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Logging 90 years ago and today



The photo above was brought in by Gary Cyrus. His grandfather, Lee Cyrus, is the fellow on the left on top of the load. The year was fortunately marked on the lower right hand corner, 1932. This would have been the height of the Great Depression, which started with the stock market crash in 1929. Jobs were scarce when this picture was taken, but people, including loggers, made an effort to keep working. It is likely that this picture was snapped in the yard of the Himes sawmill located in the northwest corner of Crandon. Forrest Himes bought out the wreckage of the big sawmill that was on Clear Lake, in Crandon. He had done forestry work for the company and made the purchase in 1923, building a more modern and smaller sawmill that was supplied with truck instead of a railroad and horse-drawn sleighs. It is likely that Himes was worried about staying in business as well.

The picture also brings to mind the tough times many logging companies are facing today with the closure of so many paper mills through recent years and the recent closure of the big Verso mill at Wisconsin Rapids. Like the loggers back in 1932, they keep working hard to log and to sell their wood. We wish them luck.

Conservation Corner

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Bears moving South?

Borrowed from Wisconsin Outdoor News

In sizeable areas of southwest Wisconsin, southeast Minnesota and even northeast Iowa, when a black bear is spotted plodding along a cornfield or a patch of woods, it's time to grab something.

No, not a gun. A camera. Or more likely these days, a phone camera.

Black bears, which number an estimated 25,000 strong in Wisconsin and 12,000 to 15,000 in Minnesota, are still a novelty of sorts in the Driftless Areas of the three states, but that is slowly, albeit steadily, changing.

More and more bear sightings are taking place, so much so that the Minnesota DNR website has a sightings app where folks can report where they spotted a bear. And according to the Wisconsin DNR, there is indeed a resident bear population in western and southwestern Wisconsin, which means sows with cubs have been consistently spotted.

"There is a southern progression for sure, maybe over the last 30 years. You can see it in the harvest records, going back to the 1970s and 1980s," said Randy Johnson, the Wisconsin DNR's large carnivore specialist.

"Most of the harvest is across the northern part of the state. You look at the (DNR) bear plan, and where the harvest was in 1977 - Marathon County was as far south as it went. By 1997, there was a shift (southward). In 2017, there was another layer of counties south that was the harvest boundary, if you will, where it had moved south.

"That is reflective of the harvest. We have taken reports, pictures, etc. of bears in every county of the state," Johnson said.

That holds true in southeast Minnesota, too, especially along the Mississippi River where the river serves as the boundary separating the two states. Andrew Tri, Minnesota's DNR bear project leader, said bears would have no problem swimming the Mississippi River. He believes many bears spotted in southeastern Minnesota and northeast Iowa likely migrated from Wisconsin.

"Our hunch is the bears are probably coming from Wisconsin in that area (southeast Minnesota). We don't know for sure," Tri said. "The tricky thing with a lot of the bluff country is there are thick forests of oak on north-facing slopes, then pasture, hay or timberland all around it. The bears follow the river corridor and creeks into the oak forest and can be hard to see."

So why the slow, but steady move south? Why are bears showing up rattling bird feeders as far south as Madison, and Prairie du Chien, which is located in the southern part of Crawford County, and separated from Iowa by the Mississippi River.

It's a numbers game, in part. An expanding population means bears roam farther into traditional non-bear landscape, and often don't return to their once

Candidates needed for the Forest County Board Now would be a good time to start your career in politics!

The election for Forest County Board will be happening this spring. It will be the time when there will be some turnover in board members and some will continue on running the business of the county. There are also some positions on the board that at the time of this writing, January 4th, there are no candidates.

While serving on the board does take time, it is also a paid position. In years past, there were some hot contests over who was going to be selected by the voters. Times have obviously changed.

Non-Candidacy papers turned in: District #12 - Lance Laabs, District #20 - George Stammer, District #8 - Cheri Collins - This District is now #5, which is Brian Piasini

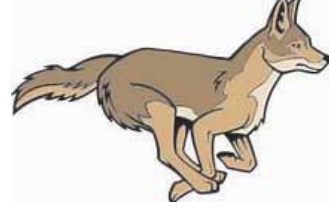
Extended 72 hours because not turned in in December: District #3 - Kris Houle, District #6 - Jack Matuszewski, District #13 - Richard Ackley

District #17 - No Candidate

District #7 - No Candidate

Candidates who did file papers: Don Dehart - District #1, Cindy Gretzinger - District #2, Scott Goode - District #4, Brian Piasini - District #5, Terry Lukas - District #9, Ron Karl - District #10, Mike Miller - District #11, Dave Campbell - District #14, William Chaney - District #15, Lynne Black - District #16, Larry Berg - District #18, Tina Anderson - District #19,

The question arises as to why there are so few people that want to serve on county government. Even if not on the ballot, anyone who is interested, especially in those districts without a candidate, can run on a write-in. Let us hope that there will be enough care for all of the people in the county to have a representative on the board that some new candidates will step forth to run for the county board.



