 4th. You can enjoy the award-winning Green Treasure Forest Tour, the pumpkin patch, face painting, a marshmallow roast and fresh apple cider. If you plan your visit for October 4th, the Cowboys will be back for another re-enactment.

For more information on Camp 5 and the famous Lumberjack Steam Train, visit the website at: or call 715-674-3414. Welcome aboard!



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Rainbow on Lake Metonga by Phil Resch



Learn to fish for muskies

The Wisconsin DNR, along with local area fishing instructors, will be holding the 1st Annual Learn-To-Fish Musky event on June 28th, 2014 at Johnnies Resort located at 6995 Potawatomi Trail Road Laona, WI 54541. The event is open to individuals 16 years of age and up, geared toward those with little to no musky fishing experience that have always wanted to try reeling in one of Wisconsin's most popular fish.

The event will start at 9:00 a.m. with classroom lessons aimed toward musky identification, biology, and fishing techniques.

Following classroom lessons, participants will then hit the water with local fishing volunteers for a chance to catch musky.

The event is being held free of charge to participants, with the exception that all participants engaged in fishing will be required to possess a valid Wisconsin fishing license. Participants will be provided with all the necessary equipment and boat to fish. Organizers are looking to have approximately 10-12 participants for the event that will be first come/first serve basis.

If interested in participating, or for general questions regarding the event, please contact Conservation Warden Brad Dahlquist at 715-478-5610.

Forest Service comment period on Nicolet Waterways Project

Forest Service, Chequamegon-Nicolet National Forest, Eagle River-Florence and Lakewood-Laona Ranger Districts, is preparing an Environmental Document for the Revised Nicolet Waterways Project. This project would add logs and root wads to waterways throughout the two districts to improve fish habitat.

The proposed action description and other information are available for review at <http://fs.usda.gov/goto/cnnf/hepa> Additional information regarding this action can be obtained from Tom Moris, 4978 Hwy 8 W, Laona, WI 54541, or phone (715) 674-4481.

The purpose of this comment period is to provide an opportunity for the public to provide early and meaningful participation on a proposed action prior to a decision being made by the Responsible Official.

How to Comment and Timeframe

Written, facsimile, hand-delivered, oral, and electronic comments concerning this action will be accepted to June 27, 2014. Written comments must be submitted to Jeff Seefeldt, District Ranger at the address and phone number above or fax at 715-276-3594. The office business hours for those submitting hand-delivered comments are 7:30- 4:00 Monday through Friday, excluding holidays. Electronic comments can be submitted to the website above. Click on the project name, then on the "comment" button on the right side and submit your comment.

Community Blood Drive at Forest County Courthouse

There will be a Community Blood Drive at the Forest County Courthouse on Friday, June 27, from 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

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Housepasses Duffy Amendment helps those at-risk of homelessness

Washington D.C. – The House of Representatives unanimously passed U.S. Representative Sean Duffy's amendment to the Transportation and Housing & Urban Development Appropriations bill (T-HUD) that would help curb homelessness in rural communities.

The formulation of this amendment stemmed from Rep. Duffy's 2013 Hunger & Homelessness Summit which focused on not just meeting the needs of the hungry and homeless in our rural 7th District community, but what could be done to prevent them from becoming homeless in the first place. In his comments during debate, Rep. Duffy explained the plight of poverty in rural communities, "The pain of poverty affects our communities in rural America just like in urban America, but often times it can be a lot more complicated. The face of poverty is different in rural America. Instead of having families move out onto the street, often time we see neighbors – 2 or 3 families – moving into a single bedroom apartment so they can give their kids shelter."

Mr. Duffy's amendment puts \$10 million in the Rural Housing Stability Assistance program from money that was set aside to address homelessness. This program was created for rural communities in 2009, but has never been funded. This program provides funding for people that are at risk of being homeless, but not already living on the streets.

Area Events

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Praise Chapel Vacation Bible School

Praise Chapel Vacation Bible School will be held Sunday, June 15th through Thursday, June 19th from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. for ages 4 - 12
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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 Cty. Humane Society** - Open to public every Sat. from 1-3 p.m. Call for more info. 715-478-2098.
- **AA Meeting** - Saturdays, 9 a.m., Wabeno Fire Station, side entrance.
- **Crandon VFW Post** - Meets the second Tuesday of the month. 1:30 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.; May, June & July Meetings at the Lions Clubhouse, Courthouse Square.
- **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 7158-889-4902.
- **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.
- **Highway 55 Flea & Craft Market** - Every Wednesday, 9 a.m. - 4 p.m., at the Nashville Town Hall, corner of Hwys. 55 & B, Crandon. Interested vendors or for more info call Linda at 715-484-7271.
- **AA Meeting** - Crandon AA Big Book Study Group - Thursdays, 7-?, St. Joseph's Catholic Church basement, Crandon. Contact Paulette at 414-460-5194.
- **TOPS** will meet at Wabeno Town Hall on Mondays at 8 a.m. For more Info call 715-473-2613
- **Forest County Silver Lake Association Annual Meeting** Saturday, July 5, 2014, 9 am til noon at the Laona Community Center, Laona



Public Library Hours

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

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

Museum Hours

Forest County Museum- 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.

UW-Superior to offer Autism Courses in Rhinelander

The University of Wisconsin-Superior will offer a nine-credit program in Rhinelander this summer that will lead to the Autism Spectrum Disorder Certificate. This certificate is aligned with the standards set by the Council for Exceptional Children. These courses are offered both on the graduate and undergraduate level and may be taken separately or all three can be taken to earn the ASD Certificate.

The ASD Certificate Program focuses on current strategies, internationally effective best practices and recent biological research. Students will have an opportunity to connect with practitioners and specialists in the area of Autism Spectrum Disorder. Dan Kuzlik, Outreach Specialist for the University of Wisconsin-Superior stated, "Courses in this program will allow teachers, parents or other interested individuals an opportunity to enhance their skills and services for students with Autism Spectrum Disorder"

In Rhinelander, these courses will be delivered via Internet Television (ITV) in an ITV location to be announced. The initial Foundations course will run from June 23-27, the Methods I course will run from July 14-18 and the Methods II course will run from August 4-8. All courses are scheduled from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on these dates.

All three courses will be taught by Dr. Susan Larson Kidd, an educational/behavioral consultant for children and youth with Autism and other learning differences. Dr. Kidd has over 25 years experience as a teacher, administrator, professor, speaker and author.

Additional information regarding registration and

ITV location can be obtained from Dan Kuzlik by contacting his Nicolet College Office at 715-365-4954 or by contacting Dana Luzaich at the Center for Continuing Education at UW-Superior at 1-715-394-8469
 CONTACT: Dan Kuzlik, Outreach Specialist, University of Wisconsin-Superior, Nicolet Area Technical College, 5364 College Drive, Northwoods Center #210, Rhinelander, WI 54501, 715-365-4954



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HOUSE FOR RENT: 7087 State Hwy. 32, Argonne. 3 bedroom, 1 bath. 6 miles N/W of Crandon. \$600 per month plus security deposit. One year lease required. No pets. Call 715-616-3266 or 715-649-3950. P10

APARTMENT FOR RENT: Large 1 bedroom apartment located in downtown Crandon. For more information, please call (715) 889-3207. Betc3

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N11869 Pratt Rd - 2BR, 1BA Cottage/Home on Upper Post Lk huge lot, 128' sand frtg., good condition. **Must see! \$199,900**
N11790 Post Lake Dr - 125' sand frtg. Upper Post Log Cottage 2BR, 1BA, fully furnished, Sunset views. **Reduced to \$189,900**
N10864 Circle Dr - 3BR, 1.5BA, Ranch Home, 100' sand frtg. Western Exposure. Fieldstone fireplace. Large garage **\$185,900**
N11658 Post Lake Dr - Cozy Log Cottage, 2BR, 1BA, 3 season 75' Sand frtg. Two story boat house. Sunset views. **\$185,000**
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LAND FOR SALE: 1 lot near Pickerel Maplewood Golf Course. \$10,000 OBO. Call 715-484-7247. Betc6

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NEW SUMMER ARRIVALS TO THE MARKET!!!



W10975 Sues Lane, on Tynner Lake \$149,900
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3023 Black Lane, on Bishop Lake \$54,900
 So Serene!! This buildable lot on full recreational yet quiet 287 acre Bishop Lake has a view that makes you think you are in Canada. If you have ever dreamed of owning lake property but just can't afford to, then please Check This Out! This all wooded lot is very private and has plenty of road frontage to pick and choose an area for a driveway. The frontage is all sand with some pencil weeds which the fish like to hide in. This lake is 3/4 owned by the state so the view is amazing and the fishing is excellent year around. Don't wait too long as this one is too good to lose out on.



1133 Tracy Road, on Lake Metonga
 Remember the days of the family trips Up North renting a cottage on a lake, enjoying the peace and quiet, sitting around the campfire roasting hot dogs and marshmallows, life jackets and swim suits drying on a clothes line, swimming until your skin wrinkled, rowing a boat with squeaky oars, sitting on the dock reading and dangling your fish pole in the water, taking long walks along the tree lined windy road, or just relaxing and doing nothing but enjoying the quiet? Well you can bring all those fond memories back to life again with this 3 bedroom, 1 bath cottage. This Northwoods As Is Gem even has a sleeping loft, an old fieldstone fireplace (that they don't use) a free-standing wood stove and a kitchen with bright white cabinets, breakfast bar, stove and fridge. There's lakeside decking and a tool shed. Located on 70' of sand frontage on 2100 acre Lake Metonga with a bird's eye view. Bring Your Memories Back to Life or Create Your Own! Just Hurry!



5266 W Silver Lake Road, on Silver Lake \$299,900
SILVER LAKE HOME! Located on one of Forest Counties finest clear water lakes is this spacious ranch home with 3 bedrooms, 1-1/2 baths, lakeside living/dining room and fabulous views of the lake. The kitchen offers a breakfast bar and nice appliances plus a huge floor to ceiling pantry. The open concept living area has large sunlit windows and patio door leading to the 49' of lakeside decking. There is also a main floor laundry. The full basement has a cedar closet and extra entry through bilco doors. There is all sand frontage, a pier and you can even purchase all the furnishings if you like. Silver Lake is situated at the edge of the Nicolet National Forest and has 320 acres of clear blue water to play on, fish, swim and enjoy all 4 seasons.



3803 County W, Crandon \$41,900
 What a View!! Catch the sun rise as it spreads its rays across 1100 acre Lake Lucerne which is fully visible just across the road from this cozy cottage. It is a fixer upper and the past owner put in all new windows and doors and vinyl siding. The interior walls are studded and there are some that are wired. Also in 2007 there was installed a new drilled well and conventional septic that haven't been used. The possibilities are endless on what you can do to finish off and update this home for your great starter or getaway place. All Four Seasons of recreation are at your doorstep with this property being on an all wooded deep 1 acre lot and situated between two large full recreational lakes in an area that is surrounded by the Nicolet National Forest.



2282 Switzers Point on Roberts Lake \$144,900
 Here is your chance to own a cottage on the much sought after 452 acre clear water, Roberts Lake. Cozy rooms with a real wood burning fireplace and a view that is spectacular. The fireplace is located in a position to heat the whole cottage but there is also an LP wall furnace to quickly take the chill out. The open concept living area offers a million dollar view of the lake. There are 3 bedrooms and a 3/4 bath and staircase to the partial walk-out basement. The well is brand new and the boat house offers lots of storage for your boat and water toys. The bass and panfish are plentiful year around. Roberts lake is situated in the heart of the Nicolet National Forest. Everything is laid out giving you the full pleasure of lake life. This is a full recreational area.



W2380 Pine Drive, White Lake \$159,900
 Located just to the East of White Lake's beach and West of the Scenic Wolf River is this 2 story home on a all wooded park like setting. There are many types of maple, fruit, flowering shrubs, oaks and willows plus several flower beds with colorful perennials blooming spring, summer and fall. Just off the back decking is a wonderful flowing pond which is a great place to relax and just enjoy all that Mother Nature has to offer. The wooded lot is home to many types of hard and softwoods and walking trails to venture on. The home has all oak flooring, doors and trim and the archways add to the spectacular interior. The bright kitchen of hickory cabinets & the formal dining room both have a nice view of the groomed back yard. The laundry room and full bath are also on the main floor. The Upper Level has a landing area leading to the 3 bedrooms and a half bathroom. Each room has large sunlit windows and the master has a walk-in closet. Plus it has new roof. Truly a GEM in the Northwoods!!



