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McCasin Lioness Annual Easter Egg Hunt



The McCasin Lioness Annual Easter Egg Hunt will be on Saturday, April 23rd at the Lakewood Town Hall on North Road, from 11:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m.

The ages for the hunt are three years to ten years, and a child under three will not hunt for eggs, but will receive goodies. Please have only one adult per child.

Help a neighbor by bringing a non-perishable food item for the Christian Food Pantry.

If there are any questions, call Sandy at 715-276-3377.

Ruffed Grouse Society Banquet



The Ruffed Grouse Society Banquet will be held this Saturday, April 9th at the Crandon Community Center at 601 West Washington Street.

If you haven't registered, you still have a small chance for tickets for the event. You can call Dave Ziolkowski at 715-336-2523 and check for ticket availability.

The price for tickets is \$45. For an additional \$25 you can buy a ticket for your spouse.

Where we live, learn, work and play matters to our health

Submitted by Jill Krueger-Forest County Health Dept.

The Robert Wood Johnson Foundation and the University of Wisconsin's Population Health Institute have unveiled the second annual County Health Rankings. Nearly every county in the country is ranked on health outcomes (how healthy we are) and on health factors (how healthy we can be). This information helps counties see where they are doing well and where they are not, so they can make changes to improve health. To view the rankings, visit www.countyhealthrankings.org.

We've known for some time that our county faces challenges. In the 2011 County Health Rankings, Forest County ranked low on overall health 66 out of 72 compared with other counties in the state. This ranking is based on premature death, poor physical and mental health days, and low birthweight.

When we look at the health factors that are making it difficult for residents to maintain a healthy lifestyle, Forest County ranks 69 out of 72. When looking at health behaviors, such as smoking, obesity, drinking, motor vehicle crashes, and teen birth rates, the ranking is 54 out of 72. The Rankings also indicate that Forest County is at-risk for poor health when it comes to social and economic factors that affect health, such as poverty rates, unemployment, and education, where it ranked 70 out of 72. Forest County does have some strengths in the area of physical environment, such as air quality and recreation, where it ranked 37 out of 72.

With this knowledge, we can take steps to improve the health of our residents. We can use this information to work with community leaders to take action so we can implement programs and policy changes that improve health in Forest County. We can use this information when implementing the Community Health Improvement Plan. The five year health plan is a collaborative effort of community partners and citizens and it identifies priorities, goals and strategies to improve the health of the community. The 2011-2015 Community Health Plan will be released in the next few months and teams will be working on the top priorities that were identified: Nutrition, Physical Activity and Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse.

We know from the Rankings that Forest County needs to do more to improve our health in these areas which will eventually lead to better health outcomes. Everyone in our community has a stake in being healthy. Working together, we can make Forest County a healthier place to live, learn, work and play. If you are interested in learning more about the rankings or the Community Health Improvement Plan or would like to be involved, please contact the Health Department at 715-478-3371.

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Area Election Results

City of Crandon

Mayor - Gary Bradley (I) - 241 Rob Jaeger - 283
Clerk - Cindy Bradley (I) - 433
Assessor - Michael A. Childers (I) - 416
Crandon School Board (Top two win)
Bill Farr - 930, Jeff Ackley, Jr. - 657, Bret Mattson - 739,
Tim Bahr - 793

Town of Crandon

Supervisor (Top two win) Ray Statezny - 143, Albert
Thompson - 78, Larry Schunk - 198, Joe Houle - 71
Chairman - William Chaney - 104, Richard Huber - 169
Clerk - Ronald Cole (I) - 22, Scattering - 1
Treasurer - Bill Quesinberry (I) - 242, Scattering - 1

Town of Wabeno

Supervisor: (Top two win) Lloyd Fulcer - 122, Denis
Kopecky - 162, Paul Ehlinger - 214
Chairman - Nancy Schuhart - 95, Edward Piontek - 194
Clerk - Marrette Tucker (I) - 236, Scattering - 2
Treasurer - Cheryl Ehlinger - 243

Wabeno School Board: (Two positions for Forest
Co., One position for Oconto County) Forest County:
Patricia Manthey - 664, Edith Huettl - 645 Bill Connors,
Jr. - 635

Oconto County: Janet Opiela - 763, Mike Rocole - 406
Goodman-Armstrong Creek School Board:
Laura Klesewski - 76, Deborah Thompson - 52
David Ziolkowski - 108

Town of Armstrong Creek

Supervisor: (Top two win) Ronald Bruce, Jr. - 87, David
Majewski - 84 Stanley Maruszczak - 64
Chairman - Walter Leja (Write In) - 57
Clerk - Thomas Kessel (Write In) - 30, Scattering - 21
Treasurer - Christine Frydrych (I) - 122

Town of Alvin

Chairman - Edward Adams - 50, Florence Kostka - 58
Supervisor: (Top two win) Joseph Brabank - 59, Jane
Spencer - 55, Eugene Schmechel - 53
Clerk - Gerald L. Gaspardo - 43
Treasurer - Donna Gaspardo - 75

Town of Argonne

Chairman - Daniel Samz - 158, Mary Kegley - 29
Supervisor: (Top two win) Daniel Thomaschfsky - 140,
Randy Spencer - 158
Clerk - Donald Gordon 168
Treasurer - Donna Giessel - 171

Town of Laona

Chairman - Al Murray (I) - 334, Scattering - 1
Supervisor - 2 Positions - Jim Ambrosius Jr. - 316, John
Neddo Sr. (I) - 254, Scattering - 4
Clerk/Treasurer - Erin Lane (write-in) - 300, Pam Belland
(write-in) - 53

Town of Nashville

Chairman - Chuck Sleeter - 261, Jimmy Landru, Jr. - 156
Supervisor (Top two win) Ray McGeshick, Sr. - 151,
Sandra Rachal - 201, Duane Marshall - 225, Edward Bula
- 166
Clerk - Terri Schabo (I) - 356, Scattering - 1
Treasurer - Bonnie Fronck (I) - 352, Scattering - 2

Town of Caswell

Supervisor: (Top two win) Scott Cleerman - 25, Richard
Mihalko - 33, James Odekirk - 8
Clerk - Roxanne Brewer (I) - 36
Treasurer - Beth Aschenbrenner (I) - 32

Town of Blackwell

Chairman - Ronald E. Henkel (I) - 25
Supervisor 2 positions - Robert Johnson (I) - 24 David
Walsh (I) - 18
Clerk/Treasurer - Jenny Henkel (I) - 25

Town of Freedom

Chairman - Don Vannieuwenhoven (I) - 134, Scattering -
1
Supervisor (2 Positions) John D. Harter (I) - 124, James
Volk (I) - 117, Scattering - 3
Clerk: Teresa Huettl (I) - 140
Treasurer: Marilyn Tarlton (I) - 141
Assessor: Scatterings Only No Candidate - 5

Town of Lincoln

Chairman: Lynne M. Black (I) - 169, Scattering 1
Supervisor - 2 Positions-Larry Sommers (I) - 137,
Michael K. Wilson (I) - 173
Clerk/Treasurer: Lisa S. Gretzing (I) - 200

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What's in your hand?



A bird in the hand is worth two in the bush, goes the old saying. This bird in the hand went back in the bush after raiding the bird seed in Linda Fehrenbach's hand near Crandon.

Turn in unwanted prescription drugs on April 30th

Mark this date on your calendar. April 30th is the date that the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) is holding the Second Nationwide Prescription Drug Take-Back Day.

This gives the home owner a chance to rid themselves of dangerous expired, unused and unwanted prescription drugs. On Saturday, April 30th, at the Crandon City Hall, you can turn in these unwanted meds and prevent accidentally taking them or having them stolen from your medicine cabinet.

Last year, the DEA collected over 242,000 pounds of prescription drugs at 4,100 sites nationwide.

"I encourage every American to take advantage of this valuable opportunity to safely dispose of unused, un-needed or expired prescription drugs," said Gil Kerlikowks, Director of National Drug Control Policy. "Preventing these readily available and potentially deadly drugs from being diverted and misused is something each and every one of us can do to help reduce the epidemic of prescription drug abuse that is harming so many Americans."

This event is sponsored by the Forest County Health Department, The Forest County Sheriff's Department and the Crandon Police Department, and is open to citizens countywide.