Laona Lions Predator Hunt on Saturday

The Laona Lions Predator Hunt is this Saturday, January 8th, and is based at Senolihn's Bar in Laona. Register to hunt and pick up the mouth piece before 10 p.m. on Friday.

This hunt is open to hound hunters and callers with a \$10 entry fee per hunter and 100% payout. The weigh in is at Senolihn's Bar from 5 to 7 p.m.

1,792 cases of covid-19 (54 active) confirmed in Forest County

Forest County Public Health officials have confirmed 38 persons have been diagnosed with novel coronavirus infection (COVID-19) since January 1st, for a total of 1,792 cases in Forest County. There have been 7 probable cases this month for a total of 105 probable cases. County health officials and local partners are contacting others with whom the individuals who tested positive had close contact with. There are currently 54 active cases in isolation, 1,708 released from isolation, 0 hospitalized, and 40 deaths related to COVID-19. This is a snapshot of numbers, they are continuously changing throughout the day.

The Forest County Health Department encourages community members to practice good hand hygiene, wear a mask or cloth face covering when necessary, 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. If you are interested in a COVID-19 vaccine, please call our office or your primary care provider.

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 and local newspapers every two weeks 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.

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Avoid medical misinformation

We are bombarded everyday with countless reports about new studies or the latest health information. It can be difficult to identify what is trustworthy.

Medical research is complex and often oversimplified when reported. People may not look past the headline of an article or encounter misleading information in comments sections.

A case study published in April 2021 by First Draft, a non-profit misinformation organization, found that up to 26 percent of comments on a news organization's posts that featured the word "vaccine" contained misinformation about the COVID-19 pandemic or vaccines.

Jacob Prunuske, MD, has been a physician for more than 20 years and has supervised Aspirus physician residents for the past six years. He says that being able to identify reliable sources is vital.

"There's a lot of misinformation on the internet right now and there are ways of identifying it," Dr. Prunuske said. "What are the credentials of who is providing the information? Does the information align with other sources? And what is the reputation of the source? Can you actually contact the organization or is it just some blog post?"

Additional changes to health and safety guidelines should be expected as we continue to learn more about COVID-19. But without sufficient communication that provides clarity and context, many people will have had trouble keeping up with changing knowledge and guidance.

"That's how science works. Over time, we gather more data to make better decisions," Dr. Prunuske said. "I think it's important for all of us to stay up to date as information evolves."

Medical misinformation has caused confusion and led people to decline COVID-19 vaccines, reject public health measures, and use unproven treatments. For example, a study published in the Nature Human Behavior journal showed that even brief exposure to COVID-19 vaccine misinformation made people less likely to want a COVID-19 vaccine.

This is especially true when people accept misinformation as fact because it confirms their existing beliefs or theories, commonly known as confirmation bias.

"We should be intentional about asking ourselves what biases we might have and how does it influence me reading these articles," Dr. Prunuske said. "And being conscious and checking if I need to consider a different perspective."

There are some things that individuals, families and communities can do to help stop the spread of medical misinformation.

Learn how to identify and avoid sharing health misinformation.

Verify accuracy of information by checking with trustworthy and credible sources. If you're not sure, don't share.

Engage with your friends and family on the problem of health misinformation.

If someone you care about has a misperception, you might be able to make inroads with them by first seeking to understand instead of passing judgment.

Address health misinformation in your community. Work with schools, community groups such as churches and parent-teacher associations, and trusted leaders such as educators and health care professionals to develop local strategies against misinformation.

"I think the most important thing is to be curious, be inquisitive, be willing to change your views based on data and science," Dr. Prunuske said. "And then check in with your physician or a public health professional to see if you're heading down the right path."

Aspirus Health recommends people receive their health information from their local health care providers, reputable news sources and agencies devoted to public health such as state and local health departments, the National Institutes of Health (NIH) and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), among others

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northern home because of ample food supply and habitat in their newfound environment.

"Ten to 20 years ago, I think that is when a lot of them moved south and established populations in the southern area. The established population has grown on its own," said Eric Huseboe, an avid bear hunter who runs his 20-year-old business – Trophy Adventures Bear Bait – out of his rural Etrick, home in Trempealeau County.

"I've had as many as 17 different bears hitting baits around this area. It is common to have seven to 10 different bears hit bait around here. I have seen it," Huseboe said.

The natural food source, along with agricultural cropland, has served the southwest Wisconsin bear population well. And to this point, there is limited human-bear conflict.

"We say, somewhat jokingly, is that bears are like a big raccoon. They will eat just about anything. They are just a bigger animal and eat lot more of it," Johnson said.

"In the spring, they eat the greens, tree buds, aspen." Anything green in terms of vegetation. Then they go into fasting, and when they come out, their summer diet is bug colonies, fawns. Anything they can get their paws on. Crops? They (bears) are very adaptable. Whatever has nutrition, they will eat," Johnson said.

Don't get the wrong idea here, as there is not a large bear population in southwest Wisconsin or southeast Minnesota, where the Minnesota DNR still calls it a "no quota zone." In fact, Tri said there have only been two or three bears killed in southern Minnesota since 1970.

