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## Forest County Snowmobile Trails partially open as of January 29th



Forest County snowmobile trails opened on January 29th, according to the Forest County Forestry Department.

The trails are open north of Hwy 8. From Laona, Hwy 32 to T marks the boundary to the east. Everything north of County T is open and everything north of Goodman Park Road and County H is open. All trails south of these boundaries is still closed to snowmobilers.

It has been a frustrating year for snowmobile enthusiasts, but there is at least a start in getting the trails open and enjoying the winter snowmobile season.

See the ad on the area events page for more information on trails opening and other useful snowmobile information.

## Mole Lake elects new Tribal Council



Congratulations to the Sokaogon Chippewa new Tribal Council that includes: James Polar, Sr., Councilman II; Denise Smith-Labine, Councilwoman I; Robert VanZile, Jr., Chairman; Carmen McGeshick, Secretary; Tom VanZile, Treasurer; August VanZile, Vice-Chairman.

## Conservation Corner

Conservation Corner is a weekly article produced by the Forest County Land & Water Conservation Department. For more information contact Steve Kircher, County Conservationist-Land Information/GIS Director at 715-478-1387 or by e-mail at [lcc@co.forest.wi.us](mailto:lcc@co.forest.wi.us).

### Poster and Speaking Contest

The Wisconsin Land and Water Conservation Association hosted another poster and speaking contest for all of our students from Crandon, Laona and Wabeno school districts. This year's poster theme was Healthy Forests = Healthy Communities and the speeches promoted the conservation of natural resources and the protection or enhancement of environmental quality. Topics addressed soil and water conservation issues. There are three levels to this contest; local, area (regional) and state. Each student that entered the poster contest or speech contest had a chance to advance to the regional and then onto state contest representing Forest County. The County contest as well as the Regional Contest was held in Forest County this year.

We didn't receive any speaker applications from Forest County, but received about a dozen posters for the local contest. A big appreciation to Nicole Hansen and her art class from Crandon, who brought in some great posters.

We had three speaker entries for the Regional Contest. One young 5th grader from Oneida County made the trip with her family and teacher to present in person. She did an excellent job and her speech will be submitted to the State Contest during the annual State Convention in March. Our other winner was a high school entry from Portage County.

We look forward to next year's contest and please contact the Forest County Land Conservation office for speaking registration forms and the poster guidelines and registration forms.

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at 715-478-1387 or by e-mail at [lcctech@co.forest.wi.us](mailto:lcctech@co.forest.wi.us).

## New owner at the Liquor Lode Now known as Whisky Nicks



There is a new owner of the Liquor Lode in Crandon's Pioneer Plaza. His name is Nick Schmoll. There is a new name for the Liquor Lode as well. Before long, the signs will be in place that announce that the business is now known as Whisky Nicks.

The new owner grew up between Antigo and Elcho, and graduated from the Elcho High School. He graduated from UWGB with a business degree and started selling for Badger Liquor in 2009. He moved to Florence. Nick had a route that took him to all of the bars in Forest County, so he knows where all the bars are located and knows the owners. He also sold to the Liquor Lode and when he found he could buy it, he did.

There will be some changes. The DVD movie business is no longer viable, and Nick has been selling off the stock. The space will be used to increase the selling area for liquor, wine and beer.

He is also adding some new selections, and says he is adjusting some prices lower.

Nick says he is looking forward to meeting and dealing with all the people in the community.

The gang at the *Pioneer Express* wish Nick good luck with his new business venture!



Nick Schmoll, new owner of Whisky Nicks, formerly known as the Liquor Lode

## Getting Vaccinated



Seniors who get vaccinated through the county health department do so at the Crandon Community Building. As can be seen, privacy screens are set up in the corner of the hall.

If you are lucky enough to have your number come up, you get the shot. But, the amount of vaccine asked for doesn't always arrive, so we wait.

## Forest County covid vaccine update

The Forest County Health Department is currently helping to provide COVID-19 vaccine to frontline healthcare personnel, EMS, those who provide direct patient service or other healthcare services, law enforcement, fire personnel, and anyone 65 and older.

The Wisconsin Department of Health Services (DHS) has announced the following groups to be eligible tentatively starting March 1st, 2021:

- Educators and child care
- Individuals enrolled in Medicaid long-term care programs
- Some public facing essential workers including 911 operators, utility and communications infrastructure, public transit, and food supply chain
- Non-frontline essential health care personnel
- Congregate living facility staff and residents

FCHD receives weekly vaccine allocations from the state. Individuals will then be scheduled based on our allocation and eligibility. We will continue to share more information about vaccine availability for other individuals and as it becomes available from DHS.

