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Merry Christmas

See Christmas Greetings From Local Businesses on pgs 02 - 07

Forest County Snowmobile Trails now open

Forest County Snowmobile Trails will officially open at 9:00 a.m. on Friday, December 23, 2016 for the snowmobiling season. Forest County has 405.79 miles of state funded trails maintained by five snowmobile clubs including the 100 Mile Snow Safari, Lumberjack Memorial Trails, Black Bear Sportsmen's Club Trails, Three Lakes Trails and the Tombstone-Pickerel Trails.

Snowmobile clubs have been panning the trails and have all trails cleared and signed. With recent snowfall and cold temperatures trail conditions will improve greatly in the next few days.

New snowmobile maps are also available for the New Year thanks to a sizeable donation by the Sugarbush Snowmowheelers. This annual donation results in an awesome snowmobile trail maps to guide snowmobilers throughout Forest County.

Snowmobilers will enjoy a greatly improved trail

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Tribal youth create art celebrating American Indian Heritage Month



In honor of November as American Indian Heritage Month, the Potawatomi Traveling Times (PTT) invited Native American youth grades K-12 to share their

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Katelin Bradley Miss Rodeo Wisconsin for 2017



Katelin Bradley, daughter of Alicia and Grant Bradley, graduated from University of Wisconsin - Stevens Point on December 17th, with a degree in Land and Soil Management. She was on the Dean's List every semester of her college career. She is employed by Ag Source Laboratories out of Bonduel. She was a Valedictorian from Crandon's graduating class of 2012.

Along with receiving her Bachelor's Degree, she has been selected (through written essay, congeniality, horsemanship, general knowledge, and public speaking) to be Miss Rodeo Wisconsin for 2017. She will be representing our state at rodeos across the country this summer, and next December she will be in Las Vegas competing for Miss Rodeo America. Her coronation, passing of the crown, event will be on January 6, 2017, at North Star Lanes in Antigo. The doors open at 6 p.m. with a \$5 cover charge at the door. The coronation will be at 7:30 p.m. with a DJ to follow. There will be food, drinks, raffles, and more.

Katelin is the sibling of Josh, Keith and Ty Bradley. She is the granddaughter of Ken and Joan Kirker, and Rita Bradley and the late "GB the Great."

New owner at Post Lake Inn



By Mike Monte

Cory Weber took over ownership of the Post Lake Inn last July 8th. We offered Cory a new business piece back then, but he said he wanted to wait until he had a better handle on the business. The time has come!

Cory said he worked in bars in the past, but the restaurant business took some time to learn, and at this point, he says he has been educated in the business and has confidence that Post Lake Inn is turning out good food, and they are getting compliments from the diners. As he said, "This is definitely different than the trucking business!"

Fresh foods, says Cory, makes a big difference in the quality of a meal, and they try hard to make meals from foods that are as fresh as possible. Cory says that even the bar meals are as fresh as possible.

Post Lake Inn opens at 11:00 a.m., and the Inn is a local gathering spot. He hosts a Wednesday night in-house dart league that is very popular with the retirees from the area around Post Lake. The Tuesday night Steak Special is also popular, and they also have the traditional Friday fish fry, and they serve broasted chicken all of the time.

Post Lake Inn is on County K between Highway 55 to the east and Elcho to the west. If you are snowmobiling, the Tombstone Pickerel trails converge on Post Lake as does the Elcho Sno-Devil trail. All are welcome, and good luck from the Pioneer.



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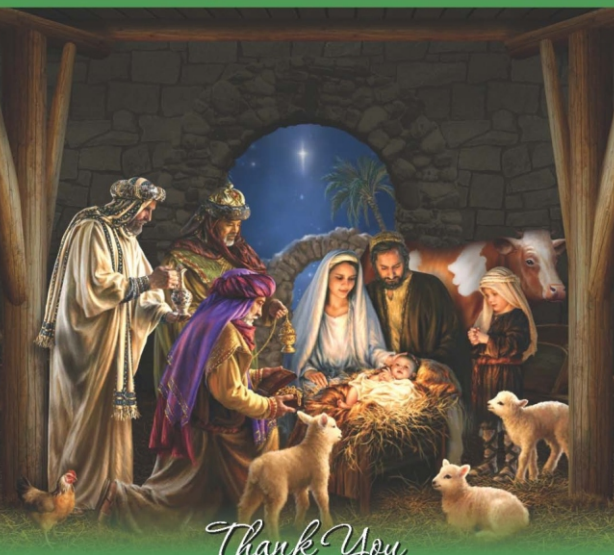


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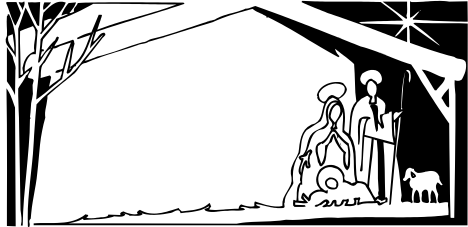
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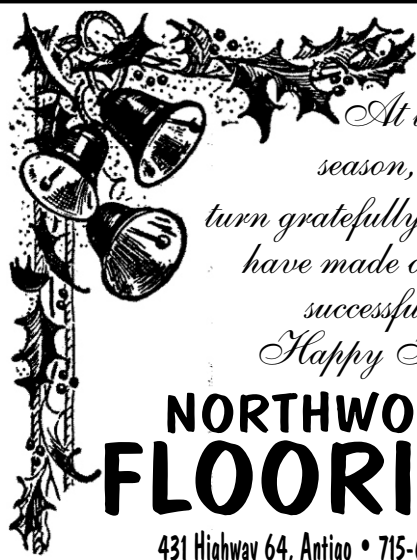
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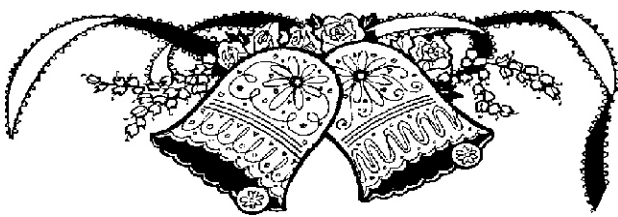
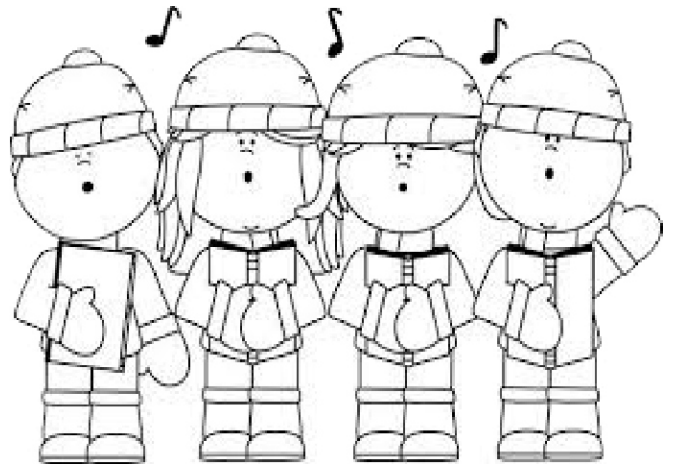
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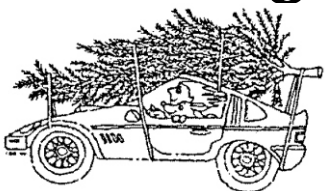
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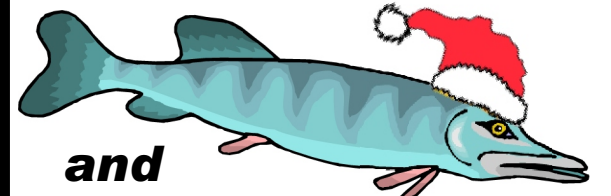
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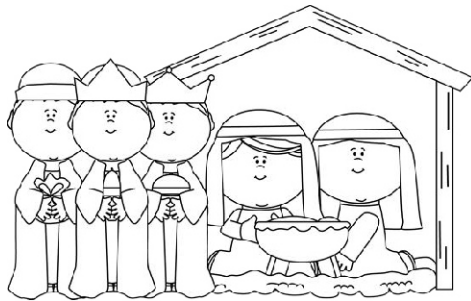
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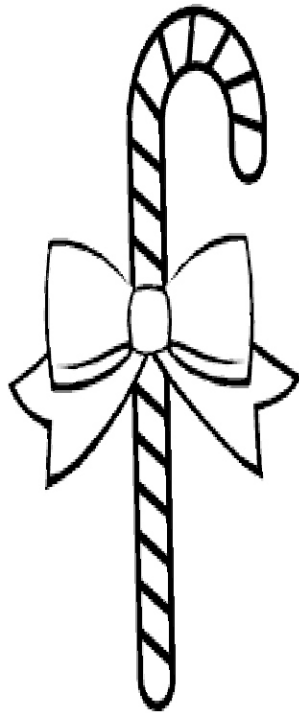
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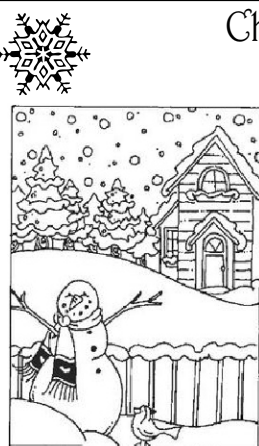
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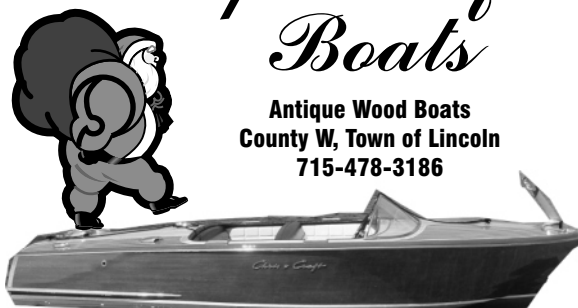
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6th Annual Invasive Species Poster Contest