Take, for example, the 2021 preliminary bear harvest data. Wisconsin's top two counties, Rusk and Sawyer in the northern tier – had 303 and 292 bears killed this past season out of a total harvest of 3,802. Washburn County was right behind at 285.

In the southern part of the state, La Crosse County had one bear harvested this year, one in 2020, none in 2019 and one in 2018. Vernon County, which borders La Crosse County, saw seven bears harvested each of the last two years. Nearby Juneau County had three bears this year and 11 in 2020.

Jackson County, bordering La Crosse County to the north, has a slightly different story. Jackson County, which contains the 67,000-acre Black River State Forest, there were 38 bears harvested this fall, and 81 in 2020.

"We are in a pretty good place overall. There are some places where bears are not as heavy as others. With our season structure, we maintain a very viable population of bears in this state. There are some issues in agricultural areas," said Mike Rogers, who lives in the Merrimac area of Sauk County and serves as the chairman of the Conservation Congress' bear committee.

"The is just the first year for the new (harvest) zones, and the harvest has been quite stable," Rogers said. Wisconsin's new six-zone harvest area is another tool for biologists to compile population estimates and other data, Johnson said. Zone E, a west/southwest zone, consists of all, or parts of, 18 counties as far south as Grant and Iowa counties.

"In Zone E, the population is growing. Our estimate right now, the model says there are 842 bears," Johnson said. "We know it is somewhere between 600 to 1,100 when next fall comes, before the season. We have an indication of a population from 400 to 850 in the last few years.

There is upward growth for sure." Growth that will likely continue to happen in southwest Wisconsin, southeast Minnesota and northeast Iowa. However, southern bear sightings are still a long way from rivaling the number recorded in the Northwoods of Wisconsin and Minnesota.

"It is kind of funny. I come from southwest Minnesota and when a bear occasionally wanders across the prairie, it's a big deal," said Johnson, who is based out of Rhinelander. "Seeing a bear up here is like seeing a deer in the southern part of the state. It is just another bear."

Scenes From Yesteryear



The photo above is barber Dan Dehart giving Clyde Spencer a shave. Dehart ran a barber shop in the Hotel Crandon for about fifty years. He was noted for his barbering, his hunting and shooting skills, and good bear trapping when it was still legal. Many a tale of deer and bear hunting were told in this shop. American Family Insurance now occupies this space in the hotel.

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.

Dear Editor

I am writing this letter to bring nothing more than awareness to our businesses and community on a current issue regarding the Forest County Chamber of Commerce up-coming Board of Directors Nomination/Elections.

During my previous employment as the Executive Director, on November 22, 2021, 11:05 A.M., I forwarded the standard 2022 FC Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors Election Nomination email via the constant contact email program, providing the open positions as well as those who have another year remaining of their two-year term, all in accordance with the FC Chamber bylaws and accordance with the Executive Directors job duties and responsibilities . I also forwarded this email to the full Board of Directors for review and comment before emailing and posting in both the Forest Republican and Pioneer Express. Nominations were due by December 15, 2021.

On December 16, 4:58 p.m., an email was forwarded with subject: Forest County Chamber Board Nominations Now Being Accepted. In the message it states "A notice was sent in November that had incorrect information. The information provided here is the official notice that nominations for the Chamber's Board of Directors are now being accepted and due by January 7, 2022 at 5:00pm. The email process changed from past practice so now you must nominate online only and fill out a questionnaire along with your nomination. Over the past 30+ years the Chamber has been in businesses, the past practice was sufficient to the process, so what's changed the mindset now. Thus, being those that nominated myself and others to serve on the board by forms of communication such as phone, email, public notice on social media, etc. are at this time not acknowledged or accepted. Mind you these nominations were made the day before nomination closing from the initial November 22, 2021 email notification. As I point out to you, deadline for the initial nominations was Dec. 15, 2021 and a new nomination email was forwarded on Dec. 16". What do we think is going on here?!? I know and therefore I am writing to our community, to bring awareness to such unethical, political happenings in our County Chamber Office.

Changes to the ballot included the position of President no longer up for election, a position from the Retail Council no longer up for election along with a new member joining the BPI Council. As each appointed board member is to serve a two-year term, last year the President stepped-up, after previously stating he would not be running for office, as no one showed interest. This only because a chamber member business owner personally reached out to the President and stated if he stayed on for one more year, she would assume the former Vice President's position. The board then nominated her by motion to the fill the newly vacant position of Vice President. The President of the Chamber accepted a one-year term only, so this is why the position of President is listed on the initial ballot. One of the Retail positions were posted on the initial ballot as we had a member whose business sold, changed ownership and name, so that member no longer was an active business, open for business. As for the new addition of a member within this time frame holding a position on the BPI Council, the board appointed an individual during the time frame of nomination and elections.