If you are interested in receiving the vaccine, please call our office at 715-478-3371. You can also contact your healthcare provider to ask about vaccine availability.

Please continue to practice every day preventative measures including:

- Practice physical distancing
- Wear a mask in public
- Wash your hands frequently
- Avoid large gatherings
- Stay home if you are sick and contact your healthcare provider to be tested

You can learn more about Wisconsin's vaccination planning at <https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/covid-19/vaccine-about.htm>

## 913 cases of covid-19 (8 active) confirmed in Forest County

Forest County Public Health officials have confirmed additional persons have been diagnosed with novel coronavirus infection (COVID-19) for a total of 913 cases in Forest County. County health officials and local partners are contacting others with whom the individuals who tested positive had close contact with. As of today, Forest County has 4,196 negative test results. There are currently 8 active cases in isolation, 881 released from isolation, 2 hospitalized, and 25 deaths related to COVID-19.

The Forest County Health Department encourages community members to minimize their contact with others by staying home when possible, practice physical distancing and good personal hygiene, wear a mask or cloth face covering, and stay alert for symptoms of COVID-19. If you are experiencing any symptoms or have been exposed to someone with COVID-19, please contact your health care provider and ask to be tested.

In an effort to keep our community members up to date on COVID-19, the Forest County Health Department will continue to update our Facebook page daily and local newspapers weekly with current COVID-19 case counts. This will include the number of negative and positive cases in Forest County. Please call our office at 715-478-3371 with any questions or concerns.

## Ascension Wisconsin begins vaccinating patients 65 and older in the Northwoods

(Rhineland, WI)-In accordance with the Wisconsin Department of Health Services (DHS) guidelines, several Ascension Wisconsin COVID-19 vaccination clinics have expanded access to include adults age 65 and older this week.

66-year old Pam and 69-year old Steve Winchell of Rhineland were among the first patients to receive the COVID-19 vaccine at the initial community vaccination clinic conducted by Ascension Medical Group Wisconsin (AMG-WI) on the campus of Ascension St. Mary's Hospital in Rhineland on Monday, February 1.

As second Northwood's community vaccination clinic at Howard Young Medical Center, part of Ascension Wisconsin will begin providing Woodruff area patients of AMG-WI the COVID-19 vaccine on Tuesday, February 2.

AMG-WI has been reviewing medical records for all existing patients and identifying those who fit the eligible criteria. AMG-WI has been and will continue to proactively and personally contact eligible patients over

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**Ascension vaccinating** Cont. from pg. 1

the coming weeks by text, email and phone. Please do not call Ascension Wisconsin hospitals or clinics regarding vaccinations. AMG-WI will contact eligible patients.

"Our goal is to safely vaccinate as many individuals as quickly as possible. Our doctors, nurses, clinicians and associates have worked tirelessly throughout the COVID-19 pandemic. We are excited to begin this critical next phase of vaccinations," said Dr. Gregory Brusko, Chief Clinical Officer, Ascension Wisconsin. "We continue to collaborate closely with local and state health officials to ensure we're doing everything we can to get as many people vaccinated as safely and efficiently as possible. We encourage everyone to get vaccinated when it is made available to them."

Appointments for the vaccine are scheduled in advance. No walk-in vaccinations are available at this time, but this may be adjusted in the future as additional vaccine doses become available.

"Our overarching goals for vaccine distribution remain to strengthen and protect the healthcare workforce, support those persons with highest risk of exposure and assist those individuals with vulnerable conditions," added Susan Moore, MD, Medical Director of Primary Care Services for the North Region of AMG-WI.

Ascension Wisconsin continues to vaccinate frontline healthcare workers, first responders, police and fire personnel, community health centers and dental office staff, and Ascension affiliated and non-affiliated Group 1a individuals. As of the end of January, Ascension Wisconsin has administered approximately 31,000 COVID-19 vaccine doses across the state.

"We are phasing the rollout to include additional Group 1b individuals based on CDC and DHS guidance and based on availability of COVID-19 vaccine," added Dr. Moore. "We will continue to provide updates as additional vaccination opportunities through our health system become available."

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and DHS guidance and based on availability of COVID-19 vaccine. Ascension Wisconsin will continue to provide updates as additional vaccination opportunities become available.

For additional information, please visit: <https://healthcare.ascension.org/COVID-19/vaccinations>.

**Regional Champs!**



Team photo: Back row L to R: Coach Eric Shepherd, Coach Isaiah Doane, Connor Lawrence, Mason Mullins, Carter Bissonette, Carsyn Mayer, Brett Palubicki, Silas Denee, Kolten Keao, Coach Paul Cleereman.