3234 North Shore Drive, on Donut Lake \$48,000
 Cabin in the Woods!! Here it is! All ready for you to move right in and enjoy. This well-built adorable insulated cabin is vinyl sided and has vinyl windows and all wood interior. The place is wired for a generator and also has battery operated lights, outlets, furnace and pump for water to the sink. The place is completely furnished and also includes the tools, shed, and housewares. The all wooded 5.2 acres is very private and has over 460' of frontage on a private duck pond/lake. Great for hunting and hiking or just getting away from it all. Watch the sunrises from the deck or sit around the firepit and enjoy.

NEW ON THE MARKET!



4164 County W, on Lake Lucerne \$220,000
 Lake Lucerne delight. This is one of the most charming cottages you will ever see. Furnishings included are: 14' aluminum boat w/15 hp outboard motor sofa, 2 rocking chairs beds, dressers, range, refrigerator, boat ramp and boat lift, dock, dishes, bedding and a whole bunch more! Towering Evergreens grace the south edge of the property. You have an eat in kitchen and a wonderful view of Lake Lucerne right from your table. Frontage is sand. This one is all set to go! All you need are your essentials. Sit on your dock with your morning cup of coffee and enjoy the sunrise.



10584 & 10580 Stover Road, on Pine Lake \$325,000
 One of the most beautiful views on Pine Lake. 2 year around homes, in need of tender loving care. Older year around home (Guest House) is 80 - 90 years old and is a 2 story equaling approximately 1,448 total sq. ft., has 3 bedrooms and a full bath. Exterior is wood and has a metal roof too, there is a 1 1/2 car detached garage. Lot is level with some towering trees, to the East is a well wooded area to give you that extra privacy. Main home has nice sized rooms. Shore is sand with a small amount of silt at water's edge, you have approximately 3.79 acres of land, what more could you ask for?



Hanson Plat Road lot on Pine Lake \$100,000
 Looking for a beautiful lot on Pine Lake? This is it. Nicely wooded and clear at lake side. You have a sand beach with a little silt at the shore. Priced to Please!



726 Birch Lane on Arbutus Lake \$145,000
 Arbutus Lake is a 161 acre lake for you to enjoy. Fish, swim or just watch the sun rise! Cozy 2 bedroom cottage that includes a 24' pontoon boat & 35 hp Evinrude motor, refrigerator, range, microwave, table & chairs, 2 beds, 2 dressers, miscellaneous dishes bedding everything stays except 2 green plaid easy chairs, all ready for you to come in and enjoy. Cottage is very clean. New roof in 2011, blown in insulation. Just bring your necessities. Come enjoy the Northwoods with us!



3299 Round Lake Road on Round Lake \$114,900
 Looking for a peaceful retreat, this is it. Round Lake is a 67 acre lake. Cottage has been updated and is very pretty on the inside. Bathroom floor has in floor heating. The cottage is fully furnished with refrigerator, range, 3 easy chairs, a love seat, kitchen table with 4 chairs, microwave, 2 standard beds, dock and boat lift, even a dishwasher, just bring your swim suits! Deck gives views of the lake and sunsets. North side of the lot is well wooded. Close to shopping, golf and thousands of acres of Nicolet National Forest, and ice cream cones!



6225 Johnson Road, Crandon \$74,900
 20 Acres of land, 19 are in Closed Forest Crop. Low taxes. Your nearest neighbor is a DEER! Talk about the perfect hunting "shack" that is so much more than a shack, lots of interior work has been done, along with fresh exterior stain, looks really good. The cabin is wired for a generator (not included), interior is tongue and groove, cabin sits on rail road ties, roof is about 9 years old, windows about 5 years old, there is an outdoor privy, a front porch and a perfect deer hunting "back yard", or go across the road where there are thousands of acres of Forest County land for hunting, walking - enjoy!

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NEW ON THE MARKET!



W5596 County Road A, Pickerel \$99,900

This great 3 bedroom, 2 bath home on 2 acres near Pickerel, is ready for you to move in. It has a convenient floor plan with everything you need on the main level. You will love the master bed and bathrooms. Downstairs is a family room, another finished room and a workshop. There are two large decks and a nice open yard for you to enjoy. The large garage will fit your two cars and still have room for storage. This home is close to many recreational activities on the edge of Wisconsin's Northwoods. Check it out, you may be pleasantly surprised at all you can get at this affordable price.



N10977 Walleye Road, Pearson/Pickerel \$219,900

There's so much to tell about this Custom Built New Home with so many advanced features right down to the heated tile bathroom floors. The maintenance free exterior is 50 yr. warranted LP Smart Side Siding that looks just like cedar but wears like stone. All the windows have custom hardware and the walls and ceilings are BIB insulated. The Parallel Core Trusses are guaranteed to hold even the toughest of winter snow load. The T/G materials used on the ceilings and walls are Tamarack and Hemlock that was cut from the lot when the driveway was put in. The beautiful rustic cabinets and trim were custom made from hard maple. The free-standing JOTUL wood stove can heat the whole place on chilly days and give you a nice cozy warm feel in those cold winter months. Each bedroom has built-in dressers to free up floor space plus huge closets. The loft has an open landing plus a master suite with 3/4 bathroom. All this is tucked back on an all wooded lot close to Rollingstone/Pickerel Lakes.



9178 Bartz Bay Road, on Crane Lake \$234,900

Great lake front on sought after 341 acre Crane Lake in Forest County with boating access to 1299 acre Pickerel Lake! Both lakes are known by the locals for their great fishing. This property features 147 feet of bay frontage with two piers and a 12x16 ft. dry boat house. There are two bedrooms on the main floor with extra space on the second level to use as you please, whether it be for guests, an office or whatever you would like. It's accessible from the outside stairway or an inside folding stairs. Other features are a gas parlor stove, a main floor laundry space, a family room with a view of the lake and a large deck overlooking Crane Lake. There is extra storage space on the second level. The garage is wired for 240 volts. The yard has a tree swing for the young at heart and a swim raft is included for basking in the sun. The boat is negotiable if you don't have your own. It's all here, waiting to fulfill your lake home dreams and you can enjoy it all year long!

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405 S Lake Ave on Surprise Lake \$89,000

This large, Surprise Lake home, could be yours for only \$89,000! The property features many updates including: blown-in insulation, recently refinished hardwood floor and new carpet in some rooms. The kitchen has more knotty pine cabinets than you'll be able to fill and the dining room has beautiful exposed beams on the ceiling. The deck looks over the large park like yard and offers a nice view of the lake. Call to set up your personal showing today!



12296 Zitzke Lane, Mountain \$185,000

Nestled hidden in the woods of NW Oconto County is this newer raised ranch home with a walk-out basement. The exterior is maintenance free and inside you will find an open concept living area with vaulted ceiling, lots of windows and beautiful natural wood cabinets. The center island offers extra sitting space besides what the huge dining area has. There is a full bathroom on each floor and one has a sink into whirlpool tub. The lower level has a spacious bedroom tucked in the back and the second full bathroom. There are two sources of heat with the forced air LP and a Wood add-on furnace. There is treated raised decking overlooking the woods. The two car detached garage is all sheet rocked inside and completely trimmed out. The all wooded lot is secluded from any neighbors and situated on the end of this hidden town road. Best of all the Nicolet National Forest is across the road. Make this private and worry free home your "Piece of Heaven in the Northwoods for less than \$190,000.



7791 Peshtigo River Road, Argonne \$109,900

Very nice well-kept home on a deep 10 acre parcel is all ready for you to move right in. The whole interior is all real wood walls and ceilings with large windows looking out to the very private setting. There is a wood burning fireplace that will heat the whole house if needed, and a large patio door leading to the screened porch to let the fresh air in on those breezy days. The back of the home has open sun decking for relaxing out on. The kitchen has nice cabinets and counters plus there is a huge dining room with lots of windows. The basement entry is in the den and that is completely finished with sleeping rooms, a den and a shower. This place is for sure a great deal for the money, so act fast.



9102 Hwy 55, Argonne \$34,900

Are you looking for a getaway for all of your favorite hobbies? Hunting, Fishing, Snowmobiling or ATV? Look no further!! This cabin is nestled in the heart of the Nicolet National Forest with the North Branch of the Peshtigo River just yards away!! Newer Kitchen and Bathroom with 2 bedrooms (one very large) and nice sized living room with a fireplace. All of this for \$39,900 means you should move fast! Set up a showing today!!

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USDA, helping millions of rural home buyers own their future

By USDA Rural Housing Service Administrator Tony Hernandez and USDA Rural Development Wisconsin State Director Stan Gruszynski

In August of 2009 when I was named State Director of USDA Rural Development for Wisconsin, the housing market was collapsing and our nation was sinking into a recession unparalleled in over 70 years. People were losing their homes, credit was tightening, and for many working Americans the ability to purchase a home was becoming nearly impossible.

Through it all, USDA Rural Housing staff continued to work with, and support, the rural housing market to provide credit, security, and opportunity for those rural families and individuals capable of meeting credit terms and paying a mortgage. In some communities in Wisconsin we were considered "the only game in town". We worked with local lenders and realtors, we took on some risk and in the end we played an important role in steadying an unstable economy. The American people invested in themselves, and it has paid off.

Owning your own home is part of the American dream. For 65 years, USDA has helped millions of rural residents achieve the dream of homeownership through our affordable home loan programs. This year, USDA Rural Development has helped nearly 3.4 million rural families and individuals become homebuyers nationwide. In Wisconsin, our single family housing programs provided homes for over 4,000 individuals and families in 2013.

Affordable home financing creates ladders of opportunity to help families grow and thrive. Every year, USDA Rural Development's direct and guaranteed home loans help tens of thousands of rural residents become homeowners. Here in Wisconsin, since the start of the Obama Administration, USDA Rural Development has made or guaranteed loans for more than 17,000 rural residents.

For example, in Menomonie, Wis., Gabrielle Velez recently purchased a home through the Direct Home Loan Program. She and her 12-year-old son now live in a safe, affordable, three-bedroom house they can call their own, helping to lay an economic foundation for themselves and their community.

We also have a home repair loan program, and grants for very-low-income seniors, to help homeowners protect and preserve their most valued asset.

In 2013 alone, Rural Development helped more than 170,000 rural residents become homeowners through direct loans, guaranteed loans, grants and technical assistance to provide them with affordable, safe homes. In both people and dollars, 2013 was the most successful year on record in the history of USDA's single-family housing programs.

Home ownership is a conduit to neighborhood, family and community, and the positive impact of more than 3 million rural American homeowners across the U.S. is difficult to overstate. The benefits extend beyond the homeowners themselves. Home ownership creates economic opportunities for home builders, for providers of durable goods such as lumber or appliances, and for Realtors. Local governments benefit from increased revenue through property taxes. Simply put, the millions of rural home buyers

assisted through USDA are strengthening the rural economy and helping small-town, rural America remain vibrant and prosperous.

At its core, home ownership is about families, preserving rural values and the rural way of life. Research shows that families experience greater educational achievement, improved health and reduced crime in areas with higher home ownership rates.

President Obama has said the true engine of America's economic growth is a rising and thriving middle class. For most Americans, a home is the largest single investment they will make — and the largest asset they will hold — in their lifetime. A home is a monumental waypoint on these families' journey toward a brighter financial future. Home ownership helps build equity, assets, and long-term financial security — the foundation for upward mobility.

Although rural America is changing due to the rise of new technologies such as the Internet and the advent of globalism, one thing still holds true: home ownership remains one of the most important factors helping rural residents thrive and prosper economically.

During National Home Ownership Month, please join us as we celebrate these rural families who, with USDA's help, are investing in their future through a home of their own.

Tony Hernandez administers USDA Rural Development's housing and community development programs. Stan Gruszynski is USDA Rural Development State Director in Wisconsin. More information about USDA home ownership assistance is available on the Rural Development website.

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MR. ART FRANK passed away. MOST ITEMS EXCELLENT!
SUN. JUNE 15. Starts 10:30 AM, View 9:30, Lunch. 1/2 mile North of LAND O'LAKES, WI on Hwy. 45 to Cty. Rd. 210 (Indian Village Rd.), then 4 miles to Misery Bay Rd., right 1 mile to East Misery Bay Rd. # E. 25100.