Twelve counties (Oneida, Langlade, Lincoln, Forest, Bayfield, Oconto, Shawano, Menominee, Iron, Price, Vilas and Douglas) will partner this year in the 6th Annual Northwoods' Invasive Species Poster Contest. Don't worry if your county isn't listed. Every 4th through 8th grade student in the Northwoods area is eligible to enter this contest.

Choosing a topic for your poster will help you gain a better understanding of how invasive species can affect each individual and there are many from which to choose. Your topic could be the Emerald ash borer, Gypsy moth, Japanese knotweed, Rock snot, Yellow iris, Rusty crayfish, Chinese mystery snail or one of several others. If you are interested, talk to your teachers! Entries in the contest are due by 4:00 p.m. on Tuesday, May 2, 2017. Posters and poster entry forms may be mailed in or dropped off at any one of our fourteen drop-off locations. They include the Bayfield Land and Water Conservation Department in Washburn, Crandon Public Library, Demmer Memorial Library in Three Lakes, Iron County Land & Water Department in Hurley, Langlade County Land Conservation Department in Antigo, Minocqua Public Library, Oneida County Land and Water Conservation Department in Rhinelander, Park Falls Public Library, Rhinelander District Library, Menominee County Land Conservation and Zoning Department in Keshena, Tomahawk Public Library, Vaughn Public Library

in Ashland, Walter E Olson Memorial Library in Eagle River and the Washburn Public Library in Washburn.

For complete instructions, contact the Oneida County Land and Water Conservation Department at 715-369-7835 for a contest brochure, ask your teacher if your class will be participating, or go to www.oneidacountyais.com or www.oclw.org.

U.S. Senator Tammy Baldwin Announces Committee Appointments for New Senate

Senator Baldwin will continue to serve on Appropriations and Health, Education, Labor and Pensions (HELP), will join Commerce Committee in January

WASHINGTON, D.C. - U.S. Senator Tammy Baldwin today announced that in January she will continue to serve on the Senate Appropriations Committee and the Senate Committee on Health, Education, Labor and Pensions (HELP), and that she will join the Senate Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

"I am proud to continue serving on Senate Appropriations and HELP Committees and I look forward to joining the Commerce, Science, and Transportation Committee. Working on behalf of the people of Wisconsin on these committees will provide me with a great opportunity to continue focusing on issues important to our state," said Senator Baldwin. "My top priority is working to build a strong Made in Wisconsin economy that works for everyone. So I will continue to focus on investing in job training and workforce readiness; making higher



education more affordable; strengthening our manufacturing economy; and growing small business start-ups by supporting innovation, science and research. I will also continue my fight to provide affordable health care for all Americans and work to protect Medicare and Social Security for today's seniors and future generations. Joining the Commerce Committee will also allow me an opportunity to work on two issues that can help create stronger economic growth in Wisconsin. We need to make better investments in rural broadband and I look forward to working on behalf of Wisconsin's agriculture, timber and manufacturing industries to make sure they have strong transportation infrastructure to ship their goods to market."

Post 44 Gunless Poultry Shoot January 7th

Don't miss the next American Legion Gunless Poultry Shoot on Saturday January 7, 2017 at Backhaus Sportsmen's Retreat, Wabeno, starting at 1 p.m.

Bring along your friends, they will be raffling off packages of meat, poultry, sausages, bacon, beverages, gifts and gift certificates donated by local businesses.

There will also be 50/50 raffles. Come on in, win a prize and help a veteran. Everyone is welcome.

The American Legion Sylvan Post 44 of Wabeno is composed of veterans who are committed to helping veterans, their families and the community

Death Notices

Ingo Wrieden, 57, of Elcho, passed away at his home in the loving care of his daughter, friends, and Ministry Home Care of Rhinelander. He was born on July 26, 1959 in Bremen, Germany, the oldest son of Sieglinde Schroeder (Grotheer) and Friedhelm Wrieden.



Many would remember and appreciate Ingo for all his hard work in the revitalization of the Elcho community by refurbishing several homes in the residential area. Ingo was an avid watcher of Formula 1 racing, following his favorites: Michael and Ralf Schumacher. He also had the joy for speed earlier in his life. He enjoyed competing in Cross Country Rally Sports with his best friend at his side Mr. Wolfgang Rohde of Gnarrenburg, Germany, taking many championships together. He also enjoyed fishing, hunting, horseback riding, and snowmobiling. Ingo spent four years 1978-1982 serving in the Army as a ground vehicle scheduler. Ingo also owned and operated a Hyundai car dealership in Germany.

Ingo is survived by his parents; two children Natasha Lewer of Deerbrook and Kevin Wrieden of Berlin, Germany; two sisters, Birgit Luttmann and nephews Timo and Laurin Luttmann of Schafwinkel, Germany and Kirsten Poppe (Ralf) and nephew Luca Poppe of Speckelsen, Germany.

No services are scheduled at this time.

The family would like to give special thanks to Weber-Hill Funeral Home and staff of Crandon, and Ministry Home Care (Terri Rogers) for their loving care. Many special thanks to friends and Karl and Lissa Bloechl for the help making it possible of Ingo's last wishes.

Mary E. Cottrell, 92, of Crandon, passed away Thursday, December 15, 2016. Mary was born September 28, 1924 in Milwaukee to Gustav "Harry" and Elizabeth (Lang) Carlson.

When Mary was in the sixth grade, the family moved to Crandon. She was a graduate of Crandon High School, the class of 1943. Mary was united in marriage to Eugene (Gene) Cottrell September 20, 1947 in Milwaukee. Mary worked for many years as the head cook at the Crandon Elementary School, and retired in 1987. She was a member of St. Joseph Catholic Church, St. Joseph's Alter Society, the American Legion Auxiliary and

Mary is survived by her husband of 69 years, Gene Cottrell of Crandon; a daughter, Rita (Alan) Littleton of Crandon; and sons, Don (Diane) Cottrell of Laona and Jerry (Beth) Cottrell of Crandon. She is further survived by her grandchildren: Gina, Kim, Kasey, Kami, Jerod, Trisha, Leah, Nick, Steve and Sara; 20 great-grandchildren; and four great-great-grandchildren. Mary was preceded in death by her parents; son, Darcy; daughter, Gloria; brothers, Jimmy and Robert; and sister, Gloria.

Family and friends were her priority; everyone was welcome at her home to sit around the kitchen table and share their lives—of course with coffee. She will be greatly missed.