Front row L to R: Caden Palubicki, Elias Gliniski, Hutson Kane, Brayden Madl, Rowen Pagel, Wyatt Wilson and Cole Shepherd (Not pictured: Eian Wilson)

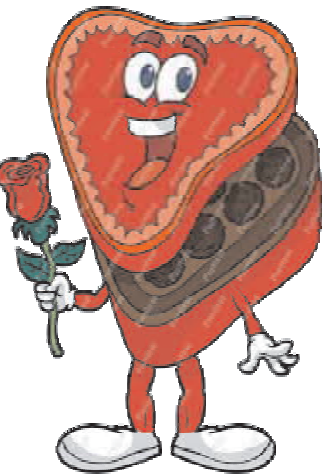
The Crandon Cardinal Wrestling team went undefeated in the 2020-21 season with a record of 13-0 going into this past Saturday's Regional Final tournament. This year's tournament was held at Three Lakes High School and the schools competing in the tournament included Crandon, Elcho, Laona-Wabeno, Menominee Indian, Three Lakes and Wittenberg-Biramwood.

The Crandon Cardinals kept their winning streak alive with 10 wrestlers advancing to the final round. Of the 10 finalists the following four took first place: Elias Gliniski (106#), Hutson Kane (120#), Cole Shepherd (138#) and Rowen Pagel (182#). Additionally, the following four took second place: Brayden Madl (113#), Carsyn Mayer (132#), Silas Denee (170#) and Connor Lawrence (HW).

The hard work and determination of the team paid off with Cardinals becoming the 2021 Regional Champs. The Cardinals are coached by Paul Cleereman, Isaiah Doane and Eric Shepherd. The team managers are Maya Novak, Nadia Mentz and Reece Mayer. The eight Cardinal wrestlers that finished with 1st or 2nd place will be advancing to sectionals. Sectionals will be held this Saturday, February 6th, at Valders High School. Good luck to the Cardinal wrestlers and all the other area wrestlers at sectionals.



First Place Finishers: L to R: Elias Gliniski (15-1), Hutson Kane (11-1), Cole Shepherd (15-1) and Rowen Pagel (11-4)



**Taylor hits 1000 points**



Pictured (l to r): Coach Bill Taylor, Connor Taylor, Bondese Frank, Matthew Seeber, Reed Christianson, Jesse Prasser, Carter Janesch, Adam Seeber, Clayton Seeber, Hunter Cronauer, and Assistant Coach Logan Chrisman

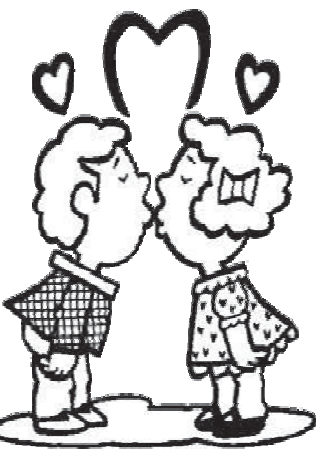
On Friday, January 8th, 2021, Connor Taylor, of the Laona/Wabeno Rebels, joined the 1,000 Point Club.

Connor joins Wabeno High School Logrollers Tom Tallier (1959-1962) 1,197 points, and Jake Christianson (1990-1993) 1,173 points.

In 2012, the Wabeno and Laona schools combined boys basketball. Connor joins Laona/Wabeno Rebels Logan Chrisman (2010-2013) 1,469 points, and Cooper Chrisman (2014-2017) 1,693 points.

Congratulations to Connor and the Rebel Basketball Team for working together to accomplish this basketball milestone.

# AREA EVENTS



## Do you want to build a snowman?



*The Bay at NuRoc would like to extend an offer to all our Forest County community & neighbors to come & BUILD A SNOWMAN!*

Stop out at The Bay at NuRoc any day in the month of February and build a snowman. The rules are simple: Bring your family, friends, coworkers or neighbors to The Bay at NuRoc; pick a spot and start building! Once your Snowman is completed, let us know (715-674-4477) so we can take a picture. At the end of the month, our residents will vote on the best Snowman. Winner will receive \$25.00 Forest County Chamber Bucks.

Nothing cheers our residents more than seeing friends and family even if it's watching them from the window. Please stop out and put a smile on our Residents faces!

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## February Is American Heart Month

In celebration of American Heart Month this February, the Forest County Health Department wants to help increase awareness of high blood pressure, which is often times referred to as the "silent killer." Normal blood pressure is 120/80 or less. Nearly half of the American population over age 20 has high blood pressure and many do not even know it. You may not feel that anything is wrong, but high blood pressure could be quietly causing damage that could threaten your health. Certain risk factors for high blood pressure cannot be controlled, such as family history, race/ethnicity, age and gender. Take control of your risk factors. Don't smoke and avoid second hand smoke, reach and maintain a healthy weight, eat a healthy diet that is low in saturated and trans fats and rich in fruits and vegetables, whole grains, and low-fat dairy products, reduce your daily intake of sodium, be more physically active and limit alcohol intake.