3 on 3 Basketball Tourney Wabeno, April 15 & 16

April 15 & 16, the Wabeno Youth Basketball Association will host its 3 on 3 basketball tournament at the high school.

Mike Chrisman, Wabeno athletic director, said that both boys and girls divisions will be divided by ages 3-4, 5-6, 7-8, 9-10, and an open division, probably for basketball junkies.

Registration per teams of four costs \$50, payable by April 8. Spectators are welcome with a \$3 admission charge for adults and \$2 for children over eight. Once entries are received, teams will be notified of their start time through a designated captain.

Concessions will be available both days. All games will be officiated, and each team is guaranteed three games. At the conclusion, medals will be awarded for each member of the first and second place teams.

Entries can be mailed to Mike Chrisman, 5141 East Silver Lake Road, Laona, WI 54541. Include names of the players and a phone number for the captain, the team name, age group, and gender. Make checks payable to Wabeno Youth Basketball.

Questions can be directed to Chrisman at (715) 889-2382.

Crandon High Community Blood Drive

Crandon High School Community Blood Drive is scheduled for Thursday, April 21, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Take U.S. Highway 8 West in Crandon.

To schedule a donation appointment, call Colleen Finn at 478-3339, or go to www.save3lives.org. Walk-in donors are welcome!

The Pioneer Express Deadline is
4:00 p.m. on Tuesdays.

FREE PERSONAL CLASSIFIEDS
We will do free personal classifieds for the first three weeks of April. We will take two classifieds a week from any one person of thirty words or less.

HAPPY 80th Birthday Mona!

Celebrate the happy times, Raise a glass with cheer, Come celebrate with Mona in honor of her 80th year.

The family of Mona Tupper Vokes would like to invite you to join in celebrating her birthday. Please come join us for food and refreshments at LaFetta in Crandon on Saturday, April 16th Noon - 3 p.m. Let your presence be your present!

Wabeno Elementary & Lakewood Super Valu Go Green Winners!



Crystal Valadez and Zakk Soman were the April winners of the Lakewood Super Valu backpacks full of "Go Green" things. The students were caught doing a "green" deed at school during the month of March.

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2003 Chevy Silverado LS - Ext. cab, Z71, 4x4, V8, auto, loaded, 99K.....\$10,995	2007 Chevy Malibu LS - 4 dr., 4 cyl., auto, loaded, 78K.....\$6,995
2003 Chevy Silverado LS - Ext. cab, Z71, 4x4, V8, auto, loaded, 162K.....\$7,995	2006 Saturn Ion - 4 dr., 4 cyl., auto, 137K.....\$4,995
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Wabeno Elementary Loyal Logrollers



Matthew Majestic and Dylan Houts were the Loyal Logroller winners with perfect attendance during the week of March 21, 2011. Great job!



Alyssa Berswill won the Roller Pride T-shirt for her good deeds during the week of March 21, 2011 at Wabeno Elementary. Way to go Alyssa!

Roller Pride Winner Alyssa Berswill

FOR SALE: FireSafe: In-home steel safe / combination and key locks-\$35 / Weber smoker grill, kettle drum, X-large, NEVER USED-\$100 / Crunch high performance auto-speaker cabinet - 2 tweeters, 2 8" speakers-\$30 / TENS unit w/various patches-\$100 / stereo sound system-new in box, NEVER USED-\$75. Call 715-484-7173, leave message if no answer. P52

FOR SALE: 2 rolls 12 1/2 gauge barbed wire-\$100 / hog or calf crate (metal)-\$75 / big heavy cage (30" wide, 3' high, 4' long)-\$50 / round bale fork for bucket-\$125. 715-478-3500. P52

FOR SALE: 2 piece hutch, 62" wide x 77" tall, 2 glass doors, 2 glass panels, 2 glass shelves, 2 lights for top - bottom has 2 doors and 3 drawers older, but in good condition-\$100 OBO. 715-649-3143 or 715-784-0163. P52

FOR SALE: New prom shoes. 715-478-4660. P52

Donation from Vea



Vea, the American bull dog has a good life. She has a warm home, a loving human companion and plenty to eat. She is also aware that many of her friends and relations do not. Vea decided to do something about it.

She noticed there were no coke machines on Lake Avenue, Crandon and contacted the Coca Cola distributor about setting one up. A deal was made and a vending machine was set up between Sinnerman Tattoo Parlor and Nevaeh Hair Salon.

Vea wants everyone to know that all the profits from the soda machine are going to support the Humane Society. She invited Susie Sturzl of the Society to pose with her by the new vending machine.



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Where: Crandon High School
 When: April 16, 2011
 Time: 11 p.m. - 2 a.m.
 Cost: \$3/person • \$5/couple

Open to any Crandon High School student!
 We are providing fun, games, food, music and many great prizes. Some of the prizes are: laptop, TV, I-pod, cash, gift cards and many other great prizes. Come enjoy the fun and we will see you there!

Crandon Post Prom Committee

Trinity Lutheran Church

1741 Forest Ave, Wabeno
 Wednesday Lenten Suppers 4:30 p.m.
 Worship Services 5:30 p.m.
 Everyone is welcome!



"... I was hungry, and you gave me something to eat." Matt. 25:42

Pickrel Volunteer Fire Dept. & Rescue Squad



Sunday, April 17th
 10 am - 2 pm
 Hwy. 55, Pickrel

We will be demonstrating CPR, CPAP, Stair Chair, Cot, Splinting & Long Board, Checking Blood Pressure, giving info on Elder & Child Abuse

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Changes in itinerary may occur. Please call ahead for any schedule changes.

**Wanted:
 Wabeno area
 Lion's Senior
 citizens**

The Wabeno Lions will be offering a free fish fry with all the fixings to senior citizens age 55 and older on Friday, April 29, 2011 at the Madonna Hall in Wabeno. This dinner is extended to all senior citizens from the Wabeno area including Freedom, Carter, Trump Lake, and Blackwell. Reservations are required. If you are unable to attend due to health reasons, the Lions will deliver the meal to your home. Transportation to and from the meal will be provided if needed. The doors will open at 5:00, meal will be served from 5:30 to 6:30 pm along with entertainment.

Please phone your reservation or if you need a ride or delivery to Ethel at 715-674-4477 or Terry Beining at 715-473-2408 by Friday, April 26.

**All Caregivers!
 Connecting Club
 meets - Lakewood**

The Connecting Club will be meeting on Thursday, April 14 at Lakewood Assisted Living. This group is for the benefit of all caregivers whether you need to talk or listen or get information to help you deal with the experience you are facing by caring for a loved one. The meeting runs from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m., please join us.



