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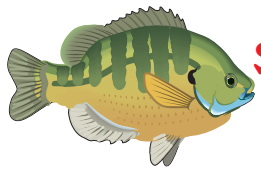
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## Red Arrow Snowmobile ATV Club Family Fish-A-Ree

The Red Arrow Snowmobile ATV Club Inc. is holding their 42 Annual Family Fish-A-Ree at the Townsend Town Hall on Saturday, February 18, 11 a.m. until 6 p.m., and Sunday, February 19, from noon until 4 p.m.

This family event features a DJ, food, meat raffles, beverages and, of course, the fishing contest. This is a great family fun event.

Registration for the fishing will be at Pintsch's Bait Shop, in Townsend, and Mighty Fine Live Bait Shop in Lakewood, from Friday, February 17 until Saturday at noon. Fish will be registered until 3 p.m. on Sunday, February 19 at the Fish-A-Ree. Cash prizes are offered for the heaviest northern, walleye, bass and panfish.

There are a great many prizes to be won, including a \$500 gas card at Lotter's Shell, a snowmobile helmet, a snowmobile jacket and too many other prizes to mention.

All funds will be used to maintain and improve the snowmobile and ATV trails in the Townsend area.

## Forest County Community Coalition seeking interest in Crandon Farmers' Market



Plans are underway to have the market at the Forest County Courthouse Square this summer. The market will be Wednesdays from 3:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.

The main purpose of the market is to make fresh nutritious food available to more people, to support local growers, strengthen the community, stimulate the economy and support a healthier community.

Vendors must sell products that are produced locally by the vendor who sells. Acceptable products include fresh fruits and vegetables, herbs, honey, maple syrup, meat, jams, eggs, non-retail baked goods, wild rice, and grains. All state and federal guidelines and licensing requirements must be followed.

We would like to have the main products sold at the market be fresh produce but the committee will allow other handmade or organic products as well. Vendors will be required to complete an application and follow market guidelines established by the committee.

For more information or to receive an application, please contact Mary Stys at 715-478-7799.

## Goodman Fire Dept. annual Spaghetti Dinner fundraiser

The Goodman Fire Dept will be hosting its annual Chicken and Spaghetti Dinner fundraiser on Saturday, February 18th, 2017 from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. at the Armstrong Creek Community Center. The price is \$8.00 per person and children 5 and under eat free. Menu includes 1/4 chicken, all the spaghetti you can eat, vegetable, garlic bread, dessert and beverage.

Ticket pre-sales are preferred as there are a limited number at the door. Tickets are available in Goodman at Reliable Repair, in Armstrong Creek at the Corner Store and Joe's Automotive or any firefighter. Tickets can also be purchased by calling Mike at 715-336-2786.

Meals will be delivered to homebound. All proceeds go toward needed equipment.

## Crafters and flea marketers needed at Pelican Lake

Looking for a spot to display and sell your crafts or flea market items? Crafters/flea market needed for Pelican Lake Women's Civic Club Memorial Weekend Fundraiser, Sunday, May 28, 2017.

Please contact Lucy at 715-487-5173.

## Melt away diabetes!



The giant snowman on Hwy 32 is up again this year and we are using it as a fundraiser to earn money toward Juvenile Diabetes. We are placing a donation box by the snowman for those who enjoy it and would like to make a donation towards JDRF.

This year a ball was placed in the snowman and we are using the day it falls as the winning date. There is only one person who knows where the ball is. It could be in the hat, it could be in middle. We are placing boards at local businesses around Laona and Wabeno for "When the Ball Falls."

You can buy a date when you think the ball will fall at the local business's or place your name and number with date in the donation box. Each board has a payout of \$100.00, at \$ 5.00 per square. March 1 is the last day you can guess. Please buy a square and support JDRF.

## Torc: The Off-Road Championship focuses on team development



TORC: The Off-Road Championship continues its dedication to the progression of short-course off-road racing with a move announced Thursday to redesign the rules of the TORC PRO 2 class. Favoring driver development, the change will create a more accessible pathway through the PRO classes by requiring PRO 2 trucks to run a 410ci engine and DOT tires. Changes will make the leap from PRO Light to PRO 2 more affordable and accessible for teams. With a lower operating cost for PRO 2's, sponsors will have the opportunity for their dollars to go further by investing in more teams for longer periods of time. With the move to DOT tires, retailers can pull alongside their favorite drivers to support them throughout the season.

"There are major cost gaps between running a PRO Light, PRO 2 and PRO 4 program that do not support driver progression within the PRO classes," said TORC Series Director Ben Nelson. "The high cost to sustain a competitive team at every PRO level has become such that sponsors/partners are supporting fewer drivers each season. Making racing more affordable will allow for growth of new talent through the ranks. Our objective is to maintain an elite PRO-level racing series while creating an atmosphere that allows more teams to get on the track year after year."

2017 TORC PRO 2 Updates

- Engines will now have a capped maximum of 410 cubic inches
- Only GM Turbo 400 automatic transmissions are allowed in competition
- Only DOT tires available to the general public are permitted in competition

Two-time TORC PRO 4 Champion Ricky Johnson commented, "It's going to make PRO 2 more affordable for racers and sponsors, which will attract more talent and grow the field. I couldn't be more excited about these changes."

From brush runs to high-flying short-course action, off-road racing has come a long way. "As technology advances, the financial aspect has become more vital than ever before for team owners," said PRO

## Wabeno Area School Board on proposed referendum

Dear Community Members,

The Board of Education has passed resolutions putting a referendum on the April 4, 2017 ballot. We have discussed this information at our monthly board meetings and plan to hold public informational meetings in February and March. The dates and times will be announced on the school district website.