High blood pressure can lead to stroke, vision loss, heart failure, heart attack, kidney disease, and sexual dysfunction. The best prevention is knowing your numbers and making changes to prevent and manage high blood pressure. For more information, please go to the American Heart Association website at [www.heart.org](http://www.heart.org).

The Forest County Health Department encourages you to increase your activity level this month. Challenge yourself to get 150 minutes of physical activity per week. You can start small with 10 or 15 minutes at a time and work your way up. You could try walking on your lunch break or walking in place at home. You can track your times by jotting them on the calendar each day, you will be amazed at how it adds up, even just 10 minutes three times a day.

If you would like to have your blood pressure checked, please call the health department Monday through Friday 8:00 am to 4:30 pm to schedule an appointment to have your blood pressure checked.

Visit our website and Facebook page or call us for more information. 715-478-3371 [www.forestcountypublichealth.org](http://www.forestcountypublichealth.org)

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(Thank you Mr. Bailey from Pickerel!)

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**Freshman** Katelyn Kalkofen  
**8th Grade** Kyle Braaten, Sarah Bruders, Sean Cassidy, Erin Goode, Joshua Knutson, Krystal Moddie, Hailey Moore  
**7th Grade** Lauryn Dwight, Nicholas Niven, Joseph Stec
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**Sophomores** Bryson McVay  
**Freshman** Wyatt-Paul Champeau  
**8th Grade** Laynee Dwight, Minna Yang

**GOOD JOB TO THE STUDENTS ON THE HONOR ROLL**

## Forest County Snowmobile Trails Partially Open

Forest County Snowmobile Trails will be partially opening at Noon on Friday, January 29, 2021 for the snowmobiling season. Forest County has about 405 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. Only the northern trails will be open. Everything north of Goodman Park Rd to County Rd H to County Rd T to Hwy 32 and west along Hwy 8 w will be open. Everything south of that line will remained closed. Closed trails will be marked with ribbon and/or "Trail closed" signs, please pay close attention when riding as the closed trails are in dangerous riding conditions.

Snowmobile clubs have been panning the trails and have all trails cleared and signed.

New snowmobile maps are also available for the New Year thanks to sizeable donations by the Sugarbush Snowmowheelers. The donations has resulted in an awesome snowmobile trail map to guide snowmobilers throughout Forest County.

Please remember that the Nicolet State Trail, the Wolf River State Trail, and the Valley 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 715-478-3475 or logging onto the Forest County website at [www.forestcountywi.com](http://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](http://www.100milesnowsafari.com) or Lumberjack Memorial Trails at [www.lmtsnowmobiletrails.com](http://www.lmtsnowmobiletrails.com) or Tombstone-Pickerel Trails at [www.tombstonepickerel.com](http://www.tombstonepickerel.com) or Three Lakes Trails at [www.threelakestrails.com](http://www.threelakestrails.com).

The Department of Tourism also provides statewide snowmobile travel conditions at [www.travelwisconsin.com/snow-conditions-report/snowmobile](http://www.travelwisconsin.com/snow-conditions-report/snowmobile).

## Gun & Knife Show Sagola Township Sportsmen's Club

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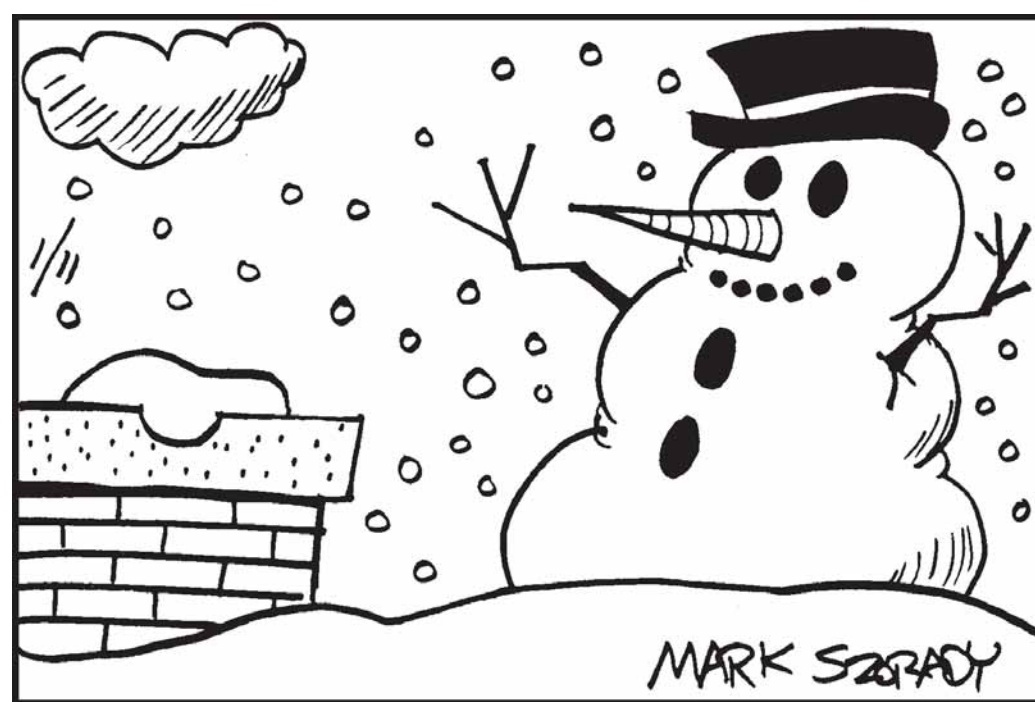
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By Mark Szorady



