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LHS/WHS Present Spring Musical March 18th-20th



The cast and crew of *Twelve Nights*

The Laona/Wabeno Rebel Drama Department is proud to present their brand new musical romantic comedy, *Twelve Nights*. The show will run March 18th through the 20th at the WHS Auditorium.

Twelve Nights is a modern language mash-up of two classic Shakespeare comedies, *The Twelfth Night* and *The Comedy of Errors*. Set at a posh modern Mediterranean resort, the story revolves around Viola Janus, an American college girl searching for her missing mother. In order to avoid the dangers faced by a girl traveling alone, Viola passes herself off as her twin brother Sebastian. Little does Viola know, the real Sebastian is already on the same island seeking their mother and staying as a guest at the resort where Viola has taken a job. The gender swap and misidentifications cause mayhem when Viola falls in love with Duke Orsino while accidentally charming the beautiful young Countess Olivia into falling in love with Viola's version of the boy "Sebastian." The twins navigate a sea of colorful characters and near misses on their way to the inevitable happy ending.

Director Nick J. Lowery comments on the formula for the show, "Take a time-tested story by Shakespeare, throw in a few smugglers, a bumbling inspector, a combative little drunkard, a celebrity psychiatrist, embezzlers, clever waitresses, a sweet old uncle with a few tricks up his sleeve, a lovesick jester, and an odd fascination with pineapples...and you have a recipe for a silly, funny, romantic good time. Add a dash of music spanning time from the late 1950's to today, and you have something that appeals to nearly everyone's taste. We even have a brand new rap by A-Train weaved in with a Patsy Cline classic. That's how we cooked up *Twelve Nights*."

The cast is led by five seniors, Teagen Bodoh as Viola, Kaitlyn Ashbeck as the kindhearted smuggler

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St. Patrick's Day Parade Pickerel on Saturday, March 12



It will be a fun day in Pickerel on Saturday, March 12th, when the 27th Annual St. Patrick's Day Parade is held. The parade starts at noon and will pass from DD to Hwy 55. There will be festivities throughout the town, so go and have some fun! (The photo above is from our files.)

Running for political office? The Pioneer will give you a free introduction to the voters

Each election cycle, this publication offers a free announcement and an introduction of the candidates to the voters.

Any would-be politician can submit their personal information, their goals if elected and any other pertinent data to this office for free publication. Only one free submission is allowed, and a picture may be included.

This is not a free venue to make accusations or berate your opponent. It is entirely about the person seeking political office.

Ruffed Grouse Society Banquet in Crandon on April 2nd

On Saturday evening, April 2nd, the Nicolet/Wild Rivers Chapter of the Ruffed Grouse Society will be holding its 25th Anniversary Conservation Banquet at the Crandon Community Center. Doors open at 5:15 PM. Tickets for the banquet are \$50 for individuals and include a membership and dinner. Tickets for a member and a spouse are \$70 and tickets for children are \$25 each. Funds generated at this banquet will be used to improve habitat for ruffed grouse and woodcock in Northeastern Wisconsin and support local activities including high school trap team programs in the area.

Banquet Chairman Craig Williams says, "Our chapter has steadily grown over the last 25 years to become one of the top Ruffed Grouse Society banquets in the country. Last year's event ranked number seven in the country and enabled our chapter to support a significant amount of ruffed grouse and woodcock habitat enhancements in the area as well as outdoor related programs for our youth."

Since its inception, the Ruffed Grouse Society has provided over 4 million dollars for 700 projects in 28 states, encompassing more than a half a million acres. In Wisconsin alone, local chapters like the Nicolet/Wild Rivers Chapter have generated over \$900,000 used to improve approximately 160,000 acres of wildlife habitat on over 120 projects, including 16 projects in the Florence, Forest and Oconto County area.

"Our volunteer committee is working hard to make our 25th anniversary event special for all attendees. We appreciate all the support and donations we receive from local businesses that help make this event happen", states Williams.

For information or tickets to the April 2 banquet, contact Dave Ziolkowski at 715-336-2523 or Craig Williams at 715-478-0981.

Forest County snowmobile trail closing

by David W. Ziolkowski
Forest County Forest Administrator

All Forest County State funded snowmobile and ATV Trails will officially close as of Monday, March 7, 2016.

Forest County Ordinance prohibits the use of ATV/UTV's on all State funded trails in Forest County during this closure.

The Nicolet State Trail and Wolf River State Trails will reopen for hiking, biking, horseback riding, dual sport cycles and ATV/UTV use on May 1, 2016.

Elcho Community Food Pantry Grand Re-Opening

The Elcho Area Community Food Pantry will hold a Grand Re-Opening on March 19, 2016 at 11224 Antigo St, Elcho, located in the Hatfield Law Office Plaza across from the Elcho Shell Station.

After 30 years as an Outreach Ministry, in a small storage room in the basement of the Elcho United Church of Christ, the EACFP has expanded to become a full service food pantry. The food pantry is now a nonprofit organization governed by a board that includes members from all four churches in the Elcho area; St. Luke's Lutheran Church, Holy Family Catholic Church, Upper Room Community Church and the Elcho United Church of Christ, along with advisors from the Board of Education, Elcho Township and a charitable organization, currently Elcho-Pelican Lioness.

The Food Pantry is open: Monday, 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.; Wednesday, 4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.; Thursday, 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Mole Lake Casino and Sokaogon Chippewa Health Clinic Community Blood Drive

The Mole Lake Casino and Sokaogon Chippewa Health Clinic will host a community blood drive on Wednesday, March 16, from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. The blood drive will be located in the Great Marten Room of the Mole Lake Casino Conference Center.

To schedule an appointment, please call Linda at 715-478-5180 or The Community Blood Center at 1-800-280-4102.

All donors will be entered into a raffle to receive 1 free night in a Deluxe Double Queen room, \$20.00 in Free Play and \$20.00 for a meal at Café Manoomin.



A pair of pileated woodpeckers hunt for an insect lunch

Meeting on planting muskie in Metonga March 23rd

Contributed by Les Schramm

This important message is for all Lake Metonga property owners, local area residents, friends and tourists. There is an informational open meeting on March 23rd, at 6:00 p.m. at the Crandon High School. Greg Matzke, DNR fishery biologist for Florence and Forest County, will be proposing to stock Muskies in Lake Metonga in the fall of 2016. It appears that Matzke will present a proposal at this March 23rd meeting with minimal notification to the public. Apparently, Wisconsin open meeting law only requires at least 24 hours to notify the public as to any government meeting. To date, there hasn't been any public notice. The Boundary Waters Musky Club will be in favor of Matzke's proposal.

Consider these Metonga fishery facts: Metonga Association, with the joint cooperation and funding from the Mole Lake Tribe, stocked 10,000 walleye fingerlings in 2007 and 2008 (shared cost with the tribe--\$10,000). Also the tribes fishery biologist, Mike Preul, harvested and incubated walleye spawn and stocked a total of 8.5 million fry in 2009, 2010, and 2012. As a further plan to increase walleye population, the Mole Lake Tribe chose not to spear walleyes in 2009, 2010, and 2011. Also for the last 6 years, Mike has directed the harvesting of bullheads in his fishery plan and this effort has had a very positive impact on the population of walleyes and perch. Further, the walleye angular harvest size was increased from 15 inches to 18 inches. A bag limit of (3) was set by the DNR.

Result: All this effort, cost, and Tribal participation, plus a very positive natural reproduction, has increased the walleye population in Metonga from 0.6 mature walleyes per acre in 2004 to 4.9 in 2013. The DNR is going to do a walleye population assessment again in 2016.

The result is Lake Metonga is probably one of the best walleye and now perch fisheries in Wisconsin. That's why it's extremely important to attend this informational meeting. You'll find out the facts about stocking muskies in Metonga and you'll be able to voice your opinion. Is it a benefit?