This referendum is needed because our current referendum is expiring, a decline in state aid and increases in operating expenses. Without this referendum, projections show the fund balance running out in two years. Many schools in the surrounding area have passed a referendum in recent years in order to maintain educational programs and their local school districts.

This referendum will be for \$1,600,000 each year for five years. The district is seeking this amount of revenue for operational expenses, which are critical in order to maintain current programs for our students.

General spending, staff reductions, salary freezes, and changes of insurance are examples of reductions, which have been made in the school district. Further reductions to program offerings will be detrimental to the educational success of our students.

If the referendum does not pass, the district will have options: another referendum this fall, dissolution, staff reductions, cuts in extra-curricular activities, and fees for the food service program. Remember, if the district dissolves your taxes do not disappear. You will pay taxes at the mill rate of the new district where your property is located. Currently, the mill rates of our neighboring school districts are higher than the mill rate would be in our district with this referendum. The following chart provides mill rate information for Wabeno as well as the surrounding school districts.

School District	2016-2017 Mill Rate
Wabeno Area	\$5.88 (\$6.85 with a passed Referendum)
Laona	\$14.82
Crandon	\$9.30
Suring	\$7.37
White Lake	\$13.52
Goodman-Armstrong	\$14.71
Crivitz	\$7.92
Gillet	\$8.31
Antigo	\$8.09

We appreciate the tax payers continued support of the school district. If you would like more information, please contact the district administrator, school board members or review the referendum informational link on our school district website @ [www.wabeno.k12.wi.us](http://www.wabeno.k12.wi.us).

/s/ Wabeno Area School Board Members: Janet Opiela, Board President; Mike Rocole, Vice-President; Patricia Manthey, Clerk; Dawn Jakubiec, Treasurer; Ann Barfknecht, Member; Joan Sackett, Member; Jim Smith, Member

## Computer Classes and Story Time at the Lakes Country Public Library

**Computer Classes Tuesdays at 8 a.m.**

The Lakes Country Library will be offering beginning computer classes Tuesdays in March. The classes will offer hands-on training in basic computer skills and using the internet. The classes will be held Tuesdays at 8 am, beginning March 7. Stop in or call 715-276-9020 to sign up; class space is limited.

**Story Time Wednesdays at 10 a.m.**

Story Time at the library will begin on a new day starting in March. Story Time will be held Wednesdays at 10 a.m., and will include stories and a simple craft or activity; it is open to children ages 3 and up, or 2 and under with an adult. Advance sign-up is not necessary.

The Lakes Country Public Library is at 15235 Hwy. 32 in Lakewood. Phone: 715-276-9020. Visit our website at [LakesCountryLibrary.org](http://LakesCountryLibrary.org).

## McCaslin Lioness Blood Drive February 20th

McCaslin Lioness is sponsoring a Blood Drive at the Townsend Town Hall, on Hwy 32, Monday, February 20, 2017, from 12 p.m. – 5 p.m.

For an appointment, visit [redcrossblood.org](http://redcrossblood.org), 1-800-733-2767 or call Evie at 715-276-9067.

Walk-ins welcome.

See us online at: [Pioneerexpresscrandon.com](http://Pioneerexpresscrandon.com)

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# Bids & Notices

# COMMUNITY BILLBOARD

## Special Meeting Laona Board of Education

Thursday, February 2, 2017, 5:30 p.m.  
C.L. Robinson Elementary - Room 24

President Jim Aschinger Called the Special Meeting to Order at 5:34 p.m. Present: Jim Aschinger, Scott Reeves, Frank Shepard, Jr., and Larry Palubicki. Samantha Hoffman and Melissa McLaughlin were absent. No guests were present. Notice has been posted in accordance with Wis. Stat. 19.84.

Frank Shepard led the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

**Public Forum** - none

**Items for Discussion and/or Action:**

**Resignation** was moved to closed.

The Senior Class Trip chaperones were discussed. The plan is to adhere to the current policy and one more chaperone will be found.

The school had problems with the Scoreboard Wireless Controllers. Motion by Shepard, seconded by Reeves to purchase a Nevco MPCW-6 Wireless Systems Conversion Package. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Reeves, seconded by Shepard to enter into 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. All in favor, motion carried.

After returning from closed session, the following action was taken:

Motion by Reeves, seconded by Shepard to accept Mr. Andrew Blodgett's resignation as presented. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Shepard, seconded by Reeves to Adjourn. All in favor, motion carried. (6:13 p.m.)

## Highway Weight Limit Notice

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

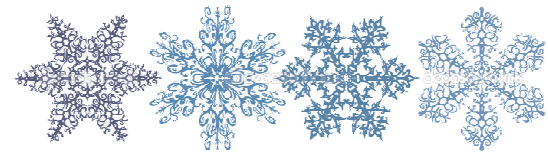
No permission will be given to exceed posted weight limits on any posted County Highway. We would appreciate the public's cooperation to protect our highways.

Forest County Highway Committee  
Bill Anderson, Commissioner

## Notice of Public Hearing

Pursuant to section 100.08 of the Sokaogon Chippewa Community Natural Resources Administrative Procedure Ordinance we will hold a public hearing on March 16, 2017 at 1:30 p.m. at the Sokaogon Chippewa Environmental building located at 3051 Sand Lake Road, Crandon, Wisconsin. Input will be sought on the U.S. Army Corp of Engineers request for Section 401 certification of the Nationwide Permits that may result in a discharge within the exterior boundaries of the Sokaogon Chippewa Reservation.