Memorial Mass will be held on Thursday, December 22, 2016 at 3:00 p.m. at St. Joseph Catholic Church in Crandon. Weber-Hill Funeral Home is assisting the family with the arrangements. Online condolences for the family may be directed to www.weberhillfuneralhome.com.

Donald Schwartz, 80, Pulaski, died Wednesday, December 14, 2016, at Good Shepherd Nursing Home in Seymour. The son of Edward and Esther (Feldt) Schwartz was born January 17, 1936, in Fond du Lac and grew up in Pulaski, where he lived most of his life.



On August 6, 1955, Don married Rose Mary Cornell at St. John the Baptist Church in Howard. The couple started Schwartz Siding and Roofing Inc. in 1967, which they enjoyed operating together for many years. In 1995 they retired and moved to Pickerel. In the summer of 2014, the couple returned to Pulaski and re-joined SS. Edward & Isidore Church, Flintville.

Don and Rose loved traveling together. They also enjoyed fishing, snowmobiling, and polka dancing. Don was a classic tinkerer and liked to putter around in the shop.

Don is survived by his children, Jill (Fred) Sanders, Jack (Sandra) Schwartz, and Scott (Lisa Evans) Schwartz, all of Pulaski; five grandchildren, Chastity (Jim) Reyment and Crystal (Tony) Fehring, Adam (Nikki Tauscher) Schwartz, Kayla Schwartz, and Nikolas Schwartz; two great-grandchildren, Katelynn Rose Reyment and Aleyna Joy Schwartz; nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Rose Mary, on January 22, 2015.

Friends may call at SS. Edward & Isidore Church, 3667 Flintville Rd., Flintville, from 9-11 a.m. Thursday, December 29, 2016. The Memorial Mass will be celebrated at 11 a.m. at the church, Fr. Patrick Gawrylewski, O.F.M. presiding. Entombment will take place in Shrine of the Good Shepherd Mausoleum.

Online condolences may be expressed at www.marnochafuneralhome.com.



Wilma "Tink" A. LaBine, 96, of Laona, formerly of Long Lake, WI passed away Thursday, December 15, 2016 at the Nu-Roc Community Center, Blackwell under the care of Ministry Home Care Hospice. Wilma was born January 31, 1920 in Laona, the daughter of Leon Harvey and Cecilia Ann (McHugh) Webb, Sr.

She was united in marriage to Ferdinand "Fritz" LaBine on October 10, 1940. He preceded

her in death February 11, 2015.

Surviving Wilma is her daughter, Donna Stanz, Redgranite, WI; son, Tim (Pam) LaBine, Armstrong Creek, WI; 5 grandchildren, Rebecca, Wendy, Wayne, Butch, and Jess; 10 great-grandchildren; brothers, Leon (Joyce) Webb, Laona, WI; and Larry Webb, Crandon, WI.

Wilma is preceded in death by her parents, sisters, Agnes and Audrey; brothers, Nick, Edward and Leonard.

Mass of Christian burial will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Friday, January 6, 2017 at St. Leonard's Catholic Church, Laona, with Fr. Felix Penetrante officiating. Burial will follow at the Laona Cemetery. Visitation will be held from 10:00 a.m. to time of services at the church. Wilma will be missed.

Weber-Hill Funeral Home is assisting the family with the arrangements. Online condolences for the family may be directed to www.weberhillfuneralhome.com.

Letters to the Editor

We welcome letter to the Editor; however the letters should be legible, in good taste, not libelous and pertinent to current issues. Names will not be withheld upon request, except for very special circumstances. NAME AND PHONE NUMBER SHOULD BE INCLUDED FOR VERIFICATION PURPOSES. We reserve the right to reject any and all letters.

Dear Editor,

Let me start by saying what a supportive, caring community we live in here in Crandon. It is small towns like this one that band together when one of their own is down or in need. It is for that reason that I write this letter. Dr. Becky Perry has done so much for Crandon and its people for so many years, not only professionally for all those generations she helped as a doctor, but also for the spirit of the community by her magnificent Christmas and Halloween decorations. The work, the time, the money she has put into these displays make them the showpiece of the area this time of year. And her continued generosity in collecting donations for causes directly impacting people who live here? Just another facet in the kind of person we are blessed to have here.

And so the horror and outrage I felt when I first learned that someone had stolen some of her Christmas decorations followed by the news that in a separate incident someone broke the lock and stole the money collected for the Juvenile Diabetes Fund? Wow. This type of despicable person (or persons) must be caught. The rage inside of me for these acts makes me want to say so much more than can be printed in the newspaper. I catch myself fantasizing about early America: wrongdoers in the stocks in the main square, public shaming, people in the streets with torches; but at this point I would be satisfied with the mug shots of the perpetrators on the front page of the paper.

After the egging and vandalizing of homes this fall during Homecoming and now this, it makes me hope our beloved Crandon is not turning into something else. We cannot let apathy and silence allow our town to become a place where these acts are tolerated and the offenders protected. It goes back to the post 9-11 phrase "If you see something, say something". Surely in this day of nonstop social media bragging and confessions, SOMEONE knows who is responsible. Please report this information to the authorities so we can begin to take back our town.

Sincerely,
Jodi Resch Brownell

WPS grant helps the Pickerel Fire Department



Pickerel Volunteer Fire and Rescue recently received a grant from the Wisconsin Public Service Foundation for the purchase of new helmets and personal flashlights for its firefighters. The grant money was awarded to help facilitate the replacement of a variety of helmets. Some of those helmets dated back to the 1980's, they were in a variety of colors which made personnel identification tricky at times, and other helmets had been donated from other departments after being retired due to their age or condition. Also purchased were ruggedized personal flashlights to aid with visibility at night, dark areas, and in smoky conditions. Both the helmets and flashlights increase the safety of our volunteers. This is the second time Pickerel has been awarded this grant from the Wisconsin Public Service Foundation, the first time two years ago helped fund a major portion of the purchase of a thermal imaging camera.

The helmets and flashlights were purchased with over half of the funds coming from the WPS grant and the remainder coming from donations and money raised by the department. Pickerel Volunteer Fire and Rescue would like to extend its gratitude to the Wisconsin Public Service Foundation, its own personnel who assisted in finding and obtaining the grant, Ainsworth and Nashville townships, and most of all to the community which supports the department. This continued support and generosity allows the department as a whole to continue to improve and helps us as a department help you as a community.

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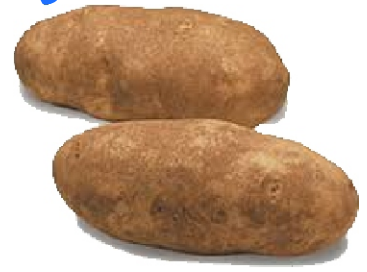
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Forest Service trails open for winter recreation

Winter recreation trails on the Chequamegon-Nicolet National Forest are open and ready for visitors. "The temperatures are ideal for skiing and the groomers are out this week preparing the trails for the weekend," said Jeff Mell, Lands and Recreation Program Manager for the Chequamegon-Nicolet National Forest.

The Chequamegon-Nicolet National Forest offers 20 cross-country ski trails. These trails include numerous loops of varying distances providing an opportunity for skiers of all experience levels. The trails are packed, groomed and have tracks set on a regular basis by either the Forest Service or through agreements with local ski clubs and other entities.

Each week throughout the winter recreation season the Chequamegon-Nicolet National Forest will be posting a weekly Cross-Country Ski Report with the latest conditions on the trails. This report can be found at www.fs.fed.us/chequamegon

Many of our recreation areas on the National Forest charge a recreation user fee for use of the trails and associated facilities. The user fee at many of the trailheads is \$5.00 and may be obtained at the trailhead using a self-registration envelope. You can also purchase a Forest Service annual pass at many local vendors or at Forest Service Offices. The Forest Service annual pass is \$20/vehicle sticker and a second sticker for an additional \$10. The passes are valid from April 1 to March 31 of the following year. If you have, and display, an interagency pass (senior, military or access) in your windshield or in the hangtag holder, your use of the facilities and trails are free of charge.

"The money the Forest collects from the use fees comes back to the forest," said Mell. "This money is used to operate and maintain our facilities and trails for visitors to enjoy."