Will muskies control the bullhead and sucker population or will it have a negative impact on the current walleye, perch, and smallmouth bass fishery and should not be stocked?

1st Annual "The Big House" Legionnaire Mud Challenge

Community Connect LLC, in partnership with the Forest County Economic Development Partnership, has announced that it will be holding an exciting new event in Forest County this summer. On Saturday, July 23rd 2016, they will be holding a 5K & 10K mud challenge at Crandon International Off-Road Raceway.

"We are excited to be holding an event in Forest County that promotes physical activity, teamwork and, of course, FUN", states Stacey Jameson, Director of Community Connect LLC. "The Big House Legionnaire Mud Challenge will feature over 15 obstacles: some small, some big, some creative and some a bit wild. Taking part in this event is all about taking on obstacles in your life, overcoming them, and feeling a great sense of accomplishment".

Jameson indicates that this is a race designed for personal challenge and the goal is to complete the course. Amateurs, competitive and elite athletes will be competing

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Wabeno/Laona Rebels Basketball



The Wabeno/Laona Rebels played their first regional game against Menominee Indian Eagles last Tuesday night. The first half ended tied at 33. Rebels then took control of the boards in the second half snaring a season high 27 defensive boards with Brandon Fronek & Ryan Brauer each grabbing 6!

The Rebels ended game one of regionals winning 83-58 and advanced to game two against the Oconto Blue Devils on Friday night. The Rebels put up a pretty good fight against the much larger Oconto Blue Devils ending the first half slightly down 28-33. The Blue Devils launched an aerial attack early in the 2nd half pouring in 47 points as the Rebels slowly ran out of gas losing 57-80.

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On March 11th and March 18th, the Crandon School District is having an open house from 11:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. for parents interested in Four-Year-Old Kindergarten during the 2016-2017 school year. Any interested parents can fill out an enrollment form for their child on this day.

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

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

You are invited to
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 at
 at 
Trinity Ev. Lutheran Church (WELS)
 1741 Forest Ave., Wabeno
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Palm Sunday - March 20
 Church 9:30 a.m. - Brunch 11 a.m.



The Rebels ended their season 20-3. The Rebel boys teams will be losing five outstanding seniors this year. We wish all the seniors the best of luck in their future; Ryan Brauer, Brandon Fronek, Isaiah Joyce, Jordan Schuhart and Kordell VanZile.

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We are asking community members to bring home baked goods that we can then sell to raise funds for the shelter. Items should be dropped off after 7 a.m. at the main store entrance.

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March is Nutrition Month

This year the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics campaign is "Savor the Flavor of Eating Right." Everyone is encouraged to take time to enjoy food traditions and appreciate the pleasures, great flavors and social experiences food can add to our lives. How, when, why, and where we eat are just as important as what we eat. Enjoy the sights, sounds, memories and interactions associated with your meals. Develop a mindful eating pattern that includes nutritious and flavorful foods. Take time to find creative, healthful and nutritious ways to add flavor to food.

The new 2015-2020 Dietary Guidelines and MyPlate recommendations are a good resource to help get ideas. The Health Department has many handouts available if you would like to stop by the courthouse.

In celebration of Nutrition Month, the Forest County CAN (Coalition for Activity and Nutrition) will be offering a trail mix taste test at the schools, meal sites and libraries in March. Edith Evans Community Library will be hosting a "Healthy Smoothie Challenge" on March 15th at 5:30 p.m. You can call the library at 715-674-4751 for more information.

For more information please refer to the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics at <http://www.eatright.org/>

Wabeno Post 44 American Legion Social

Enjoy the fellowship of your comrades at Mulligan's Bar & Grill, Lakewood, on April 4, 2016. Cocktails 5:00 p.m. and dinner at 6:00 p.m. Reservations/payment with check payable to Mulligan's Bar & Grill in the amount of \$11.00 includes tax and tip, should be sent to April Hostess Don & Karen Prueter, 16148 Peninsula Drive, Mountain, WI 54149.

For information, contact Don & Karen Prueter (715-276-2214). Reminder postcards are being mailed to persons attending at least one of the 2015-16 socials. All that is required to receive notice by postcard is to attend one of the socials. Dates of socials are listed in the Bugler Newsletter, submitted to the newspapers and posted at the Legion Hall.

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Spring Musical Cont. from pg. 1

Captain Antonia, Sarah Jennings as the Countess Olivia, Leslie Lukas and Amelia Weber as the clever and loyal waitresses Mariah and Fabiana. Featured guest star is Kimberly Odekirk as the new deputy with a big secret. Juniors in the cast are Kaylee Babich as Daisy, Sarah Matuszewski as the Inspector, Kelci Godin as Carmen, Olivia Kralovetz as Zoe, and Maggie Warner as Malvolia. Sophomores are Cassidy Ashbeck as Doctor Pinch, Maggie Chickey as Claire, Hannah Christianson in several roles, Ellie Donaldson as Feste the Jester, and Max Skenandore as Duke Orsino. Freshmen are Michael Austin as Uncle Toby, Madelyn Korbas as Lake, Aidan W. Lowery as Sebastian, and Angelique Muthig-Raabe in several roles. Seventh grader Conor Patrick Lowery plays Andrew Aguecheek. The play was written by Nick Ireland. Nick J. Lowery directs; Mary Ellen Keller is the music director; Patrick Lowery is the tech director; Stephanie Conforti is the costume designer; Raletta Ashbeck is a key parent volunteer. Mason Wamego is stage manager. Ian McKenna and Noah Exferd are lead light and sound techs.

Reserved seating advance tickets will go on sale at both high school offices on March 11th. Advance tickets are \$5.00. Tickets will be \$7.00 at the door. Friday and Saturday shows are at 7 PM. Sunday show is at 1 PM. Box office opens half an hour before showtime.

14th Annual Memories and Melodies event Saturday, April 16

Rhineland, WI - March 8, 2016 - The Alzheimer's Association Greater Wisconsin Chapter announces the 14th Annual Memories and Melodies event Saturday, April 16 at Holiday Acres Resort in Rhineland. The event kicks off at 5:00 pm and will include an incredible evening of Hors d'oeuvres, cocktails, raffles and silent auctions. Music provided by local musician, Dave Drivas.

Tickets are \$45/person and can be purchased by visiting www.alz.org/gwwi and clicking on "Local Events" or by phoning the Alzheimer's Association Outreach Office at 715.845.7440.

Funds raised will support programs and services of the Alzheimer's Association including information and referral, community workshops, professional training, safety services, research and a toll-free 24/7 Helpline that can be reached any time at 1.800.272.3900.



Death Notices

Harry W. Shields, 85, a resident of Laona, passed away at his home on March 3, 2016. A Celebration of Life will take place at the family home in Wildwood, IL on March 12, 2016, from 1p.m. to 5 p.m. Weber-Hill Funeral Home is assisting the family with arrangements and online condolences may be left for the family at weberhillfuneralhome.com.

Lucille A. Poler, 2 of Mole Lake, WI, passed away Friday, March 4, 2016 at St. Joseph Hospital, Marshfield, WI.

Lucille was born September 15, 2013 in Rhinelander, the daughter of Steven Poler III and Sheena Tuckwab and Stevie Tuckwab Jr. and Sylvia Vandriver.

LuLu liked to dance, watch her cartoons, play dress-up along with trying on shoes. She especially loved her older brother and sister.

Surviving LuLu are her parents, Steven, Sheena, Stevie and Sylvia; sister, Natalia Tuckwab; brother, Maurice Poler.; maternal grandparents, Laurie Olds and Steve Tuckwab Sr.; paternal grandparents, Christine McGeshick and Steve Poler Jr.; maternal great - grandparents, Myra Pitts; paternal great - grandparents, Marie Poler (Mimmi) and Archie McGeshick (Bunker); aunt, Shavonn Jane Tuckwab; uncle, Dakota Tuckwab and numerous aunts and uncles.