I ask you, what is happening to the dynamic of our County office. Hearing how board members, past and present, resigned due to not in agreement with the direction the Chamber was headed and lack of communication and treatment towards office staff, past and present, or others not feeling able to have a say at the table in fear of causing conflict and confrontation leading to the fear of negative impacts it may lead to their business, something no small business can afford.

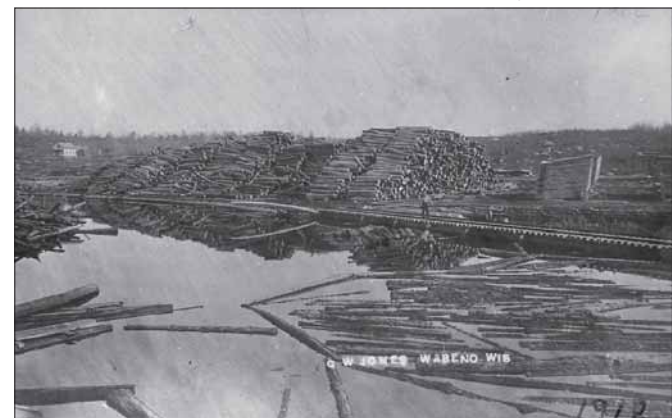
I was 100% committed to my job, the organization and my community. I was hired to be the voice of the business community and that I was, even when it led to hard discussions, judgement calls, and harsh conversations at the board table. I took every question and concern that came to me by business owners to the attention of the Chamber office and it had unfortunately led at times to personal attacks questioning who I was to address the board in such ways. Again, the job as the Executive Director, who manages the day-to-day operations of the office, to make sure operations run correctly and ethically for the best interest of businesses.

At this time I have been made aware several Chamber member business members have submitted nominations, AGAIN, this time nominating myself for Vice President as once they initially nominated me for President, that same day it was rescinded by the Chamber office and no longer accepted nor the position open for nomination. The office of the Chamber of Commerce has become extremely political by a few and have lost what is to be the vision, goals and best interest of the Chamber and its businesses.

I ask you, what and why makes one act/react in such ways. Is this another dismissive behavior towards our businesses and their wants or request, their voice? After all, the Chamber functions and runs for the businesses, right?

Best Regards,
Stacey Jameson
Forest County, Crandon WI

Scenes From Yesteryear



The Oconto River in Wabeno looked a little different back in 1912 when this photo was taken. This is the hot pond for the Jones Lumber Co. sawmill. The DNR wasn't on hand to regulate rivers back then, so if a lumber company needed a hot pond, they just built a dam. Then again, the sawmills built towns and the Oconto is running free and clean today.



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Death Notices

Jessica Rose Mann "Mashkode`Kwe" "Strong Hearted Woman", 10, of Crandon, passed away Monday, December 27, 2021 at her home surrounded by loved ones. Jessica was born July 23, 2011 in Woodruff, the daughter of Jeffery Allan and Sarah Mann.



Surviving are her mother, Sarah Mann; father, Jeffery Allan; and brothers, James Armstrong Jr. of Lac Du Flambeau, Nin-gobis Armstrong of Lac Du Flambeau, Baby Jax Ander Mann of Carter and Jeffrey Allan Jr. of Lac Du Flambeau.

Visitation started at 3 p.m. on Wednesday, December 29, 2021 at the Potawatomi Cultural Center in Crandon. Services began at 10 a.m. on Thursday, December 30, 2021 at the Potawatomi Cultural Center with Mr. Joe Daniels. Burial followed at the Lac Du Flambeau Cemetery.

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

Rovella M. Anderson, 79, of Menasha, WI, passed away peacefully at her home surrounded by family while under the care of Theda Care Hospice on December 30, 2021.



She was born June 21, 1942 to Charles and Margaret (Luxem) Cosentino in Kenosha, WI.

As a young lady, Rovella moved north to Mountain with her husband, Ray; her father (Papa); and children in an effort to leave Kenosha area pursuing a better life.

Rovella will always be remembered as a loving mother, wife, grandma, daughter, sister and friend.

She and her husband, Ray owned and operated a total of four taverns in northern Wisconsin where they established many lifelong friendships. Following the death of her husband, she moved to Menasha with her brother, where she lived out her final days. She will be remembered for her famous home cooking, decorating and shopping at clothing boutiques.

She is survived by her daughters, Robin (Steve) Duffek of Sobieski, Tina (Karthik) of Neenah and Maggie (Brian) Pichotta of Wabeno; son, Roger (Debbie) Anderson of Appleton; son-in-law, Rich Reed of Lakewood; sister, Theresa Cosentino of Kenosha; and brother, Eugene Olson of Menasha.

She will greatly be missed by her eleven grandchildren, Erik Kurth, Stephanie Polakoski, Matthew School, Alicia Klein, Bobbi Jo Jelen, Nicholas Pichotta, Emily Reed, Rachel Reed, Hunter Reed, Tim Anderson and Michael Anderson. She is further missed by ten great-grandchildren.

She is preceded in death by her parents; husband, Ray; son, Charles Anderson; daughter, Paula Reed; great-grandson, Brock Jelen; great-granddaughter, Alivia Jelen; sister, Susan Sciarra, as well as many other family members and friends.