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- **Al-Anon Meeting** every Mon. Night 7 p.m., Nicolet Medical Clinic in Lakewood. Call 715-276-6321.
- **Comm. Life Council** monthly meeting, 6:30 p.m., at the VFW Hall, second Thurs. of every month.
- **AA Meeting** Thurs. 7:00, Lakewood Lakes Country Library. Call Bill at 882-3512 for more info.
- **AA Meetings:** Tuesday nights, 7 p.m., Indian Springs Lodge, Carter. Closed meeting. Barb at 715-473-3904
- **Free Blood Pressure Clinic:** every Tues., 3:30-5:00 p.m., Nicolet Medical & Dental Clinic, Lakewood.
- **Free Immunizations for all children Thru Age 18:** by appointment. Nicolet Medical, Lakewood. 715-276-6321.
- **Forest County Big Book Closed AA Meeting:** Thurs. 7 p.m. at Crandon Library. 478-2598 or 715-889-1829.
- **Narcotics Anonymous Meeting:** Sat. at 10:30 a.m., Indian Springs Lodge, Carter. Call Chita at 715-850-1269 or Dave at 715-276-3687.
- **Forest Cty. Humane Society:** Open to public every Sat. from 10-2. Call for more info 715-478-2098.
- **FREE Road Construction Class:** For more info call 715-478-7633.
- **Forest County Marine Corps League Meeting - 1st Wednesday of month.** 6 p.m., VFW Hall, Crandon. For information call (715) 889-0371.
- **Fresh Start AA Meeting - Every Wed. at 7 p.m.,** CoVantage Credit Union, 502 W. Pioneer, Crandon.
- **AA Meeting - Every Thursday at 7 p.m.,** Crandon Library (downstairs), Crandon.
- **Childhood Vaccines Available FREE:** The new HPV vaccine is available for females ages 11-18 years old. Is given for prevention of cervical cancer. **MENINGOCOCCAL** vaccine is also recommended for children 11-18 of age. Is given for prevention of bacterial meningitis. Many colleges recommend that students living in dormitories receive this shot. Call 715-478-3371 for more info or appointment.
- **Forest Cty. Health Dept. Services:** Call 715-478-3371 to inquire about. WIC, Lifeline, Women's Cancer Control & Health Screening Programs, Infant & Toddler Car Seat Education/Installation, Blood Sugar Testing, Blood Pressures, Prenatal Care Coordination, Lead Screening, Radon Test Kits, Water Testing, Fluoride Program, & More.
- **Tri-County Council Domestic Violence Support Group:** for dates, location & times: 715-478-362-6841 or 1-800-236-1222. Crandon Teen Group Thurs. 3:15-4:15 for location or info call 715-478-3780.
- **Crandon VFW Post - Meets every first Tuesday of the month.** 6 p.m. at the VFW building, 104 N. Forest
- **SHARE PROGRAM - Cash, credit or Quest cards accepted.** Call **473-5676** for more information.
- **Non-Denominational Prayer Line - Call anytime (715) 478-4800.**
- **Support Group for Parents of Children with Disabilities - Call Chris at 715-784-0058**
- **American Legion Riders - Dist. 9, NE Wis. - We need new members.** Contact Ron Doering (715) 882-2134 or email: w99qnn95@hotmail.com. Need riders for color guard formation at funerals, escorts and returning military personnel & community parades.
- **Crandon Lions Board Meetings - 1st Monday of month at Crandon Library at 6:30 p.m.** (downstairs)
- **Crandon Lions Member Meetings - Every 3rd Monday of month.** 5:30 social hour. 6:30 dinner & 7:00 meeting. April at Main Street Ed's
- **Bridge Community Dental Health Clinic - This projects 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
- **FREE Childhood Immunizations:** Tues., April 19 - Wabeno Town Hall 3:30-4; Mon., April 25, Laona Town Hall 3:30-4; Wed., April 27, Crandon Health Dept, 1:30-4. Call 478-3371 to set up an appt.
- **WIC Draft Pick-up - Mon., April 4 & Wed., April 6, Health Dept, Crandon, 8:30-12 or 1-4 p.m.**
- **Community Baby Shower - Wed. April 27 - For parents or caregivers whom is pregnant or has a child under 1 year.** 5:30-7:30. Light supper, exhibits, program & prizes.
- **Radon Test Kits Available - \$6 each.** Call Kathy 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 our monthly meetings on the 2nd Tues. of each month at 7 p.m. For location information contact George (715) 350-1679 or Bryan (715)478-2574.
- **DAV Auxiliary Meetings - 2nd Wednesday of each month, April 13th - Oct. 12th (unless otherwise noted),** 2 p.m., Laona Community Center, Beech St., Laona.

**Northern Legislators to hold
 Rhinelander Hearing on State Budget**

State Senators Jim Holperin (D-Eagle River) and Bob Jauch (D-Poplar) announced today they will host a public hearing on the 2011-2013 state budget on Saturday, April 16 from 10a.m. till 1p.m. at Nicolet College (LRC Theater) in Rhinelander.

Holperin said the Rhinelander hearing is one in a series of similar sessions being hosted by Democrats statewide in response to the Joint Finance Committee scheduling only four "official" budget hearings statewide, the fewest in 25 years, and none in far north central Wisconsin.

"Governor Walker's budget proposal contains more significant policy changes and more program cuts than any two year budget in recent memory," Holperin said. "In order for legislators to make informed decisions on these proposals we need to hear specifically what impact the changes and reductions might have on localities and on programs in different parts of the state."

All area legislators have been invited. The public, including local elected officials, are encouraged to share their reactions, opinions and advice on the various program changes proposed in the budget. The hearing is open to the public and the media.

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Letters to the Editor

We welcome letters 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.

Chamber Chit Chat

An Informational Series from the Forest County Chamber of Commerce

If you travel anywhere in the United States and stay overnight in a hotel, motel, bed and breakfast, inn or other lodging facility, chances are high that you'll pay a room tax. According to the National Tax Journal article, "The Impact of the Hotel Room Tax", 47 out of 50 states in the U.S. levy taxes on hotel room rentals. In 2008, 69 of 72 counties in Wisconsin did the same.

If charging a room tax is a widely accepted practice across the nation and Wisconsin, then why not here in our own community? That's the question the Forest County Chamber of Commerce had been asking itself for some time. After educating themselves on the room tax process and making the determination that it would be a good fit for Forest County, the Chamber began to focus its energy on bringing the process to our community.

As a result, the Forest County Tourism Commission was formed in 2008. It would be the task of this Commission to bring municipalities in the county on board with room tax, and to oversee and manage the promotions, projects and events to be funded by collected revenues.

The Commission, which was appointed by the Forest County Chamber of Commerce, consists of the following positions: President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer and Board Member. Each participating municipality is encouraged to appoint a representative to sit on the board as well, so that their community has a voice in the decision-making process.

Before going into the actual dollars and cents since its inception, let's first look into the what, who and where of room tax. Below is a brief overview:

--What is room tax? A room tax is one mandated by a municipality on sleeping room rentals at lodging facilities.

--What is the purpose of room tax? The purpose of room tax is to provide funding for tourism marketing and promotions within the area.

--Who pays the room tax? The tax is added by the lodging facility to the customer's bill. The guest renting the room pays the tax.

--Where does the room tax revenue go? The lodging facility forwards the collected room tax to the municipality on a quarterly basis. The municipality then forwards 70% of the room tax revenue on to the Commission while retaining the remaining 30%.

--What can room tax revenue be spent on? State law requires that at least 70% of room tax revenue be spent on tourism promotion and development, which is the primary function of the Commission. The participating municipality may use their 30% as they determine.

Collection of room tax in Forest County began in May of 2008, and participating municipalities included the City of Crandon, the Town of Lincoln, the Mole Lake Community, the Town of Hiles, and a voluntary contributor from the Town of Nashville. At the end of the year, a total of \$31,466 in room tax revenue enabled the Commission to begin formation of a marketing plan. That's not counting the 30% kept in each participating municipality!

The first full year of collections in 2009 exceeded the Commission's expectations with a total of \$47, 050. Financial support granted by the Commission included: 2010 Forest County Visitor Guide, a professional tourism seminar given by Gary Mueller, a Facebook promotion including the purchase of billboard space, the Crandon Centennial Celebration, and a Discover Wisconsin / Trail Nation television episode. The biggest project was the acquisition and development of the new Forest County Visitor Center. Promotional grants were awarded to: Mole Lake TRAILS Powwow, Art in the Square, Kentuck Day Festival, Mole Lake Heritage Festival and Main Street businesses for snowmobile signage.

Although final numbers are not in yet for 2010, the estimated room tax revenue should exceed \$55,000. Financial support granted by the Commission included: 2011 Forest County Visitor Guide, a Discover Wisconsin television episode, which included the Mole Lake Community, and sending Chamber and Commission

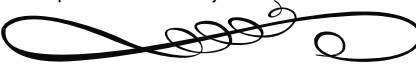
representatives to Milwaukee for the annual Governor's Conference on Tourism, as well as the Green Bay Sport Show. Promotional grants were awarded to: Biker Rally Poker Run, Kentuck Festival and Art in the Square.

Proposed projects for this year include continued support of the Forest County Visitor Guide, and establishing informational locations across the county. Perhaps the most important project this year will be revamping and revitalizing the Chamber website to make it more attractive for web users.

Although the room tax process is not yet countywide, the Commission will continue to strive towards that goal. If a municipality has lodging facilities but is not participating in the room tax process, it is missing an opportunity to not only improve its bottom line, but to avail itself of tourism promotion dollars to help promote local events.

If you have any questions regarding room tax, or would like help in getting the process started in your community, please contact Melinda Otto, Forest County Tourism Commission Secretary, at (715) 478-3450.

The next article will look into economic development in Forest County.



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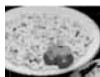
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"This year, the size of the bills is about the same as last year," said Tom Russell, Credit and Collections Manager, "but the number of customers who are behind is just a little lower. We don't want to resort to disconnecting service to customers who are significantly behind, but unless we come to some kind of arrangement with them, it is certainly a possibility." Public Service disconnected service to more than 16,000 customers in 2010.