Interested public officials and private citizens are welcome to attend. All applicable written materials pertaining to this hearing are available for public review by contacting the Sokaogon Environmental Director, Tina L. Van Zile at (715)-478-7605.



## Town of Laona Request for bids Laona Community Building Renovations

Laona Community Building Renovations; Project includes remodeling of the existing men's and women's toilet rooms to provide accessibility. Renovations also include replacement of the existing 2-side serving counter with a manual coiling door. The existing electrical service shall be upgraded and a new electric panel installed as part of these renovations; the existing kitchen and new serving counter shall be provided with additional outlets/circuiting. Demolition of the existing suspended ceiling system and installation of new grid and tile shall be included as an alternate bid item.

Project is funded with USDA - Rural Development and subject to the associated requirements. These requirements can be viewed in the project manual. The project manual is available for viewing at the MSA Professional Services offices, Laona Town Hall, and online at [www.questcdn.com](http://www.questcdn.com).

Bids are accepted until 11:00 am on February 28, 2017, and will be publicly opened and read aloud at that time.

Please call Laona Town Hall with any questions 715-674-4071.



- **St Joseph's Parish Hall**, February 26th, potluck dinner & video on spirituality at 5:00p.m. Bring a dish to pass.
- **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.
- **St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church (WELS)** - 501 N. Park Avenue, Crandon. Sunday worship service at 9 a.m.; Youth Bible School (grades pre k - 8) on Wednesday at 3:45 - 5 p.m. 715-478-5620.
- **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 Ducks Bar at 6 p.m.
- **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. February - May meetings held at Ducks.
- **Pickerel Area 50 Plus** will meet at Northwood's Diner on Hwy 55 & A on Thurs., Feb. 9 at noon. It is our annual Valentine's dinner. Order off the menu. Bring yourself and your Valentine.
- **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 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](http://www.crandonpl.org).
- **(New Day) Ske Gish Get AA Meeting** held Sundays at 6 p.m. at Stone Lake Church, 5132 Jaeger Rd. Crandon. For more information Call Peggy at 715-889-9041
- **Wellbriety 12 Step Meeting (AA/NA)** - Mondays at 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, Sundays at 10 a.m. 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.

## Wabeno School Lunch Menu Feb. 20-24

- Monday** - NO SCHOOL
- Tuesday** - Chicken patty, tator tots, applesauce, garden salad, milk
- Wednesday** - Taco bar, Spanish rice, kiwi, garden salad, milk
- Thursday** - Chicken noodle, crackers, tropical fruit, garden salad, milk
- Friday** - BBQ pork sandwich, potato chips, baked beans, grapes, garden salad, milk

## Wabeno School Breakfast Menu Feb. 20-24

- Monday** - NO SCHOOL
- Tuesday** - Coffee cake, citrus fruit cup, fruit juice, milk
- Wednesday** - Scrambled eggs, breakfast potatoes, toast, peaches, fruit juice, milk
- Thursday** - Whole grain cereal, banana, fruit juice, milk
- Friday** - Breakfast pizza, pears, fruit juice, milk

## Public Library Hours

- Lakes Country Public Library** - Lakewood - Monday, Tuesday & Fri. 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.; Wednesday 9 a.m. - 8 p.m.; Saturday 9 a.m. - 2 p.m. Story Time: Wednesdays at 10 a.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** - Open everyday from Memorial Day weekend through Labor Day weekend, 10:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.



# Bids & Notices

## Regular Meeting Laona Board of Education

Monday, January 9, 2017, 5:30 p.m.  
C.L. Robinson Elementary - Room 24

President Jim Aschinger **Called the Regular Meeting to Order** at 5:43 p.m. Present: Samantha Hoffman, Melissa McLaughlin, Jim Aschinger, Larry Palubicki, Jim Bradley, Tiffany Pakulski, and Sherry Kramer to take the minutes. Frank Shepard, Jr. and Scott Reeves were absent. There were seven (7) guests in attendance. Notice has been posted in accordance with Wis. Stat. 19.84.

Jim Aschinger led the **Pledge of Allegiance**. Motion by McLaughlin, seconded by Hoffman to approve the **Agenda** after being amended to remove Coaching Positions. All in favor, motion carried.

**PUBLIC FORUM** (10 minutes): None  
**Consent Agenda** - Open and Closed Regular Meeting Minutes dated Monday, December 12, 2016.

School Disbursements and Wires paid from 12/1/16-12/31/16 = \$199,751.04  
Purchase Orders for period 12/10/16-1/6/17 = \$3,646.71  
Cash Receipts for period 12/1/16-12/31/16 = \$53,239.49  
Motion by Hoffman, seconded by McLaughlin to approve the **Consent Agenda**. All in favor, motion carried.

**OPEN ACTION ITEMS:**  
Mr. Sorenson shared that the major expenses have been paid for the **Senior Class Trip** to Myrtle Beach March 29-April 3, 2017 with several fundraisers still pending. The chaperones who will be supervising the approximately 16 students are: Rich Sorenson, Mandi Stamper, Joe Westimayer, and Kathy Krawze. Motion by McLaughlin, seconded by Hoffman to give final approval for the Senior Class Trip as outlined. All in favor, motion carried.

Three junior class students and Ms. Okray presented a proposal requesting the May 6, 2017 **Prom** be held at the Camp 5 barn. The Board feels safety is a concern. This will be tabled and discussed at a future meeting when more information can be gathered.