Autos: 2010 Ford Ext. Cab XLT (4x4) pickup truck w/only 58,000 miles (well cared for - must see!), '94 Bronco w/plow. **Dry Maple Firewood:** Approx. 35 face cord split hardwood. **Yard:** Like new J.D. (105) riding lawn mower, like new Cyclone Classic leaf vac, 8 h.p. snowblower, J.D. 544 tiller, Stihl backpack blower, Stihl trimmer, gas & charcoal grills, windmill, bird bath, Eagle sculpture, log swings, picnic table, park bench, steel picnic chairs, smoker, push lawn mowers, garden trailers, wheel barrows, metal detectors, yard tools, mini spring tooth drag, concrete blocks & pavers, lawn roller, 15' wire fence, steel & plastic barrels & more. **Sporting:** Jon boat, outboard motor, trolling motor, rods, reels, (2) 3 Wheelers, ATV ramps, snowmobile trailer, dog style towable cargo sled, 50+ traps, old #6 bear trap & more. **9 Guns, etc.:** Gun cabinets, Rem. (1100) 12 ga., Rem. (742) 30/06, Rem. (742) 30/06 carbine, Rem. semi auto 22, Rem. (870) 12 ga., Stevens Arms 12 ga., Marlin (60) 22, J.C. Higgins 22, Westernfield 22. **Mounts, etc.:** 6' Texas longhorn, buffalo, elk, fox, pheasant, squirrel, raccoon, tortoise shell, 2 beaver pelts. **Tools, etc.:** Table saw, drill press, planers, bandsaw, sander, skill saw, some lumber, truck tool box, air compressors, ladders, floor jacks, water pumps, hand tools & boxes, sharpening wheel, 10 hand saws, axes, mauls, scrap iron & more. **Home:** Soap Stone wood stove, washer, dryer, dressers, hutch, xmas items, books, wildlife prints, housewares, men's boots & more. **Antiques/collectibles:** Crank & other phones, trikes, mini horse carriage, spinning wheel, butter churns, press, 2 dolls, rocking horse, trunks, horse collar mirror, ice boxes, 2 milk cans, enamelware, pictures, thermometer, toaster, leather trapper's jacket w/canteen, sad iron, curl iron & crimper, glassware, lamps, horseshoes, mining tools, 2 coffee grinders, books, cast iron teapot w/stand, wood stove & more. **Terms:** Cash or good check. Credit cards w/4% convenience fee. Sales tax on some items. Not responsible for loss or accidents. Settlement made before removing items. **Conditions:** Sold as is, where is. Announcements made on auction day take precedence over printed material. **Auction conducted by St. Louis Auctions LLC, 6728 Whitefish Lk. Rd., Three Lakes, WI 54562. PH: 715-367-1668. R.W.A. Col. Rene' Brass #424, Col. Robert St. Louis #450.**

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MR. & MRS. HENRY BOHENSTENGEL are moving out of state. MOST ITEMS EXCELLENT! WED. JUNE 18, Starts 10:30 AM, View 9:30, Lunch. 2 AUCTIONEERS MAY SELL IN 2 RINGS, bring a bid partner. 3 1/2 miles north of ST. GERMAIN, WI on Hwy. 155 to Lost Lake Dr., then straight 1 block to Pine Terrace Dr., then to Pine Terrace Ct. #8116.

Car: '05 Ford Focus (3 door hatchback), 1 owner (appears excellent). **Outdoors:** Utility trailer, backpack & hand blowers, gas pressure washer, 2 chaise lounge chairs w/cushions, patio table & chairs, umbrella w/solar lights, gas grill, fire pit ring, wheelbarrow, lawn ornaments, yard tools, ladders, snowblower, & more. **Tools, etc.:** Drill press, new & other air compressors, distance estimator, measure wheel, Rigid H.D. re! ciproating saw, like new Skil saw, compound miter saw, digital radial arm saw, air tool set, bench grinder, battery chargers, multi saw, Ryobi cordless tool set, many hand tools & boxes, sockets, power drill & bits, air tank, jacks & more. **Sporting:** Marlin (60) 22, air pistols, life vests & cushions, boat ladder, toboggan, heavy duty storage & other tents, camping items, coolers, games, poker table & chairs & more. **Antiques/collectibles:** Dresser, accordian, sheet music, record albums, hand pump, collectible plates, lamps, lovely glass & dishes, Redlin & other figurines, 2 pcs. Trench art, German Bible, oil paintings, chamber pot & pitcher, metal cigarette case, cookie cutters, Barbie & other dolls & clothes, die cast car collection, crock, Famous American & other decanters, banana seat bike, & more. **Home:** Amana glasstop range, Maytag & other refrigs., like new Maytag washer & dryer, freezer, dining table & chairs, lovely sofa, chairs, tables, rocker, beds, dressers, hide-a-bed & matched love seat, recliners, bookcases, bar stools, file cabinets, desk, glass etched shelf, 55" & other flat screen TV's, stereo w/lq. Fisher speakers, Nesco roaster, many sm. appliances, housewares, Native American items, bedding, linens, sm. candy vending machine, lamps, 2 D.U. prints, cameras, vacs, & more. **Terms:** Cash or good check. Credit cards w/4% convenience fee. Sales tax on some items. Not responsible for loss or accidents. Settlement made before removing items. **Conditions:** Sold as is, where is. Announcements made on auction day take precedence over printed material. **Auction conducted by St. Louis Auctions LLC, 6728 Whitefish Lk. Rd., Three Lakes, WI 54562. PH: 715-367-1668. R.W.A. Col. Rene' Brass #424, Col. Robert St. Louis #450.**

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200' +/- feet of frontage on beautiful Bass Lake + only a few miles out of town. Lot is cleared and utilities are road side. See website for many pictures! **Terms:** \$5,000 down payment nonrefundable cashier's check. Closing upon paper completion. (10% buyer's fee.) Bidders must request bid form by calling **St. Louis Auctions LLC, (715) 367-1668, (6728 Whitefish Lk. Rd., Three Lakes, WI 54562) R.W.A.: Col. René Brass #424, Col. Robert St. Louis #450.**

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MANN LAKE home to be sold REGARDLESS OF PRICE SUN. JUNE 29, 10:30 AM, BOULDER JUNCTION, WI, Vilas Co.



Directions: 7 miles N of Minocqua WI to Cty M then 4 1/2 miles to Mann LK Rd. (10687 Mann Lake Rd.) **Showings by Appt.** Home is situated in a park like setting w/ many oak trees and 170' of level frontage on beautiful Mann Lake. Amenities include walk out basement and a two car garage **ALL BEING SOLD REGARDLESS OF PRICE.** See website for many pictures! **Terms:** \$7,500 down non-refundable cashier's check. Closing upon paper completion. (10% buyer's fee). **Bidders must request bid form by calling St. Louis Auctions LLC. 715-367-1668, (6728 Whitefish Lk. Rd., Three Lakes, WI 54562). R.W.A.'s: Col. Rene' Brass #424, Col. Robert St. Louis #450.**

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MR. BOB GOODWILLIE passed away. MOST ITEMS EXCELLENT! SUN. JUNE 22, Starts 10:30 A.M., View 9:30, Lunch. 13 miles North of MINOCQUA, WI on Hwy. 51 to Island Lake Rd., then 1 1/4 mile to LaFave Rd., follow to Goodwillie Rd. #5400.

Auto: 1929 Ford Model A (parade car) restored, excellent cond. **Watercraft, etc.:** Alum. canoe, Lund alum. boat w/trailer, other boat, Evinrude outboards, fish rods, waders, aquarium, & more. **Yard:** J.D. L110 lawn tractor, pull behind lawn vac system, power washers, push mowers, snowblower, back pack blower, Stihl chain saw, yard tools, garden carts, wheel barrow, 3 picnic tables, patio gliders, BBQ grill, many bikes & more. **Tools, etc.:** Wire feed & other welders, generator, 60 gal. air compressor, table saw, radial arm saw, drill press, shop vac, circular saw, sanders, drills, clamps, vises, battery charger, acetylene equip., grinders, scroll saw, miter saw, Porta Cable drill, air tools, polishers, shop lights, body tools, floor jack, dovetail cutter, sandblaster & other cabinets, stacking tool box, hand tools, router & table, planer, wood band saw, lathe & tools, Dremel, ladders, engine block stand, air tools, Milw. drill, sockets, wrenches, & more. **Home:** Refrig., dehumidifier, carpet cleaner, freezer, wringer washer, dining table & chairs, hutch, sofa, love seat, tables, chairs, book shelf, flatscreen T.V., bedroom set, hide-a-bed, sm. appliances, stereo, desk, computer, treadmill, bedding, xmas items, housewares & more. **Antiques/collectibles:** Bench, loon decoy, hand painted plates, cast iron car collection, block planes, crock water cooler, 6 crock jugs, crock bowls, pottery, enamelware, brass props, books & more. **Terms:** Cash or good check. Credit cards w/4% convenience fee. Sales tax on some items. Not responsible for loss or accidents. Settlement made before removing items. **Conditions:** Sold as is, where is. Announcements made on auction day take precedence over printed material. **Auction conducted by St. Louis Auctions LLC, 6728 Whitefish Lk. Rd., Three Lakes, WI 54562. PH: 715-367-1668. R.W.A. Col. Rene' Brass #424, Col. Robert St. Louis #450.**

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Wabeno Elementary Class of the Week



The Second Grade was selected as Class of the Week at the Day A assembly on May 27, 2014. Mrs. Swearingen and Mrs. Christianson stated that the students have been working very hard on building teamwork and on their own integrity. It is very difficult at the end of the year for the students to focus. As a team the Second Grade were helping each other to work hard to complete tasks given to them. They were showing integrity by everyone taking ownership of their own jobs and getting their own business taken care of. Persevering this week got the Class of the Week award for Second Grade. Way to Step It Up!

Forest County Board Chair Paul Millan Elected to County Mutual Board of Directors

Forest County Board Board Chair Paul Millan was elected recently as a North Central District Director to the Wisconsin County Mutual Insurance Corporation (County Mutual) Board of Directors.

"Board Chair Millan is a leader in county government and we look forward to working with him on this board to make immediate contributions," said WCA Director of Programs and Services Josh Bindl. "The strength of this organization is because of the members that comprise this board and we are confident his experiences will lend themselves in representing member counties and meeting their insurance and risk management needs."

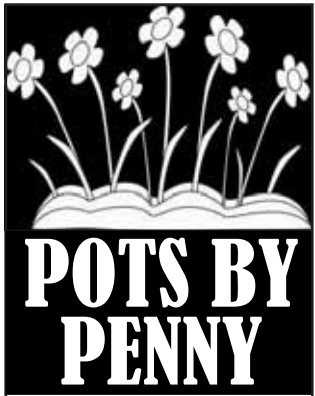
"I am excited serve on the County Mutual Board of Directors and believe my years of government service will translate well into working with my peers from around the state to make a difference," said Millan. "I believe in the mission of the County Mutual and know that we are doing important work on behalf of our members. I'm honored to be here."

The Wisconsin Counties Association, along with county officials from around the state, created the Wisconsin County Mutual Insurance Corporation in 1987 to provide quality liability insurance substantially at cost to its members. Today, three-quarters of the 72 counties in the state are covered by the County Mutual.

In addition to providing comprehensive liability insurance, the County Mutual offers a wide array of services to member counties. Some of these services include loss control incentive programs, law enforcement training, online safety training, safety newsletters and educational seminars on a wide variety of topics, such as defensive driving, worker's compensation and violence in the workplace.

"Board Chair Millan is a welcome addition to this board and I believe his experience in local government will serve this organization well," said John A. Dirkse, Executive Vice President of Aegis Corporation, which acts as the general administrator of the County Mutual. "We look forward to working with him in his new role to impact counties and the citizens of Wisconsin."

Chairman Millan's term runs through May of 2018.



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Shanna Flannery-Wabeno
Elementary Artist of the Year



Each week at Wabeno Elementary, Mr. Keller selects a work of art done by a student in that week that he thinks shows the assignment given to the fullest. Each student is given an Artist of the Week award by Mr. Keller. All of these works of Art are then under consideration for the award for the Artist of the Year for the entire school year. There is a group of people that get together to judge these individual pieces that may be paintings, drawings, pottery work, weaving, patterning, wearable art, or any of the other lessons Mr. Keller did with his students during the year.