"We owe it to our good-paying customers to be diligent in our efforts to collect," Russell said.

Russell urged customers who are behind and have not yet contacted the utility to do so right away. Waiting until near the end of the winter period when disconnects are not allowed will make it more difficult to make arrangements to keep service on, he said. "Those customers who contact us early to make arrangements are likely going to find we're more receptive than those customers who wait," he said. Customers can call (866) 215-5812 to make arrangements for payment.

There is also the matter of facing payment of a security deposit in the amount equal to their highest four months bills in a row for residential customers who are documented as not paying during the winter period, according to Russell. Public Service has collected security deposits totaling more than \$1 million from more than 1,000 customers (WPS pays interest on the security deposit). "In all, it's just better for customers who are having difficulty to contact us now rather than later," Russell said.

WPS has electronic options for payment listed on its Website: www.wisconsinpublicservice.com. Options include automatic monthly withdrawal from bank accounts, as well as one-time payments.

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 Regular monthly meeting for the month of April to follow.
 Ron Cole - Clerk, Town of Crandon

Public Library Hours
Lakes Country Public Library - Lakewood - Monday, Tuesday & Thursday 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.; Wednesday and Friday 2:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.; Saturday 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. • 715-276-9020.
Wabeno Public Library - WINTER HOURS: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday: Noon to 4:30; Wednesday: Noon to 6 p.m.; Saturday: 9-12:00; 715-473-4131
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Museum Hours
Forest County Museum - Closed until Memorial Day
Forest County Potawatomi Cultural Center & Museum - Monday - Friday 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. - by appointment on Saturday. For tour appointment call 715-478-7478

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

BID NOTICE
 The Laona State Bank is accepting sealed bids on a 2003 Cadillac Escalade until the close of business on April 8th, 2011. The vehicle has 129,000 miles and will be sold "As Is" without any warranty or guarantees. You may inspect the vehicle during normal business hours at 108 N. Lake Ave., Crandon. The bank reserves the right to accept or reject any and all bids.

SCHOOL DISTRICT OF WABENO ELECTION RESULTS
 Vote totals for the School Board Election held on April 5, 2011 for the School District of Wabeno Area as reported by the towns are as follows:
Forest County Area:
 Patricia A. Manthey 664
 Edith Huettl 645
 Bill Connors, Jr. 635
Oconto County Area:
 Janet Opiela 763
 Mike Rocole 406
 Patricia Manthey, the first place finisher, was elected to a 3-year term and Edith Huettl, the second place finisher was elected to a 1-year term, both are representing the Forest County Area.
 Janet Opiela was elected to a 3-year term representing the Oconto County Area.

SCHOOL DISTRICT OF WABENO AREA 2011
 April 11 - 15
BREAKFAST MENU
MON.: Cheese omelet, oval hashbrowns
TUES.: Chocolate chip pancakes, sausage links
WED.: Ham, egg & cheese on a bun, kiwi
THURS.: Cereal, apple oatmeal cookie
FRI.: Mini corn dog, Mandarin oranges
PLEASE NOTE - JUICE, MILK & HOT CHOCOLATE AVAILABLE DAILY
 Menus are subject to change.

SCHOOL DISTRICT OF WABENO AREA 2011
 April 11 - 15
LUNCH MENU
MON.: Asian rice w/ orange sauce, chicken nuggets, orange wedges
TUES.: Turkey deli cheese sand., potato wedges w/ cheese sauce, frz. fruit novelties
WED.: Pizza casserole, mozz. stick, tropical fruit, cookie
THURS.: Hot chicken sand., seasoned fries, watermelon wedge
FRI.: Fish sticks, mac & cheese, peas & carrots, cherries
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ESTABLISHMENT OF A QUALIFIED TIMBER BIDDER'S LIST
 The Forest County Potawatomi Community is establishing a qualified bidders listing for timber sales on lands owned by the Forest County Potawatomi.
 To be included on the qualified bidders listing and bid on timber sales, Tribal policies require a logging company to be approved by the Executive Council of the Tribe and meet the following qualifications:
 1. Ability to obtain and maintain comprehensive liability and worker's compensation insurance
 2. The Ability to obtain and maintain bonding.
 3. The Ability to obtain and maintain applicable certification and/or licenses.
 4. Proof of ownership/lease arrangements of appropriate logging equipment and technical know-how.
 5. Timber Sale policies also have limitations on right to bid following contract revocation, limitations on the amount of timber under contract to a single contractor or related company and requirements for contractor to be on site 70% of the time.
 Deadline for 2011 applications is May 9th, 2011. 2-5 timber sales are expected by the end of 2011.
 Please contact Al Murray, Tribal Forester at al.murray@fcpotawatomi-nsn.gov or at 715-473-6034 for more information or to get and application for the list.

Senior Chatter
 Submitted by Kate Schultz

Drugs to help smokers quit?
Nicotine in tobacco is a very addictive drug - but several effective medications can help you stop smoking. In some cases these medicines may double your chances of quitting for good.
First step: You can increase your chances for successfully quitting by working with your health care provider. Discuss the pros and cons of various drugs to decide what's best for you.
Nicotine replacement: Over-the-counter nicotine gum or patches and prescription nasal sprays or inhalers can help reduce nicotine cravings.
Oral medication: A prescription antidepressant, *bupropion*, eases cravings by altering brain chemicals. It may also help slow weight gain.
Varenicline, another prescription product, binds more strongly to body cells than does nicotine. This helps to diminish cravings and lessen the enjoyment of smoking. In studies comparing the oral medications, varenicline was more effective at stopping smoking, but bupropion was better at preventing weight gain.
 Be sure to ask your provider about the potential side effects of the medicines and their proper use.

Energy drinks good for you?
Energy drinks promise enhanced athletic performance and a quick boost. But are they healthy? And do they live up to their claims?
 Despite the hype, energy drinks are little more than thirst quenchers high in caffeine and sugar, like typical soft drinks. Caffeine in heavy doses can be dehydrating and interfere with sleep, especially if you are caffeine-sensitive, which seems to defeat the purpose of an "energy" drink.
 Some fans of energy drinks mix them with alcohol - an unhealthy and potentially dangerous combination that could raise heartbeat and blood pressure, and lead to heart attack in some individuals. Energy drinks to relieve the effects of alcohol? Like coffee, they won't help - even if you feel sober, your blood alcohol level remains the same.
 Need a boost? Take a walk, drink water, skim or low-fat milk, and eat a healthy snack high in fiber.
Expert Advice
 Elizabeth Smoots, MC, FFAFP

TOPIC OF THE MONTH
 Eat Less Salt
MEAL SCHEDULE
CRANDON, WABENO, LAONA
MONDAY - April 11 Apple pork chops, ½ baked potato w/sour cream, broccoli, wheat dinner roll, apple crisp
MONDAY - April 18 Sauerbraten, spaetzle, sweet & sour cabbage, sliced peaches, rye roll, ice cream
CRANDON, WABENO, LAONA
TUESDAY - April 12 Creamed chicken w/veggies, over biscuits, fresh fruit, carrot cake
TUESDAY - April 19 Baked ham, scalloped potatoes, green beans, sweet potato, biscuit, strawberry mousse
CRANDON
WEDNESDAY - April 13 Tuna salad sandwich on whole wheat, cream of tomato soup, sliced pears, peanut butter cookie **BINGO IN CRANDON**
WEDNESDAY - April 20 Turkey sandwich on whole wheat, tossed salad, fresh fruit, Rice Crispy bar
LAONA
THURSDAY - April 14 Tuna salad sandwich on whole wheat, cream of tomato soup, sliced pears, peanut butter cookie

THURSDAY - April 21 Turkey sandwich on whole wheat, tossed salad, fresh fruit, Rice Crispy bar
LAONA, WABENO HOME DELIVERED
ARMSTRONG CREEK
TUESDAY - April 12 Hamburger pasta, hot dish, corn, peaches & cottage cheese, wheat bread, cookies/SF cookies **BINGO**
TUESDAY - April 19 Hot ham, sweet potatoes, mixed veggies, pears, buns, Jello cake/sf cake **MUSIC ALVIN**
THURSDAY - April 14 Spaghetti & meat balls, salad, pears, garlic bread, cookies
THURSDAY - April 21 Ham, mashed potatoes, green beans, applesauce, rolls, bars
WABENO HOME DELIVERED MENU
MONDAY, TUESDAY same as Crandon
THURSDAY same as Laona
 Please register with Commission on Aging - 478-3256.
 Crandon 715- 478-3040 (site). (9 am - 12:30). If not registered for upcoming day, please call the commission office at 478-3256.
 Laona site manager Angie Johnson 715-889-