Visitation will be 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Lakewood Presbyterian Church on Monday, January 10, 2022. Funeral Services will be held at 1 p.m. with Rev. Dominic Roscioli officiating.

Online condolences may be left for the family at www.weberhillfuneralhome.com.

Annette Helen Van Zile "Opti-we-geiz-guk" Half Way Into the Sky, of Mole Lake, passed into the spirit world while on Hospice at her sister Debra's home at the age of 63 on Tuesday, December 28, 2021, surrounded by her daughter and loving family and friends. Annette was born March 28, 1958 to Joseph C. Van Zile and Loretta (Ackley) Dietzler at the Crandon Hospital in Crandon, WI. Annette grew up in Crandon and Mole Lake. After graduating from Crandon high school she went on to school at Nicolet College and earned a degree in Culinary Art. She continued to use her degree in the food industry by working for the Elder Nutrition Program and WISE program, cooking and serving the elders of the Mole Lake community. Annette also worked as a cook in our first daycare center located in the old Mole Lake grade school, First Step. After her daycare job ended she started her own daycare in her home. On weekends or some evenings she was Mole Lake's go to babysitter. In addition, Annette worked for Great Lakes Inter Tribal Council Senior Companion program. She would put her hours in at the elder feeding program and then do her hours for her companion of choice.



Annette had many talents besides being a great cook, child care provider and senior companion, she was an amazing crafter, she could whip up bead work for anyone who asked, sew repair and hem anything that you needed done, made her own regalia and made skirts for other women and for family. She was a giving and kind person who would loan her skirts out for ceremonies or funerals if women forgot to bring their own.

One of her most favorite things to do was attend Pow Wows any chance she could. She would travel with her nephew Eric, his family and the singers. She was the happiest during pow wow season.

But....the best part of who Annette was, is being the Best and Greatest Packer fan around. She earned recognition on the DieHard Packer fan page for her crazy outfit and her famous TuTu. We will miss you during Packer season and it will not be the same without your crazy addiction to the Pack especially saying "they're due."

Annette will be sadly missed by her only grandson Cleveland Joseph James Holmes. She will also be greatly missed by her one and only child Candice Jo Holmes and her husband Cleveland J. Holmes.

She was preceded in death by her father, Joseph C. VanZile; mother, Loretta (Ackley) Dietzler; sisters, Joyce Einertson and Beverly (Archie) McGeshick; and brother, Roger "Joey" McGeshick.

Annette is survived by her sister-in-law, Judy McGeshick and brother-in-law, Jim Einertson. Annette is survived by her siblings, Debra E. Van Zile, Sylvia "Tootsie" Ducat, Carl J. Van Zile, Dean A. Van Zile, Thomas L. (Elizabeth) Van Zile and Charles O. (Amanda) Van Zile, Jean (Jim) Evans. Annette had many nieces and nephews but she was very close to and loved by Stephanie L. Van Zile Quade, niece whom she lived with for many years; Tyler D. Van Zile-Smith, her buddy; Carlie (Dakota) Conley, Kinsley and Brekken Conley, Alexis (Richie Weber) Quade, Cylee (Kadin Wilson) Quade, Isaiah (Malora) Quade, Maliah, Tiffany (Casey Heid), Dominic, Noah, Nevaeh Kaquatosh, Ashley (AJ) Wiza, Morgan, Jace (Josh Pyrchalla) Van Zile, Elijah, August (Katie Ison) Aria, Thomas (Caylee) Van Zile, Finn and Taylee, Amanda (Glen Seigman) Van Zile, Dakota and Patton, Joel, Chase, Emmalee (Tyler Enders) and Jaxon Van Zile, Herbert Thorbahn, Casey (Stephanie) Dearhamer, Addison, Kaden and Maddy, Kristen McGeshick, Shawn Van Zile, Eric (Tonika Douyette) Amundson, Vincent, Elliot, Haley, and Alijah. Eric treated Annette as his second mother and his children she considered her grandchildren. Ken (deceased) and Chris Ducat, Roger, Dianne, Joleen, Jeff (Wendy Quade) McGeshick, Beth (Dave) Maedke and Amy (Mike) Morningstar, Kaleb and Gabrielle Ackley, including 18 or more great-nieces and nephews.

Celebration of Life services were held at the Mole Lake Cultural Center on December 31, 2021 with Don Dewing Officiating and Drum Services provided by Eric Amundson and drum members. Burial was at Mole Lake cemetery. Online condolences may be left for the family at www.weberhillfuneralhome.com.

Betty M (Kemp) Retzlaff, age 86, took her final journey to be with her family in heaven. She was born of April 16, 1935 to Lida (Longcor) Kemp and Warren S. Kemp in Crandon, where she spent her life on the family farm.



On May 17, 1952 she married Edward Retzlaff, Jr. He preceded her in death in 2014. She spent the rest of her days living in Laona.