The results of the **15-16 School Report Cards** were discussed.  
An extensive **Fire Inspection** was done in December. A list was prioritized and the main projects have been completed. All other projects will be completed by September 1, 2017.

Mr. Palubicki shared a spreadsheet showing current and projected enrollment. Motion by Hoffman, seconded by McLaughlin to approve the **Open Enrollment Spaces** as presented with no new spaces available for 5K regular ed and no special ed spaces. All in favor, motion carried.

**INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:**  
Tiffany Pakulski submitted a written **Business Manager's Report** that can be found on the school website under District, School Board, Board Agendas, Boarddocs link.

Jim Bradley submitted a written **High School Principal's Report** that can be found on the school website under District, School Board, Board Agendas, Boarddocs link.

Mr. Bradley also shared a request from Mr. Markowski to teach a life skills/cooking class for the upcoming school year. The Board would like to move forward with this option if feasible.

**Administrator's Report** - Mr. Palubicki will continue his weekly updates.  
**Board Member Reports** - All Board members commented that the Christmas concert was very nice and they received good feedback from parents. Thank you given to Mr. Benaszkeski and all those that helped with the decorations.

Motion by McLaughlin, seconded by Hoffman to **Enter into Closed Session** pursuant to Wis. Statute 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. Motion carried with McLaughlin, Aschinger, and Hoffman voting yes.

After **Returning from Closed Session**, no action was taken:  
Motion by Aschinger, seconded by Hoffman to **Adjourn** the meeting. All in favor, motion carried. (7:02 p.m.)

## Warm for Winter will distribute winter clothes February 25th

It's still cold outside and Warm for Winter can help everyone stay warm. "There's no questions asked, no paperwork is required and anyone can come", said Jan Leschke, co-founder. Warm for Winter has coats and jackets, snow pants, sweaters, pants, shirts, socks, shoes and boots, underwear, nightwear, hats and mittens, and toys and books for the children to take home. Warm for Winter has all sizes for the entire family. Everything is free and in good condition.

This will be Warm for Winter's last distribution for the season. This disbursement is scheduled for February 25, at Friendly Village, 900 Boyce Drive, in Rhinelander from 10 a.m. until noon. The next distribution will be September 30. Please bring a bag for your items. For more information, call Jan at 715-362-7157.



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# AREA EVENTS

**Praise Chapel  
Community Church**  
200 East Sixth Street  
Sunday Service - 10 am  
Saturday Service - 6 pm  
Wed. Kids Club 3:15 pm  
Bible Study Wed. 6:30 pm  
Everybody Welcome  
to Attend

40 ETC



**5th Annual Laona Volunteer Fire Dept.  
& Cook Elfors UFW Post 6823**  
**FISH-O-REE**  
Saturday, February 25th  
Silver Lake, Laona • Fishing: 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.

**RAFFLE DRAWING AT 5 P.M.**  
Tickets available now from any fireman & local businesses and they will be available the day of the fisheriee  
**1st Prize: Eskimo StingRai Value Pak**  
(Ice Auger, Ice Shanty & Ice Sled) or \$400 cash  
**2nd Prize: \$100 • 3rd & 4th Prizes: \$50**  
**5th - 8th Prizes: \$25**  
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**FISH CASH PRIZES 1st THRU 3rd**  
**NORTHERN, BASS, WALLEYE & PAN FISH**  
**Weigh-ins, Raffles, Food, Etc. start**  
**at noon at Silver Lake Beach Pavilion.**  
**NO WIEGH-INS AFTER 4 PM!**  
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**Community Church of Mole Lake**  
We are a nondenominational church that uses the Bible as our authority for faith and practice. We learn the truth of God's word through verse by verse exposition of the Scripture.  
**Sunday Morning Worship: 10 a.m.**  
**Sermon Topics:**  
**Feb. 19 - Trusting God to Provide our Needs**  
(Exodus 16:4-18)  
**Feb. 26 - Applying our Hearts to Wisdom**  
(Exodus 16:16-36)  
**March 5 - Trusting in God's Direction** (Numbers 17:1-7)  
2973 Highway 55, Crandon • 715-784-0250



**CRANDON RED HATTERS/CELLULITE SISTERS**  
**THEATER EVENT**  
The Addams Family Play  
Sunday, March 5, 2:00 p.m.  
Volm Theater, Antigo  
\$10.00  
Reservations due by February 23  
Call: Marlene Erickson at 715-478-2041

## Around the Area

**Mike Beno, Editor & Creator of "Our Wisconsin" magazine to speak**  
The Rhinelander District Library is pleased to host Mike Beno, Editor and Creator of Our Wisconsin Magazine on February 20, 6:30pm. This event is free and open to the public. Refreshments will be served. For more information, please call the Rhinelander District Library, 715-365-1070.  
For More information contact: Virginia Roberts, Library Director at 715-365-1070 or director@rhinelanderlibrary.org

**School District of Crandon Community Open Gyms**  
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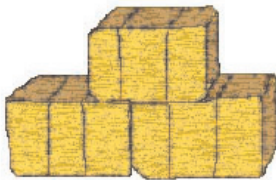
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If you are interested in Hanz or any of the other animals at the Forest County Humane Society, visit them at 701 Industrial Parkway in Crandon or call 715-478-2098.

## The Deadline For ads in the Pioneer Express is 4:00 pm on Tuesday

# Death Notices

**Elta Marie (Schroder) Miller**, 87, of Wabeno, WI passed away February 10, 2017. She was born on September 20, 1929 in Roselawn, WI. Elta was united in marriage to Herbert Vernon Miller on July 24, 1948 at Trinity Lutheran Church in Wabeno, WI.