5507 (cell) or 478-1511 (home). If not registered with Angie for upcoming day, please call the commission office at 478-3256. Meal served at noon.
 Wabeno Call site manager Jan Subert at 715-473-4333. If not registered with Jan for upcoming day please call the commission office at 478-3256.
 Armstrong Creek site manager-Shirley Maruszczak - 715-336-2218
 Alvin site number 715-545-3323
BUS SCHEDULE FOR APRIL
April 12 Tuesday: Veteran preference to Iron Mountain - Crandon, Laona, Wabeno, Armstrong Creek standby **Bus Driver: Hal Weisnicht**
April 13 Wednesday: City route - to Schaefer's / Downtown / Clinic (8:00 am - 12:00 pm) Wabeno, Laona, Blackwell to Laona and Crandon (1:00 pm-4:30 pm) **Bus Driver: Hal Weisnicht**
 Crandon, Argonne, Hiles, Three Lakes, and Sugar Camp to Rhinelander **Bus Driver: Bob Shepherd**
For Reservations Please Call the Bus Driver For That Day: Hal Weisnicht: 715-478-2961 / Bob Shepherd: 715-478-2683 *Bus requires a minimum of 4 passengers to run! Bus Driver Hal Weisnicht**



Thank You & Personals


Audrey, how the days fly by.
It was just yesterday
I was wiping away tears from your eyes.
Telling you that life throws us
challenges. That we don't like
trying to reassure you everything will be
alright. We sat up for a couple of hours
talking about life.

We laughed, cried, then I hugged you
goodnight. Before I left, as I walked out
the door, I turned and said, "You're my
baby girl. I love you always and forever
my dear. Just remember I'm always here."

If I only knew God had other plans I would of hugged you longer.
Stayed up talking for more than a couple of hours.
Audrey, no matter how fast the days fly by
Now...Today...I cry.

I carry you within me. Remembering your smile, your unique
laughter. Hearing your voice trying to reassure me,
"Everything will be alright.

We will see one another again in heavens light.
I love you always and forever my family and friends.
Just remember I'm always in your sight."
Written By: Theresa Marie Ipsa
Missin Missin U...Love Always & Forever Your Family



**To Our Brother,
Our Son,
Our Friend...**

**Jack
Flannery**
11/22/1952 - 4/6/2010


You can't choose your family,
so we guess we were just lucky to have a brother &
son like you....

We fussed and we teased, we had fights and we had
fun and always in our heart we knew that we would
do anything for you.

We forged a bond that time cannot erase and we
shared a secret smile that the world would never
understand.

You can never know how proud we are to tell the
world, "That's my brother" or "That's my son" but,
we're even prouder to say, "That's my friend."

*We love and miss you! Your best friends,
Cheri, Carol, Cliff, Peggy, Mel Jr. & Dad*




THANK YOU
to the voters
of Crandon!!

I appreciate your
support & will
do my best to
serve you well.

Rob Jaeger

Auth. and Paid for by Rob Jaeger



The Brandon Goode Family

It has been a year since the tragic accident
that claimed the life of our son, Brandon Goode.
While we tried to personally thank all those we
could think of, we realize that many people went
unrecognized.

We would like to thank all the following people:
Jodi Nuskiewicz and Dan Milan for all their help in
the days following the accident as they took so
much of the burden off of our family and never
wanted any praise, Megan Rocque who organized
the t-shirt fund-raiser that helped both families with
funeral costs, the area school softball teams that
helped with fundraising, the staff at Weber-Hill
funeral home, the fine folks at the U.S. Census
Bureau who helped in so many different ways,
all of the first responders who were on the scene
within minutes to care for our children, the doctors
and nurses who worked diligently to give our
family the best care and comfort we could ever ask
for, all of our friends, family and neighbors
without whom this struggle would have been
much worse, and to all the strangers who showed
care and compassion to our family.

Without all of these people, we don't know how
we could have made it through the past year. It is
the members of this small community that came
together in our time of crisis that makes this a
wonderful place to live! We thank you all so very
much!


Scott and Sara Goode and family

**Laona Willing Workers Hawaiian
Party**

The members of Laona Willing Workers Youth
Group had a blast on Sunday, March 20, 2011. They were
able to see a variety of rain forest animals such as snakes,
turtles, birds, and lizards. They also learned about the
animals as well as why tropical animals do not make good
pets.

After the
animal show we had a
great lunch and then
had a DJ to dance to
some great music. The
members participated in
a limbo contest, hula
hoop contest, and best
dressed Hawaiian boy
and girl contest. It may
have been snowing out
side but we wiped away
our winter blues.

We appreciate
everyone who helped
make this day possible!



Merci!

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LARRY SCHUNCK (Gopher)

Auth. & Paid for by Larry Schunck, Crandon, WI



**Holt & Balcom Logging Camp
Museum News**

Great news! The Holt & Balcom Logging Camp
Museum Restoration Committee has obtained a variance
and rezoned for the Museum property. We are now in the
final stages of getting a Certified Survey Map. There are
still a few minor details to address but we are proceeding
on schedule. Kudos to both Surveyor Harry Smith of
Northeast Survey and Attorney Bill Legee who have
donated much time and effort to our project.

The Museum will be closed this summer for
renovations. We plan to host our school tours earlier than
usual and empty the Museum on May 17. The "Boys from
Blackwell" Job Corps will be assisting with the move. The
Bartels Family has been kind enough to allow us to store
our artifacts in a nearby aircraft hanger. We will then
proceed with Phase II of the project: raise the building and
install a frost barrier beneath it.

We have hired Frank Erier Masonry and Kevin
Marshall Excavating for this part of the project, which we
hope to have done by the end of June. Then in September
we will finish the outside/windows, landscaping, etc. with
Jerry DeWane of Two Rivers as our general contractor.
They are all donating a portion of their labor to help us
keep the cost down.

Please support us in our fund-raising this year by
attending one (or all!) of our summer events. They will be
held at the McCauslin Country Club Golf Course &
Clubhouse off Highway F in Lakewood. Our 2011
inaugural event will be held on the Golf Course on June 12
starting at noon. We are calling it the Lumberjack Links
Golf Outing. This will be a really great time! The \$75 event
fee, some of which will be tax deductible, includes a full
day of fun: golfing, cash prizes, raffles, supper, and drinks.
Early registration is available for \$60 until May 15. Send
your registration to Lumberjack Links; 16965 Nicolet
Road, Townsend, WI 54175.

Then on June 25 we are hosting My Life as a
Lumberjack starring Bill Kamke as John Nelligan. There
will be two shows in the Clubhouse Dining Room, one at
2:00 p.m. and a repeat at 7:00 p.m. On July 23 we will
present Forest Fires: Then and Now by Gary Zimmer, a
retired Forest Service Firefighting Team Leader. This
lecture will be held at 1:00 p.m. A \$5.00 donation per
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23 events.

Contact Kathleen Marsh at 715-276-6515 or
kathiemarsh@yahoo.com for registration details and
more information.



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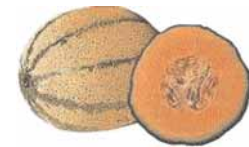
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Family Offenses	21	2
Forgery/Counterfeiting	2	0
Fraudulent Activities	12	0
Health - Safety	117	8
Invasion of Privacy	3	0
Jail Violation	8	0
Larceny	10	0
Lock Out	24	0
Obstructing Gov.	15	10
Other	28	0
Property Crimes	2	0
Public Peace	84	3
Sex Assault	3	0
Sex Offenses	2	0
Stolen Vehicle	3	0
Traffic Offense	82	12
Weapons Offense	6	0
Totals	470	43

**Nicolet AARP Chapter 1191
Nicolet AARP Discusses the
Affordable Healthcare Act**

The speaker for the March meeting of the Nicolet AARP Chapter 1191 was Gary Donaldson from the Lakewood Pharmacy. Mr. Donaldson discussed the provisions of the Affordable Healthcare Act and how that affects Medicare and the healthcare system in the United States. This was not a short presentation as there was much ground to cover and many questions were generated by the AARP members resulting in a lively discussion. There was no political agenda as Mr. Donaldson, an Independent, was speaking to a group consisting of Republicans, Democrats, and Independents. AARP has backed the Affordable Healthcare Act which is basically a healthcare insurance reform program which provides insurance reform at a time when this country really needs it. Members were comforted by the statement that the Act takes nothing from Medicare. The Act does three things which are to strengthen Medicare, correct commercial insurance, and to mandate preventative care. The United States currently has the highest cost of healthcare and yet ranks the lowest in the quality of healthcare of the twelve most industrialized countries.