Betty worked at Connor's Mill for 19 years. Also, worked a year at Lewis Corner Store. Her best job was taking care of her grandkids and family. She loved to make jewelry, crochet, and thrift store shopping. Betty and Eddie were always looking for a deal.

She was a great mom and outstanding person. She was a member of the Presbyterian Church and ladies aide. She made and donated winter hats to the Laona Grade School.

Betty is survived by her two daughters, Betty L. Retzlaff and Dixie L. Jameson; and two sons, Merlin W (Tammy) Retzlaff and Michael S. (Carol) Retzlaff. Also, she was the proud grandma to 10 grandchildren, 19 great-grandchildren, five great-great-grandchildren with one on the way, along with many nieces and nephews.

Betty is preceded in death by her husband of 62 years, Edward; and her oldest daughter, Carol Fairchild. She came from a large family of 16 brothers and 4 sisters, she was the last to join her heavenly family.

Betty was a friend to everyone. She will be greatly missed by family, friends, and especially her dog, Bridget.

Special thanks to the Compassus Hospice for the great care they gave.

Honoring Betty's wishes no services will be held. Weber-Hill Funeral Home is assisting the family with the arrangements. Online condolences for the family may be directed to www.weberhillfuneralhome.com.

Daniel Patrick McCarthy of Hiles, passed away Tuesday, December 28 at St. Mary's Hospital in Rhinelander. He was born in Elmhurst, IL to Daniel Edward and Marion (Drake) McCarthy.



He was united in marriage to Margaret Tauer on August 7, 1998 at St. Michael's Catholic Church in Hiles, WI. Daniel spent his career doing home health care and was very lucky to take care of the same friends for many years. He was a caregiver at heart and enjoyed helping others. When not working, his favorite times were spent with his children or outdoors. He enjoyed taking them fishing and camping, but especially playing pranks on them.

Daniel is survived by his wife, Margaret; and children, Brianna, James, Ceara, Grace and John. Sisters Mary (Tom) Day, Eileen (Burt) Green and Peggy (Jeff) Gelhar also survive him, along with nieces, Maureen (John) Autry, Sarah (James) Goolsby, Katie (Brian) Ballerstein, Laurie Green and Stephani Chapman; nephews, Jason (Elisabeth) Gelhar and Tom (Shelly) Day III; and special friend, Matt.

He was preceded in death by his parents and father and mother-in-law, Roman and Betty Tauer, along with special friends, Pete and Jim.

Visitation will be on Saturday, January 8 at St. Joseph's Catholic Church from 9 a.m. to noon with the funeral Mass at noon. Lunch to follow after the funeral at the Hiles Town Hall. Interment will be in spring at the Hiles Cemetery. Online condolences may be left for the family at www.weberhillfuneralhome.com.

Shirley D. Torgerson, of Pearson, died Tuesday, December 28, 2021 at the age of 92. She was born on November 12, 1929, in the town of Ainsworth, a daughter of the late Edward and Flora (Harvey) Pollock. She married Donald Torgerson on November 28, 1947. He preceded her in death on May 2, 2010.



Shirley worked at Bemis Manufacturing in Crandon as a machine operator for 11 years. She also was a cook at Hill's Still in Pearson for 5 1/2 years.

She enjoyed hunting, fishing and picking berries. She worked in potatoes in the fall. She enjoyed her home and many visitors, proud to still be in her own home at the age of 92.

Survivors include two daughters, Jeannine (Gary) Gunderson of Pearson and Cindy (Dave) Asbach of Okeechobee, Florida; two sons, Bruce (Karen) Torgerson of New Berlin and Scott (LuAnn) Torgerson of Pickerel; six grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

In addition to her parents and husband, she was preceded in death by two brothers, Eugene and Clifford.

A memorial service will be held on Saturday, January 15 at 2 p.m. at the Bradley Funeral Home. Visitation will be Saturday, January 15 from 1 p.m. until the time of service.

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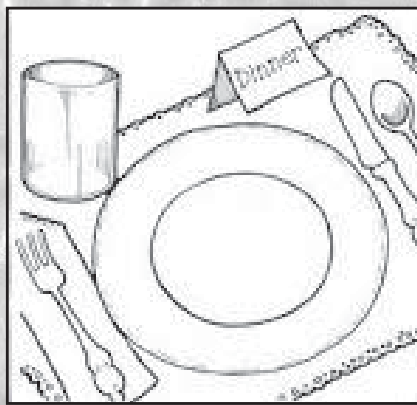
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Alzheimer's Association encourages families to "take inventory"

January is Financial Wellness Month and the Alzheimer's Association is encouraging people to proactively plan for the financial impact of Alzheimer's the most expensive disease in the country.