The most important thing to her was her family, although she had a way of reaching out to others and making them feel like part of the family in an instant. Her passion was definitely people and made friends where ever she went. One of the things she enjoyed was seeing her friends Debbie and Mick at the Double Buck Restaurant in Laona and visiting with her friends there.

Elta is survived by her husband, Herb; children, Jean (Bruce) Christianson, June (Tom) Kopecky, Michelle (Todd) Stefanski, Sandy (Scott) Turner and Michael (Crystal) Miller; grandchildren, Andrea, Bruce, Matthew, Joshua, Isaac, Alyssa, Dakota, Tanner, Haley and Paige; great-grandchildren, Elliot, Norah, and Azalia; brother, Robert Schroder; sister, Joyce Erhardt; and other relatives and friends. She was preceded in death by her parents, Ray and Alice (Wills) Schroder; brothers, Orville and Raymond; and sister, Phyllis Manthey.

Memorial services were at Trinity Lutheran Church in Wabeno on Wednesday, February 15 at 1 p.m. Pastor Cody Hauch officiated. Visitation was from 11 a.m. until the time of services at 1 p.m.

**Howard W. "Panda" Lemieux, age 23, ("Ozzaawaanaqwad "Yellow Cloud")**, of Crandon, passed away unexpectedly as a result of a motor vehicle accident on Wednesday, February 8, 2017. Howard was born in Milwaukee on October 1, 1993, the son of Ronald W. and Dina Marie (Alloway) Lemieux.

Howard had many jobs in the tribal community. He also helped his family and friends in Milwaukee and Bad River. He enjoyed hunting, drumming, singing and watching the Green Bay Packers. He especially enjoyed spending time with his family, he will be remembered for always smiling and joking.

He is survived by his parents, Ron and Dina, of Milwaukee, formerly of Crandon; grandmother, Gloria Alloway of Crandon; sisters, Sarah and Gloria of Crandon; and brothers, Ronnie and Reddmen of Crandon. He is further survived by many aunts, uncles other relatives and friends from the Crandon and Bad River area.

He is preceded in death by his paternal grandparents, Agnes and Harvey Lemieux; and maternal grandfather, Edward Alloway, Sr.

Visitation was on Saturday, February 11, 2017 from 2 to 5 p.m. at the Potawatomi Cultural Center of Crandon. Native American feast began at 11 a.m. Sunday, with committal service at 1 p.m. with Spiritual Leader Mr. Joe Daniels conducting services. Interment followed at Potawatomi Tribal Cemetery in Crandon. Online condolences may be left for the family at [www.weberhillfuneralhome.com](http://www.weberhillfuneralhome.com).

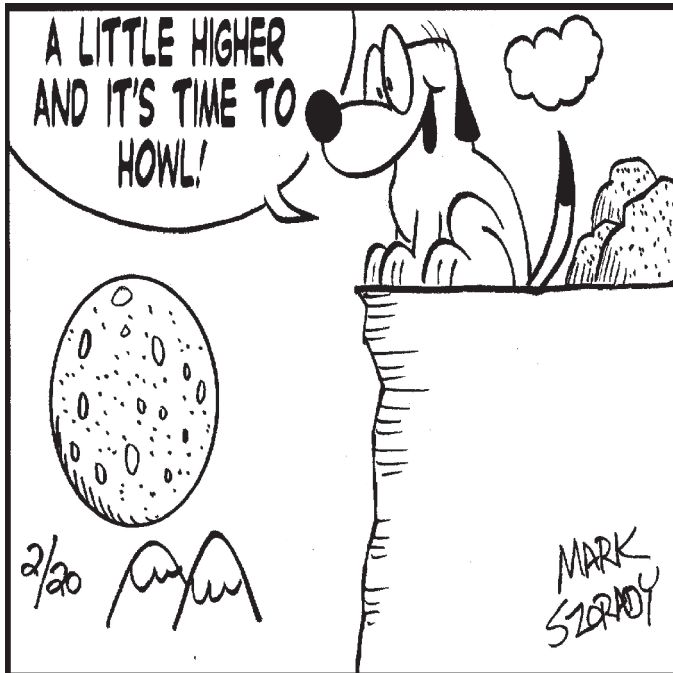
**Gary L. Williams**, 71, a resident of Lakewood, passed away on Sunday February 12, 2017 at Aspirus Wausau Hospital. He was born in Milwaukee to Lesly and Elsie (Koenig) Williams. No formal services will be held. Weber-Hill Funeral Home is assisting with arrangements.

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## Letters to the Editor

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

Dear Editor:

Random Act of Kindness week is February 14th to the 20th. Please consider doing something nice for other people, not just this week, but all year long. Pay it forward with paying for someone's coffee, let someone else go first, help someone carry their groceries, hold the door open, smile at others, or take it a step further and volunteer. No act of kindness, no matter how small, is ever wasted and it feels so good. Please give it a try.

Jan Leschke, Rhinelander

### Johnson supports Wisconsin Farm Bureau, encourages passage of Gray Wolves Bill

WASHINGTON — Sen. Ron Johnson (R-Wis.) offered written testimony Wednesday in support of his bill to return control over the protection of gray wolves in Wisconsin and other states to federal wildlife experts rather than federal judges.

Senator Johnson offered written testimony Wednesday to a hearing by the Senate Environment and Public Works Committee on potential reforms to the Endangered Species Act. The bipartisan legislation introduced by Senator Johnson last month with Committee Chairman John Barrasso (R-Wyo.) would delist the gray wolf in Wisconsin, Michigan, Minnesota and Wyoming under the Endangered Species Act. U.S. Rep. Sean Duffy (R-Wis.) has sponsored similar legislation in the House of Representatives.