She was preceded in death by her beloved great-grandmother, Lucille J. Olds; great - grandfathers, Robert S. Olds Sr., George Stuart Tuckwab Sr., and Steven Poler Sr.; great - grandmother, Maureen Zarda (Cowie) and aunts and uncles.

Services were held at 1:00 p.m. on Wednesday, March 9, at the Weber-Hill Funeral Home. Visitation was held from 9:30 a.m. until the time of services at the funeral home. Weber-Hill Funeral Home is assisting with the arrangements and online condolences for the family may be directed to weberhillfuneralhome.com.

William W. Dault, 71 of Laona, WI, passed away Tuesday, March 1, 2016 at the Oscar G. Johnson VA Medical Center, Iron Mountain, MI. William was born April 27, 1944 in Laona, WI, the son of Walter and Ethel (Belongia) Dault. He served in the U.S. Army during Vietnam Era and was a member of the VFW Post 6823 in Laona. William was united in marriage to Darlene Collins April 29, 1967 in Laona.

He is survived by his wife, Darlene; daughter, Delayne (Lee) Evans of Milwaukee; son, William Dault of Milwaukee; granddaughter, Elicia; sisters, Adele (Joe) Tremil of Laona; Linda (Dave) Wilson of Crandon and Mary (Mike) Lehmann of Rhinelander.

Services were held at 11:00 a.m. on Monday, March 7, at the Weber-Hill Funeral Home Chapel. Deacon Jerry Cross officiated and Military Rites followed. Visitation was held on Monday, March 7, 2016 from 9:30 a.m. to time of services. Online condolences for William may be directed to weberhillfuneralhome.com.

Lawana F. Sheldon, 75 of Rhinelander, WI, passed away Sunday, March 6, 2016 at St. Clare's Hospital, Weston.

Lawana was born August 2, 1940 in Laona, daughter of Jack and Verla (Cunningham) Lafferty.

She was united in marriage to Phillip Sheldon on May 16, 1959 in Crandon.

She was a member of the Kingdom Hall of Jehovah Witness in Rhinelander.

Lawana enjoyed playing cards, dancing, writing poetry, making wedding cakes, and most of all spending time with her family.

She is survived by her husband of 57 years, Phillip; daughters, Rhonda Isaac and Carlene Adolphus of Rhinelander; son, Phillip (Dawn) Sheldon of Newald; 12 grandchildren; 14 great - grandchildren; sister, LaLonnice Lafferty of Rhinelander; brothers, Darrel Lafferty of Rhinelander, Lanny Lafferty of Laona and Donald (Diane) Lafferty of AZ.

She was preceded in death by her parents; son, Kevin Sheldon and sisters-in-law, Irene and Linda Lafferty.

Services were held at 12:00 p.m. on Friday, March 11, 2016 at the Weber-Hill Funeral Home Chapel, Crandon, with Cyrus Floyd officiating. Visitation was held on Friday, March 11, 2016 from 10:00 a.m. until time of services at the Weber-Hill Funeral Home. Online condolences may be directed to weberhillfuneralhome.com. Per family request, donations may be made to the family.



Dolores Marian Cummings, age 86 passed away peacefully on Thursday, March 3, 2016 with her husband at her side.

Dolores was born in Hobart, Indiana, on April 26, 1929 to Robert and Flora (Goebel) Leeson. She graduated from

Wausaukee High School in 1947 in Wausaukee, Wisconsin, while living on the family farm in McAllister, Wisconsin.

After high school, Dolores worked at the Scott Paper Company in Marinette, WI, before becoming a member of the working staff at The Wausaukee Club, where she met the love of her life, Earl (Chip) Cummings. They were married in October, 1949 and celebrated 66 years of marriage this past October, 2015.

Dolores and Earl (Chip) lived in Wausaukee, Crandon, Rhinelander and Apache Junction, AZ. They enjoyed their retirement since 1988 immensely with summers spent on beautiful Lake Lucerne in Crandon, WI and their winters in Apache Junction, AZ. Most recently, Chip and Dee resided at Moraine Ridge Assisted Living in Green Bay, WI.

Dolores had the gift of being able to play musical instruments with little or no instruction. She played the trumpet in high school band that led to an uncanny ability to navigate the ivories, which she was able to do well into her 80's. Her German heritage was evident by her constant love of baking and constant chants of "c'mon, there is plenty to eat".

Surviving Dolores are her loving and caregiving husband, Earl Sr. of Green Bay; sons, Earl Jr. (Peg) Cummings of New Franken, WI and Gerald (JoAnne) Cummings of Crandon; two grandchildren, Jennifer (Justin) Massey of Luxemburg, WI and Katie (Joel) Neumann of Green Bay; three great - grandchildren, Mikaela and Jacob Massey and Grayson Neumann; sister, Leona (Ed) Petrie of Green Bay and Helen (Wes) Johnson of Sheboygan Falls, WI; and several nieces and nephews.

Preceding her in death, daughter, Carol (Cummings) Spencer; two grandchildren, Paul III and Colleen Spencer; parents, Bob and Flo Leeson; along with 7 other brothers and sisters.

A memorial service for Dolores was held on Friday, March 11, at 11:00 a.m. at St. Luke's United Methodist Church in Crandon. Rev. Richard Rogers officiated. Visitation was from 9:30 a.m. until the time of service at the church. Weber-Hill Funeral Home is assisting the family with arrangements and online condolences may be left for the family at weberhillfuneralhome.com.

The family would like to thank all those caregivers at Moraine Ridge, Heartland Hospice and those that offered comfort through prayers and messages over the past months. Once again, the spirit and unending value of coming from small communities in the great state of Wisconsin has proven to be of high value.

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.

I am disappointed that the Pioneer Express would print a very misleading piece by Senator Ron Johnson regarding the Labor Department's new rule on protecting consumers (Feb. 29,2016). Is this the no good very bad law Senator Johnson says it is? Let's look at the facts.

According to Investment News, the Labor Department's proposal seeks to strengthen investment advice rules for financial advisers working with 401 (k) and individual retirement accounts. These advisers will now be required to act in their clients' best interests and disclose not only their compensation but potential conflicts of interest. It includes penalties for advisers who "violate the trust of their clients."

To me, this law seems like long-overdue common sense. It's hard to believe that up until now, investment counselors did NOT have to act in their clients' best interests, did NOT need to disclose what their services cost clients, and did NOT have to disclose potential conflicts of interest.

Case in Point: Some friends were the victims of the malpractice this bill addresses. They invested their entire nest egg with a trusted financial planner who sold them an annuity promising a steady stream of income for life. Of course, he took his healthy fee up front. What he did not reveal was that the investment tool he talked them into buying was wholly dependent on the shaky sub-prime mortgage market. When the economic meltdown occurred in 2007, this couple's world came crashing down around them. The adviser felt terrible; he even apologized before calling security to escort them out of his office. But there was nothing they could do. He walked away; they lost the retirement money they had spent four decades saving. Had this law been in place ten years ago, their story might have had a very different ending.

I wonder. Don't small town newspapers, the only newspapers most people in the northwoods read, have a fiduciary responsibility to their readers too? Politicians send out press releases on a routine basis. Is it too much to ask that editors carefully vet the ones they print?

Kathleen Marsh
Townsend
715-276-6515

Editor's response:

We try to publish press releases that apply to this area from all of our elected representatives. We may or may not agree with those press releases, but leave it to the reader to decide if they agree with that elected official or not. We also do not care what political party they belong to.

I would think that the proper place to complain would be with Senator Johnson's office and not with the person who brought his thoughts to the readers. It would be impossible to select only those releases that make all of our readers happy with the thoughts and actions of the elected representative.

By all means, express your displeasure with your senator, and please don't kill the messenger!