This year's artist of the Year goes to Shanna Flannery. Shanna's very imaginative and colorful drawing is now framed and will be hung in the hallway at Wabeno Elementary with the works of Art of past years. Shanna just finished Sixth Grade at the elementary and is now headed to the Junior High/High School building where we are sure she will continue making awesome art.

Congratulations on your award, Shanna! We are all very proud of you. Way to go!

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LAONA

ESTATE SALE
 Thursday, June 19, 2 - 7 p.m.
 Friday & Saturday, June 20 & 21 8 am - 7 pm
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 Some really good things folks!
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GARAGE/CRAFT SALE:
 Thurs, June 12, 5-8 & Fri. June 13, 9-5 & Sat. June 14, 9-noon. 5070 W. Silver Lake Rd., Laona. Lots of quality girls/missy clothing, household items, new crafts, painted furniture & locally made maple syrup.
 P9

MOLE LK
YARD SALE: Sandra Olds Residence, Off Hwy 55 & Cty M, 2907 Sokaogon Drive, Mole Lake, Sat. & Sun, June 14 & 15, 9 am to 5 pm. Name brand clothing women's & Juniors, most sizes, Men's 32x32 & 38x32 to 34 length, Boys sizes 6, 7, & 8, shoes, purses, women's set of golf clubs & golf shoes like new, 3 sets of men's golf clubs, new baby walker, pack & play, antique desk, sewing machine, train set, pocket watch w/stand, and red velvet arm chair & other miscellaneous items. **NO EARLY SALES PLEASE!**
 WS9

CRANDON
FAMILY GARAGE SALE:
 Saturday, June 21, 8 am - 2 pm. Clothes, household, shoes, purses, lots of miscellaneous treasures. 402 E Fourth St., Crandon. Watch for signs P 10

ARGONNE
RUMMAGE SALE:
 Argonne Town Hall, Fri June 13, 3-6 & Sat. June 14, 8-3. P9

GARAGE SALE: Fri. June 13, 8 am - 6 pm & Sat. June 14, 8 am-4pm. Insulated semi-trailer has huge walk-in cooler & freezer, invoice printer, Silverhawk compound bow (20-30 in draw 60 lb.) trampoline (14 ft) with enclosure, 32" white storm door, games, toys, clothes of all sizes & much more! Dehart residence, 4 miles N. of Crandon, Hwy 32/55. 715-478-3498. B9

HUGE 3 FAMILY RUMMAGE SALE:
 Thursday, June 19, 4 pm - 8 pm, Friday, June 20, 8 am - 4 pm, Saturday, June 21, 8 am - 12 pm. Girls clothing size 5 up through juniors, mens & womens clothing, lots of toys, books, holiday decorations & household Castle X jackets, desk, 14 ft. boat w/trailer (no motor) lots of misc. Jerod & Tina Littleton residence, Peshtigo River Rd., Argonne. P 10

CRANDON
RUMMAGE SALE: 101 W. Jefferson St., Crandon, Friday, June 13 & Sat. June 14. P9

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ROBERTS LK

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Death Notices

PETER A. VERICH, age 55 of Escondido, CA passed away January 4, 2014. Gathering of family and friends will be held on Saturday, June 21 from 9-11 a.m. at St. Leonard Catholic Church, Laona. Memorial mass will follow at 11:00 a.m. with Father John Cerkas officiating. Interment will be at the Laona Cemetery. Weber-Hill Funeral Home, Crandon assisting the family.



BARBARA J. FEIL (NEE GUSE), 78, passed away on Wednesday, June 4, 2014. She was born on December 8, 1935 to Elmer and Irene Guse (nee Zeunert). She led an interesting life as a missionary in Japan for 11 years, a special education teacher, and La Llama North owner. She was a member of Arbutus Lutheran Church, St. Mary's Bible Study, Bridge Club, and the Bearly of Age Red Hatters.

Barbara will be remembered for her energy and spirit, her quick smile

and hearty laugh. She made God part of her daily life and was generous to a fault. She enjoyed the outdoors, her swims in Lily Lake, watching the birds outside her window, and walking up Lily Lake Lane to pick wild flowers or blackberries. She loved her knitting and needlework, doing jigsaw puzzles, playing sheephead with family and watching her beloved Brewers. Her cookie jar was always well stocked. She was a fun and loving mother and grandmother, beloved sister and dear friend to many. She did nothing half-way but had a boundless energy for life.

She will be sadly missed by her husband, Noel; children: Stefan (Stacey) Jenny, Christopher Jenny, Lisa (Jaime) Gonzalez, and David Jenny; stepchildren: Eric (Julie) Feil, Shane Feil; grandchildren: Amanda and David Gonzalez and Amelia Jenny; step-grandchildren: Halley, Justin, Jacob Feil; siblings: Ellene Guse Deets, Robert (Marcia) Guse, Paul (Eilene) Guse; and many other dear extended family members and friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents; first husband, Rudolph Jenny; step-son, Joel Feil, brother-in-law, Richard Deets.

A memorial service will be held Saturday, June 14th at 4:00 pm at Advent Lutheran Church in Cedarburg. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations in memory of Barb may be made to Mr. Bob's Under the Bridge c/o Advent Lutheran Church, an outreach program dedicated to helping the homeless in the greater Milwaukee area.

The family would like to extend a special thank you to Horizon Hospice Care, Langlade Cancer Center, and St. Mary's Hospital & Cancer Center in Rhineland.

As Barb would say: God is good!

The Phillip Funeral Home of West Bend is assisting the family. (262) 338-2050 / www.phillipfuneralhome.com

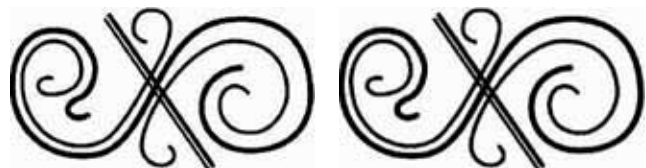


BROWN, ROBERT G., JR. "BOB", passed away May 9, 2014, age 51 years. Beloved husband of Susan (nee Greisinger). Loving son of Robert Brown Sr. and the late Ruth Bodde (Brown). Grandson to the late George and Vera Brown of Argonne. Dear son-in-law of Timothy J. and Nancy Greisinger. Brother of Ronald (Jan Cutler) Brown and Brian Brown, stepson to Mary Brown and late John (Jack) Bodde. Brother-in-law of Tim (Diane)

Greisinger, Tom Greisinger and Mary (Scott) Ernst. Stepbrother to Pam (Steve) Huffman, Debby (Rick) Ogborn, Jackie (Terry) Huffman, Guy Bodde, Janet (Buddy) Edmisten, Greg (Tammy) Bodde.

Further survived by many nieces, nephews other relatives and many many friends. Christian Burial will be celebrated on Saturday, June 14, 10 AM at Argonne United Methodist Church. Immediately following; graveside service at Crandon Lakeside Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorials to the family are appreciated. Bob was an avid sportsman and devoted friend who was always the first to lend a helping hand. He will forever be remembered as a generous and gentle man.

Bob married Susan Greisinger on June 8, 1996. He attended Argonne Elementary School before moving to Colgate Wisconsin. Bob graduated from Washington High School in Germantown Wisconsin in 1981. He worked at Zero Point Manufacturing in Milwaukee Wi for the past 25 years and will be missed by all he worked with. He has left the world a better place because of who he was and will be forever in our thoughts and memories.



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.

Dear Editor,

I am writing because of the recent attempt to recall Mr. Rob Jaeger of his mayor position.

Mayor Jaeger has to be the most best fit for this position. He is the corporal at the Forest County Jail, so he knows how to hold a position of power and to be able to deal with stressful situations. He is a great role model for the community and has had many positive affects on our community.

I believe the said allegations brought into view by this other individual is basically trying to throw dirt on our mayor's name. I have known our mayor since I was just a young kid, and he is a very kind and genuine person. This is the first time in two years that our mayor was ever accused of raising taxes. I haven't seen any evidence of this allegation.

Also, our mayor helps find jobs for people who have a hard time getting a job. He has helped many people in this way.

I think this is just a result of a few people not getting their way for small things, so they are going out of their way to try and make the odds in their favor.

I support Mayor Jaeger to the fullest, and nobody should have their vision tainted of the great image that the mayor has created for himself.

Sincerely,
Cole Mihalko



To the Editor:

"If WORVPI builds it, will they will come?" "It isn't every day that an opportunity for economic development like this appears..." Trust us, we are experts in off- road park development. I would like to offer that trust is earned and that closed door sessions have not earned the public's trust. The main point of this open letter to Forest County citizens is that the operation plan for this site will have adverse environmental impacts. Any final off- road park proposals should come to a referendum after public Q & A sessions with a recommendation from Forest County Parks and Recreation committee and then action by the full County Board.

I am a retired industrial forester and the last Area Supervisor for Consolidated Papers/Stora Enso NA 60,000 acre Argonne forest block. The proposed 10,000 acre site chosen for this off-road park is part of that former block with the park headquarters to be in my old office on the Spur 250 Landing. I have extensive knowledge of the forest ecosystems here in Forest County and the road systems on this block. The road systems on this block range from permanent graveled roads to temporary roads used for a single use during frozen ground conditions. Temporary logging roads have the greatest potential for rutting depending on the forest soil types on which they are found. The silt loam soils on this block often have a hard pan layer that keeps the upper soil horizon wet and vulnerable to rutting even in winter months if the ground is not frozen.

I attended the listening session held by WORVPI this past February at the Laona HS gym and sent a letter to Paul Millan, and all members of the Forest County Board. My concerns were WORVPI's claim that environmental and safety issues would be adequately addressed. Riders will be unsupervised, and enforcement limited to friendly cautions to those who divert from trails. Operation of vehicles ranging from motorcycles to trucks with tractor tires will result in trail rutting with soil compaction, damage of root systems, and erosion into wetlands. If this park is operated with the promise that riders will experience challenging trails and hundreds of miles of trails, this can only lead to significant adverse environmental impacts. Apparently, there is an expectation of mud and mayhem since Damage, Inc. 4X4 Club donated \$1,500 to WORVPI.

The promise of a forthcoming environmental and safety policy for park operation is not credible unless it includes provision for third party oversight review and a documented systemic approach to monitor environmental incidents. I also brought up the probability of invasive species introduction, particularly the introduction of emerald ash borer via firewood. Vehicles should also be inspected prior to riding for mud and debris that could carry invasive plant seeds.

I attended the special County Board meeting held on May 27, 2014, knowing that the discussion and presentation of the scoping phase by WORVPI would go into closed session. I applaud the effort of supervisor Don LeMaster for asking if the portion of the presentation that did not deal with "negotiating the purchasing of public properties...." could be presented in open session? This did not occur, but WORVPI representatives informed us that the general public would begin to get information via the media beginning immediately. The supervisors were also told that after the closed session they would only be able to discuss the information that was given to the media or on WORVPI's website.

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The final scoping presentation likely was a "Build it and they will come! - Park of Dreams" theme. They also probably heard that these forest lands are degraded and therefore a perfect location for this park. Plum Creek and Crandon Timber Co. are the principal owners of this proposed park acreage. These forests have been under the industrial Managed Forest Law program and are probably still managed under the Sustainable Forest Initiative certification. Plum Creek initiated an accelerated harvest schedule since 2001 and few forest stands will need a harvest in the near future. The northern hardwood all-aged forest stands have minimal stocking levels and an extensive number of canopy gaps. This forest, however, is not degraded and for the right price would fit well into our county forest system. The extensive number of temporary-use woods roads and skidding trails may look to offer a plethora of suitable off-road trails but these are the most vulnerable to rutting, root damage, and immature sapling/seedling injury.

Paul Millan introduced resolution 18-2014 (tabled) that would "amend its County Forest Comprehensive Land Use plan to be consistent with Off Road Park development." In other words, allowing temporary woods roads/skid trails to be used in the park area. These roads/trails are currently blocked on Forest County sales after completion and closure of harvest contract. Road closures often have erosion control structures built at that time. This and other changes would likely nullify Forest County certification. This could negatively impact the paper industry that relies on fiber from Forest Stewardship Council (FSC) certified forests.

In conclusion, economic development in Forest County should continue to be a concern. The 100,000 acres of industrial forests in our county have been harvested aggressively since 2001. Future fiber and saw timber needs, namely public and small private timber sales will need to fill that gap in the near future. The continued purchase of forest lands by Forest County utilizing the Knowles-Nelson Stewardship Grant funding is a positive initiative for the long term. The important question however is this: Will the WORVPI plan be a viable economic development and should it be located on this site?