The April meeting will be on April 26 starting at 6:00 p.m. This will be a pot luck dinner featuring a Dagwood Sandwich with all the trimmings. Bob Bennett would like to be called at 715-276-1355 to RSVP for this event to make sure that enough sandwiches are provided. There will also be a White Elephant Sale following dinner. Upcoming events include the Lions Health Faire in Mountain on May 7th and the Spring Fling Dinner at Lynda's Sky Harbor on May 17, 2011.

AARP meetings are regularly held on the fourth Tuesday of the month at the Lakewood Presbyterian Church at 7:00 p.m. All persons 50 and over are invited to join the local AARP Chapter. AARP meetings are social, entertaining, and informative. Contact Joyce West, Membership Chairman, at 715-276-9409. Submitted by Dick Culver, Public Relations Chairman

**Wisconsin Match of the Year:
Sue Laskowski & Lake from
Oconto County**

LAONA, Wis. Sue Laskowski and Lake, 2010 Big Brothers Big Sisters of Northeastern Wisconsin Match of the Year, have been selected as the Wisconsin Match of the Year. They are now in the running for National Match of the Year to be determined in April. The National Match of the Year is awarded a trip to the White House to meet the President. Sue and Lake both reside in Oconto County. Sue lives in Laona.

Since 1985, Sue Laskowski has spent more than 6,500 hours mentoring five youth through Big Brothers Big Sisters; each time staying matched until the youth graduated high school. Her current match with Lake started in September 2005. Lake had brothers who were matched, so when she turned 6 she was more than ready for her chance to have a mentor.

Lake and Sue have been meeting every Wednesday night since then. The fact that they live in rural Oconto County, with 30 miles separating them, never seems to deter their plans to get together. They have set an example of volunteering and giving of their time to others; brightening the lives of people they come in contact with. They write letters to two elderly ladies in assisted living homes, as well as to a soldier stationed in Iraq. They volunteer at the Lakewood library where they spend each Wednesday evening; and they top the night off by going for ice cream and talking.

Lake has made steady progress through the years. She was once a shy child and is now able to speak publicly as she did at our 2010 Appreciation dinner in front of 200 people, including providing video testimonial (www.bbbsnew.org/videos.php). Lake is on the high school high honor roll and plays in the band. She participated in basketball and served as the 2010 secretary on the student council.

Sue and Lake have kept a scrap book that chronicles their relationship. The smiles on each of their faces in the pictures are a testimony of how much this mentoring relationship has added and enriched their lives. Lake has commented that their time together has been some of the "happiest memories in my life."

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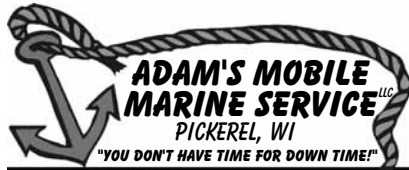
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Message to parents of prom kids

The 2011 prom season and graduation is fast approaching. The Forest County Law Enforcement Agencies want to take this opportunity to encourage all individuals that choose to participate in these events, to have an enjoyable but safe time. We ask that you have a conversation with your child regarding the importance of making smart decisions, especially with regards to the possession or consumption of alcohol and driving after drinking.

Under Wisconsin law, no one under the age of 21 can legally consume alcoholic beverages without their legal guardian present at all times. In the event that your child leaves your presence after consuming alcohol, they may be subject to a fine if caught with alcohol in their system.

As a parent, you yourself or someone you know may be planning on hosting a party where alcohol will be present. Please know that it is against the law to furnish alcoholic beverages to minors. Distributing alcohol to an underage person, other than your own child, may subject you to substantial fines and possible criminal charges. Additionally, the Wisconsin Supreme Court has ruled that if someone drinks and becomes injured in a motor vehicle accident after leaving a party where alcohol is served, that the hosting adults can be held liable for damages. These hosting adults, referred to by the courts as "Social hosts" are held liable under a civil theory of negligence if they furnish alcohol to a guest they know or should know is under the age of 21.

Lastly, Wisconsin has a zero tolerance approach when it comes to minors that choose to drive a motor vehicle after they have consumed alcohol. The law states that your child can not have even one drop of alcohol in his/her system while they are operating a motor vehicle.

We ask that you, as a parent, encourage your child to make the smart choices and take part in alcohol and drug free events. We remind you that our goal is for all to have a fun experience but safe one as well.

Thank you for your assistance and support in making this a successful prom and graduation season.

Very truly yours,

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Community Baby Shower
April 27th in Crandon

For new parents and/or parents-to-be, April showers takes on a whole new meaning as the Forest County Family Services Network hosts a community-wide baby shower on Tuesday, April 27th at the Crandon Community Building, 601 W. Washington Street.

The educational fair begins at 5:30 p.m. with a light supper and exhibits followed by programs and prizes at 6:15 p.m. Featured presentations include Baby Signs by Christine Wilberding and Preparing Your Own Baby Food by Lynn McCorkle and Terri Miller from UW-Extension. Over fifteen vendors will be on hand to provide information on baby and parenting products, breastfeeding, brain development, car seat safety, safe sleep practices and more.

The Community Baby Shower is open to the public and designed for expectant parents and families with young children under the age of one. The event is free. A light supper and door prizes will be available. "All the giveaways and door prizes are useful items for the baby or expectant mother," states Cory Dart, Service Coordinator with the Headwaters, Inc. Birth to Three Program, who is helping plan the shower. For more information, please call the Forest County Health Department at 478-3371.

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Townsend Cribbage Tournament Results

The winners for the Townsend cribbage tournament on April 3, 2011 were: 1st place Jerry Fischer, 2nd place Ron Lindsley and 3rd place Margot Bartels. The 24 hand jackpot winner was Ron Lindsley. Door prize winners were Bill Ramer and Lynn Moderow. The last day of the tournament will be Sunday April 10, 2011. Play begins at 1:00 sharp at the Townsend town hall. Everyone is welcome to play.

For more information, please call 715-276-3603.

DOUBLE TAKE By Mark Szorady

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Town of Popple River

Chairman: Calvin Peters (I) - 17
 Supervisor 2 Positions: Raymond Belunes (I) - 14,
 Jerry Gilligan (I) - 17, Clerk - Patsy A. Gilligan (I) -
 17, Treasurer- Shelly Howen (I) - 17

Town of Ross

Chairman - Kurt Bey (I) - 19, Scattering - 1
 Supervisors (2 Positions): Don Dominski (I) - 21
 Amy Jobelius (I) - 18
 Clerk - Mildred Dominski (I) - 24
 Treasurer - Suzanne Hupf (I) - 22

Town of Hiles

Chairman - Karl Tauer - 120
 Supervisor - 2 positions- Brian Bukovic - 104, Doris
 Lovrine (I) - 83
 Clerk - Cathleen Votis - 112
 Treasurer - Judy McKay - Burkey (I) - 118

Town of Wausau

Chairman - Sue Rapp - 207, Gary Davison - 142, Carla
 Van Camp - 83
 Supervisor 2 Positions - Joe LeNay Jr. - 180, Bill
 Dutton - 170, Bruce Karow - 260, Mike Lavin - 122,
 Scattering - 1
 Treasurer - Mary Statler - 292, Julie Schroeder - 113,
 Scattering - 1

Town of Lakewood

Chairperson - Joanne Roy (I) Re - Elected
 Supervisor (2 Positions) - Tom Habenstein (I) , Lee
 Spletter (I) - Re - Elected
 Clerk - Denise Jackett (I) Re - Elected
 Treasurer - Virginia Nelson (I) - 247, Gail Luther - 49

Chequamegon-Nicolet National Forest funded to enhance local kids' natural resource programs

Rhineland, WI: April 4, 2011 The U.S. Forest Service today awarded nearly \$56,000 and a Children's Forest designation to the Chequamegon-Nicolet National Forest (CNNF), in support of conservation education programs that are hosted at the Northern Great Lakes Visitor Center (NGLVC) in Ashland. These programs provide children more opportunities to experience the great outdoors, learn about nature, and build a lasting commitment to conservation and land stewardship.