In addition to the ski trails, the Forest has a few other recreation areas open during the winter for hiking and snowshoeing. For a complete list of recreation sites and their status please visit <http://go.usa.gov/FKwW>.

Argonne Fire Department receives WPS grant



Argonne Volunteer Fire Department recently received a grant from the Wisconsin Public Service Foundation for the purchase of a water monitor for its engine. The department has been looking at several options to increase its ability to quickly put large amounts of water onto fires with minimal personnel. After looking into several options, the department elected to purchase both a portable and a permanently mounted monitor. The grant money awarded covered a significant portion of this equipment upgrade. Since the purchase of the equipment, both the stationary and portable monitor have been used on fires.

The equipment was purchased with the funds coming from the WPS grant and the remainder coming from donations and money raised by the department. Argonne Volunteer Fire Department would like to extend its gratitude to the Wisconsin Public Service Foundation, its own personnel who assisted in finding and obtaining the grant, Argonne township, and most of all to the community which supports the department. This continued support and generosity allows the department as a whole to continue to improve and helps us as a department help you as a community.

City Of Crandon Police Department From The Desk Of Chief Packard

November 2016 CPD Activity Report:

- 3 Accident(s)
- 1 Alarm Call(s)
- 3 Animal Incident(s)
- 1 Assists to Citizens/Motorists
- 21 Assists to Forest County Sheriff's Dept.
- 1 Child Neglect/Abuse/Possible Child Abuse Complaint(s)
- 4 Civil Matter/Dispute
- 2 Criminal Damage to Property/Vandalism Incident(s)
- 1 Dangerous Behavior
- 2 Disorderly Conduct/Fight (1 CITATION ISSUED / 3 ARRESTS)
- 2 Domestic Dispute/Disturbance (1 ARREST)
- 2 Drug Abuse Incident(s) (3 ARRESTS)
- 1 Forgery Complaint(s)
- 1 Gas Drive-Off Incident(s)
- 6 Harassment/Threat Incident(s)
- 9 Health/Safety/Welfare Incident(s)/911 Calls
- 1 Lost/Missing/Runaway Person(s)
- 1 Noise/Disturb Peace Incident(s)
- 1 Obstruct/Resist/Flee Officer Incident(s) (1 CITATION ISSUED)
- 1 O.W.I. (1 ARREST)
- 1 Property Damage Complaint(s)
- 27 Security Checks--Businesses/Residences
- 2 Sexual Abuse/Assault or Possible Sexual Abuse/Assault Incident(s) (1 ARREST)
- 1 Stalking Incident(s) (1 ARREST)
- 2 Suspicious Person/Activity/Package/Vehicle Incident(s)
- 1 Suspicious Phone Call(s) Incident(s)
- 2 Theft Incident(s)
- 3 Traffic/Driving/Parking Incident(s)
- 1 Trespassing Complaint(s)
- 2 Unsecured Door/Window Incident(s)
- 4 Vehicle Lockout(s)
- 1 Violation of Court Order
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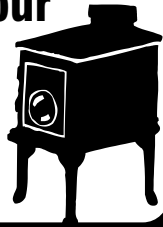
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**FCPand Forest Service
sign historic agreement**



[Crandon, WI] The Forest County Potawatomi Community (Potawatomi) and the U.S. Forest Service (Forest Service) have signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) to allow for more cooperation and government-to-government communication between the two parties.

The Potawatomi and Forest Service sought to get an MOU because a large percentage of the Tribe's reservation lands in northern Wisconsin are within or near the boundaries of the Chequamegon-Nicolet National Forest.

The Forest Service and Indian tribes have a unique relationship that is government-to-government. This MOU recognizes the Potawatomi as a sovereign nation and affirms the Forest Service's commitment to this relationship.

"We are extremely excited to begin this new era of cooperation and communication with the Forest Service," said Forest County Potawatomi Chairman Gus Frank. "This is going to lead to great opportunities for both the Potawatomi and the Forest Service."

The MOU provides a framework for cooperation between the Potawatomi and the Forest Service regarding issues of mutual concern. This includes natural resource management, forest ecosystem management, wildlife management, invasive species management, water and air quality management; access to each other's lands, roads and trails; historic preservation and cultural resource management; and training and education.

National Forests have important historical, spiritual, and cultural significance for Tribes. Forests often serve as a source of traditional medicines, food, firewood and basketry materials. Consultation with tribes provides an invaluable means of obtaining expert advice, ideas, information, and diverse opinions from American Indians in an effort to work together collaboratively to achieve positive outcomes for ecosystem health and cultural values.

"I am very pleased that we are entering into an agreement with the Forest County Potawatomi Community," said Kathleen Atkinson, Regional Forester of Eastern Region. "We are looking forward to moving forward in a collaborative environment."

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**Alzheimer's Association announces January
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Rhinelander, Wisconsin – December 19, 2016 – Each month, the Alzheimer's Association offers family education programs across Wisconsin. These classes are designed to assist anyone who has questions about Alzheimer's disease or related dementias. All programs are free-of-charge and open to families, caregivers and the general community. Each program is presented by an Alzheimer's Association staff member or trained community volunteer. These programs are made possible, in part, by funds raised through the Walk to End Alzheimer's®.

Pre-registration is encouraged. Please call 1.800.272.3900 to reserve your seat. Class details can be found on our website www.alz.org/gwwi.

Here are the January program offerings for this area:

Dementia Conversations

This program offers tips on how to have honest and caring conversations with family members about doctor visits, driving and legal & financial planning.

Tuesday, January 10, 10:00 – 11:30 am
 Crandon Public Library, 110 W Polk Street (Lower Level Meeting Room), Crandon

Tuesday, January 17, 1:00 – 2:30 pm
 Oneida Senior Center, 100 Keenan Street, Rhinelander

Know the 10 Signs: Early Detection Matters

The warning signs of Alzheimer's disease are often dismissed as side effects of normal aging. This training shares the 10 warning signs of Alzheimer's disease, separating myth from reality and addressing commonly-held fears.

Thursday, January 12, 10:00 – 11:30 am
 Lac du Flambeau Wellness Center, 129 Old Abe Rd (Conference Room), Lac du Flambeau

The Basics: Memory Loss, Dementia and Alzheimer's Disease

This program explores the difference between normal age-related memory changes and more serious memory problems that may require medical attention.

Thursday, January 12, 1:30 – 3:00 pm
 Minocqua Public Library, 415 Menominee Street, Suite B, Minocqua

Tuesday, January 24, 1:00 – 2:30 pm
 Tomahawk Senior Center, 113 S Tomahawk Avenue, Tomahawk



**Johnson urges Trump to work with
Governor Walker on Wisconsin priorities**

WASHINGTON — Sen. Ron Johnson (R-Wis.) said this Tuesday in support of Governor Walker's letter to President-elect Trump on Wisconsin priorities and federal overreach:

"I urge President-elect Trump to work with Governor Walker on common sense reforms to increase flexibility and return authority to Wisconsin. I look forward to supporting these efforts by working with him, Speaker Paul Ryan and my colleagues in the United States Senate to reduce the federal footprint, streamline the coordination between federal and state agencies and roll back the federal regulatory burden that is crippling to Wisconsin families and businesses."

Tribal Art Cont. from pg. 1



creative side based on the question, 'How has your heritage influenced your art?' This year, 35 projects were submitted from the Crandon and Laona school districts that includes youth from both the Potawatomi and Sokaogon Chippewa communities, as well as other tribal nations. While some of the art is based on Native American traditions such as beaded jewelry, leatherwork, and dreamcatchers, others are more modern projects using canvas, acrylic paint, watercolors, crayon, clay, etc.

This marks the eighth year PTT has hosted this event, and each year the level of talent is impressive! These beautifully crafted works of art are currently displayed in the lobby of the Forest County Potawatomi (FCP) Executive Building located at 5416 Everybody's Rd., Crandon, Wis., and will run through Jan. 5, 2017. Normal business hours are Monday – Thursday, 7 a.m. - 5 p.m., but please call ahead for holiday office closures at (715) 478-7437.

Please join us for a reception on Thursday, January 5th, to honor the youth, their art, and their heritage, which will also take place at the FCP Executive Building in the auditorium. A light dinner will be served from 5 – 6 p.m. with a presentation to follow.