Excerpts of the written testimony submitted by Senator Johnson for the hearing are below:

"I am glad the committee invited Jim Holte from the Wisconsin Farm Bureau to provide insights on the Endangered Species Act's unintended, negative consequences. I strongly agree with what I have heard directly from Mr. Holte and other stakeholders including farmers, ranchers, loggers and sportsmen — that all future gray wolf listing decisions should be made by experts in the field, not judges in courtrooms.

"In order to correct the misguided judicial action, I first introduced legislation two years ago with Chairman Barrasso requiring the Department of the Interior to reissue the respective 2011 and 2012 delisting decisions for Great Lakes and Wyoming gray wolves. Unfortunately, Congress did not take action on our bill last session. I was pleased to reintroduce the Johnson-Barrasso legislation, S.164, this year with the welcome addition of bipartisan support.

"I am hopeful this committee and Congress will pass S.164 soon and note our bill takes a sensible approach that allows states to manage gray wolf populations while not modifying the Endangered Species Act. The bill also does not prevent Fish and Wildlife Service experts from ever returning the wolf to the endangered list if it determines the population is in need of federal protection. This legislation provides us an example of how states and the federal government can work together towards reasonable, common-sense solutions for ecosystem preservation."

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**Thank You**

The Crandon Trap Team predator hunt held at May's Bar this past weekend was a huge success. Our team is completely unfunded and run by volunteer coaches and we could not offer this without the many donations we receive. We would like to thank them all for their continued support of youth shooting sports.

Glacier Cattle Company, Crandon International Off-Road Raceway, Rosa Trailers, Great Lakes Timber - James Flannery, Dick Abney, Kam Specialties - Kane Kulinski, Flannery Trucking, Trig's Smokehouse, Laona Machine Supply, Snow River, Nortrax, Mole Lake Casino, Schaefer's Food Mart, Poms Tires, Parson's of Antigo and Eagle River, K Pro Signs, Ducks' Bar, Fun Company - Randy Fenwick, Hotel Crandon, Mihalko Logging, Eats and Treats, Pack 'Em Inn Bar, Forest County Potawatomi Casino, Luscious Locks, Pitts Bus Service, Kerri's Style Shop, Argonne Lumber, Community Tires USA, Bridgestone Tires, Conway True Value, Car Quest, Flowers from the Heart, Laona State Bank, Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation - Larry Borchardt, Tricia's Treasures, MEC Industries - Mayville, Marathon Sportsmen's & Trap Club, Jennifer Sue's Cupcakery, Mike Mihalko, Nicolet Country Club, Fat Boy Backpacks - Jeff Bruss, May's Bar, Jaden Strue, RT Krueger, Crandon Booster Club, Crandon Subway and Schultz Shooting Supply

We would also like to commend Cliff Flannery for all his help with this event and the Argonne Hunting Crew for donating their winnings back to the trap team. A special thank you goes out to everyone who bought tickets, made desserts, and helped out the day of this event. The support was overwhelming and we thank you all!

The raffle winners were Winnie May - 1/4 beef, Warren Francart - 22-250 rifle and Casey Lenz - 870 shotgun. The gun drawing winners were Fay Statezny - 870 shotgun, Jason Flannery - 243 rifle, and Hazy from the Argonne Hunting Crew - 22 pistol.

## Thank Yous and Personals

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**Sugar Bush Sno-Mo-Wheelers**

The Sugar Bush Sno-Mo-Wheelers wish to thank everyone for making their 2017 Poker Run & Fun Days a great success on February 4th. Thank you to the pit stops who sponsor us, Beachside for hosting us, the poker run riders, the paddle wheel players, and all our volunteers. We cannot do it without your support. **THANK YOU!!** All profits from poker run go back into the trail system.

**WINNERS OF THE 2017 POKER RUN**  
 1st - \$150 - Amy Goss  
 2nd - \$100 - Gary Goeman  
 3rd - \$50 - Jared Vick

**Thanks again to everyone & hope to see all at Wild Rose on March 4!**

**Happy Birthday!**



George Kerr, well known principal of the Argonne Grade School, took this photo in the spring of 1958. The charming young ladies are the cheerleaders for the Argonne Grade School Daredevils. All three are still kicking up their heels, and one of them will be celebrating her 73rd birthday on Feb. 19th. Happy birthday Mary, and may God bless you with many, many more.

*I would like to say thank you to everybody that sent cards, called, and prayed for me while I dealt with my latest surgery. My family and I are truly blessed*

*Boyd Monte & Family*

**Representative Mursau receives "Friend Of Education" award**

State Rep. Jeff Mursau (R-Crivitz) is the recipient of the 2017 "Friend of Education" award from the Fair Aid Coalition in recognition of his leadership to ensure fair funding for area school districts.

"Rep. Mursau, as a respected member of the Wisconsin legislature, has helped to bring attention to the unique needs and challenges of small, lake area school districts in northern Wisconsin," said Ben Niehaus, president of the Fair Aid Coalition and administrator of the School District of Florence County. Niehaus said that the coalition is especially grateful for Rep. Mursau's efforts to ensure that high property value school districts in northern Wisconsin receive at least \$1000 per pupil in state school aid.

Rep. Mursau, along with Sen. Tom Tiffany (R-Hazlehurst), is leading the effort to add a provision to the 2017-19 state Budget to establish a \$1000 per pupil "floor" in the state school aid formula.