Mike Monte - Editor

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The Town of Wabeno is accepting bids for Technology improvements. A complete description can be picked up at the Wabeno Town Hall at 4473 North Branch Street or call 715-473-4333 and one will be mailed to you.

Bids will be accepted until noon on Friday, April 8, 2016.

Highway Weight Limit Notice

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SPRING WEIGHT LIMITS WILL BE IN EFFECT ON ALL POSTED FOREST CO. COUNTY HIGHWAYS

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

Forest County Highway Committee
 John H. Rogers, Commissioner

Bids & Notices

Child Development Day

The School District of Wabeno Area will be conducting a developmental screening for young children living in the district. This event is for children whose birthdays fall between September 1, 2011 and August 31, 2013. Children will be screened through observation in a natural play setting. Speech and language, motor and social skills will be evaluated.

The screening will be held at Wabeno Area Elementary School, 4346 Mill Lane, Wabeno, on Wednesday, March 23, 2016.

If you have a child in this age range and have not yet scheduled an appointment, please call the Elementary school at 715-473-3633.

FOR SALE: Ash paneling, \$1.75 sq. ft. and cherry paneling, \$2 sq. ft. Call for information at 715-889-1503. Betc38

BIDS WANTED

The School District of Crandon

The School District of Crandon is accepting bids for waste and recycling services.

There is a detailed request for proposal (RFP) that is available at the district office. Any organization interested in bidding needs to contact **Edward Then at 715-478-6119 or thenedwa@sdoferandon.com** to receive a copy of the RFP. **The deadline for proposals will be April 15, 2016 at 4:00 p.m.** District office hours are 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.

FOR SALE: Oak firewood. Call 715-889-3205 for more information. B51

Regular Meeting
Laona Board of Education
Monday, March 14, 2016 – 5:30 p.m.
Room 24 – C. L. Robinson Elementary School

1. Call to Order
2. Pledge of Allegiance - Melissa McLaughlin
3. Approval of the Agenda
4. Public Forum (10 minutes)
5. Consent Agenda

- A. Meeting Minutes
- B. Bills and Claims

6. Items for Discussion and/or Action

- A. Football Conference Realignment
- B. Senior Class Field Trip Chaperones
- C. Additional Staffing Request for 2016-17 School Year
- D. 66.03 Shared Services Agreement with School District of Wabeno Area
- E. Renewal of Bus Contract with Lamers Bus Lines
- F. Course and Youth Options for Fall 2016
- G. 2016-17 School Year Calendar
- H. Resignation
- I. Hiring - Junior High Volleyball Coach
- J. Discussion - School Forest Use

7. Informational Items:

- A. Business Manager's Report
- B. High School Principal's Report
- C. Administrator's Report
- D. Board Member Reports

8. Enter Closed Session pursuant to Wisconsin Statutes 19.85(1)(c) for considering employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility.

- A. 2016-17 Personnel
- B. Support Staff Compensation
- C. District Administrator Contract

9. Return to Open Session to possibly take action on items discussed in closed session.

10. Adjourn

Note: This meeting is a meeting of the Board of Education in public for the purpose of conducting the School District's business and is not to be considered a public community meeting. There is a time for public participation during the meeting as indicated in the agenda.

The agenda could be subject to last minute change(s).

COMMUNITY BILLBOARD

- **Cathedral Church of the Northwoods Arbutus Lutheran Church**, ELCA, W6607 Church Ln., Pearson, invites any and all to worship with them Sunday mornings at 10:30 a.m. Sunday School is at 11 a.m. Communion is open to all on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month. For more information, call 715-484-5055 or 715-623-6850.
- **St. John's Lutheran Church (LCMS)** - Worship at 9 a.m. Sunday and 6 p.m. Monday. Wednesday - children's after school. Located at N9834 Hwy. 55 in Pickerel. Call 715-484-3382 for more information.
- **Good Shepard Lutheran Church** - Hwy 55N, Crandon. Sunday service 9:30 a.m. with Communion on 1st & 3rd Sunday. Wednesday service at 6pm with Communion on 2nd & 4th Wednesday. No Saturday services.
- **Trinity Evangelical Church (Wels)** - 1741 Forest Avenue, Wabeno. Sunday morning service at 9:30 a.m.; Youth Bible Study at 3:30 p.m. on Wednesdays with service held at 5:30 p.m. Holy week - Maundy Thursday Service at 5:30 p.m.; Good Friday Service at 1:30 p.m.
- **Stitch'n Sisters Needlework Group** - We invite anyone interested in needle arts to join us Tuesdays from 9 a.m. - noon in the Associated Bank Community Room, located at 210 S. Lake Ave., Crandon.
- **Elcho Area Community Food Pantry** is moving into a new location at 11224 Antigo St, Elcho, WI 54428. An official Grand Opening and open house will take place in March 2016 and will be open each week: Monday 11 a.m. - 1 p.m.; Wednesday 4 - 6 p.m. and Thursday 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. If any further information is needed please contact David A. Schindler at (715) 610-5886.
- **Forest County Humane Society** - Open to public Monday - Friday 7 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. and Saturday from 7 a.m. to 1 p.m. Call for more info. 715-478-2098.
- **Forest County Humane Society Meeting** - February 23rd at 5:30 p.m. at the Crandon Library.
- **Crandon Lions Board Meetings** - 1st Monday of the month at Crandon Library at 6 p.m. (downstairs). Member Meeting - 3rd Monday of month at 5:30 p.m. Feb - April meetings will be held at LaFetta.
- **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.
- **Crandon Book Club** will meet Thursday, March 10, at 2 p.m. in the lower level of the library. Shirley Coleman will lead the discussion about the book "Gilead" by Mari Lynne Robinson.
- **Christian Motorcyclist Association** - Spirit Ryders Chapter of Langlade & Forest Co. invites you to attend our meetings on the last Saturday of each month. Call George 715-350-1679.
- **Town of Lincoln Board Meetings** - 2nd Monday of each month, 6 p.m., Town of Lincoln Hall.
- **Town of Nashville Town Board Meeting** - Wednesday, March 16, 1038 County Rd. Q, Pickerel, 7:00 p.m.
- **Highway 55 Flea Market** - CLOSED FOR THE SEASON. WILL RETURN IN SPRING! Every Wednesday at 10 a.m. - 4 p.m., at the Nashville Town hall, corner of Hwys. 55 & B, Crandon. Interested vendors or for more information, call Linda at 715-484-7271.
- **Tops** - will meet at Wabeno Town Hall on Mondays. Weigh in at 7:30 a.m. with meeting following at 7:45 a.m. For more info call 715-473-2613.
- **Pickerel area 50 Plus** will meet at St John's Church in Pickerel on Thursday March 10th, 12 noon. Special guest, a student from Thailand will give a presentation on his homeland. Bring friends and a dish to pass.
- **Crandon PTO** - 1st Monday of month, 6-7 p.m., Crandon Elementary School Cafeteria.
- **Support Group for Parent of Children with Disabilities** - Call Chris at 715-784-0058.
- **Survivors of Suicide Support Group** - Support group for those who have lost a loved one to suicide will gather the third Saturday of each month from 10 a.m. until noon at the Curran Building located at 315 South Oneida Avenue in Rhinelander. For info call Sue at 715-275-5399.
- **Crandon VFW Post** - Meets the second Tuesday of the month. 1:30 p.m. at the VFW building, 104 N Forest.
- **Senior Snoop Shop meetings** are held the second Thursday of every month from May through September at 9:00 a.m. in the lower level of the Crandon Public Library.
- **Crandon Public Library Board Monthly meeting.** 6:00 p.m. Lower Level. 715.478.3784. www.crandonpl.org.
- **Ske Gish Get (New Day) AA Meeting** held Fridays at 2 p.m. at 5519 Wej Mo Gek Court, Crandon. For more information Debbie or Peggy at 715-478-4370.
- **Wellbriety 12 Step Meeting (AA/NA)** - Monday nights, 6 p.m. - ? lower level of FCP Museum, Mish•Ko•Swin Lane, Crandon. Call Brooks Boyd for more information at 715-889-4902
- **AA Meetings** - Back Door Group - Open meetings Monday & Thurs. nights at 7 p.m., Lakewood Lakes Country Library. Call Mary at 715-276-2318 or Bill at 715-882-3512.
- **AA Meeting** - Saturdays, 9 a.m., Wabeno Fire Station, side entrance.
- **AA Meeting** - Antigo Hospital, Saturdays at 7:00 p.m.
- **AA Meeting** - White Lake, Sunday Morning, 10:00 AM at the White Lake Fire House. Mike at 715-882-8901 or Bill at 715-882-3512.
- **AA Meeting** - Every Tuesday at 7 p.m. at Carter Springs. Contact Peggy at 715-889-3116 for more information.