Footnote: The first American Indian Day was celebrated in May 1916 in New York. Red Fox James, a Blackfoot Indian, rode horseback from state to state, getting endorsements from 24 state governments to have a day to honor American Indians. In 1990, President George H.W. Bush signed a joint congressional resolution designating November 1990 as "National American Indian Heritage Month." Similar proclamations have been issued every year since 1994.



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Thank You!

The family of Jack Chitko would like to say thank you. The holiday season was Jack's favorite time of the year. It is a time of giving and to be with family. So our family sends a thank you to all. Thank you for the kind words, thoughts and prayers; for the hugs and supportive smiles; for the willingness to give and do anything our family needed; for the giving of food and drink; for the cards, flowers, and masses said in Jack's name; and for your continued support. We have found such comfort in all that you have given to us. Thank you! We appreciate you and all you have done.

Happy Holidays from the Jack Chitko Family!

Snowmobile Trails Cont. from pg. 1

this winter when heading west from the City of Crandon. This trail has been improved through an ATV grant obtained by the County Forestry and Recreation Department. The ATV grant has been used to level and gravel the trail surface for an ATV trail later in 2017. Currently this segment is open for snowmobiling but NOT open for ATV use! This segment of snowmobile trail will be located on the same route as last year with one exception. The trail crossing County Highway S has been relocated approximately 120 yards north of the intersection of County Hwy S and U.S. Highway 8. This move was done to improve safety at this intersection. Please follow the signs and stay on the trail.

Please remember that the Nicolet State Trail and the Wolf River State Trail are the ONLY snowmobile trails in Forest County that are currently open for ATV and UTV use. The Forest County Snowmobile Trail Ordinance currently prohibits ATV, UTV use and motor vehicle use on all other snowmobile trails in Forest County. Snowmobile trails are "NOT" open for motor vehicle use or hunting. **THOSE DRIVING TRUCKS ON TRAILS ARE SUBJECT TO FINES THROUGH THE COUNTY SNOWMOBILE TRAIL ORDINANCE.**

Updated trail condition reports can be found daily by calling the Forest County Snowline at 715-478-2024 or logging onto the Forest County website at www.forestcountywi.com. This website also provides links to local snowmobile clubs which provide daily grooming reports and maps of the Forest County trail system. You may choose to log on to a specific snowmobile club for trail information including the 100 Mile Snow Safari at www.100milesnowsafari.com or Lumberjack Memorial Trails at www.lmtsnowmobiletrails.com or Tombstone-Pickerel Trails at www.tombstonepickerel.com or Three Lakes Trails at www.threelakes.com.

The Department of Tourism also provides statewide snowmobile travel conditions at www.travelwisconsin.com/snow-conditions-report/snowmobile.

**Warm For Winter giveaway
December 31**

For any Northwoods residents not quite ready for cold weather, Warm for Winter offers free clothing, bedding, footwear, toys and books for all members of the family. The next give-away is set for Saturday, December 31, at 900 Boyce Drive in Rhinelander from 10 a.m. until noon.

"Lots of donations have come in over the past month from the public and organizations," said Warm for Winter spokeswoman, Jan Leschke. "We're grateful to all those generous donors."

Items are free for everyone, regardless of their income or circumstances. There are no forms to fill out and no questions asked, although participants should bring their own bag, according to Leschke.

More Warm for Winter events are scheduled for January 28, and February 25, 2017, at the same time and location.



Animal Resource Fund 2016 News
By Cory Campbell

As our ninth year at A.R.F. draws to a close we'll review what we've done for animals, and share with you our plans to improve and expand our services for the new year.

The beginning of each year during our cold winter months, our outreach is centered around food, shelter and medical assistance, and 2016 has been no exception. Of course our dedication to keeping the shelves at the food pantry well stocked with dog and cat food continues, but we distribute food to individuals in need and also to those feeding homeless cats. There is only one thing worse for these cats than starving – and that's starving AND freezing. We offer some simple things to provide pretty good protection from the elements for them, and caring people will follow through. When those cats become trusting, we have them spayed/neutered and help to find permanent homes for them – part of a family.

Winter is also the time we are asked to take homeless pets into foster care. We do our utmost to comply, but sometimes our homes cannot make room for another, and then those finding the animal is asked to house them until other arrangements can be made.

Our Annual Spring Sale in June was again a success. We depend on making our money in the warm months to see us through the rest of the year. Secretary Laurie Beaty took vacation time to help set up the sale, and with our market "A.R.F.ers" Linda Radtke, Dan Berdan, & Lindy Mezei, plus our other regular volunteers Jeanne Kochenderfer, Jeannie Weyers, Nancy and Katie Campbell, plus Dave and myself, we managed to get it set up in two days, and of course all stayed through to the end, including the tear-down and clean up. We were missing Board Member Judy Zimmermann at the sale this year due to family medical issues.

We had a full crew volunteering at both the Spring Brush Run Race and the Labor Day Races. The donation from the Brush Run for this work really helps out, and it's appreciated.

More donations this year from Tricia's Treasures after her annual sale really helped replenish our sales at the weekly Market, which continued right through each Wednesday until the 14th of December.

We held a free shot clinic in November – that was one of our goals for 2016 – to provide more for Forest County animals. We had a big turn-out, and lots of animals will be spared life threatening diseases because of it. Volunteers helping us at this event were Kim and Sieg Schnappup, Dan Berdan, Lindy Mezei, and Laurie Beaty. Although member Judy Zimmermann was not here physically to assist with this, she sent a check to help with the finances of it.

This month we held our Annual Christmas Bazaar which brought in more money than any we've held so far. This month was our Annual Basket Raffle which also topped all previous years. The baskets are put together with donations of crafts by vendors combined with some of the donations from Tricia. Linda Radtke and family crafted "Animal Abuse Awareness" pins which were sold during the month bringing in more money for A.R.F.

All year long, Kathy Gibbs donates a percentage of her bakery earnings to A.R.F., and Katie Campbell donates her photography greeting cards for sale at the Wednesday market days.

Presently, two more fund raisers are in the works headed by Clinchy and Angela Fox. Drawings for these events will be at Fischer's Sunset View Resort, where they will also be holding a meat raffle. They have done this fund raiser in the past which turned out very well.

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Neil Schallock has provided A.R.F. with straw bedding for dogs being housed outside, with distribution by Clinchy and Angela Fox. Our sincere appreciation to both families for their donation and time.

We are working hard to finance our plans for 2017. We have been looking to the future to provide FREE spay/neuter clinics, and we feel this New Year we will financially be able to actually do it!

This month has brought us sad news of the passing of our friend Kitty Vollmar, who had our first Forest County Animal Shelter in their back yard. We operated there for many years; with another temporary shelter following that, before we were finally able to build the permanent shelter that still exists. We will all miss her presence, but her legacy lives on.

All of us at A.R.F. wish you all a blessed Christmas, and may God bless each of you in a special, profound way in 2017. Our appreciation goes out to all who have in ANY way helped an animal this year – whether it was individually, through A.R.F., or a shelter. May you be rewarded with blessings.

Pet of the Week



Meet Gus, our pet of the week. He is small for a full grown German Shepherd and is very affectionate. He is doing well on his potty training and would love to make your home his forever home.

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**Notice of Bids
Town of Wabeno**

The Town of Wabeno is seeking bids for the construction of a 32' x 96' pavilion at Trump Lake. Bid will be for labor only, material will be provided. Construction must be completed by February 10, 2017.

Specifications are:

1. 2x6x10' Stud walls - 16" O.C./ Balloon Frame Gables
2. 1/2" Sheeting on walls/tyvek
3. 29 Gauge Ribbed Steel Siding
4. 6 Windows
5. 4 Entry doors with hardware
6. 6/12 Vaulted Truss with 5/8 sheeting
7. Sub Facia/ Aluminum Facia & Soffit
8. 29 Gauge Ribbed Steel Roofing

Send Bids to: Town of Wabeno, PO Box 447, Wabeno, WI 54566 or drop off at clerks office before Dec. 29, 2016 at 12:00 noon. Write Pavillion Bid on envelope.