Niehaus explained that of the \$6.458 billion the state will spend on K-12 education in 2016-17, roughly 70 percent, or \$4.5 billion, is distributed through a school aid formula that only uses property to measure "wealth." As a result, he said, some 60 rural, lake area and suburban school districts with high property values per pupil receive little or no state general aid (equalization aid/special adjustment aid), regardless of their community's ability to pay.

In the 2016-17 school year, 14 area school districts will receive less than \$1000 per pupil in general aid, including Beecher-Dunbar-Pembine, Crivitz, Elcho, Lakeland UHS, Minocqua J1, North Lakeland, Northland

Pines, Phelps, Suring, Three Lakes, Tomahawk, Wabeno, Wausaukee, and Woodruff J1. Other local districts at or near \$1000 per pupil in general aid are Goodman-Armstrong, Florence, Rhinelander, and White Lake. The comparable statewide average per pupil general aid in 2016-17 is \$5,116.

According to Patrick Mans, administrator of the Crivitz School District, the \$1,000 per pupil minimum aid floor would address the continual loss of state general aid that is placing an unfair burden on local property taxpayers. "The needs of small, rural school districts are front and center thanks to the strong leadership of our local legislators, and this is another strong example of the good work that is being done on behalf of our students and taxpayers," he said.

Rep. Mursau will be recognized at the February 15th meeting of the Crivitz School Board.

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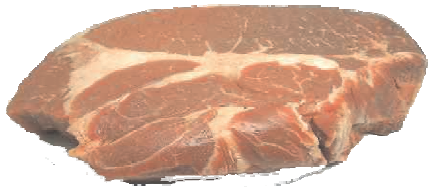
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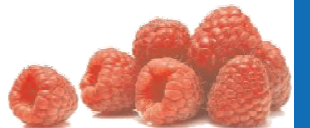
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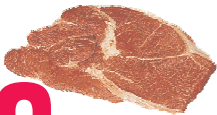
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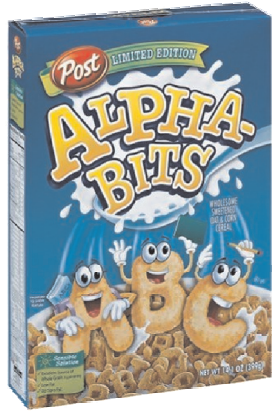
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- 1 Abandoned Vehicle Incident(s)
- 6 Accident(s)
- 1 Alarm Call(s)
- 11 Animal Incident(s)
- 1 Assault/Battery (1 ARREST)
- 3 Assists to Citizens/Motorists
- 12 Assists to Forest County Sheriff's Dept.
- 1 ATV/UTV Incident(s) (1 CITATION ISSUED)
- 1 Bail Jumping Incident(s)
- 2 Breaking & Entering/Burglary Incident(s)
- 1 Burning Complaint(s)
- 2 Child Custody Matter/Dispute Incident(s)
- 3 Child Neglect/Abuse/Possible Child Abuse Complaint(s) (1 ARREST)
- 4 Civil Matter/Dispute
- 1 Criminal Damage to Property/Vandalism Incident(s)
- 1 Criminal Trespass to Dwelling
- 1 Curfew Violation(s)
- 1 Dangerous Behavior
- 1 Defraud Innkeeper
- 12 Disorderly Conduct/Fight (1 CITATION ISSUED / 1 ARREST)
- 8 Domestic Dispute/Disturbance (1 ARREST)
- 2 Drug Abuse Incident(s) (1 ARREST)
- 1 Environmental Concern(s)
- 1 Extortion/Blackmail Incident(s)
- 1 Fire Complaint(s)
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- 3 Warrant Arrest(s)/Apprehension Request(s)
- 1 Weapons Complaint(s)
- 2 Window Tint Violation(s)
- 10 Citations Issued re: Traffic-Related Matters
- 2 Warning(s) to ATV/UTV Operator(s)/Passenger(s)

### TORC Cont. from pg. 1

Light driver Cam Reimers. "To compete at the highest level in all of the classes, you must have the best equipment out there. The changes to the PRO 2 engine will reduce some of these costs and allow teams to showcase their talent in setting up the truck, leaving it to the driver to deliver when the green flag drops."

While the best drivers are born from their growth through UTV, PRO Light, and PRO 2 classes-the 2017 rule changes will model PRO 4 as TORC's "innovation" class. Sponsors seeking to showcase their advancing technology and prototype parts can focus on the heart-pounding, 900 horsepower action of PRO 4 to put their designs to the test.

PRO 2 Driver and 2016 Crandon World Cup champion Keegan Kincaid commented, "With the new engine and DOT rule in PRO 2, be sure to look for racing to be even better and more affordable for everyone. I'm excited to watch the sport grow and look forward to being a part of it."

To further assist in driver promotion, TORC will offer media training to drivers and teams to aid in the development of driver social media and public relations efforts. "Assisting TORC drivers to build their personal brand is a top line item this year. Fans can expect to be more connected with their favorite drivers as TORC works to tell their stories and follow their progression throughout the season," Nelson said.

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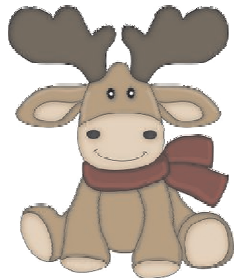
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### U.S. Senators Baldwin and Tillis introduce legislation to support job creation for America's Veterans

WASHINGTON, D.C. – U.S. Senators Tammy Baldwin (D-WI) and Thom Tillis (R-NC) introduced bipartisan legislation today that would support job creation for America's veterans, the Boosting Rates of American Veterans Employment (BRAVE) Act.