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for prizes and bragging rights. Each participant will receive a Race Day t-shirt, free parking, and access to the Community After- Party. Individuals, Teams and Corporate groups will be able to register for the event. They are also awarding prizes for Best Creative Team Name, Largest Team, and Best Team Theme.

Jameson also states that two area agencies will receive profits from the event. The American Cancer Society and the Northwoods United Way will be sharing in proceeds from the Mud Challenge. "What a great way to support the communities we all live, work and play in...as well as have some fun in the mud!", says Jameson. Local community partnerships are forming and are welcome to promote their association and raise money. This event will donate profits on behalf of the community as well as to the community.

"We hope to hold a children's run during the day, as well as numerous competitive heats. There is plenty of room for spectators to watch the messy fun and visit our sponsors' booths. We are looking for more community partners to sponsor the event. In addition, an event this size can't happen without a group of volunteers. I hope people contact me to discuss sponsorship opportunities as well as to volunteer their time and expertise."

More information about the event will be available in the months to come. Please contact Jameson at BHLMC@yahoo.com to volunteer or find out about available sponsorships.

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Wabeno Public Library - Tues & Fri. 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.; Wed. & Thurs. Noon - 5; Sat. 9 - Noon. Closed MONDAYS & SUNDAYS. Wifi signal: 8 a.m.-9 p.m., 7 days/week. 715-473-4131

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Laona Edith Evans Community Library - HOURS: Monday: noon to 5pm, Tuesday thru Thursday: 8:30am to 4pm, Friday: 8am to 12:30pm. Closed Saturday & Sunday • 715-674-4751

Museum Hours

Forest County Museum - Located at 105 W. Jackson in Crandon.

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 - Labor Day through color season, open Friday, Saturday and Sunday, 10 a.m. until 2 p.m.

Bids & Notices



Submitted by Kate Schultz

Tune Up Your Self-Esteem

Your overall opinion of yourself is influenced by both internal and external factors (i.e. thoughts, upbringing, media messages). Having a balanced, accurate self-image can foster happiness and success. To improve yours:

- Avoid over-relying on external factors (praise, money) to feel good about yourself.
- Get help to eliminate addictions or abusive situations and make healthier choices (hobbies, sports).
- Avoid media that depict perfect bodies or degrading content.
- Identify situations triggering low self-confidence and make a plan to address them.
- Engage in activities that reflect your values and improve your skills.
- Identify and correct distorted thoughts. Limit excessive self-blame ("his bad mood is my fault").
- Try to accept your flaws and feelings, and learn from your mistakes.
- Identify your strengths. Ask a trusted friend if you can't think of many.
- Notice what your inner (and often illogical) critic is saying to you and respond with rational comebacks.
- Avoid reacting to situations with self-defeating, impulsive reactions. Stop, think and then respond in a more effective way.
- Acknowledge the positive things you do every day, no matter how small.

Bus Schedule

Monday - March 21 - Alvin and Nelma to Iron Mountain (Crandon and Argonne standby) - **Bus Driver:** Hal Weisnicht

Tuesday - March 22 - Wabeno, Laona and Crandon to Rhinelander. By 9 a.m. Walmart complex and Aldi's only. No lunch. Depart Rhinelander at 11:45 a.m. - **Bus Driver:** Dan Pedersen

Wednesday - March 23 - Armstrong Creek, Newald, Popple River and Cavour to Iron Mountain (Crandon and Laona standby) - **Bus Driver:** Hal Weisnicht

Thursday - March 24 - Argonne, Hiles and Crandon to Rhinelander - **Bus Driver:** Dan Pedersen

For reservations please call the bus driver for that day.

Hal Weisnicht: 715-478-2961
Dan Pedersen: 715-478-4254

TOPIC OF THE MONTH

"Staying Well"

MEAL SCHEDULE

CRANDON, WABENO, LAONA

Monday - March 14 - Chicken marsala, roasted red potato, cauliflower, dinner roll, apple cake

Monday - March 21 - Turkey tetrazzini with egg noodles, broccoli, fruit, dinner roll, chocolate chip bar

CRANDON, WABENO, LAONA, ARMSTRONG CREEK

Tuesday - March 15 - Corned beef dinner with potato, carrots and cabbage, sourdough bread, Oh Henry bar - **BINGO: Armstrong Creek**

Tuesday - March 22 - Baked ham, scalloped potatoes, green beans, wheat bread, cream puffs - **MUSIC: Armstrong Creek**

CRANDON

Wednesday - March 16 - Bean soup with bacon, tossed salad with dressing, corn muffin, jello - **BINGO**

Wednesday - March 23 - Beef stew with potatoes, carrots, onion and celery, fruit, biscuit, chocolate cake

LAONA, WABENO CONGREGATE

Thursday - March 17 - Baked cod with lemon sauce, baked potato with sour cream, asparagus, wheat bread, lemon poppyseed cake

Thursday - March 24 - Chicken Dijon, 1/2 baked potato with sour cream, herbed carrots, wheat bread, ice cream

ALVIN

Thursday - March 17 - Beef tips, noodles, coleslaw, pineapple, dinner rolls, bars

Thursday - March 24 - Roast pork, mashed potatoes, corn, applesauce, dinner rolls, bars

The local number for the ADRC: 478-2162 is no longer in service. The only number for the ADRC is the 800-699-6704.

The direct number for Kate, Forest County Elderly Benefit, is 715-362-8277. Sorry for any inconvenience this may cause.

Please register with Commission on Aging - 800-699-6704.

Crandon site manager Pat Raml is at 715-478-0742 (home) or 715-478-3040 (site). Serving at 12:00 p.m. On Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday.

Alvin site manager Florence Kostka at 715-545-4063 (home) or 715-545-3323 (site). Meal served at 4:30 p.m. on Thursday.

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

Wabeno interim site manager Chris Geski at 715-473-6312 (site). Meal served at 11:30 a.m. on Monday and Tuesday. Home delivered on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday.

Armstrong Creek interim site manager Sharon Giles at 715-674-3532 (home) or 715-336-2218 (site). Meal served at 11:30 a.m. on Tuesday.

School District of Wabeno Area Regular School Board Meeting

Thursday, March 3, 2016 – 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, Patricia A. Manthey, Dawn Jakubiec, Ann Barfknecht, Joan Sackett, and Jim Smith. Administrative staff present: Jennifer Vogler, District Administrator; Allison Space, Elementary Principal; and William Taylor, Jr/Sr High School Principal.

Board members absent: Robert Seeber

Others present: Terri Palubicki, Mike Rocole, Michele Rocole, Jody Kalata, Bill Kalata, Bill Connors, Jr., Jim Farrell, Laurie Christianson, Daniel Christianson, Melanie Johnson, Raletta Ashbeck, Amy Wysocki, Laura Klescewski, Kimberly Voelker, Cheryl Ehlinger, Barbara Tallier, Jake Christianson, Sherry Christianson, Alexis Christianson, Sue Christianson, David Christianson, Earl Blankenheim, Mary Propson, Olivia Jorgensen, Kelly Whitcomb, Sherry Leszczykowski, Terri Brauer, Shelly Janesch, Kristie Gill, Jackie Champine, Pete Gill, Tina Webb, Mary Ellen Keller, Dale Keller, Becca Marshall, Paul Ehlinger, Pat Lowery, Katryna Van Eperen, Jon Anderson, Diane Ashbeck, Tim Brauer, Chris Volk, Rebecca Shelhammer, Caroline Coughlin Lampereur, Cameron Jakubiec, Tony Jakubiec.