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# Letters to the Editor

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

## Show them you care this Valentine's Day by quitting tobacco

Dear Editor,  
 Sunday, February 14 is Valentine's Day. While chocolates and flowers are great, there's really no better way to show your love this Valentine's Day than by quitting tobacco use. Plus, quitting tobacco products will make the flowers smell sweeter and the chocolates that much tastier.

Just minutes after quitting, your heart rate and blood pressure can drop. A few days after quitting, the carbon monoxide level in your blood drops to normal. 2 weeks to 3 months after quitting, your circulation improves and your lung function increases. More examples and information can be found at the following link <https://www.cancer.org/healthy/stay-away-from-tobacco/benefits-of-quitting-smoking-over-time.html>. The relationship benefits of quitting are endless, you'll have more energy, no need to take smoke breaks, less secondhand smoke to those around you, and so much more!

Quitting tobacco products isn't easy, but it is worth it, and help is available. Readers can call the Wisconsin Tobacco QUIT LINE AT 1-800-QUIT NOW (784-8669) for free support and medications. Also, Medicaid recipients who use tobacco products can talk to their physician about the free support provided through the Medicaid Cessation Benefit.

Get in touch with a member of the Northwoods Tobacco Free Coalition or call us at the Forest County Health Department at (715) 478-3371 for more information.

# Death Notices



Kenneth Lyle Keepers, age 83, of Argonne, passed away unexpectedly on January 22, 2021 in Gainesville, FL. He was born April 24, 1937 at home in Westboro, WI to Roy and Marion (Cummings) Keepers.

Ken graduated from high school in 1955 and began working road construction. While building highway 32 through Argonne he noticed a beautiful young lady that he was determined to make his wife. Ken and Marian Gretzinger were wed October 5, 1956. They began their life together in Argonne farming and working for the Town of Lincoln. Ken started logging and whatever else he could to support his family.

In 1960 Ken and Marian bought the farmstead from Lela Gretzinger, it was the family farm that Marian's father, Roy built before he passed away. They loved children and soon outgrew the simple farm and bought their current homestead property from Arthur Haines. Ken and Marian worked together building their farm business, teaching their children work ethics, producing milk, crops and developing a high milk producing blood line of cattle. Even with so much work to do Ken was always more than willing to lend a helping hand to the neighbors and extended family. In 1980 he came up with the idea to start Argonne Lumber in the family farm machine shed. After a year of helping to get the business established, he went back to his love of the farm full time. Later, when he sold the dairy cattle, he worked at Argonne Lumber again for 5 years until his full retirement.

When Ken had a free moment, you would find him reading and researching an array of subjects. As one of his grandsons said, "He's the smartest man I've ever known." He was always captivated by the newest electronics, and he would often be found singing and occasionally dancing. Ken was a member of the church choir and taught himself how to play a keyboard. He was an active member of St. Joseph Catholic Church in Crandon and member of the Knights of Columbus.

Ken's greatest pride and passion were his 9 children, grandchildren, and great grandchildren. He would include them by name every night in his prayers. He also loved the in-laws as his own children.

Ken is survived by his wife Marian Rose (Gretzinger) Keepers, sons, Roy (Barbara) Keepers, Mark (Katie) Keepers, Allen (Kim) Keepers; daughter Sara (Robert) VanCleve; son Kenneth (Eunice) Keepers; daughter, Nancy (Mel) Donek; son, Brian Keepers; daughter, Elizabeth (Eric) Schallhorn; son Benjamin Keepers (Robin). Many grandchildren and great grandchildren, nieces, nephews, and in-laws.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Roy and Marion (Cummings) Keepers, a brother, Leroy "Bun" Keepers, sister-in law, Virginia, a sister, Iris and brother in-law, Dean Jacobsen and a great-grandson Riley VanCleve.