"America's veterans have bravely served our nation and we have a shared responsibility to make sure their service and sacrifice is honored," said Senator Baldwin. "The BRAVE Act is a bipartisan reform that can help reduce the unemployment rate for veterans and create jobs for them. I am proud to work across party lines with Senator Tillis and reward businesses that are putting our veterans to work."

"I'm proud to join Senator Baldwin to introduce bipartisan legislation that supports businesses who employ and back our veterans," said Senator Tillis. "The men and women who served in our military bring tremendous leadership capabilities and work ethic to the private sector, and the BRAVE Act is a major win for both veterans and employers who hire them."

The BRAVE Act is supported by The American Legion, Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW), Military Order of the Purple Heart, The American Legion – Department of Wisconsin and the VFW – Department of Wisconsin.

The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) establishes long-term contracts with private businesses for medical equipment, supplies, services and more. Currently, the VA gives preference for these contracts to veteran-owned small businesses, however it does not give preference to businesses that actively employ veterans.

The BRAVE Act would change that and allow the VA to consider the proportion of veterans employed by a prospective contractor when awarding federal contracts. The VA Secretary would have the authority to give preference to businesses that employ veterans on a full-time basis, and the VA would determine the preference for a business based on their percentage of full-time veteran employees.

The bipartisan legislation would also encourage and incentivize VA contractors to employ veterans on a full-time basis. In addition, the Baldwin-Tillis legislation provides oversight of VA contractors and would allow for a 5-year debarment from contracting for those who knowingly misrepresent their proportion of veteran employees.

The BRAVE Act companion legislation (H.R. 974) led by Rep. Kathleen Rice (D-NY) and Rep. Paul Cook (R-CA) passed the House of Representatives last night.

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## Senior Chatter

### Homestead Tax Credit Information

Submitted by Forest County Commission on Aging  
The Forest County Elderly Benefits Specialist will no longer be doing the Homestead Tax Credit. Copies of the H-EZ and H Homestead Tax forms along with Rent Certificates are available at the ADRC office, located at 300A S Lake Avenue.

Additional directions on how to do the Homestead Tax Credit, who is eligible and a list of AARP Tax Aide Centers in the region are included in the Homestead Tax Credit packets available at the ADRC.

We are sorry for any inconvenience this may cause you.

#### Bus Schedule

**Monday - February 20** - Armstrong Creek, Cavour, Newald, Popple River, Crandon and Laona to Iron Mountain - **Bus driver:** Bob Schultheis

**Tuesday - February 21** - Wabeno, Laona and Crandon to Rhinelander by 9 a.m Walmart and Aldi's only. No lunch. Depart Rhinelander at 11:45 a.m. - **Bus driver:** Dan Pedersen

**Wednesday - February 22** - Alvin, Nelma, Laona and Crandon to Iron Mountain - **Bus driver:** Bob Schultheis

**Thursday - February 23** - Argonne, Hiles and Crandon to Rhinelander - **Bus driver:** Dan Pedersen

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### TOPIC OF THE MONTH "Staying Well" MEAL SCHEDULE

#### CRANDON, WABENO, LAONA

**Monday - February 20** - Kielbasa, parsley potato, sour kraut, dinner roll, peanut butter cookie

**Monday - February 27** - Quiche with bacon and vegetables, breakfast potatoes, fruit, biscuit, banana coffee cake

#### CRANDON, WABENO, LAONA, ARMSTRONG CREEK

**Tuesday - February 21** - Beef barley soup, tossed salad with egg, sourdough bread, carrot cake - **BINGO: Armstrong Creek**

**Tuesday - February 28** - Roast pork, parsley potato, sweet and sour cabbage, chocolate chip bar - **MUSIC: Armstrong Creek**

#### CRANDON

**Wednesday - February 22** - Chicken stir fry, stir fry veggies, brown rice, fruit, egg roll, tapioca pudding

#### LAONA, WABENO CONGREGATE

**Thursday - February 23** - Swedish meatballs, mashed potato, green beans, bread stick, blueberry apple crisp - **BIRTHDAY PARTY & BINGO: Laona**

#### ALVIN

**Thursday - February 23** - BBQ chicken, mashed potatoes, applesauce, wheat bread, birthday cake

**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.

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Mike Rzepka from the Nicolet Search and Rescue Team receiving a check from the McCaslin Lioness Treasurer Sharn Fowle. (Mike was outside directing traffic when the other picture was taken.)

**Exquisite sounds of the Wisconsin Brass Quintet coming to Nicolet Feb. 24**



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Based at the University of Wisconsin-Madison School of Music, this faculty ensemble performs across the country, including at the Weill Recital Hall, Merkin Recital Hall and the Juilliard School, all in New York.

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Appearing through an arrangement with the University of Wisconsin-Madison Arts Outreach program, the quintet's musicians are John Aley and Matthew Onstad on trumpet; Tom Curry on tuba; Daniel Grabois on horn, and Mark Hetzler on trombone.

The ensemble has produced three CD recordings, on the Summit, Mark and Crystal labels, featuring original music by John Stevens, Douglas Hill, Verne Reynolds, Daron Hagen, John Harbison, and Enrique Crespo. An earlier LP recording features the only recording of Jan Bach's "Rounds and Dances" and Hilmar Luckhardt's "Brass Quintet." Each of these works was composed for the Wisconsin Brass Quintet, in keeping with its commitment to commissioning and performing new music of the 20th and 21st centuries.

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