Pledge of Allegiance.

A motion was made by Patricia A. Manthey seconded by Ann Barfknecht to approve the agenda as amended. The motion carried.

Kristie Gill and Tina Webb presented information regarding the Senior Class trip.

Mike Rocole commented about his visit to the elementary classrooms and District wide educational opportunities.

Sherry Christianson shared her views on education at Wabeno Area Elementary.

Jim Farrell shared his views on education at Wabeno Area Elementary.

Kim Voelker shared her views on education at Wabeno Area Elementary.

Laurie Christianson shared her views on education and the job of Administration.

Mary Ellen Keller shared her views regarding personalized learning.

Chris Volk shared his views regarding personalized learning and his children's education.

Amy Wysocki shared her views regarding the staff and administration at Wabeno Area Elementary.

Barb Tallier shared her views on education at Wabeno Area Elementary.

Laura Klescewski shared her views on why staff stays at Wabeno Area Elementary.

Caroline Coughlin Lampereur shared her views on education at Wabeno Area Elementary.

Melanie Johnson shared her reasons for leaving Wabeno Area Elementary.

Jody Kalata shared her views on education and being mentored by Allison Space.

Kristie Gill shared competition information for her FCCLA group.

There was a motion by Dawn Jakubiec seconded by Ann Barfknecht to approve the minutes of the Special Board Meeting on February 1, 2016 and the Regular School Board Meeting on February 3, 2016. The motion carried.

There was a motion by Patricia A. Manthey seconded by Joan Sackett to approve the payment of vouchers by general checks 75171 to 75307 for \$201,440.46 payroll checks 900029557 to 900029784 for \$193,155.76 and a state tax/employee trust fund electronic transfer of \$105,857.12. The motion carried.

The following financial statement was presented to the board:

March 3, 2016

Cash Balance – February, 3, 2016	181,754.24
(Cash – 114,568.61/Scholarship Fund – 44,752.46/Cap. Improvement Fund - \$22,433.17)	
Checks	201,440.46
Payroll	193,155.76
Elec. Trans. State Tax/Employee Trust Fund	105,857.12
Interest applied to CD's/Money Market	2,267.16
Transfer from Checking to Money Market	1,100,000.00
Receipts	1,841,721.14
Cash Balance – March 3, 2016	420,754.88
(Cash – 353,555.54/Scholarship Fund – 44,758.55/Cap. Improvement Fund – 22,440.79)	
INVESTMENTS:	
Laona State Bank \$601,780.19 – Interest Rate 0.70% - Due 11/15/16	
Laona State Bank \$320,755.69 – Interest Rate 0.70% - Due 08/14/16	
Laona State Bank \$344,282.21 – Interest Rate 0.70% - Due 05/11/16	
Laona State Bank \$3,566,762.23 – Interest Rate 0.50% - Money Market	

Jennifer Vogler, District Administrator, reported the following:

1. WASB awards were given to Ann Barfknecht – Level 3, and Rob Seeber – Level 2.
2. Information was shared on CESA 8 Contracted Services for K-12 school continuous improvement planning.
3. Special meeting is needed regarding bus garage project.
4. A reminder was given about the NLC Conference meeting at Florence on Apr. 27.
5. A reminder was given about the Lions Banquet.
6. A reminder was given about the upcoming Spring School Board Academy.

Allison Space, Elementary Principal, reported the following:

1. Thank you to staff for their good thoughts and comments.
2. Summer School plans for two weeks in June were shared.
3. Parent/Teacher Conference had 85% attendance.
4. Forward Exam preparation is under way.
5. Special thank you's to the following:
 - Lakewood Supervalu for their 19th year sponsoring the Label Games.
 - Lions for continued support of our PBIS programming.
 - Lioness Group for generous donations in support of literacy.
 - The Roller Booster Club for continued support of our PBIS programming.
 - Home & School for continuous support with whatever is needed!
6. Upcoming Events:
 - Tuesday, Mar. 15/Open Mic Night and Cake Walk – dinner/5:00, Open Mic Student Performances/5:30-6:00, Cake Walk/6:30.
 - March 23/Child Development Screening Day
 - Mar. 25 – Apr. 3/Spring Break

William Taylor, Jr/Sr High School Principal, reported the following:

1. Lions Banquet reminder.
2. ACT testing – 100% attendance for both days. Thank you to Mrs. Rocole and Mrs. Peterson for Proctoring the testing.
3. Upcoming tests: Forward Exam for 7th & 8th Grades; Aspire Test for 9th & 10th Grades.
4. Spring Musical on Mar. 18, 19, and 20 @ HS Auditorium.
5. Updates were shared regarding the 2016-2017 schedule.
6. Academic Excellence Scholarship winner is Ryan Brauer. Alexis Christianson is the alternate.

Terri Palubicki, Athletic Director, reported the following:

1. Information regarding NLC Football realignment and eight man football was shared.

School Board Members reported the following:

1. Janet Opiela shared her views on her time as a school board member and board members working together as a team to advance education in the district.

The 2016-2017 school calendar was reviewed and discussed. There was a motion by Patricia A. Manthey seconded by Ann Barfknecht to approve the revised 2016-2017 calendar as presented. The motion carried.

A rental agreement for portable restrooms for the Football field was discussed. There was a motion by Joan Sackett seconded by Dawn Jakubiec to contract with Jim's Pumping and Harding Portables for portable restrooms for the 2016-2017 football season. The motion carried.

A teaching staff's letter of resignation was discussed. There was a motion by Dawn Jakubiec seconded by Joan Sackett to accept Melanie Johnson's letter of resignation. The motion carried. The Board and Administration thank Melanie for her service to the District.

CESA 8 Contracted Services for the 2016-2017 school year were discussed. There was a motion by Dawn Jakubiec seconded by Joan Sackett to contract with CESA 8 for the following services for the 2016-2017 school year: Occupation Therapy, Physical Therapy, Psychologist, 8 Scape software programming, and Leadership Services. The motion carried.

Accepting and E-rate quote for wireless access points was discussed. There was a motion by Patricia A. Manthey seconded by Ann Barfknecht to accept the quote from Wire Technologies for wireless access points. The motion carried.

The three lawn care quotes were discussed. There was a motion by Patricia A. Manthey seconded by Ann Barfknecht to contract with Jakubiec and Family Skidsteer Works LLC for lawn care from May to Oct., 2016. The motion carried. Dawn Jakubiec abstained from this discussion and vote.

A Cooperative Agreement 66.0301 between the School District of Wabeno Area and the Laona School District to share the Family and consumer Education Teacher between the schools was discussed. Action was tabled until the April meeting.

There was a motion by Dawn Jakubiec seconded by Ann Barfknecht to go into Closed Session under Wisconsin State Statute 19.85 (1) (c) to discuss employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility:

A. Employee performance.

A roll call vote was taken as follows: Janet Opiela, yes; Patricia A. Manthey, yes; Dawn Jakubiec, yes; Ann Barfknecht, yes; Joan Sackett, yes; and Jim Smith, yes.

The motion carried 6 to 0.

There was a motion by Joan Sackett seconded by Dawn Jakubiec to come out of Executive Session.

A roll call vote was taken as follows: Janet Opiela, yes; Patricia A. Manthey, yes; Dawn Jakubiec, yes; Ann Barfknecht, yes; Joan Sackett, yes; and Jim Smith, yes.