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 Terry Dodge, Jr. read Sam's series, "The Living Forest" when he was a kid. As an adult, he realized he didn't know much about his beloved author and began investigating. He is now working on making a film about Campbell, "The Philosopher of the Forest."
 Judy Lehmkuhl wants to help raise funds for this

film project. She knew Sam Campbell when she was a child and is currently a professional story teller. She has offered to come to share an evening of nature stories and remembrances of Sam and his wife, Giny. She plans a sing along of Sam and Giny style songs and pictures of the Campbells will be shown.
 The event is June 13, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. For more information go to tlca.org or <http://samcampbell.com/>
Car Show-Rhineland
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Last of the school year



At our last Day A assembly on June 5, 2014 the Thursday/Friday 4K got the traveling trophy for the class of the week. They have really been showing that they are ready to move on to Kindergarten. They had quiet lines in the hallways, polite and respectful students, and big, big helpers in the lunchroom from this group of students. They have been busy learning all year how school works and they are more than ready to be in school all the school days next year. Way to go 4K students. You really stepped it up!

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acres. The way this works, as pointed out in a previous article on the subject is that the project loan pays for the land purchase. Then, the stewardship grant pays half the loan, meaning that the land is bought for half-price. The half that is owed by the county is then paid for by 20% of each year's total timber receipts until the loan is paid off. The loan is also interest-free.

Ziolkowski and Dan Peters, both graduate foresters, look all of the land purchases over very carefully, and they also take into account whether or not it fits the bill for recreational purchase, such as a recent pending land sale that would secure the future of a snowmobile trail. The timber on these lands is evaluated, and to qualify, they want to see a return on the timber in the near future to take the sting out of the project loan.

Since the "inaccuracies" listed in the WORVPI ad, which date back as far as November and December, the method of procuring financing has changed. They want to utilize the DNR loan and stewardship programs to obtain the land they want for some of the park. Ziolkowski has been unfairly criticized for not jumping in and buying WORVPI the land, even though he wasn't asked by WORVPI to do it or the Forest County Forestry Committee, who Ziolkowski actually answers to. WORVPI now says that the real reason for buying this land is for timber production, but as long as the county owns the property, and it adjoins the proposed park, 4x4 enthusiasts will be able to use it to play on. Most of us who are following this issue don't think that using this land for that purpose fits the requirements laid out for Stewardship grants and loans. That issue will be decided in Madison.

So, where is this fabled park supposed to be built? Finally, like the secret plans for the 1944 D-Day invasion, the plan has come to light!

The site selected is on County G, east of Argonne, west of Cavour and north of Laona. The old Consolidated landing property with the old office and metal buildings would be the property fronting County G. To the north would be the extreme off-road park with all of the mud, rocks and difficult terrain features that 4x4 enthusiasts like to traverse, and the campground. To the west is the land WORVPI wants to purchase with DNR Project loans and the half-payback from the Stewardship funds. For some reason, the group has taken an interest in timberland purchases for the county, and claim the main reason for this purchase is to increase the amount of county timberland. Oh, and as long as the county would own this land, the 4x4's would have full use of all the logging roads and trails in existence there. And, by the way, in spite of many statements to the contrary about using taxpayer funds to build the park, The Board of Commissioners of Public Lands would be asked to lend the money to Forest County to purchase the old landing and the land to the north for the campground and the extreme park. This is not a grant, and the loan is paid back with interest, with an annual payment made on March 15 of each and every year until the loan is satisfied. With the info available at this time, with stewardship loans and grants and money borrowed from the BCPL, the total county indebtedness would be \$2.4 million. Bear in mind, that this is Phase 1 with three more phases of purchases to follow.

But, lets back up to the work that Ziolkowski and fellow forester Dan Peters are doing. They are looking for land that will provide some revenue from timber sales in the near future. The lands wanted by WORVPI, supposedly for county timber lands as a primary purpose, have been extensively logged in recent years. For the most part, it will be 40 to 50 years before a substantial return on investment will occur from timber sales. Besides being logged intensively, the west end of the property was leveled by a tornado in recent times. Also a big questions are if this is an appropriate use of stewardship funding, if this type of extensive 4x4 usage is appropriate for county forest usage, and if WORVPI should meddle with a successful county forest acquisition program already in place and manned with trained foresters.

The new plan is reduced to about 2,000 plus acres, and many of us thought that this might make a little more sense than 10,000 acres, but then the information was released that this is just phase 1, and that in three subsequent purchases, the Lambeau Field of ORV parks would eventually reach the 10,000 acre mark.

The other lands to be purchased in the future, I presume, would be obtained with more Stewardship and DNR loans and grants, should they qualify.

In the meantime, the park promoters are still touting the many economic benefits of the proposed park, those of us in opposition to government spending on a project such as this, whether it be county or state tax money, retain our right as citizens to question not only the idea as well as the process that park promoters are using to influence the County Board. Closed meetings and attempts to close meetings to the public are part of the agenda by park promoters that is highly unpopular with the citizenry, as it should be.

WORVPI has every right to try to build their northern version of Lambeau Field, but citizens of this county also have the right to question what that installation would actually bring in for economic development, what it would do to the environment, if it is a wise use of taxpayer resources, and if any taxpayer risk should be taken for a business that is clouded in controversy. The concept of open government was established to prevent misuse of government. The idea pushed by some of the supporters of the park is that anyone opposed is against the

economic well-being of future generations. They are against progress and not open-minded about growth. The truth is that the same argument could be made that leaving future generations in debt for an idea that just wasn't sound could make it worse for the economic well-being of future generations. There is an old saying that says, "You can't borrow your way out of debt." A take-off on that could be; "You can't borrow your way to prosperity."

Have I mentioned that there is an off-road vehicle park at the Crandon International Off-Road Raceway? I thought I did! Maybe, just maybe, some of our elected representatives should take a look at this installation before they commit the citizens of the county and the state to any debt for another one!

Editor's Note: If you lasted to the end of this article, good for you! Now turn to the "Letters to the Editor" section and read Dan Bobbe's ideas on this project.

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"So," the coach continued, "I'm sure you know, when an out is called, you shouldn't argue, curse, attack the umpire, or call him a butt-head, and other bad names. Do you understand all that?"

The little boy nodded "yes" again.

He continued, "And when I take you out of the game so another boy gets a chance to play too, it's not good sportsmanship to call your coach a dumbhead or other bad names is it?"

The little boy shook his head "No."

"GOOD", said the coach . . . "Now go over there and explain all that to your grandmother!"



Chamber welcomes On Deck Platter



The Forest County Chamber of Commerce officially recognized On Deck Platter as a member at the June monthly meeting. Ambassadors were on hand to welcome Kyle and Yuna Palmer, including: Jim Hausinger, Forest County ATV Association; Lynn Smith, Smith Sport & Hobby; Ambassador Chair-Samantha Votis, Kyle & Yuna Palmer, Leslie Meyer, Conway True Value Hardware; and Mike Gruett, Forest TV & Appliance.

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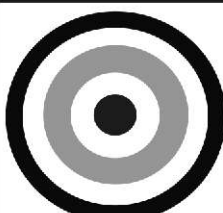
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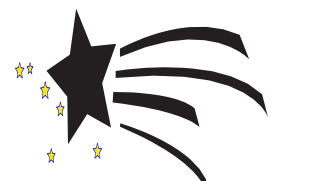
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SKI SHOW
Wednesday night at 6:30 p.m.
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HAPPY FATHER'S DAY! STOP IN TO SEE US!
Father's Day Buffet
 FEATURING LEG OF LAMB,
 Turkey, Baked Ham, Sirloin Tips, Roast Pork, Roast Beef,
 Broasted Chicken, BBQ Ribs, Italian Style Pork Chops, Polish Sausage
 & Sauerkraut, Lemon Pepper Fish, Crab Au Gratin, Rice,
 Mashed Potatoes, Sage Stuffing, Vegetables, Rolls & Butter,
 Full Salad Bar, Assorted Fresh Fruit & Dessert Table
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 Adults \$11.95 • Seniors \$10.95
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SCHOOL DISTRICT OF LAONA HELP WANTED
 The School District of Laona has the following openings for the 2014-2015 school year.
One (1) K-12 Art Teacher
One (1) 7-12 Grade Math Teacher
One (1) Child Care Director - 32.5 hours/week
One (1) Child Care Teacher - 27.5 hours/week
 Send letter of application, resume, transcripts and credentials to: **Laurie Asher, District Administrator, 5216 Forest Avenue, Ste. A, Laona WI 54541**
Deadline for applying is Thursday, July 3, 2014.
The School District of Laona is an Equal Opportunity Provider and does not discriminate on the basis of sex, race, religion, national origin, ancestry, creed, sexual orientation, pregnancy, marital or parental status, or physical, mental, emotional or learning disability.

TABLE GAMES DEALER
 Mole Lake Casino is looking for personable, energetic, and customer-service oriented individuals who are interested in becoming Table Games Dealers. Dealer Training will begin soon! Applications are available at the Players Club at Mole Lake Casino or online at www.molelakecasino.com. 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


Help Wanted

HELP WANTED JOB TRAINER
 Part-time positions (15-29 hours per week) available for creative and energetic individuals who are interested in assisting adults with disabilities in preparing for and maintaining community employment. Flexible schedule; possible evening and weekend work. Valid driver's license and vehicle required. Positions will remain open until filled. Send letter of interest and resume to Administrative Assistant, Headwaters, Inc., PO Box 618, Rhinelander, WI 54501 E.O.E. B9

HELP WANTED: Part-time cook wanted. Pay based on experience. Pick up an application at the On Deck Platter. 123 N. Lake Ave., Crandon, WI. B9

 **HELP WANTED COOK**
 Stop in at Wild Rose on County W, Wabeno or Contact Adam at 715-473-2129

Work Wanted
WORK WANTED: Do you need help in: Cleaning, organizing, lawn care, raking, weeding or gardening? Call Holly at 715-478-1934 or 715-889-0401, leave message. Rainbow Services. P11

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NOW HIRING!
 Connor Human Restoration has an immediate opening for a full-time Office Manager. Job duties include insurance billing, marketing, organization and management, patient intake, scheduling, answering telephones, maintaining supplies, social media management. Priority will be given to applicants with experience in insurance billing, office management, organizational skills and social media experience.
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 Please send resume and cover letter to: laura@connorrestoration.com or fax to 715-478-5205

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Town of Laona JOB POSTING
 The Laona Town Board is accepting applications for 3 to 4 people to work July 8th to July 31st, for the summer park-n-rec program in Laona.
 The applicant must be at least 16 years old. The job will be approximately 24 hours per week (Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursdays). The applicant will be required to help supervise 20 - 40 kids, ages 6 - 12. There will be field trips, indoor activities and considerable time will be spent at the beach.
 Anyone interested is encouraged to stop in and fill out an application at the Laona Town Hall. Please have your application in by June 17, 2014 to be considered. The Board reserves the right to reject any or all applications.
 The Town of Laona would also appreciate any parent who would like to volunteer their time to help supervise the children. The program is sponsored by the town, but is mostly run off donations, any volunteering is greatly appreciated.
 Any questions please call Erin Lane, Clerk at 715-674-4071. Applications can be picked up at the Laona Town Hall, 5146 Linden Street, Laona.

\$250.00 Sign-On Bonus!
CRANDON NURSING HOME
 Need compassionate, caring, individuals to join our team of professionals.:
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APPLY AT: 105 W PIONEER ST., CRANDON or
EMAIL: agisheron@agihealth.us
HUMAN RESOURCE DEPARTMENT
 Sheron Quesinberry for further details.
 715-478-3324

JOB POSTING LAONA SANITARY DIST.
 The Laona Sanitary District is looking for a responsible person to assist the Operator in charge. The job would consist of at least ten hours a week. The hours would include some nights, weekends and holidays. Any interested person can contact the Laona Sanitary District at 715-674-7005. Applications can be picked up at the office (5178 Wellhouse Rd.) and will be accepted until June 20th, 2014. The Laona Sanitary District is an Equal Opportunity Employer and has the right to accept or refuse any or all applications.
 /s/ Ted Banie, President, Laona Sanitary District.