Please see the Family Tree link for a complete list.

Visitation will be held from 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. on Tuesday, February 9, 2021 at St. Joseph Catholic Church. Memorial mass will follow at 12:00 p.m with Father Kennedy Gaspar and Father John Cerkas officiating.

The family requests that Masks Be Worn. Online condolences may be left for the family at [www.weberhillfuneralhome.com](http://www.weberhillfuneralhome.com)



John Wickham of Antigo passed away peacefully on Thursday January 28, 2021 at Aspirus Wausau Hospital. He was 81 years old. John, son of Archie and Dorothy (Gretzinger) Wickham, was born on November 12th 1939 in Crandon WI. He was the youngest of six siblings.

John graduated from Crandon High School. He married the love of his life Gail Resch on January 19th, 1963 in Kenosha. They had just celebrated their 58th wedding anniversary.

John was a machinist in the Fox Valley raising his family in Greenville WI until his retirement. Following his retirement, he moved to the town of Deerbrook WI, where he and his wife Gail lived in the house that he and his sons built on Deepwoods Lake.

John cherished all of the time he spent with his family. During his working years, he loved taking the family to the north woods. He enjoyed camping, hunting, fishing, snowmobiling and sitting around the campfire telling stories that more often than not, would make you laugh. He also loved a good cookout while enjoying a beverage. John was an avid Wisconsin sports fan, never wanting to miss a Brewers, Packers, Bucks or Badgers game. He also enjoyed coaching Youth Baseball and attending the sporting events that his grandsons participated in. One of his favorite past times was watching old western movies.

John is survived by his loving wife Gail of Antigo; two sons David (Glenda) Wickham of Greenville, and Curt Wickham of New London; two grandsons Jacob Wickham of Park Falls and Zachary Wickham of Greenville; two brothers, Harold (Lois) Wickham and Jim Wickham; brother-in-law Harry Jaeger; in-laws, Kathy (Dick) Pesl, Bill Resch, and Pete (Shelly) Resch; as well as many nieces and nephews.

John was preceded in death by his father, Archie; mother Dorothy and stepfather Joe Keller; grandson Lucas Wickham; sisters, Marie Yaeger, Johann Gobert and infant sister Jane; sister-in-law Betty Wickham; brother-in-law, Winnie Gobert; father-in-law and mother-in-law Roy and Viola Resch and sister-in-law, Sandy Resch.

John's family would like to express special thank you to the Cardiology staff at Aspirus Hospital in Wausau for the many years of care and compassion that they provided to John.

Per John's wish, no services will be held. Online condolences: [www.bradleyfh.com](http://www.bradleyfh.com).

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# Bids & Notices

## 2021-2022 OPEN ENROLLMENT APPLICATION PERIOD SCHOOL DISTRICT OF LAONA

The School District of Laona will be accepting Open Enrollment applications for the 2021-2022 school year from February 1, 2021-April 30, 2021. Applications must be received no later than 4:00 pm on April 30, 2021. *Late applications will not be accepted for any reason.* Parents may apply on-line at <https://dpi.wi.gov/oe>.

Wisconsin's inter-district public school open enrollment program allows parents to apply for their children to attend school districts other than the one in which they live. More information may be obtained from the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction-Public School Open Enrollment Program by calling 1-888-245-2732, option 2, or you may visit their web site at <https://dpi.wi.gov/oe>. You may also contact the School District of Laona @ 5216 Forest Avenue, Suite A, Laona WI 54541. Phone: 715-674-2143, extension 1.

*Please note: If your child is already attending the School District of Laona through Open Enrollment, you do not have to reapply.*

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**Monday** - Pancakes, Sausage patty, strawberries, fruit juice, milk  
**Tuesday** - Breakfast pizza, pineapple chunks, fruit juice, milk  
**Wednesday** - Delivered meals  
**Thursday** - Breakfast burrito, hash brown patties, Mandarin oranges, fruit juice, milk  
**Friday** - Cinnamon rolls, grapes, fruit juice, milk

### Wabeno School Lunch Menu Feb. 8 - 12

**Monday** - Chicken patty, cool ranch doritos, carrots, applesauce, garden bar, milk  
**Tuesday** - Sloppy joes, potato wedges, corn, pears, garden bar, milk  
**Wednesday** - Delivered meals  
**Thursday** - Salisbury steak, mashed potatoes, California blend, baked apple crisp, garden bar, milk  
**Friday** - Chicken nuggets, mac and cheese, corn, peaches, garden bar, milk

### New tool helps drivers compute costs

How much do you pay in taxes and fees to drive your car in Wisconsin? How do these costs compare to neighboring states?