The motion carried 6 to 0.

The board returned to open session - no action was taken.

There was a motion by Dawn Jakubiec seconded by Ann Barfknecht to adjourn at 10:50 P.M. The motion carried.

(Signed)

Patricia A. Manthey, District Clerk

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When Dorothy finally retired, she did not really retire. She went to work helping out the elderly in their homes, volunteering at the Humane Society and delivering meals from the meal site to people who were unable to get out.

Dorothy loved her animals and her friends. A very good friend, Karen Waggoner, would take Dorothy shopping and out to lunch as much as she could. Dorothy was not always agreeable, but that was our Dorothy.

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"Our mission is to support and contribute to the economic viability of rural communities and help them build toward the future," Gruszynski said. "Too often, rural businesses and the communities they serve lack access to the capital and resources they need to grow and thrive. These grants will help remedy that and provide access to planning, mentoring and other services that can help to ensure their success."

Under the Rural Business Development Grant (RBDG) program funds can be used to acquire or develop land, buildings, plants and equipment; build or improve access roads, parking areas, utility extensions, and water and waste disposal facilities; provide technical assistance; establish revolving loan funds; and to support rural distance learning programs for educational or job training.

Eligible applicants include:

- Public bodies
- Government entities
- Federally-recognized Tribes
- Non-profit organizations

For example, Vernon Economic Development Association (VEDA), in Viroqua, WI, successfully assisted five businesses with a \$43,000 grant award, creating and saving 27 local jobs in the process. The organization's Food Enterprise Center, a state-of-the-art value-added food processing, aggregation, and distribution facility used grant funds to provide technical assistance to the small, rural businesses utilizing the Center.

The application deadline is March 31, 2016. For

additional information on how to apply, contact the USDA Rural Development Wisconsin State Office at 715-345-7610 or RD.BCPSO@wi.usda.gov. Application instructions and related forms are available at www.rd.usda.gov/wi. Applications must be sent to the USDA Rural Development Wisconsin State Office, 5417 Clem's Way, Stevens Point, WI 54482.

Congress established the RBDG program under the 2014 Farm Bill by combining USDA's Rural Business Enterprise Grant (RBEG) and Rural Business Opportunity Grant (RBOG) programs. The new program, like its predecessors, is designed to assist the startup or expansion of small and emerging private businesses and/or non-profits in rural communities.

During the past year, USDA Rural Development invested nearly \$577 million throughout rural Wisconsin and helped a record number of residents receive funding for economic development projects and quality of life improvements. The agency's investment in Wisconsin helped create or retain more than 1,560 jobs; aided 3,000 families in buying their own homes; and assisted more than 80 communities in improving community facilities and upgrading local infrastructure. For more information on USDA Rural Development programs visit USDA's web site at www.rd.usda.gov/wi.

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There is mud and water topping patches of ice in the parking lot, and the ice rink, covered with water, ripples with tiny waves from one end to the other. Kitty litter is purchased and is spread on the alley up to the foul line, protecting those bowlers, with the fancy footwork, from falling.

Oh, what fun and what a great day we had!

The winning teams received trophies plus \$50 for first place which went to the Halfway Bar, 2nd to The Old Town Hall, and 3rd place to TNT Russted Nail.

All of this was made possible by the lane sponsors and financial supporters. Recognition to the following: Animal's Bear Trail, Birch Hills Resort, Bernie Dahlin, Everbreeze Resort, Firelite Lounge, Gallagher's Pizza, Halfway Bar, Amy Johnson, Lakewood Realty and Cellular, Lakewood Super Valu, Laona State Bank, Maiden Lake Supper Club, Mulligan's Sports & Grill, Nicolet Plastics, Northwoods Parrot Head Club, Old Town Hall, the Rank Family, School House Bar, TNT Russted Nail, and Tracy's Place. Proceeds will be used to benefit the Park & Rec Department.

Ties That Bind Us to host Colors of Cancer 5K Run and Walk in Crandon

Let your true colors shine at the Colors of Cancer 5K Run and Walk on Saturday, May 7, at 10 a.m. at the historic Crandon International Off-Road Raceway.

This fun event honors our friends and neighbors who struggle to cross the finish line in their daily battles with cancer, and benefits Ties That Bind Us of Forest County, a local group partnered with Crandon Public Library and the Saint Mary's Hospital Foundation.

Ties That Bind Us Color Run is partnering with the Crandon Public Library, which shares our mission of promoting wellness and improving the quality of life in Forest County. This partnership will allow the library to continue providing a safe and healthy place for all members of our community. Ties That Bind Us will continue providing financial and emotional support to our community members who have been burdened by cancer.

One in three people will be diagnosed with cancer in their lifetimes, and the other two will know someone who is. We often show support for loved ones by wearing ribbons in colors that represent particular kinds of cancer. Although the type of cancer that affects each of us may be different, we are united in honoring and supporting people with cancer. The Colors of Cancer 5K Run and Walk is an opportunity to work together to build awareness, offer encouragement and raise funds to beat cancer in Forest County. Wear your "Colors of Cancer" T-shirt on race day to show your support, and show off your own colors of cancer while crossing the finish line.

The Colors of Cancer 5K Run and Walk is an entertaining, untimed experience, and runners will be showered with colored powder at six stations along the route. The event caters to families and 5K enthusiasts alike. Prizes will be given out for best costumes after the run!

The cost to enter this exciting event is \$30 (if received by April 1), \$35 (after April 1), \$15 for age 18 and under, \$75 for families, and Survivors are free. Packet pickup will be Friday, May 6, from 2-6 p.m. at the front entrance of Ministry Medical Group in Crandon, located at 400 West Glen Street, or on race day at the Crandon International Off-Road Raceway, located at 10104 U.S. 8, Crandon.

Register your family today by contacting the Forest County Ties That Bind Us at 715-478-6342 or register online at <http://www.crandonpl.org/colors-of-cancer-5k-runwalk/>

Crandon Library News

Dennis Abney's baseball collection on display

This month the David Brezovar Memorial display case at the Crandon Library features one of our great American pastimes, baseball, and to welcome the upcoming season we have the display jam-packed with eye-catching baseball memorabilia belonging to Dennis Abney of Crandon. The display is filled with mostly Milwaukee Brewer items, including lots of bobble heads, baseballs, including one signed by Bob Uecker, alias "Mr. Baseball", and many baseball cards. The assortment also includes both large and small pins and pennants. Denny has been pulling his collection together since before his dad took him to his first big championship game in 1961. Batter up and enjoy!

Sweet Treat class next week

Join us on Thursday, March 17th at 2:00 p.m. as we learn how to make an edible chocolate pretzel nest with some tasty Easter eggs inside. Learn how to artfully wrap each nest in cellophane and ribbon making it the perfect gift for our upcoming Easter holiday. We will supply all of the necessary supplies for this class. There is no registration required for this event. Just stop by and have some fun.

New Fiction

The following new titles have arrived at the library: *13 Ways of Looking At a Fat Girl* by Mona Awad, *Buckular Dystrophy: A Woods Cop* mystery by Joseph Heywood, *The Girl in the Red Coat*: a novel by Kate Hamer, *Where I Lost Her* by T. Greenwood, *The Dressmaker's War*: a novel by Mary Chamberlain, *Deep Blue* by Randy Wayne White, *Thomas Jefferson and the Tripoli Pirates*: the forgotten war that changed American history by Brian Kilmeade and Don Yaeger, *Big Magic*: creative living beyond fear by Elizabeth Gilbert, *Downsizing the Family Home*: what to save, what to let go by Marni Jameson, and *A Mother's Reckoning*: living in the aftermath of tragedy by Sue Klebold.

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The Joint Open House Meeting for Crandon and Wabeno will be Tuesday, March 16, 2016 at 6:00pm at the Big Easel in Wabeno. Committees and community members from both communities should plan to attend.