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Crooked Lake/Mountain Lions



The Crooked Lake/Mountain Lions Club was chartered on August 18, 1996. Since that time, members have come and gone but there has always been a strong enough interest and membership to keep the club going and growing in the services/donations they provide to the community. Leading the group for the 2014/2015 Lions year are (from left to right) back row: Tall Twister Dick Higley, President Mike Lintner, middle row: Membership Chair Mary Lintner, Treasurer Dar Bernson, First Vice President Jim Zittlow, Second Vice President Sandy Delebreaux, front row: Secretary Cassie Zittlow, Lion Tamer Linda Connell, Assistant Secretary Terry Jorgenson. This group of officers makes up the Board of Directors and reviews all matters that come before the club prior to members voting on issues. If you are interested in joining this group of hard working, fun loving group of volunteers, please contact Membership Chair Mary at (715) 757-2838 and she will arrange for you to be a guest at one of our meetings.

Wabeno Jr Sr High FCCLA Members Move Toward New Horizons



This past school year, Wabeno Jr Sr High Family, Career and Community Leadership of America (FCCLA) has been very busy building their leadership skills, performing community service and strengthening their communication and public speaking skills.

The students in FCCLA attended TEAM Leadership Training at UW-Stevens Point in October, hosted a hospitality room for the school districts Veterans Day program in November, served the annual American Legion Dinner in May, and hosted a brat fry and bake sale for Wabeno Clean-Up days.

Several students worked from September to April on STAR events. STAR stands for Students Taking Action with Recognition. Students attended the Regional STAR Event Competition in February at Mosinee High School. Most of the students who competed at this competition advanced to the state competition. This year's state competition was held from March 31- April 2 at the Kalahari Resort and Convention Center in Wisconsin Dells. Kurt Pence and Hannah Lytle served as voting delegates, and Abby Ashbeck, Blake Roberts, and Adam Gill served as Regional Representatives. As part of the state conference, students from all over Wisconsin, including the Wabeno students and Mr. Peter Gill, Wabeno chaperone, helped pack over 26,000 meals for distribution at Wisconsin food pantries.

Olivia Kralovetz, a freshman, competed in the junior division of Children's Literature and received a state bronze medal, Kate Ashbeck, a sophomore, competed in the senior division of Advocacy and received a state gold medal. Adam Gill, a seventh grader, and Alissa Gill, a sophomore, received the state's top gold medal in the senior division of Sports Nutrition. As a result of receiving the state's top gold medal, Adam and Alissa will be competing this July 6-10 in San Antonio, TX at the National FCCLA Leadership Conference. This will be Adam's first time as a National Competitor and Alissa's fourth year as a National Competitor.

FCCLA is one of several Career and Technical Student Organizations in the Wabeno School District. It is the only student organization in the schools that has family as its center focus. Nationwide, FCCLA has over 200,000 members from 5,500 chapters in over 50 states including the Virgin Islands and Puerto Rico. If you would like more information about FCCLA please contact Mrs. Kristie Gill at Wabeno Jr Sr High School.

Christianson receives Wabeno Educator of Excellence Award



Sherry Christianson, fourth grade instructor at Wabeno Elementary School, has been chosen by the Wabeno Education Association as an Educator of Excellence for this 2013-2014 school year.

Sherry was nominated and selected by her peers, making this especially rewarding. Wabeno Education Association members were given the opportunity to select the teacher they felt deserved this honor. Sherry was nominated by numerous teachers, but her nomination from Jody Kalata seemed to

sum up the hard work and efforts that earned Sherry this award. Ms. Kalata wrote, "Sherry has stepped out of her comfort zone and given up individual voice and control of her own classroom to be part of a teaching team. She is willing to give up her comfort and put the needs and comfort of her students first. And, she has done all this with unbelievable ease. Sherry has proven she can balance being a mother of four, a coach, a wife, and an amazing educator. She has also stepped into roles on the PBIS team and Next Generation Pilot team. She shows up to work with a smile on her face and a contagious positive attitude that others can't help but "catch" when they run into her. Students know exactly what Mrs. Christianson expects from them, and they are ready and willing to meet those expectations. She makes learning fun and interesting! Wabeno Elementary is blessed to have Mrs. Sherry Christianson as one of their Educators of Excellence!"

The award was presented to Ms. Christianson at an elementary school assembly, by retired Wabeno High School teacher and officer of the Nicolet/Oconto Retired Teachers Association (NORTA), Rita Thielke Blazewicz. NORTA and their parent organization, the Wisconsin Retired Educators' Association (WREA) congratulates Sherry Christianson on being selected for this honor. We hope that this award inspires you to continue in your outstanding fashion and encourages others to do the same.

Baldwin supports bipartisan compromise to bring accountability to the VA

Washington D.C. - U.S. Senator Tammy Baldwin today announced her support for a bipartisan bill to bring accountability to the Department of Veterans Affairs and to expand access to veterans' health care. The bill, put together by Senators Bernie Sanders (I-Vt.) and John McCain (R-Ariz.) is expected to be voted on in the Senate this week.

"This bipartisan legislation includes solutions to improve the delivery of veterans' health care. Our veterans have served our country with honor and we owe it to them to keep our promise to provide the benefits they've earned," said Baldwin.

The Sanders-McCain legislation would allow the VA to quickly remove and replace officials found to have been involved in any mishandling of veteran medical care or exhibiting poor job performance, allow veterans to see private doctors outside of the VA system if they experience long wait times or live more than 40 miles from a VA facility, construct 26 new VA medical facilities in 18 states, hire additional doctors and nurses to cut down on wait times, and update the VA's scheduling system to improve access to health services.

In addition, the bipartisan compromise also provides in-state tuition for all veterans at public colleges and universities, Post-9/11 GI Bill tuition eligibility for surviving spouses of troops killed in the line of duty, and improved access to health care for military sexual assault victims.

Senator Baldwin is also a supporter of a broader bill that has received bipartisan support, the Comprehensive Veterans Health and Benefits and Military Retirement Pay Restoration Act of 2014. That bill goes further than the bipartisan compromise bill being voted on this week regarding the expansion of veterans' benefits, including dental and other medical benefits, the renewal of our VOW to Hire Heroes Act, and the provision of caregiver benefits to veterans of all generations.

WORD PiLE By Mark Szorady

COMBINE THE LETTERS TO MAKE EIGHT WORDS. EACH WORD CONTAINS AT LEAST THREE LETTERS.

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 2. _____ 6. _____
 3. _____ 7. _____
 4. _____ 8. _____

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ANSWERS: CORE, CORES, ORE, ORES, ROE, ROSE, SCORE, SORE

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Senator Tammy Baldwin Staff Office Hours in Northern Wisconsin Counties June 17

Washington, DC - U.S. Senator Tammy Baldwin's office announced today that a regional representative will hold office hours in areas of northern Wisconsin including Hurley, Arbor Vitae, and Rhinelander on Tuesday, June 17, 2014. Constituents will have the chance to meet with staff and request assistance with a federal agency or discuss other federal issues. No appointment is necessary.

3:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.; UW Extension Lower Level; 3375 Airport Road #10; Rhinelander



WABENO SANITARY DISTRICT NO. 1
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2013 CONSUMERS CONFIDENCE REPORT - JUNE 2014

WATER SYSTEM INFORMATION

The Wabeno Sanitary Board of Commissioners meet the 1st Monday each month, at 5:30pm, in the Wabeno Sanitary District Meeting Room, located at 1735 Third St. Office in Wabeno. *Interested citizens are invited to attend.*

Copies of the Consumers Confidence Report are available at the Sanitary District Office. Office hours are 7:00am to 12:00 noon Monday through Friday. For any questions or additional information on this report, please call us at (715) 473-2905. The operator is Scott Harris and office is Donna Hogan.

HEALTH INFORMATION

Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the Environmental Protection Agency's safe drinking water hotline (1-800-426-4791).

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immuno-compromised persons, such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune systems disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. EPA/CDC guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by cryptosporidium and other microbial contaminants are available from the Environmental Protection Agency's safe drinking water hotline (1-800-426-4791).

WABENO SOURCES OF WATER

Source id	Source	Depth in Feet	Status
Well #1	Groundwater	95 feet	Active
Well #2	Groundwater	157 feet	Active

To obtain a summary of the source water assessment, please contact us at the Wabeno Sanitary District 715-473-2905.

EDUCATIONAL INFORMATION

The sources of drinking water, both tap water and bottled water includes rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs and wells. As water travels over the surface of the land or through the ground, it dissolves naturally occurring minerals and, in some cases, radioactive material, and can pick up substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activity.

Contaminants that may be present in source water include:

- Microbial contaminants, such as viruses and bacteria, which may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock operations and wildlife.
- Inorganic contaminants, such as salts and metals, which can be naturally occurring or result from urban storm water runoff, industrial or domestic wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining or farming.
- Pesticides and herbicides, which may come from a variety of sources such as agriculture, urban storm water runoff and residential uses.
- Organic chemical contaminants, including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals, which are by-products of industrial processes and petroleum production, and can, also, come from gas stations, urban storm water runoff and septic systems.
- Radioactive contaminants, which can be naturally occurring or be the result of oil and gas production and mining activities.

In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, EPA prescribes regulations that limit the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. FDA regulations establish limits for contaminants in bottled water, which shall provide the same protection for public health.

NUMBER OF CONTAMINANTS REQUIRED TO BE TESTED

This table displays the number of contaminants, which were required to be tested in the last five years. The CCR (Consumers Confidence Report) may contain up to five years worth of water quality results. If a water system tests annually, or more frequently, the results from the most recent year are shown on the CCR. If testing is done less frequently, the results shown on the CCR are from the past five years.

Contaminant Group	No. of Contaminants
Inorganic Contaminants	16
Microbiological Contaminants	1
Radioactive Contaminants	3
Volatile Organic Contaminants	20
Synthetic Organic Contaminants including Pesticides and Herbicides	23
Total Contaminants Tested For	63

Definition of Terms

Following is a list of terms that you will need to understand this report. Through testing we have learned that some contaminants have been detected in our water. You will note, that the EPA has determined, that our water IS SAFE at the levels of contaminants detected.

Term	Definition
AL	Action Level: The concentration of a contaminant, which, if exceeded, triggers treatment, or other requirements, which a water system must follow.
MCL	Maximum Contaminant Level: The highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology.
MCLG	Maximum Contaminant Level Goal: The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.
MFL	million fibers per liter
MRDL	Maximum residual disinfectant level: The highest level of a disinfectant allowed in drinking water. There is convincing evidence that addition of a disinfectant is necessary for control of microbial contaminants.
MRDLG	Maximum residual disinfectant level goal: The level of drinking water disinfectant below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MRDLGs do not reflect the benefits of the use of disinfectant to control microbial contaminants.
mrem/year	millirems per year (a measure of radiation absorbed by the body)
NTU	Nephelometric Turbidity Units
pCi/l	picocuries per liter (a measure of radioactivity)
ppm	parts per million, or milligrams per liter (mg/l)
ppb	parts per billion, or microgram per liter (ug/l)
ppt	parts per trillion, or nanogram per liter
ppq	parts per quadrillion, or picograms per liter
TCR	Total Coliform Rule
TT	Treatment Technique: A required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water.

INORGANIC CONTAMINANTS

Contaminant (Units)	MCL	MCLG	Level Found	Range	Sample Date (if prior to 2010)	Violation	Typical Source of Contaminant
ARSENIC (ppb)	10	N/A	2	1-2	7/29/2011	NO	Erosion of natural deposits; Runoff from orchards; Runoff from glass & electronics production wastes
BARIUM (ppm)	2	2	.011	.011	7/29/2011	NO	Discharge of drilling wastes; Discharge from metal refineries; Erosion of natural deposits
CHROMIUM (ppb)	100	100	2	0-2	7/29/2011	NO	Discharge from steel and pulp mills; Erosion of natural deposits
FLUORIDE (ppm)	4	4	.3	.2-.3	7/29/2011	NO	Erosion of natural deposits; Water additive which promotes strong teeth; Discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories
NICKEL (ppb)	100		2.9000	0.6600-2.9000	7/29/2011	NO	Nickel occurs naturally in soils, ground water and surface waters and is often used in electroplating, stainless steel & alloy products
NITRATE (NO3-N)(ppm)	10	10	.42	.05-.42		NO	Runoff from fertilizer use; Leaching from septic tanks, sewage; Erosion of natural deposits
SODIUM (ppm)	N/A	N/A	5.90	4.30-5.90	7/29/2011	NO	N/A

Contaminant (Units)	Action Level	MCLG	90th Percentile Level Found	# of Results	Sample Date (if prior to 2013)	Violation	Typical Source of Contaminant
COPPER (ppm)	AL=1.3	1.3	.4200	0 of 10 results were above the action level	9/14/2011	NO	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; Erosion of natural deposits; Leaching from wood preservatives
LEAD (ppb)	AL=15	0	2.60	0 of 10 results were above the action level	9/14/2011	NO	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; Erosion of natural deposits

If present, elevated levels of lead can cause serious health problems, especially for pregnant women and young children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and components associated with service lines and home plumbing. Wabeno Sanitary District is responsible for providing high quality drinking water, but cannot control the variety of materials used in plumbing components. When your water has been sitting for several hours, you can minimize the potential for lead exposure by flushing your tap for 30 seconds to 2 minutes before using water for drinking or cooking. If you are concerned about lead in your water, you may wish to have your water tested. Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline or at www.epa.gov/safewater/lead.