**Hospice Memory Bear Training
Welcomes Volunteers in Rhinelander**

Memory Bears are beautiful, handmade stuffed animals constructed from the personal clothing of hospice patients served by Ministry Home Care - Hospice. The keepsakes are designed to bring the surviving family members closer to the memory of their loved one. Each bear is created by a special group of volunteers with the individual in mind, using the clothing the patient or family has selected as special to them. The bears serve as a lasting comfort to those who have lost their loved ones.

Volunteers are welcome! Sewers should be skilled as they often work independently. This opportunity allows each sewer to use their skill and creativity to construct each special memory bear. Sewers will be able to schedule their sewing time to fit their schedules, as well as doing work in their own home. New volunteers will use the provided pattern to make the memory bear and any needed assistance or advice is always available for sewers. The first Memory Bear training will be held 10 a.m. - Noon on January 17, 2017 at the Ministry Home Care Hospice office located at 111 E. Davenport Street, Suite 101 in Rhinelander.

Anyone interested in joining Ministry's Memory Bear Program is asked to call Mel Houg at 800.643.4663 for more information.

**Merry
Christmas**

Public Library Hours

Lakes Country Public Library - Lakewood - Monday, Tuesday & Thurs. 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.; Wednesday and Friday 2 p.m. - 8 p.m.; Saturday 9 a.m. - 2 p.m. • 715-276-9020.

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

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

Laona Edith Evans Community Library - HOURS: Monday: noon to 5 p.m., Tuesday thru Thursday: 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., Friday: 8 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. 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 - 10:30 - 4:30 every day. The museum will be open Memorial Day weekend through Labor Day.

**NORTHERN
HEALTH CENTERS**

Recruiting Governing Board of Directors

Northern Health Centers is seeking individuals to serve as volunteer Board Members. Directors serve a 3 year term and are charged with the responsibility to oversee the performance of Northern Health Centers and plan for the health centers future.

As a Federally Qualified Health Center, the majority of the Board members should be patients of Northern Health Centers serving the residents of Florence, Forest, Langlade, Marinette and Oconto Counties. Both Professional and Consumer input is important to the Governance of NHC.

Please contact Shelly White, Executive Director at 715-276-6321 to learn more about how you can help Northern Health Centers, Inc. continue to grow our comprehensive health care programs.

Even if you travel to a warmer winter location, please consider joining the board of directors. Remote access for meetings available.

NOTICE TOWN OF TOWNSEND

The Town of Townsend Landfill & Recycle Center will be open on Saturday December 24th, and Monday December 26th, 2016. We will be CLOSED on Sunday December 25, 2016. Happy Holidays!

Linda Adamczyk, Clerk

**SCHOOL DISTRICT OF WABENO AREA
PL81-874 Impact Aid Meeting**
Wednesday, January 4, 2017 - 6:00 P.M.
Library - Wabeno Area Elementary School

AGENDA

1. Call meeting to order
2. Attendance
3. Discuss the minutes of the January 6, 2016 meeting
4. Explanation of the Impact Aid Program
5. Review School Board Policy 2112.01-Tribal and Parental Involvement
6. Building Updates
 - * Allison Space, Elementary School Principal, will report on Native American participation, events and goals at the Elementary School.
 - * Bill Taylor, Junior/Senior High School Principal, will report on Native American participation, events and goals at the Jr/Sr High School.
7. Public Input—Future Goals
8. Any other business allowed by law
9. Adjourn

- **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.
- **Forest Larger Parish Presbyterian Church** - Sunday Worship: Lakewood - 8:00 (15552 Hwy. 32), Wabeno - 10:00 (4347 North Branch St.), Laona - 11:30 (5265 Linden St.). Call 715-473-3603 for more information.
- **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 Shepherd Lutheran Church** - Hwy 55N, Crandon. Sunday service 9:30 a.m. with Communion on 1st & 3rd Sunday. 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 Wednesday.
- **Bethel Baptist Church** - 1761 East Ave., Wabeno. Worship service Sunday at 9 a.m. Bible study Wed. at 2 p.m.
- **Lakeland Baptist Church** - Sunday Service at 10 a.m, Sunday School 9 a.m. Sunday night at 5 p.m. Prayer meeting Wednesday 6 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** moved into a new location at 11224 Antigo St, Elcho, WI 54428. It will be open each week: Mon. 11 a.m. - 1 p.m.; Wed. 4 - 6 p.m. and Thur. 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** - Every fourth Tuesday at 5:30 p.m. in the lower level of the Crandon Public Library. The January 24th meeting will be held at the Crandon Community Building. The public is always welcome.
- **Crandon Lions Board Meetings** - 1st Monday of the month at Crandon Library at 6 p.m. (downstairs).
- **Crandon Lions Membership Meeting** - 3rd Monday of month. Social hour 5:30 p.m., dinner at 6:30 p.m. & meeting at 7 p.m. October through January meetings held at Duck's Bar.
- **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.
- **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 Nashville Town Board Meeting** - Wednesday, December 21, North Town Hall at 7p.m.
- **Town of Lincoln Board Meetings** - 2nd Monday of each month, 6 p.m., Town of Lincoln Hall.
- **Nashville Craft & Flea Market** - Closed for the season. Will return to the Nashville Town Hall Spring 2017. Interested vendors or for more information, call Linda at 715-484-7271.
- **Tops** - will meet at Wabeno Town Hall on Mondays. Weigh in at 7:35 a.m. with meeting following at 7:45 a.m. For more info call 715-473-2613.
- **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 Public Library Board Monthly** meeting. 6 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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Dec. 26-30**

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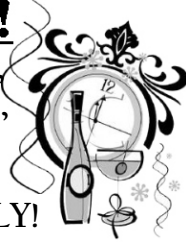
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Crandon Library News



Cookie Jars on Display

This month at the Crandon Public Library, the David Brezovar memorial display case features an assortment of cookie jars from the collection Betty Bergeson, of Pelican Lake. Betty has been collecting cookie jars for a number of years. The collection offers some very unique jars such as a dog house, a gingerbread house, and a lighthouse.

Friends of the Library Donate to Elementary Classrooms

The Friends of the Crandon Public Library recently donated a board game to each of the Crandon elementary classrooms. The Board games are a great addition to each classroom during below freezing weather when the classes cannot go outside. Each year the Friends of the Library choose to donate board games to the teachers due to a board games ability to teach literacy skills, as well as important social skills, such as communicating verbally, sharing, waiting, taking turns, and enjoying interaction with others.

Beyond the Page: Art Appreciation @ Your Library

Join the Crandon Public Library on Thursday, December 29th at 7:00 p.m. as we welcome Meg Sprenger, current Master of Fine Arts candidate at The School of Art at Montana State University. Meg, a 2012 Crandon High School graduate, received her Bachelor of Fine Arts in Studio Art with an emphasis in ceramics and sculpture from the University of Minnesota Duluth in 2016. Meg will be discussing her current work, her education goals and her plans for a career in the Arts. Meg's work is inspired by her love for traveling combined with the history of ceramics and the progression of sciences. She interweaves psychology and biology as well as including the ideology of ceramics into her work.

This program is open to all ages. High school students who may be interested in learning about future career paths involving the Fine Arts are especially invited to attend. Funding for this event is provided by a WVLS Innovation and Collaboration Grant awarded to the Crandon Public Library in October of 2016. The grant will allow for collaboration between the library and the Crandon High School art club and will include a trip to the Leigh Yawkey Woodson Art Museum in the spring.

New Books

The following new titles have recently been added to our new book shelf: *Island of Glass* by Nora Roberts, *Night Watch* by Iris Johansen, *Long way gone* by Charles Martin, *Chasing Shadows* by Karen Harper, *When all the girls have gone* by Jayne Ann Krentz, *The Whole Town's Talking* by Fannie Flagg, *Prince Lestat and the Realms of Atlantis* by Anne Rice, *Victoria* by Daisy Goodwin, *Conclave* by Robert Harris and *Thank you for being late: an optimist's guide to thriving in the age of accelerations* by Thomas L. Friedman.

Drug-related traffic crashes in Wisconsin soar

Departments of Justice and Transportation co-sponsor new ads raising awareness

Last year, 149 people were killed in drug-related traffic crashes in Wisconsin. This is a nearly a 200 percent increase over the previous decade, according to Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WisDOT) statistics.