The Midwest Driver Fee Calculator, a new online tool offered by the Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WisDOT) lets users calculate the taxes and fees they pay to drive several popular models of personal motor vehicles. Residents can also compare that cost to the same vehicle in four other Midwestern states. Users are asked to select the vehicle type, make, model and year of the car, and to indicate how many miles a year they drive. There is also an option to include wheel tax in those counties and municipalities that have them. The calculator includes dozens of popular vehicles, and WisDOT will soon add additional models.

The tool then generates a colorful chart with the estimated annual cost of driving that car in Wisconsin, Illinois, Iowa, Michigan, and Minnesota. Users can tell at a glance how much of the total figure consists of various taxes and fees, which are the constitutionally protected funds used to build and maintain Wisconsin's roads.

All calculations are estimates based on all known state excise, sales, and environmental taxes and fees levied on motor fuel, plus vehicle registration renewal fees as of May 1, 2020. Individual costs will vary based on conditions and driving habits. While the calculator contains a number of models and years, it is not yet comprehensive.

Motorists can find the Midwest Driver Fee Calculator on the WisDOT website: <https://wisconsin.dot.gov/Pages/projects/data-plan/cost-to-drive.aspx>

## Notice Laona Bird Busters

The LHS Trap Shooting Club (aka Laona Bird Busters) is being dissolved. Due to a decline in interest and participation, along with the inability to find a coach to take over the club, it was decided to dissolve the Trap Club.

The remaining club funds have been donated to the following: Laona Lions Club, KB Memorial Predator Hunt and the Patus Nicolet Gun Club. The Club's shooting and safety equipment will be donated to the Florence County Dusters (Florence's Youth Trap Team).

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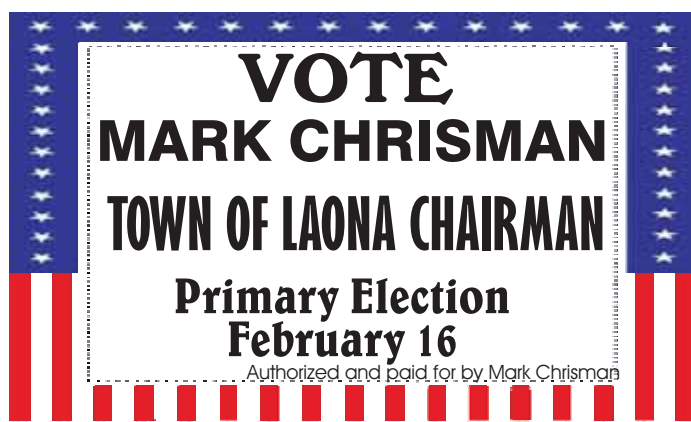
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Primary Election  
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## 2021-2022 Open Enrollment Application Period School District Of Goodman-armstrong Creek

The Goodman-Armstrong Creek School District will be accepting applications for Public School Open Enrollment. The applications will be accepted between the dates of February 1, 2021 and April 30, 2021 until 4 pm. Late applications will not be accepted for any reason. Parents may apply on-line at <https://dpi.wi.gov/oe>.

Wisconsin's inter-district public school open enrollment program allows parents to apply for their children to attend school districts other than the one in which they live. More information may be obtained from the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction-Public School Open Enrollment Program by calling 1-888-245-2732 or you may visit their web site at <https://dpi.wi.gov/oe>. You may also contact the Goodman-Armstrong Creek School District at PO Box 160, Goodman, WI 54125. Phone: 715-336-2575, ext. 203.

**Important dates:** February 1 April 30: parents must submit applications online or directly to the nonresident school district. June 11: nonresident school districts must mail notices of approval or denial. If the application is approved, the school district must notify the parents of the specific school or program to which the pupil is assigned. If the application is denied, parents have 30 days to file an appeal. June 18: resident districts must notify applicants if the application is denied. If the application is denied, parents have 30 days to file an appeal. June 25: parents of accepted applicants must notify the nonresident district if the pupil will attend the nonresident district in the 2021-22 school year. If the parent fails to make this notification, the nonresident district may refuse to allow the pupil to attend the district.

**Please note:** If your child is already attending the Goodman-Armstrong Creek School District through Open Enrollment, you do not have to reapply.

## Notice Laona Bird Busters

The LHS Trap Shooting Club (aka Laona Bird Busters) is being dissolved. Due to a decline in interest and participation, along with the inability to find a coach to take over the club, it was decided to dissolve the Trap Club.