RADIOACTIVE CONTAMINANTS

Contaminant (Units)	MCL	MCLG	Level Found	Range	Sample Date (if prior to 2010)	Violation	Typical Source of Contaminant
RADIUM (226+ 228) (pCi/l)	5	0	1.3	1.1-1.3	02/04/2009	NO	Erosion of natural deposits

Bids & Notices

TOWN OF HILES BID NOTICE

The Town of Hiles will be accepting bids for the sale of a 1976 C65 Chevrolet truck. Has 7,350 original miles, 454 5 speed manual transmission and 1500 gal. water tank. Sold as is. Can be seen at the Hiles Fire Department Station A, 9193 N. Main St. Hiles, WI 54511. Minimum bid of \$1,500.00. For more information, contact Brian Bukovic at 715-889-2223. Send sealed bids to Cathy Votis, 9156 N. Main St. Hiles, WI 54511 no later than 5 p.m. June 17, 2014. Bids will be opened at the June 18, 2014 meeting which begins at 7:00 p.m. The board has the right to accept or reject any or all bids.

/s/ Cathleen Votis, Hiles Town Clerk

Town of Laona

Bid Request for Fire Truck Mechanical Maintenance

The Town of Laona is requesting bids for mechanical maintenance for Fire Trucks. This will be a year to year contract to perform maintenance and repairs on a fleet of 6 trucks. Bids must include an hourly rate for service, a listing of experience and proof of insurance.

Mechanic must be certified to repair diesel and gas trucks along with airbrakes. Mechanic must supply all equipment and personnel to complete the job. any parts required for repairs will be purchased through the town.

Mechanic will need to be available for unscheduled maintenance due to a breakdown.

Bids will be accepted until 7:00 p.m. July 1, 2014 at the Laona Town Hall or at PO Box 36, Laona, WI 54541. Bids will be opened at the Town Hall at 7:00 p.m. on July 1, 2014. Please contact Al Murray, Town Chairman at 175-674-2062 evenings with any questions.

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Bids & Notices

School District of Wabeno Area - Regular School Board Meeting Wednesday, June 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, Robert Seeber, Al Gardebrecht, Patricia A. Manthey, Dawn Jakubiec, Ann Barfknecht, and Bill Connors, Jr. Administrative staff present: Kim Odekirk, District Administrator, Elementary Principal Allison Space and Jr/Sr High Principal Matthew Paulsen.
 Others present: Jody Kalata, Jim Smith, Michelle Smith, Raletta Ashbeck, Steve Ashbeck, Yanna Niggeling, Jason Niggeling, Tracy Huettl, Erhard Huettl, Jr., Lisa Higgins, Kristie Gill, April Landwehr, Caroline Coughlin Lampereur, Lindsay Dailey, and Laura Kelscewski
 Pledge of Allegiance.
 A motion was made by Ann Barfknecht seconded by Patricia A. Manthey to approve the agenda as amended. The motion carried.
 Raletta Ashbeck appeared to ask more clarifying questions about personalized learning.
 Erhard Huettl, Jr. appeared and expressed concerns about girls' softball.
 Lisa Higgins appeared and discussed concerns about her child.
 There was a motion by Ann Barfknecht seconded by Bill Connors, Jr to approve the minutes of the May 6, 2014 school board meeting as corrected. The motion carried.
 There was a motion by Patricia A. Manthey seconded by Dawn Jakubiec to approve the payment of vouchers by general checks 72433 to 72551 for \$225,807.88, payroll checks 900024852 to 900025086 for \$202,970.08 and a state tax/employee trust fund electronic transfer of \$111,434.42. The motion carried.
 The following financial statement was presented to the board::

		Cash Summary June 4, 2014
Cash Balance - May 6, 2014 (Cash-168,357.09, Scholarship Fund-47,302.38)		215,659.47
Checks		225,807.88
Payroll		202,970.08
Elec. Trans. State Tax/Employee Trust Fund		111,434.42
Interest applied to CD's/Money Market		2,008.14
Voided Check #71810		13.66
Receipts		71,370.37
Transfer from Money Market to Checking		350,000.00
Cash Balance - June 4, 2014 (Cash-47,288.31, Scholarship Fund-47,507.35)		94,795.66

INVESTMENTS:
 Laona State Bank \$746,184.78 - Interest Rate 0.70% - Due 07/15/14
 Laona State Bank \$316,840.47 - Interest Rate 0.70% - Due 06/14/15
 Laona State Bank \$340,078.90 - Interest Rate 0.70% - Due 03/11/15
 Laona State Bank \$2,571,900.19 - Interest Rate 0.50% - Money Market
 Designation of the district's fund balance was discussed. There was a motion by Bill Connors, Jr. seconded by Rob Seeber to designate the fund balance at the end of the 2013-2014 fiscal year in the following manner:
 Assigned – Designated for Employment Benefits \$ 746,184.78
 Unassigned – Designated for Working Capital \$4,482,322.57

The motion carried 7 to 0.
 A date for the 2014-2015 Annual Meeting was discussed. There was a motion by Dawn Jakubiec seconded by Ann Barfknecht to schedule the Annual Meeting on Monday, October 27, 2014 at 6:00 P.M. The motion carried.
 Bus quotes were opened, reviewed, and discussed. There will be further discussion about the purchase of a bus during the 2014-2015 school year at the July Board Meeting. The motion carried.

An overnight volleyball trip was discussed. More information about the trip will be brought to the July meeting. The motion carried.
 The co-op agreement for softball and baseball was discussed. There was a motion by Patricia A. Manthey seconded by Rob Seeber to approve continuing to co-op softball and baseball with Laona. The motion carried.

Interviews for the Cognitive Disabilities Special Education teacher will be conducted on June 27, 2014. A candidate may be presented to the Board at the July meeting.
 The open Jr/Sr High School math position was discussed. There was a motion by Dawn Jakubiec seconded by Al Gardebrecht to hire Eric Hoffman as a math teacher for the 2014-2015 school year. The motion carried.

Conducting a climate survey with all district staff was discussed. There was a motion by Rob Seeber seconded by Ann Barfknecht to have the Board President prepare a survey for the Board to review at the July meeting. The motion carried.

A contract addendum for CESA 8 Allies in Autism was discussed. There was a motion by Dawn Jakubiec seconded by Patricia A Manthey to approve the contract addendum with CESA 8 Allies in Autism for the 2014-2015 school year for \$10,650. The motion carried.

The open Jr/Sr High School Secretary position was discussed. There was a motion by Bill Connors, Jr. seconded by Al Gardebrecht to hire Tammy Exferd as the Jr/Sr High School Secretary for the 2014-2015 school year. The motion carried.

Participating in the Wisconsin Clean Diesel Program was discussed. There was a motion by Bill Connors, Jr. seconded by Rob Seeber to approve a resolution pursuing a grant through the Wisconsin Clean Diesel Program to acquire funds for the purpose of reducing diesel emissions from our fleet equipment. The motion carried.

- Allison Space, Elementary Principal, reported on the following:
1. Data to support continuous growth in learning is being gathered to build 2014-2015 School Improvement Goals.
 2. PBIS updates were given. The SET interview was conducted to evaluate our School Wide System.
 3. Field Day was successful. Thank you to the PBIS team for a well-organized event! Thank you to all Home and School members as well as all volunteers from the community that helped out to make this a huge success.
 4. Congratulations to Sherry Christianson for receiving the NORTA Educator of Excellence Award.
 5. Discussion on presentation at CESA 9 in Tomahawk on Personalized Learning. Eight schools are scheduled to visit Wabeno Area Elementary in the fall of 2014.
 6. Wabeno Area Elementary staff was chosen to present at the SLATE Conference in December 2014.
 7. Interviews for the open 4K teacher position will be conducted June 5.
 8. Summer School updates were given.
 9. Thank you to Forest County Potawatomi for the Living History Program brought to our school in May.

- Matthew Paulsen, Jr/Sr High School Principal, reported on the following:
1. Rtl & PBIS updates were shared.
 2. PLC updates were shared.
 3. Staff Recognition: Dale Keller, Michelle Boor, Michele Rocole, Tiffany Pakulski, and Liz Couillard
 4. Student centered learning/personalized mastery information was shared.
 5. Summer School updates were shared: June 16-19 and June 23-26 from 8:30 to 11:30
 6. Updates on open positions were shared.
 7. A recap of Graduation was given.
 8. Other HS News: Rebel Volleyball tourney in Wis. Dells; Trip request for Mrs. Nelson's class; Thank you to Mrs. Pakulski, Mrs. Millan, and Mrs. Lewis for all you have done for our students, staff, and community.

- Dr. Kimberly Odekirk, District Administrator, reported the following:
1. WASB workshop in Tomahawk on June 11, 2014 may be attended by one board member.
 2. Updates were shared on migrating over to gmail in July and on phasing out Windows XP machines.
 3. Updates were shared on reviewing needs at the bus garage to make the facility more safe and efficient.
 4. The first draft of the NEOLA Board Policies has been sent in for revisions. The Board will have a first reading of the policies at their July meeting.
 5. Staff Inservice days in August are currently being scheduled and planned.
 6. An application has been submitted for the American Indian Language Grant. These funds pay for supplies and an assistant for the elementary after school Language/Culture Class. Forest County Potawatomi continue to provide and pay for the language teacher for the elementary after school program and for the high school language class.
 7. Kerry Bailey has requested that District informational items/articles be sent to the Timber News.
 8. District Motto, Vision and Beliefs were reviewed.
 9. Updates and information were shared about Educator Effectiveness.

There was a motion by Ann Barfknecht seconded by Rob Seeber to go into Closed Session under Wisconsin State Statute 19.85 (1) (f) to:
 A. Hear a parent's concerns.
 A roll call vote was taken as follows: Janet Opiela, yes; Robert Seeber, yes; Al Gardebrecht, yes; Patricia A. Manthey, yes; Dawn Jakubiec, yes; Ann Barfknecht, yes; and Bill Connors, Jr., yes. The motion carried 7 to 0.

There was a motion by Bill Connors, Jr. seconded by Ann Barfknecht 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 Janet Opiela seconded by Rob Seeber to review the district policies and procedures pertaining to student harassment, sexual harassment, and sexual assault. The motion carried 7 to 0.

There was a motion by Ann Barfknecht seconded by Bill Connors, Jr. to go into Closed Session under Wisconsin State Statute 19.85 (1) (c) and (e) and Wisconsin State Statute 120.13 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; Robert Seeber, yes; Al Gardebrecht, yes; Patricia A. Manthey, yes; Dawn Jakubiec, yes; Ann Barfknecht, yes; and Bill Connors, Jr., yes. The motion carried 7 to 0.
 There was a motion by Bill Connors, Jr. seconded by Rob Seeber to come out of Executive Session. The motion carried.

There was a motion by Rob Seeber seconded by Bill Connors, Jr. to approve the teacher contracts for the 2014-2015 school year. The motion carried 7 to 0.
 There was a motion by Bill Connors, Jr. seconded by Ann Barfknecht to approve the handbook changes pertaining to the summer custodial position and pertaining to benefits for bus drivers. Benefits needed to be made uniform for the bus drivers and the percentage of the benefit paid by the bus drivers was increased. The motion carried 7 to 0.