To help combat this deadly crisis, the Wisconsin Department of Justice (DOJ) and WisDOT have teamed up to produce new TV and radio public service announcements that warn of the dangers of drugged driving.

Premiered at a news conference in Madison today, the TV and radio messages are part of DOJ's "Dose of Reality" campaign to combat prescription drug abuse and WisDOT's "Zero In Wisconsin" effort to prevent traffic crashes. The ad, titled, "Drugged Driving," compares the dangers of driving under the influence of prescription drugs to the dangers of driving under the influence of alcohol. The TV spot may be viewed on You Tube.

"The Dose of Reality campaign has been raising awareness about prescription drug abuse and correcting the myths surrounding this epidemic," said Attorney

General Brad Schimel. "The myth that prescription drugs are totally safe because they are prescribed by doctors is just not true. The dose of reality is driving under the influence of prescription drugs is just as dangerous as driving under the influence of alcohol. I am grateful for the chance to team up with the Wisconsin Department of Transportation and look forward to working together to prevent injuries and deaths on Wisconsin roads."

WisDOT Secretary Mark Gottlieb said, "In addition to illegal drugs, the overuse and abuse of prescription medications, especially when combined with alcohol, severely impairs driving ability and judgment. Drugged drivers are in grave danger of killing or injuring themselves and innocent victims. Law enforcement officers have extensive training and experience in identifying drivers impaired by alcohol and use many of those same procedures to identify drugged drivers. With our collaboration with the Wisconsin Department of Justice, we are striving to prevent drugged driving through effective education and enforcement efforts."

DOJ and WisDOT advise everyone to be aware of the following points regarding prescription drug abuse and drugged driving:

- The serious legal and financial penalties for a drugged driving arrest are the same as drunken driving arrests.
- Do not mix drugs and alcohol.
- Report impaired drivers to law enforcement by calling 911.
- Take prescription medications only as prescribed to you.
- Store prescription medications safely and securely.
- Dispose of unused prescriptions properly and promptly.
- Heed the warning labels on prescription drugs and over-the-counter remedies about the drugs' effects on driving.
- Four out of five heroin addicts started with the abuse of prescription pain killers.
- More than 70 percent of people abusing painkillers get them through friends or relatives.
- Prescription painkillers are involved with more overdose deaths than heroin and cocaine combined.



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Forest County is currently accepting applications for the full-time position of Payroll Clerk. This position is full time, forty (40) hours per week. The Payroll Clerk will work under the direction of the County Clerk.

Applicants must have experience in payroll processes, governmental accounting, computer, and the ability to maintain complex clerical records and prepare reports from such records. Also a pleasant manner to assist the general public.

Application materials, including the position description and summary of benefits may be obtained at www.co.forest.wi.gov or in the County Clerk's Office, Forest County Courthouse, 200 E Madison Street, Crandon, Wisconsin 54520 or by calling (715) 478-2422. The deadline for applications and resumes returned to the County Clerk is Friday, January 13, 2016 by 4:30 p.m. Forest County is an Equal Opportunity Employer

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Thursday - January 5 - Argonne, Hiles and Crandon to Rhinelander - **Bus driver:** Dan Pedersen

For reservations please call the bus driver for that day.

Bob Schultheis: 715-478-0025
Dan Pedersen: 715-478-4254

TOPIC OF THE MONTH "Staying Well" MEAL SCHEDULE

CRANDON, WABENO, LAONA

Monday - December 26 - No Meal Sites this week

Monday - January 2 - No Meal New Year's Day
CRANDON, WABENO, LAONA, ARMSTRONG CREEK

Tuesday - December 27 - No Meal Sites this week

Tuesday - January 3 - Beef pot roast, mashed potato, Harvard beets, sunflower flax bread, chocolate cake - **MUSIC: Armstrong Creek CRANDON**

Wednesday - December 28 - No Meal Sites this week
Wednesday - January 4 - Turkey sandwich on whole wheat, carrot raisin salad, fruit, Oh Henry bar
LAONA, WABENO CONGREGATE

Thursday - December 29 - No Meal Sites this week
Thursday - January 5 - Pork paprikash, egg noodles, green beans, fruit, dinner roll, ice cream
ALVIN

Thursday - December 29 - No Meal Sites this week
Thursday - January 5 - Chicken pot pie, mixed vegetables, 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 Forest County Elderly Benefits Specialist, Kathy O'Melia, has a new local telephone number. Kathy can be reached at 715-478-3067.

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

Pertussis (Whooping Cough)

There have been several cases of pertussis in the counties surrounding us recently, so the Forest County Health Department would like to share some important information.

Pertussis, also known as whooping cough, is a highly contagious respiratory disease. It is caused by the bacterium *Bordetella pertussis*. It can affect people of all ages, but is most serious among infants and young children.

Among infants and young children, the signs and symptoms begin much like a cold with a runny nose, possible fever, and a mild but irritating cough for one to two weeks. The illness progresses to spells of explosive coughing that can interrupt breathing, eating, and sleeping and is commonly followed by vomiting and exhaustion. After the cough, many patients may make a loud crowing or "whooping" noise as they struggle to inhale air (hence the name "whooping cough"). The severe coughing spells can last for several weeks to months. Among older children and adults, the signs and symptoms are usually milder and without the typical "whoop".

The best way to prevent pertussis among babies, children, teens, and adults is to get vaccinated.

Also, like many respiratory illnesses, pertussis is spread by coughing and sneezing while in close contact with others, who then breathe in the pertussis bacteria. Practicing good hygiene is always recommended to prevent the spread of respiratory illnesses.

Be sure to:

- ** Cover your mouth and nose with a tissue when you cough or sneeze.
- ** Put your used tissue in the waste basket.
- ** Cough or sneeze into your upper sleeve or elbow, not your hands, if you don't have a tissue.
- ** Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds.
- ** Use an alcohol-based hand rub if soap and water are not available.

Typical treatment for pertussis includes antibiotics, and early treatment is very important.

If you or a family member are experiencing symptoms of pertussis, it is best to call your doctor to make an appointment. You may be asked to wear a mask to the clinic so as not to expose anyone else. It is also important to stay home and away from others if you are experiencing symptoms to prevent spread of the illness.

For more information visit <https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/immunization/pertussis.htm> or <https://www.cdc.gov/pertussis/index.html> or call the Forest County Health Department with any questions at 715-478-3371.

Senator Tammy Baldwin applauds House passage of bipartisan, bicameral veterans reform bill

WASHINGTON, D.C. - U.S. Senator Tammy Baldwin applauded action by the U.S. House of Representatives to unanimously pass legislation that will improve veterans' access to health care, disability benefits, education and homelessness assistance, among other important benefits for our nation's veterans.

"After two decade-long wars, our veterans and their families are facing many difficult challenges," said Senator Baldwin. "This comprehensive, bipartisan, bicameral veterans package contains over 70 provisions that will reform and improve the services and benefits provided to our veterans. I urge my colleagues in the Senate to pass this legislation as soon as possible so that we can bring much needed changes to the VA."

The Jeff Miller and Richard Blumenthal Veterans Health Care and Benefits Improvement Act of 2016 (H.R. 6416) includes 76 provisions that address a variety of veterans' services that are in need of reform or improvement. It incorporates language from a number of previously introduced House and Senate bills, including several provisions from the Veterans First Act, which unanimously passed the Senate Committee on Veterans' Affairs in May 2016.

Following Tuesday's unanimous House passage, the measure now comes to the Senate for a vote.

Specifically, the H.R. 6416 will:

- Streamline the disability compensation process for veterans and their families to more easily obtain benefits from the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA);
- Expand the U.S. Court of Appeals for Veterans Claims from seven judges to nine, in order to help address the large backlog of veterans' appeals;
- Make changes to the VA's burial benefits and interment policies, including expanding eligibility for presidential memorial certificates to certain individuals who served in reserve units of the Armed Forces, among others;
- Provide a much-needed extension of education benefits for surviving spouses who lost a loved one on September 11, 2001, or during the early years of the wars in Afghanistan and Iraq;
- Improve how the VA administers and approves education benefits for veterans, and allow mobilized reservists to keep their GI Bill eligibility when a deployment interrupts their schooling;
- Modify ownership requirements for small businesses participating in VA contract assistance programs and require the Department of Labor to conduct a five-year study on job counseling, training, and placement service for veterans;
- Make improvements to the VA's health care services and benefits, specifically:

- o Ensuring preventative health services for veterans include access to adult immunizations for veterans who wish to receive them;
- o Prioritizing access to care for medal of honor recipients;
- o Ensuring veterans who served in classified missions can access mental health care without disclosing classified information;
- o Requiring the VA to submit an annual report to Congress on the Veterans Health Administration's provision of hospital care, medical services and nursing home care;
- o Enhancing the qualification criteria to make it easier to hire qualified mental health care professionals;
- o Expanding research on potential health effects from toxic exposure to veterans and their descendants.
- Increase access to benefits for homeless veterans.