Forest County Economic Development Partnership is pleased to administer this project. The Downtown Open House, scheduled for May 14, 2016, is a broad marketing umbrella for a coordinated statewide event highlighting unique assets and amenities in Wisconsin's Connect Communities downtowns. Participating in a statewide initiative will allow local programs to reach a broader audience both in terms of media exposure and potential to capture regional visitor traffic during a spring weekend, and communities have the option of promoting full weekend or week-long events to complement the one-day offering.

If you have any questions, are interested in participating, or would like more information please contact Joshua Jameson at Forest County Economic Development Partnership at (715) 478-3450 or email at director@forestcountywibusiness.com



Congratulations to Sharon Statezny! Sharon has been a member of the Eastern Star for 50 years, and she was awarded her 50 year pin in celebration of this accomplishment on Saturday, February 20th. Sharon is pictured in the photo with her three daughters, Andee Eastman, Sue Palubicki, and Mary Pfeiffer; granddaughter Valerie Wagoner and great-granddaughter Isabelle Wagoner.

Traffic Deaths in 2016 Are Up About 32 Percent Compared With Last Year

Last month 47 people died in Wisconsin traffic crashes, which was 22 more than February 2015 and 21 more than the five-year average for the month of February, according to preliminary statistics from the Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WisDOT).

So far this year, 79 people have been killed in crashes including seven pedestrians and one bicyclist. As of the end of February, traffic fatalities were 19 more than the same period last year (nearly a 32-percent increase) and 15 more than the five-year average.

The safest month of February in terms of traffic deaths since the end of World War II occurred in 2014 with 20 fatalities. The deadliest February was in 1968 with 73 fatalities.

"Typically, February is a low traffic fatality month. However, we had an unusually deadly weekend that accounted for nearly 24 percent of the fatalities for the month. From Friday, February 19 to Sunday, February 21, crashes killed 11 people. Three of the crashes had multiple fatalities, including a triple-fatality crash in Columbia County. That was the deadliest weekend on Wisconsin roads since August 2015," says David Pabst, director of the WisDOT Bureau of Transportation Safety.

"To reverse this tragic increase in 2016 and make progress toward zero preventable traffic deaths in Wisconsin, we need motorists to buckle up, slow down, pay attention, and drive sober."

Governor Signs Bill to Promote Fish Habitat on Wisconsin Lakes

Madison- Today, Rep. Rob Swearingen (R-Rhineland) released the following statement after Senate Bill 315 was signed into Law by Governor Scott Walker. Senate Bill 315 was authored by Representative Swearingen and Senator Gudex (R - Fond du Lac) at the request of the Lake George Association and others in the 34th Assembly District.

Senate Bill 315 was drafted to improve fish and wildlife habitat on Wisconsin waterways by removing civil liability from property owners placing Department of Natural Resources (DNR) permitted structures in navigable waters and wetlands. Senate Bill 315 will keep the rules and regulations in place for all permits, while removing liability if and when the DNR specifications are met. This proposal will continue to protect our environment through DNR permits and specifications while boosting fish habitat statewide.

"During this legislative session my office was contacted by a number of property owners who were hesitant to pursue a DNR permit for placing a fish crib or other coarse woody habitat due to liability. After working closely with officials at the DNR, I am confident that Senate Bill 315 will protect Wisconsin property owners and promote fish and wildlife habitat. I am very pleased that Governor Walker signed Senate Bill 315 into law," said Rep. Swearingen.

NAMI Offers Family-to-Family Program

NAMI Northern Lakes will sponsor Family-to-Family, a program for families of people with serious mental illness. The series of 12 classes will run for six weeks on Monday and Wednesday evenings beginning on Monday March 21, from 6:30 to 9:00pm. The sessions will be held at Ministry St. Mary's Hospital, Rhineland, in the lower level conference room.

The course will provide information about schizophrenia, the mood disorders (bipolar disorder and major depression), panic disorder, obsessive compulsive disorder, borderline personality disorder and post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD). There will be ideas for coping with crisis and relapse; basic information about medications; listening skills and ways to care for yourself. The course was written by a mental health professional who is also a family member. The local presenters are Mick Fiocchi and Mary Wright, NAMI Northern Lakes volunteers who have taken intensive training as course instructors.

"This course is a wonderful experience!" says Wright, of Rhineland, "It balances basic psychology and skill-training with emotional support and personal empowerment. We hope families with relatives who have a serious mental illness will take advantage of this opportunity."

This course is designed for parents, siblings, spouses, teenage and adult children and partners who are care-givers of people with severe and persistent mental illness. The course is not appropriate for individuals who themselves have a major mental illness. NAMI Northern Lakes does sponsor support group meetings for those who are dealing with their own serious mental illness. Those meetings are held the second Saturday of each month at First United Methodist Church in Rhineland.


Family-to-Family education program is FREE. For information or to register, call Mick at 715-362-6823, or email at naminorthernlakes@yahoo.com.

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The Forest County Commission on Aging is looking for Volunteer Drivers to deliver Home Delivered Meals to Homebound participants in the city of Crandon. Meals are delivered to participants Monday-Wednesday. The route takes about an hour to complete. Meals are picked up at the Community Center (City Hall).

You can volunteer once a week, once a month, or whatever fits your schedule. A car is needed but gas mileage can be reimbursed. Training is provided. Parents are welcome to bring children and make it a family activity! Please consider Meals on Wheels volunteering and make a difference in your community. If you are interested in becoming a volunteer, please call Tammy Queen, Aging Director at 715-478-7712.



Crandon Senior Spotlight - Katie Kalkofen



Katie Kalkofen, daughter of Mike and Tina Kalkofen, said her best high school memories were spent with her friends and participating in homecoming and winterfest. Seeing her class work together is her greatest memory as well as participating in the school spirit.

During the last twelve years, she has learned not to take anything for granted. Appreciate everything in your life because in the blink of an eye, it's gone. These past four years have flown by. Make sure you spend them making as many memories as you can.

She plans to attend UW-Madison or UW-LaCrosse, where she wants to major in business and Spanish and pursue a career in healthcare administration.

She would like to thank her mom and dad for everything they've done for her, especially for pushing her to be the absolute best person she could be. Not only that but teaching her to work hard towards everything she strives to achieve.



Crandon Senior Spotlight - Mikenzie Flannery



Mikenzie Flannery, daughter of Jason and Jody Flannery, said her best high school memories include winning a regional basketball championship with her teammates, homecoming, winterfests, proms and hanging out with her friends.

Over the past twelve years, she has learned that life has no guarantees. You need to seize every moment you are given. She has also learned that the more work you put into your studies and athletics, the more successful you'll be.

In the fall, she will be attending the University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh, majoring in elementary education and minoring in Spanish.

She would like to thank her mom and dad for their endless support and guidance, her teachers for preparing her for her future, the community for always coming to athletic events and her friends for making the past twelve years of school enjoyable and memorable.

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Nicolet College's Mendham joins Wisconsin Restaurant Education Foundation board



Nicolet College Culinary Arts Instructor Vicki Mendham, left, recently joined the board of the Wisconsin Restaurant Association Education Foundation.

"This is a real honor and great opportunity to help promote education and training in the Culinary Arts across the state," Mendham said.

Mendham is pictured here with Connie Fedor, Foundation executive director, who recently visited Nicolet to meet with Mendham and tour the college's Culinary Arts kitchen.

During her initial year on the board, Mendham will help with numerous Wisconsin Restaurant Association events and expos plus judge different competitions,

including the annual ProStart competition for Wisconsin high school students.

The board also works to raise the visibility of the industry as a career choice for future leaders.

In 2015, Mendham received the Foundation's College Educator Salute to Excellence Award.

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Crandon Senior Spotlight - Halee Evans



Halee Evans,
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In the past twelve years, she has learned time management and how to work hard in order to accomplish her goals.

She plans to attend the University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh and major in psychology.

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