The remaining club funds have been donated to the following: Laona Lions Club, KB Memorial Predator Hunt and the Patus Nicolet Gun Club. The Club's shooting and safety equipment will be donated to the Florence County Dusters (Florence's Youth Trap Team).

Thank you to those that participated in and supported the youth trap shooters during the last 7 years.

### For Old Time's Sake



A walking stick and an axe over his shoulder. This guy is either cutting firewood or chopping grubs. This photo is from the Ned Colburn collection which is a collection of Hiles and Wabeno photos, the Colburns having come to Hiles from Wabeno. A good guess is that this is a Potawatomi who stopped to pose for the camera in the early 1900's. If anybody recognizes the old gentleman as their ancestor, let us know.

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**CRANDON, LAONA, ARMSTRONG CREEK**  
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**ALVIN - No Meals in the Month of February**

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

Please register with Commission on Aging - 478-3256.

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.

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## Senior Chatter

Forest County Office on Aging expanding bus routes

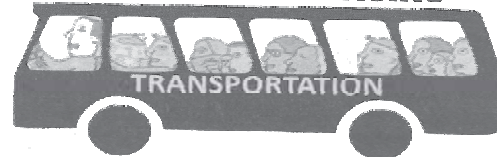
Forest County Office on Aging has made the decision to resume bus transportation out of county starting, Tuesday, February 2nd. As of right now, we will only be traveling to Rhinelander, WI. The bus will be traveling to Rhinelander every Tuesday in February and will be stopping at Walmarts and Aldis. We will not be stopping for passengers to dine out. These routes will be "short routes" getting to Rhinelander no later than 10:00 a.m and departing by 1:00 p.m. Due to inclement weather, the bus will not leave the bus garage until 8:00 a.m. We will be providing in county only bus route on the first Thursday of the month.

If there are residents who live in Alvin or Armstrong Creek areas and would like to utilize bus services, please call Tammy. We will accommodate those areas as well. We are testing the water to see how many residents are interested in going shopping outside of Forest County and we put a schedule together to see how things go. The schedules are subject to change. We are hoping to continue to resume these routes but if we feel that the safety of our driver and passengers are at risk, we will adjust routes as needed.

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## FOREST COUNTY COMMISSION ON AGING



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**February 2nd - "Short Route"**

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**February 9th - "Short Route"**

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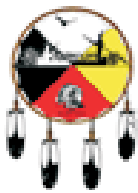
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Application materials, including the position description and summary of benefits may be obtained at [www.co.forest.wi.gov](http://www.co.forest.wi.gov) or in the County Clerk's Office, Forest County Courthouse, 200 E Madison Street, Crandon, Wisconsin 54520 or by calling (715) 478-2422. The deadline for applications and resumes returned to the County Clerk is Friday, February 19, by 4:30 p.m.

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"In discussion on our future, the full Board of Trustees were pleased with the direction the current leadership team is taking the college," Zietlow said. "We wanted to maintain the continuity of the collective leadership currently in place to continue advancing the college and our desire is to promote from within the employee pool whenever possible."

The Board of Trustees has set up a webpage to allow the greater community an opportunity to provide feedback on the future leadership of the college.

"Early in the process we reached out to staff and advisory committee members to help develop the ideal qualifications our next president should exhibit," Zietlow said. "We want a process and outcome that will give our college the best opportunity in continuing forward. This additional step will allow anyone to engage in our work as we make this decision."

To provide feedback, visit [nicoletcollege.edu/about/presidential-transition](http://nicoletcollege.edu/about/presidential-transition).

The Board of Trustees will be hosting a public forum to introduce the final candidate in January 2021. The candidate will give a brief presentation followed by a session where members of the public, the Nicolet Board of Trustees, and students and staff will be able to ask questions.

Anyone seeking to provide input may use the website, send an email to Ryan Zietlow, chair of the Nicolet Board of Trustees' Presidential Transition Committee, at [presidentialtransition@nicoletcollege.edu](mailto:presidentialtransition@nicoletcollege.edu) or by calling him at (715) 401-3326

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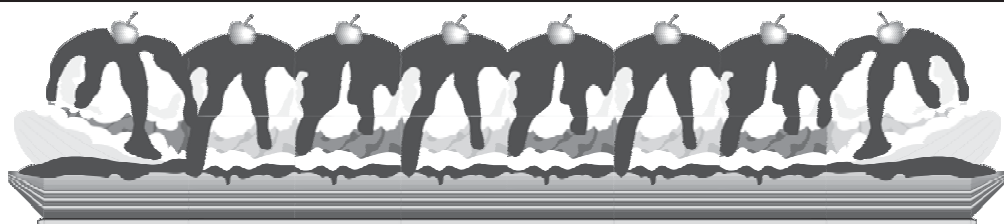
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