There was a motion by Dawn Jakubiec seconded by Patricia A. Manthey to approve contracts for part-time librarian, elementary principal, jr/sr high school principal, special education support person, maintenance/custodial supervisor, transportation supervisor, food service supervisor, computer technician, district bookkeeper, and administrative assistant for the 2014-2015 school year. The motion carried 6 to 0. Bill Connors abstained from the vote.
 There was a motion by Ann Barfknecht seconded by Al Gardebrecht to approve support staff contracts for the 2014-2015 school year. The motion carried 6 to 0. Janet Opiela abstained from the vote.

Salaries for teachers for 2014-2015 reflect an increase of the CPI (1.46%) with additional compensation for educational advancement. Salaries for support staff for 2014-2015 reflect an increase of .20 cents per hour.
 There was a motion by Dawn Jakubiec seconded by Al Gardebrecht to adjourn at 11:05 P.M. The motion carried.
 /S/ Patricia A. Manthey, District Clerk

\$500 CASH REWARD!!!!

Reward to the person and/or people that bring my dirt bike back to me. It was stolen Thursday night sometime, May 22. This reward will be given in cash when I get my bike back. My dirt bike is a 2007 Honda C.R.F. 150, red and white in color. Call Arlin E. Schmidt at 715-784-0275. P9

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**Special Meeting
Laona Board of Education
Saturday, May 31, 2014 - 12:15 p.m.
Room 24 - C.L. Robinson Elementary School**

President Jim Aschinger **Called the Special Meeting** to Order at 12:16 p.m. Present: Jim Aschinger, Scott Reeves, Frank Shepard, Kay Connors, Rick Krawze, and Laurie Asher. No guests were in attendance. Notice has been posted in accordance with Wis. Stat. 19.84.

Motion by Reeves, seconded by Connors to **Approve the Agenda**. All in favor, motion carried.

OPEN ACTION
Brett Fox, high school math teacher, has been offered possible positions and his teacher's contract is due May 31, 2014. After discussion, motion by Krawze, seconded by Reeves to approve extending the liquidated damage to June 15, 2014 for the two current positions he has interviewed for. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Reeves, seconded by Shepard to **Adjourn** the meeting. All in favor, motion carried. (12:21 p.m.)
NOTE: THE AGENDA COULD BE SUBJECT TO LAST MINUTE CHANGE(S)

**Work Session / Special Meeting
Laona Board of Education
Monday, May 19, 2014 - 5:00 p.m.
Room 24 - C.L. Robinson Elementary School**

President Jim Aschinger **Called the Work Session Meeting** to Order at 5:30 p.m. Present: Jim Aschinger, Scott Reeves, Frank Shepard, Kay Connors, and Laurie Asher. Rick Krawze was absent. Four (4) guests were in attendance. Notice has been posted in accordance with Wis. Stat. 19.84.

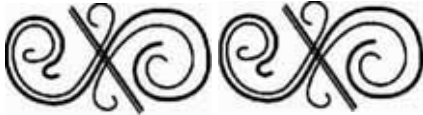
Kay Connors led the **Pledge of Allegiance**.
Motion by Connors, seconded by Shepard to **Approve the Agenda**. All in favor, motion carried.

PUBLIC FORUM (10 minutes):
None
Rick Krawze arrived at 5:45 p.m.

Workshop Session
The **Staff Options Committee** shared a draft document for a new staff compensation plan. The Board liked the concepts created, but more work is needed to be financially sustainable. The plan will be continued to be worked on during the next school year, focusing on the three (3) levels of recommendation for teacher growth with projected implementation during the 2015-16 school year.

Motion by Krawze, seconded by Shepard to **enter into closed session** pursuant to Wis. Statute 19.85 (1)(e) for the purpose of deliberating or negotiating the purchasing of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session. The motion carried with Aschinger, Reeves, Shepard, Krawze, and Connors voting yes.

Motion by Shepard, seconded by Connors to **Adjourn** the meeting. All in favor, motion carried. (8:17 p.m.)
NOTE: THE AGENDA COULD BE SUBJECT TO LAST MINUTE CHANGE(S)



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Open Meeting - Laona Board of Education Monday, May 12, 2014 - 5:30 p.m. C. L. Robinson Elementary - Room 24

President Jim Aschinger **Called the Regular Meeting to Order** at 5:00 p.m. Present: Jim Aschinger, Rick Krawze, Kay Connors, Frank Shepard, Scott Reeves, Laurie Asher, Jim Bradley, Dawn Cote, and Sherry Kramer to take the minutes. There were three (3) guests in attendance. Notice has been posted in accordance with Wis. Stat. 19.84.

Jim Aschinger led the **Pledge of Allegiance**.
Motion by Reeves, seconded by Shepard to approve the **Agenda**. All in favor, motion carried.

Appearances/Correspondence - Representative Mursau presented a check from the State of Wisconsin in the amount of \$69,035.74 for state timber sale harvest. He said the outlook for rural school funding from increased harvesting and activities in the national forests looks promising for the future. Rick Krawze thanked Representative Mursau on behalf of the Laona Board of Education.

Andy Blodgett gave a presentation showcasing changes to the Laona School District Business Program. He highlighted new course offerings, course content that will help students with state testing, personal finance, and helping to make our students college or career ready.

PUBLIC FORUM (10 minutes): Shelly Chitko thanked Mrs. Asher and Mr. Bradley for gifts given to staff for Teacher Appreciation Week.

OPEN ACTION ITEMS:
Consent Agenda -
Open and Closed Regular Meeting Minutes dated Monday, April 14, 2014.
Open Work Session Meeting Minutes dated Monday, April 21, 2014.
Open and Closed Special/Work Session Meeting Minutes dated Monday, April 28, 2014.
Open and Closed Special Work Session Meeting Minutes dated Monday, May 5, 2014.
School Disbursements and Wires paid from 4/11/14-5/8/14=\$200,190.71
Cash Receipts for period 4/1/14-4/30/14=\$73,226.17
Purchase Orders for period 4/9/14-5/8/14=\$7,625.24
Motion by Krawze, seconded by Reeves to approve the **Consent Agenda** as presented. All in favor, motion carried.

Staff survey results on current health insurance coverage and clarification on questions about proposed **Health Insurance Renewal** options were shared and discussed.

The Board took a recess at 6:00 p.m. to attend the spring concert and reconvened at 7:12 p.m.

Motion by Reeves, seconded by Connors to switch our health care provider to Security Plan #1 with a possible cost savings of 17%. All in favor, motion carried.

One **Concrete Work Bid** was presented and opened. Motion by Reeves, seconded by Aschinger to accept Charles Matuszewski's bid for concrete curb and waterway repair for \$1970.00. All in favor, motion carried.

The **Open Enrollment** window closed the end of April and six (6) requests have been received for open enrollment into the district. Motion by Krawze, seconded by Shepard to approve the open enrollment requests in and out for the 2014-15 school year. All in favor, motion carried.

A discussion was held on the **Administrative Contracts for 2014-16 School Years**. A raise was offered to the administrator, but was declined. Motion by Reeves, seconded by Aschinger to approve the four (4) administrative contracts as presented. All in favor, motion carried.

The Co-Op Steering Committee recommended offering free passes for 2014-15 school year to all 7-12th grade students who participated in an extra-curricular activity or camp this year. All other students would be charged a \$5 fee. Motion by Krawze, seconded by Shepard to approve a **Free Student Pass** for the 2014-15 school year as recommended. All in favor, motion carried.

Baseball and Softball Co-Op Programs with Wabeno needs to be renewed every two (2) years. The recommendation is for the program to continue. Motion by Shepard, seconded by Reeves to co-op with Wabeno for Baseball and Softball for the 2014-15 and 2015-16 school years. All in favor, motion carried.

The **66.03 Agreement with Crandon for Special Education/Psychologist Services** was discussed. The agreement is similar to last year and worked well with meeting the needs of the students. Motion by Aschinger, seconded by Reeves to accept the 66.03 Agreement with Crandon as presented for Special Education/psychologist Services. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Aschinger, seconded by Krawze to nominate and approve Scott Reeves as **CESA 8 Delegate**. All in favor, motion carried.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:
Custodial/Maintenance DASHIR Update - none given.
Dawn Cote shared fund balance spending in her **Business Manager's Report**. She also stated that School Forest Timber money was received in the amount of \$41,008.00. This was approximately \$8000 more than bid amount.
Jim Bradley stated that fifty three (53) students have achieved honor status. He also provided a written **High School Principal's Report** which included information on attendance, boy's basketball and volleyball season, prom, senior banquet, final exams, graduation, awards day, summer school, and a thank you given to the Laona VFW Post 6823 and Laona PTO for sponsoring the high school assembly and poster contest.
Mrs. Asher gave her **Administrator's Report** sharing that the staff is working hard with just a few weeks left of school. She also stated that summer school will have about the same number of students as last year and an update given on the 6th grade class trip.

Board Member Reports -
Scott Reeves:
● Bingo night went well and everyone enjoyed themselves. He's looking forward to fiesta night in June.
● If the school wants to buy a pull behind sweeper, the little league will buy the other.
Kay Connors:
● It's nice to see articles in the newspaper.
Rick Krawze:
● If students go to the school forest, perhaps the brush could be moved to piles and he would clear the area.
Jim Aschinger:
● He has talked to Jim Ambrosius Jr. about the completion of the harvesting of the school forest and he will be cleaning up the brush now that the ground has thawed.
● The president of the ATV Club called and the gate into the school forest trail has been opened.

Motion by Reeves, 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, Shepard, and Connors voting yes.

After returning from closed session, no action taken.
Motion by Connors, seconded by Aschinger to Adjourn the meeting. All in favor, motion carried. (8:49 p.m.)

The Penny For Paws Challenge



Teaching the importance of being humane, environmentally conscious citizens is a worthwhile and rewarding task. Mrs. Marvin, 4th grade teacher, and her students at Crandon Elementary, embraced this task.

This is the 2nd year an elementary classroom has taken the initiative to host a penny war challenge that would raise money for the Forest County Humane Society. Mrs. Marvin's 4th grade class has worked hard at raising money at the elementary school for the "Pennies for Paws" challenge, asking all classrooms to donate. The elementary school raised a total of \$553.52 for the Forest County Animal Shelter. This money will really help care for the animals in this facility that operates strictly on donations.

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Lakewood, WI – A showcase of top entertainment awaits the visitor to the June 27th, 28th and 29th Northwoods TimberFest at the Town of Lakewood Memorial Park in Lakewood, WI.

The Great Lakes Timber Show from Escanaba, MI will be the primary TimberFest feature with four full performances on Saturday and three on Sunday. The Timber Show is a family fun event with ongoing action including chainsaw carving, axe throwing, wood chopping, crosscut sawing and the always popular log rolling. The Timber Show lumberjacks have a good time and involve the crowd in many of their activities.

Great music and good humor will be a major TimberFest ingredient. A Friday visit by Cheri Wogsland and Lester Bondowski will ensure a lively time especially when accompanied by The Ladies of the North. Lester Bondowski, Lester Bonde from his Milwaukee Polka days, was inducted into the World Congress Concertina Hall of Fame in 1984 and was named 2012 Wisconsin Band Leader of the Year.

On Saturday, the Big Cedar Bluegrass Band from West Bend, WI will perform with the Timber Show and will stroll the grounds throughout the day. Big Cedar Bluegrass has been together for over twenty years, has toured much of the Midwest and has cut several quality CD's. They are known for their classic acoustic bluegrass sound as well "down home" gospel.

On Sunday, Tyler Sawall, a concertina phenom from Clintonville, WI and Michigan Tech University will add musical excitement to the Timber Show and will also stroll the grounds. Tyler has been the "Talk of the musical world" since he was nine years old.

Additional features will include the Kids' Logging Camp with "hands on" lumberjack activities and an archery range. A shuttle to the nearby Holt & Balcom Logging Camp will enable visitors to relive the days of the past at the oldest existing logging camp in the country.

In addition to TimberFest entertainment, many vendors will exhibit equipment and implements; RV's, campers and camping equipment; boats and pontoons; fishing and hunting gear; resorts and campgrounds; arts and crafts; various services and many specialty items. A TimberFest highlight will be a variety of specialty food vendors each offering unique summertime treats.



Northwoods TimberFest hours are Friday, June 27th from 3 p.m. to 8 p.m.; Saturday, June 28th from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.; and Sunday, June 29th from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Saturday and Sunday Adult admission is \$5.00; Friday's TimberFest preview is free of charge. Youth under 12 are free.

The Town of Lakewood Memorial Park is located at 17258 North Road near the intersection of State Highway 32 and County Road F in Lakewood, WI, 54138.

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