"The value of expanding our programs for children must not be underestimated," said U.S. Forest Service Chief Tom Tidwell. "Young people are tomorrow's stewards of our public lands, and we have a duty to help them develop a lasting connection and passion for conservation of America's great outdoors."

This special Children's Forest designation will help to highlight the strong interagency partnerships that are based out of the NGLVC. Through the partnerships with National Park Service, US Fish and Wildlife, University of Wisconsin - Extension, Wisconsin Historical Society, Friends of the Center Alliance, quality programs for children and families have been made available for over 13 years. The Children's Forest designation will invigorate these existing partnerships as well as create new ones, in turn increasing the linkages that provide opportunities for kids to connect to nature.

"We are very pleased to be one of the National Forests to be receiving the Children's Forest designation and associated funding. This designation allows us to bring even more to the table with our ongoing work with partnerships. These partnerships are essential in helping connect the youth to their natural world," said Forest Supervisor, Paul Strong.

The Forest Service has been a leader in conservation education and recreation opportunities for more than a century. The agency's conservation education programs build on the principles of education, stewardship and skill development that result in career pathways for future stewardship leaders. These same principles support the goals identified in President Obama's America's Great Outdoors report and by First Lady Michelle Obama's Let's Move Outside campaign and can also be a catalyst to help combat the rise in childhood obesity, diabetes and heart disease.

The funding, which was already in this year's agency's budget, leverage existing partnerships and will be distributed to "More Kids in the Woods" projects and "Children's Forest" programs. Nationally, the Forest Service has committed \$1 million to these cost-share programs that build on long-term partnerships that will result in a roughly 2.5-to-1 return on the agency's investment.

The mission of the U.S. Forest Service is to sustain the health, diversity, and productivity of the nation's forests and grasslands to meet the needs of present and future generations. The agency manages 193 million acres of public land, provides assistance to state and private landowners, and maintains the largest forestry research organization in the world.

To learn more about the Chequamegon-Nicolet National Forest and the Northern Great Lakes Visitor Center visit, <http://www.fs.fed.us/r9/cnff>

Legion Post 44 "Gunless" Poultry Shoot" Sat., April 9, O'Neil's Halfway Bar

Don't miss the next American Legion "Gunless" Poultry Shoot, on Saturday, April 9, 2011, to be held at O'Neil's Halfway Bar in Mountain, starting at 1:00 PM. Bring along friends, they will be raffling off packages of meats, poultry, sausages, bacon, beverages, 50/50 raffles, gifts and Gift Certificates donated by local businesses. Come on in, win a prize and help a veteran. Everyone is welcome.

The American Legion Sylvan Post 44, Wabeno is comprised of veterans committed to helping veterans, their families and the community.

A Wimpy Car: Ramblings of a "baby boomer"

By Richard D. Ackley, Jr.
www.wolfriverbyway.org

As a member of America's Baby Boomer generation of the Post World War II economy, I can remember all kinds of what I call "wimpy" cars from the 1950s and 1960s. Now as we approach the year of our Lord 2012, some are saying the ancient Mayan calendar ends, signifying the end of our world's civilizations. Protecting our precious environment from further degradation in part comes from the way we operate our coveted family automobile. Hybrid vehicles that run both on gasoline and battery power are rolling in greater numbers off both foreign and domestic assembly lines. Bio-diesel stations that sell fuel made from corn and other crops are increasingly available in more populated areas. Soon we may all be driving wimpy electric cars which may run on ears of field corn. And although this technology is quite necessary; I am a bit saddened. As an aging baby boomer I still remember what it felt like to ride "fast and furious" back in the 1960s. The thrill of the 1964 Pontiac GTO Coupe, the 1968 Chevrolet Camaro SS 396, and 1966 Mustang Shelby GT Fastback. I long for those early rides in sports cars such as the 1960-1968 Chevrolet Corvette series and the big block 1969 Dodge HEMI Charger and the list goes on. I realize the importance of maintaining a safe clean environment for the future of mankind. I thank God every day that he gave me the chance to grow up as a member of the baby boomer generation. I remember day dreaming all day about working on my car after school with the savings earned as a "carry-out" boy at the local A & P. The chance to ride in fast cars with big block engines and the unparalleled thrill of going zero to sixty in seven seconds, slamming all four gears and pinned back against the front seat. WOW!

The unique quality about the development of the wimpy automobile was its concept of a "no frills", cheap to own and inexpensive to operate for the masses of people. The 1950s has been what can be called Detroit's Golden Age. The cars produced during those years dramatically changed the appearance of automobiles to reflect the pop culture.

The Soviet Union launched its Sputnik 1 or Elementary Satellite-1 becoming the first Earth-orbiting artificial satellite launched into an elliptical low earth orbit on 4 October 1957. This became the first in a series of satellites collectively known as the Sputnik Program. While the Russian Sputnik launch was a single event, it marked the start of the Space Race as this event caused our country to wake up. As a result the US was certainly not going to play second fiddle to any country when it involved the conquest of outer space.

Anyway, back on planet earth, believe it or not the race for space had filtered down to automobile design. Who could ever forget the Oldsmobile Rocket 88 and its so called Rocket 88 engine. Its rendition of a twin-engine rocket blasting upward was a feature of its exterior chrome accent and matching hood ornament, complete with tail lights that resembled the base of contemporary rocket engines which became quite the rage. There was a pent up demand for new cars in the fast-expanding post World War II era economy of the 1950s. The 88 appealed to many ex-military personnel who were young and had operated powerful military equipment. The 88 enjoyed great marketing success, inspiring a popular 1950s slogan, "Make a Date with a Rocket 88", and accompanied by a song, "Rocket 88", often considered the very first rock and roll record. Starting with the trunk-lid emblem of the 1950 model, Oldsmobile would adopt the rocket as its logo, and the 88 name would ultimately remain in the Olds lineup until the late 1990s, almost until the end of the Oldsmobile line itself.

Unlike the fabulous features and designs of emerging space age themed sports cars such as the Chevrolet Corvette for example, the Ford Thunderbird, as well as the flamboyant exteriors and interiors of the big Chryslers and Buicks; the wimpy car simply ambled across the landscape virtually unnoticed.

Cars in the later fifties were exceedingly ornately trimmed. Lots of big and gaudy chrome bumpers in concert with fenders and hood ornaments glistened in the sun. Inside, special accents of chrome window knobs, door locks, door handles and dashboards gleamed and sparked to appeal to the eye and to the touch. The big luxurious vehicles offered owners a mobile status symbol with bright colors and chrome making an artificial aerodynamic statement with the use of unusually large extended tail fins. The design of the cars of the 1950s with the exaggerated tail fin has never been duplicated. These fins did not help with vehicle speed, nor improve engine performance in any way, but the unique and elaborate quality created stylistic parallels throughout the auto industry.

Power steering, power brakes and automatic transmissions were emerging as features which new car buyers could expect in their vehicle. Long and sleek, many American automobiles generally obtained poor gas mileage in a time when gas was plentiful and very reasonably priced. Way back then, air conditioning was a special "add-on" feature as well as tinted windows and these big cars had enormously large trunk space.

One of the common pranks by youth back then was to find out how many kids could hide inside the trunk so as to get into places like drive-in movies and area county fairs. I even participated once back in 1965 when gaining access to a rural southern Ohio hot rod drag strip.

An important point to note is that during the 1950s and 60s each year the body style changed dramatically as if to outdo a

previous year. The 1955 Chevrolet versus 1957 and then onto the was a period in which many countries experienced a severe gasoline shortage, spurred mainly by an oil-embargo against the United States and other pro-Israeli countries by the Organization of Arab Petroleum Exporting Countries and later, by the Iranian revolution in 1979. Until the fuel shortage occurred in the United States, domestic auto manufacturers had been creating cars that were increasingly large and powerful, referred to as "muscle cars" but had not placed much focus on fuel efficiency. In 1970, the federal United States Environmental Protection Agency was established.