While the costs associated with the disease can be staggering and put a huge economical strain on families, the Association offers tips to help reduce the financial stress and ways to proactively plan for the financial impact of Alzheimer's and dementia. Some include:

- Look at retirement planning as a time to think about how to prepare for the need for long-term medical care. After an Alzheimer's diagnosis, your options may be more limited.
- Conduct an inventory of your financial resources (savings, insurance, retirement benefits, government assistance, VA benefits, etc.). A financial planner or elder care attorney can help.
- Enhance your understanding of the role and limitations of Medicare, Medicaid and other insurance options. An Alzheimer's Association report found that nearly two out of three people incorrectly believe that Medicare helps pay for nursing home care, or were unsure whether it did.
- Investigate long-term care services (for example, home care, assisted living residences and nursing homes) in your area. Ask what types of insurance they accept and if they accept Medicaid, as few individuals with Alzheimer's and other dementias have sufficient long-term care insurance or can afford to pay out-of-pocket for long-term care services for as long as they are needed.

Disease-related costs can jeopardize a family's financial security causing many families and caregivers to make enormous personal and financial sacrifices. The 2020 Alzheimer's Association Alzheimer's Disease Facts and Figures report found some staggering results:

- In 2020, the lifetime cost of care for a person living with dementia was \$373,527.
- Average out-of-pocket costs for health care and long-term care services not covered by Medicare, Medicaid and private insurance exceed \$10,000 annually.
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- Nearly half (48 percent) of care contributors must cut back on their own expenses including basic necessities like food, transportation and medical care to afford dementia-related care, while others must draw from their own savings or retirement funds.
- Nearly two out of three people incorrectly believe that Medicare helps pay for nursing home care, or were unsure whether it does.
- Few individuals with Alzheimer's or other dementias have sufficient long-term care insurance or can afford to pay out of pocket for long-term care services for as long as the services are needed.
- Of the total lifetime cost of caring for someone with dementia, 70% is borne by families either through out-of-pocket health and long-term care expenses or from the value of unpaid care
- Alzheimer's disease can also significantly impact the earning potential of an individual living with the disease or their caregiver. 18% of dementia caregivers went from full to part time or cutback hours. 9% of caregivers gave up working entirely. 6% retired early.

Virtual Education Opportunity:

January 20, 2022, 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm listen in to a free, virtual program by Wausau Attorney Alan Hougum. The program, Legal Planning for Dementia, will cover: Things to Know About Estate Planning, A Will or Living Trust, Power of Attorney (POA), Advanced Healthcare Directive, and Probate. Register online at bit.ly/lafi0120 or by phone: 800.272.3900.

For additional resources:

- Online education: The Alzheimer's Association offers "Legal and Financial Planning for Alzheimer's" as a free online course available 24/7.
- Online resources Find additional financial resources from the Alzheimer's Association at: alz.org/help-support/i-have-alz/plan-for-your-future/financial_planning

Natural immunity is not a good alternative to a COVID-19 vaccine

WAUSAU, Wis. - Numerous uncertainties and conflicting information continue to circulate around COVID-19 immunity. Aspirus Health providers frequently receive questions about natural immunity compared to immunity created through vaccination.

Immunity is the body's ability to protect an individual from getting sick when exposed to an infectious agent such as a bacterium, virus, parasite or fungus.

"You have two basic ways to become immune to something," says Aspirus Hospitalist Dr. Adam Clements. "You can acquire natural immunity by becoming infected with something. Or there's acquired immunity that comes from the placenta from the mother, breast milk, antibody infusion or from a vaccine."

Dr. Clements has been a Hospitalist for six years and treating COVID-19 patients at Aspirus Wausau Hospital (AWH) since the pandemic hit our community.

"Our group has taken care of probably the largest number of COVID patients with the help of our ICU colleagues. So, people who are sick enough to be admitted who are not on a ventilator are taken care of by us," says Dr. Clements. "Being unvaccinated is number one, two and three on the list of risk factors."

One of the biggest reasons patients at Aspirus cite for not being vaccinated is their belief in natural immunity.

"Natural immunity is great for mono. People don't die from mononucleosis, the immunity lasts a long time, but it's not good for influenza. It mutates too fast... it's not good for HIV because once you've got it, you've got it," Dr. Clements said. "Which one is better really depends on the illness. For COVID, natural immunity is not an effective or wise strategy."

Natural immunity from COVID-19 can be spotty. A recent CDC study found that 36% of COVID-19 cases didn't result in development of SARS-CoV-2 antibodies.

Additionally, natural immunity fades quicker than immunity from a COVID-19 vaccine.

Real-world studies indicate natural immunity's short life. For example, 65 percent of people who start with a lower antibody baseline from infection completely lost their COVID-19 antibodies within 60 days.

The most recent COVID-19 news has focused on the omicron variant. New data show that the omicron variant is now considered the most dominant version of the coronavirus - making up 73 percent of new COVID-19 infections last week in the U.S.

"Omicron has a lot of mutations in the spike protein. And Omicron actually arose in South Africa or perhaps in other places in the setting of natural immunity," Dr. Clements said. "It's already demonstrated its ability to evade that. It's here. Natural immunity doesn't work. And it's dangerous."

There are still a lot of unknowns about the omicron variant, but health officials do know that it spreads very fast.

Getting COVID-19 is very risky and can result in long-term disease, lasting organ damage, hospitalization or even death. Even if your own infection is mild, you can spread it to others who may be at risk for severe illness and death.