The measure is named after retiring chairman of the House Veterans' Affairs Committee, Rep. Jeff Miller, R-Fla., as well as outgoing ranking member Blumenthal of the Senate committee in tribute to their years-long commitment to serving veterans in Congress.

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Senior Chatter

Tips for Eating Healthy When Eating Out

Submitted by Kathy O'Melia

1. Have a plan. If you know ahead of time that you're going to a restaurant, cut back on calories during other meals during the day.

2. Ask for it your way. Don't be afraid to ask for grilled instead of fried, veggies instead of French fries, or smaller portions of the meat in exchange for a larger portion of the salad.

3. Eat slowly. It takes about 20 minutes for your brain to get the message from your stomach that you are no longer hungry. Fast eaters often are overeaters, while slow eaters tend to eat less.

4. Drink water throughout the meal. It will let the message get to your brain that you're full - before your plate is empty.

5. Eat your salad first, before the main course. This may help you eat fewer and more healthy calories overall.

6. Keep your salads tasty, but healthy. Avoid creamy sauces like coleslaw, pasta salads and potato salads; skip the bacon bits, cheese, meats and fried croutons; and add some fruit or nuts instead.

7. Skip the bread basket and munch on raw vegetables or some breadsticks while you wait.

8. Ask for sauces, gravy or salad dressing on the side. For salads, dip your fork into the dressing, then into your salad. You'll use less dressing, which is often high in calories, and your salad might taste better if the veggies aren't drowning in a sea of dressing.

9. Read between the lines. Here are some words that indicate hidden fats: creamy, breaded, crisp, sauced or stuffed. Other "beware of" words are: buttery, sauteed, pan-fried, au gratin, Parmesan, cheese sauce, scalloped, creamed and a la mode.

10. Healthier words to look for include: Baked, broiled, grilled, poached, roasted, steamed, in-its-own-juice and garden fresh.

11. If you are watching your sodium, watch for foods that are pickled, smoked, in broth or au jus, cocktail sauce, soy or teriyaki sauce.

12. Try double appetizers. Nice selections of appetizers (especially ones that are vegetable based) may be more than enough food to fill you up, and are often healthier than main course items.

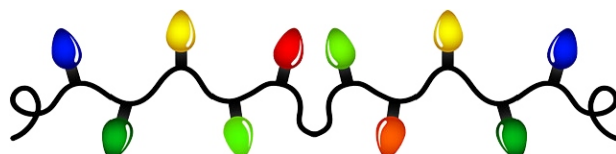
13. Top a baked potato with veggies instead of bacon bits, cheese, butter or sour cream.

14. Order fish: Steamed, baked, broiled, sauteed, blackened, or grilled are all better than fried.

15. Ask to box half your entree before it ever gets to the table or split it with your dining partner. Restaurants' portions are often two or three times more than a normal serving size.

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Nicolet partnership with UW-Stout for Nicolet Culinary Arts grads



Nicolet College Culinary Arts graduates can now complete a bachelor's degree without leaving the Northwoods thanks to a new credit transfer agreement between Nicolet and the University of Wisconsin - Stout. Students can achieve this by taking a combination of Culinary Arts and University Transfer Liberal Arts classes at Nicolet and then complete the remaining 40 credits online through UW-Stout for the bachelor's degree in Hotel, Restaurant, and Tourism Management.

"With tourism such a large part of the economy in the Northwoods, this is an exciting option for those who want a bachelor's degree in this field and who also want to earn this degree without leaving the Northwoods," said Nicolet Dean Jeff Labs.

The bachelor's degree expands career options for graduates into a number of different areas. These include hotel and resort operations, vacation and tourism promotion, culinary and restaurant management, and event and conference planning.

"This agreement creates a clear path for students with an associate's degree in Culinary Arts from Nicolet to seamlessly transfer to UW-Stout," said Linda Young, associate director of Admissions - Transfer and Articulation at UW-Stout. "Both Nicolet and UW-Stout faculty and staff are available to students to answer any questions they may have at any point in the process."

Along with earning Nicolet's Culinary Arts associate degree, prospective students will also take Nicolet classes in English, math, science, and the humanities through the college's University Transfer and Liberal Arts program.

Photo: University of Wisconsin-Stout Associate Director of Admissions - Transfer and Articulation Linda Young, second from left, recently visited Nicolet to tour the college's Culinary Arts department and sign a credit transfer agreement. She's pictured here, left to right, with Nicolet staff Kevin Brown, Culinary Arts instructor, Vicki Mendham, Culinary Arts instructor, Rob Rhoads, academic advisor, and Teresa Rose, transfer and international study coordinator.

McCaslin Lions Annual Children's Christmas Party



Over 50 children ages 10 and under enjoyed the 36th annual McCaslin Lions Children's Christmas party held on December 3 at the Townsend Town Hall. The sirens of the Townsend Fire Truck could be heard all over town as it carried the stars of the party, Mr. and Mrs. Santa Claus. Everyone sitting on Santa's lap received a goodie bag from Mrs. Santa Claus. While waiting for Santa, children enjoyed face painting, games, prizes, and lunch. Many children walked away with presents while 20 children rode away in style with a new bike or trike.



Opportunity to comment on Lakewood-Laona Early Successional Habitat Project

Forest Service, Chequamegon-Nicolet National Forest, Lakewood-Laona Ranger District, is preparing an environmental document for the Lakewood-Laona Early Successional Habitat Project. This project would adjust aspen age class to move toward desired conditions. The proposed action description and other information are available for review at http://www.fs.fed.us/nepa/nepa_project_exp.php?project=48644. Additional information regarding this action can be obtained from the Lakewood Ranger Station, 15085 State Road 32, Lakewood, WI 54138, or phone (715) 276-6333.

How to Comment and Timeframe

Written comments must be submitted to Jeff Seefeldt, District Ranger at the address and phone number above or fax at 715-276-3594. The office business hours for those submitting hand-delivered comments are 7:30- 4:00 Monday through Friday, excluding holidays.

Oral comments must be provided at the Responsible Official's office during normal business hours via telephone or in person, or at an official agency function (i.e. public meeting) that is designed to elicit public comments.

To electronically comment go to the website listed above. At the right will be a "comment" button. Our system will accept email, rtf and word formats. If comments are electronically mailed, the sender should receive an automated electronic acknowledgement from the agency as confirmation of receipt. If the sender does not receive such confirmation, it is the sender's responsibility to ensure timely receipt by other means.

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Potawatomi Carter Casino Hotel spreads Holiday Cheer



Carter, WI (December 12, 2016) - Over the past seven years, team members at Potawatomi Carter Casino Hotel have donated toys for local area children. The team members once again showed an outpouring of generosity, donating 688 toys.

As in years past, Potawatomi Carter Casino matched the average value of the toys and used that money to fill the local food pantry and to purchase winter jackets and snow pants for area youth. After emptying a trailer full of toys at Associated Bank in Crandon, team members went to Schaefer's and filled that trailer back up with food and other items for the NEWCAP food pantry.

Along with the toy drive, shopping for the food pantry and winter clothing purchase, Potawatomi Carter Casino Hotel also ran a food drive with their loyal patrons during the month of November. Through that, over 3,200 nonperishable food items helped fill three additional food pantries in the area, St. John's Lutheran Church in Townsend, Goodman Armstrong Creek Food Bank and the New Hope Shelter in Crandon.

"The generosity of our Team Members and our guests, never ceases to amaze me. It's a great feeling to be able to hold these successful events each year and to give back to the community," Frank Shepard, General Manager.



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