When gasoline became scarce and expensive, popularity soared for small, fuel efficient automobiles, most of them from overseas. The Volkswagen Beetle continued to sell well and companies such as Toyota and Honda began exporting their fuel-efficient vehicles to America in ever greater numbers. Early Toyotas and Hondas were not known for being attractive, but they were known for requiring fewer trips to the gas station, where lines were long and, in many areas, the amount of fuel a customer could purchase was rationed. If anyone still remembers the wimpy 1971 Honda 600 two-door hatchback, will probably most remember how tiny it was. I think a golf cart had more room! By the 1974 model year, the emission standards had tightened such that the de-tuning techniques used to meet them were seriously reducing engine efficiency and thus increasing fuel usage. The new emission standards for 1975 model year, as well as the increase in fuel usage, forced the invention of the catalytic converter for after-treatment of the exhaust gas. This was not possible with existing leaded gasoline because the lead residue contaminated the platinum catalyst. In 1972, General Motors proposed to the American Petroleum Institute the elimination of leaded fuels for 1975 and later model year cars. The production and distribution of unleaded fuel was a major challenge, but it was completed successfully in time for the 1975 model year cars. All modern cars are now equipped with catalytic converters and unleaded fuel can now be found almost everywhere. The drawback was that you could be prosecuted if you modified or tampered with your personal automobile's exhaust system. During the 1980s and 1990s, American car manufacturers recognized that they were losing a great deal of the car market to foreign auto makers. That led to American car companies such as General Motors to create their own lines of small, fuel efficient vehicles.

One of the most successful lines of small, fuel efficient wimpy American cars was the Geo line. The Geo Metro, a small, bubble-shaped hatchback, was built around a 3-cylinder motor that got close to 50 miles per gallon on the highway.

General Motors introduced the Geo line during a time when fuel was expensive and plentiful. Consumers soon grew less interested in small, fuel efficient wimpy cars and more interested in large "status" vehicles such as luxury sedans and sport utility vehicles, which featured more room and more power but significantly, lower fuel efficiency.

Although the production of fuel-efficient, gasoline-powered cars has risen and fallen with the price and availability of gasoline in the consumer market, attempts to produce a vehicle that does not run on gasoline have been ongoing. In fact, many early cars ran on electricity, although they never became popular. Experimental cars that run on battery power, water, and biologically-derived fuels have been produced by engineers, car companies, and universities for decades. Most early alternative fuel vehicles proved to be cost-prohibitive, however, and not in high demand in the marketplace. Although they did not require gasoline, they were expensive to manufacture and maintain and yes...still very wimpy.

A new urgency due to rising fuel costs and limited fuel supplies has led to a renewed public demand for fuel-efficient vehicles. Environmentally conscious consumers are interested in driving the so called environmentally friendly "green" vehicles that have both a lower impact on the planet and on their pocketbooks.

This new urgency for what I maintain is still a wimpy car has resulted in new efforts to create cars that run on alternative fuels and to create cars that have greater fuel efficiency. The United States government has responded with stricter standards that tie greater fuel efficiency standards to requirements that the auto industry produce cars with a lesser impact on the environment.

Hybrid vehicles that run both on gasoline and battery power are rolling in greater numbers off both foreign and domestic assembly lines. Bio-diesel stations that sell fuel made from corn and other crops are increasingly available in more populated areas. And now with gasoline anticipated to climb to five dollars per gallon, we all shall soon be driving wimpy electric cars which may be fueled on ears of Indiana field corn...blah! Imagine yourself tooling around in a 71 horsepower General Motors "Smart ForTwo...yikes, I can't!"

We will have to adjust to plugging our car into an electric outlet before we go to bed and might be just lucky enough to make a 150-mile round trip the next day. Wow, think of the trip planning possibilities to Auntie Em's out in the land of OZ of Kansas!

As an aging baby boomer I always long for the 1960s and the heydays of the big block engines of cars such as the 1964 Pontiac GTO Coupe, 1968-69 Chevrolet Camaro SS 396, 1966-70 Mustang Shelby GT Fastback, 1960-1968 Chevrolet Corvette series, the 1969 Dodge HEMI Charger and the list goes on. I know it is vital that we maintain a way of life which promotes a safe clean environment for the future of all mankind. Fred Flintstone and Barney Rubble used their feet to propel their stone age cars...an interesting concept. "Not!"

I thank God every day that he gave me the chance to grow up as a member of the baby boomer generation. The chance to ride in fast cars with big engines and I remember the thrill of going fast! WOW! The lyrics of the 1960s Beach Boys tunes "She's Real Fine my 409" still rings in my head. I think I may just hang onto my Cadillac Escalade and might be in the market for an "eleven miles per gallon" Bently Mulsanne. "Ok, ok...just kidding!"

In summary my stomach is starting to growl. "Can somebody please head over and grab me a bag of Wimpy hamburgers?" "Oh, take my car...hey wait, wait you've got to unplug it first you moron!"



Wabeno Students Honored at Lions' Banquet



Back Row (L to R): Miranda Vogel, Kory Schaal, Brad McLaughlin, guest speaker Jodie Harris, Cody Rabinek, and Marissa Popp

Front Row (L to R): Erica Keller, Stephanie Prasser, Heather Huettl, Hali Nygard, and Stephanie Harris

The Wabeno Lions Club honored ten Wabeno High School students at its 36th Annual Student Honors Banquet on Monday, April 4, at Indian Springs. Each year, the Lions ask teachers from Wabeno High School to select a student that can be called outstanding in that teacher's particular field of study. They are the students of whom teachers can say "This is the student that I can point to as an example for other students in my classes to follow." The students and their teachers are then guests at a banquet at which the teachers talk briefly about the students and present them with award certificates designed by the Lions Club. Parents/guardians; other faculty, school staff, administration, and school board members; a guest speaker; and Lions Club members also attend.

This year's honored students were senior Brad McLaughlin (son of Tim and Penny McLaughlin of Wabeno) in technology education, senior Erica Keller (daughter of Dale and Mary Ellen Keller of Lakewood) in vocal music, senior Kory Schaal (son of Stewart and Darla Schaal of Lakewood) in social studies, junior Stephanie Harris (daughter of Scott and Lois Harris of Wabeno) in mathematics, senior Heather Huettl (daughter of Teresa Huettl of Wabeno) in English, junior Marissa Popp (daughter of Dick and Betsy Popp of Townsend) in life science, senior Cody Rabinek (son of Tammy Rabinek of Lakewood) in physical science, freshman Miranda Vogel (daughter of Renee Gust of Wabeno) in art, sophomore Hali Nygard (daughter of Charles and Bonnie Nygard of Townsend) in foreign language, and sophomore Stephanie Prasser (daughter of Robert and Cheri Prasser of Lakewood) in instrumental music.

In addition to an excellent meal, the students and guests were treated to a talk by guest speaker Jodie Harris, a 1997 graduate of Wabeno High School. Jodie was a Lions Honor Student in 1996. As a high school student, she was involved in volleyball, fall plays and spring musicals, Forensics, Project Charlie, and tutoring.

She graduated from Bellin College of Nursing in May 2002, with a bachelors of science degree in nursing. She currently works as a maternal child health nurse at the Forest County Potawatomi Health and Wellness Center. She has spent the last 7 1/2 years working with pregnant women, their infants and children, educating them about prenatal, postpartum, and infant care in a community health setting.

She grew up in Lakewood, the daughter of Mike and Sharon Flynn. She and her husband Willie live in Carter where they are raising their three small children: Jackson, Elise, and Jaycee.

In addition to the Wabeno High School Student Honors Banquet, future Wabeno Lions sponsored events will include a dinner for local senior citizens on April 29 and the Wabeno High School Senior Banquet on May 11. The Lions will also select high school seniors to receive scholarships and service awards. The Wabeno Lions, whose motto is "We Serve," also financially support many other school and community activities. Those interested in becoming part of the Wabeno Lions Club should contact any member.



(L to R): Lion President Alan Harrison, guest speaker Jodie Harris, and banquet chairperson Nancy Volk

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Wabeno 4th graders study logging history



Mike Monte visited Mrs. Kalata's and Mr. Asleson's fourth graders at Wabeno Elementary to discuss his book on logging off the woods of northern Wisconsin. The fourth graders have been studying the history of Forestry in Wisconsin.

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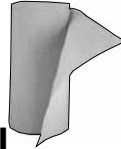
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