The authorized and approved vaccines are safe and highly effective against severe illness or death due to COVID.

"I have never seen anyone die from a vaccine-related complication," Dr. Clements said. "I see people die of COVID every single day at this hospital."

COVID-19 vaccinations are available through Aspirus Health and numerous pharmacies in our communities. Boosters or initial vaccination series can be scheduled through Aspirus using the MyAspirus online patient portal or mobile app. Appointments are also available by calling the Aspirus COVID-19 Call Center at 844-568-0701 or 715-843-1454. The Call Center has been experiencing high call volumes, so community members are encouraged to use MyAspirus for convenience.

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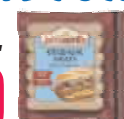
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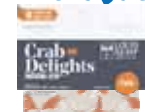
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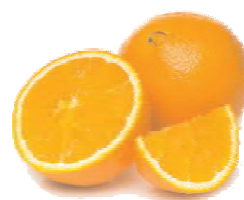
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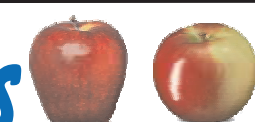
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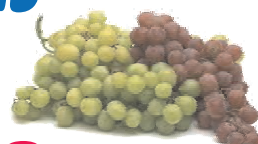
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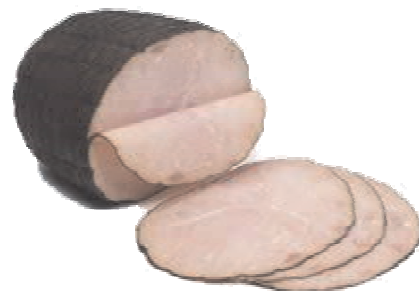
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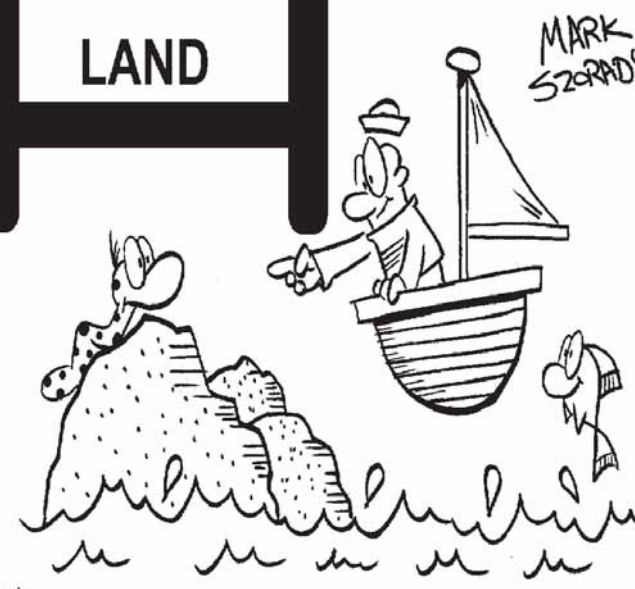


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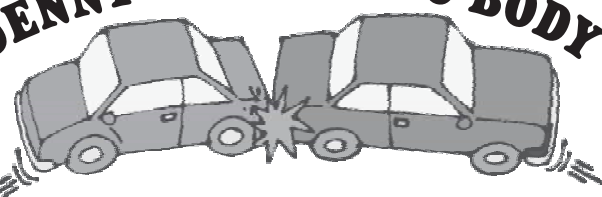
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Tuesday - January 11 - Turkey tetrazzini casserole with noodles, carrots, spinach salad, jello with fruit
Tuesday - January 18 - French toast, sausage patty, breakfast potatoes, berries, orange juice
CRANDON, LAONA, ARMSTRONG CREEK
Wednesday - January 12 - Lemon chicken, parsley potato, green beans, fruit, wheat bread, chocolate pudding
Wednesday - January 19 - Minestrone soup with beans and sausage, lettuce salad with ham, fruit, Italian bread, peanut butter cookie
WABENO CONGREGATE & HOME DELIVERED
Thursday - January 13 - Lemon chicken, parsley potato, green beans, fruit, wheat bread, chocolate pudding
Thursday - January 20 - Minestrone soup with beans and sausage, lettuce salad with ham, fruit, Italian bread, peanut butter cookie
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 Laona site manager Peggy Alderton at 715-889-3116 (cell). Meal served at 12:00 p.m. Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday.
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Major Duties

- Assists in reviewing and approving all contracts related to IT Systems, hardware & software.
- Ensures sufficient systems capacity for organizational needs.
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The School District of Wabeno Area is seeking a full-time Jr./Sr. High School Teacher Aide for the 2021-2022 school year. The workday will tentatively be set from 7:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Duties will include providing academic classroom support, behavior monitoring, some toileting duties, and lunch recess duty with students. Work schedule will be 37.5 hours per week, Monday through Friday, with full benefits. Starting hourly wage is \$15/hour. Candidates must be willing to become certified as a Special Education Aide from the State of Wisconsin.

Applications can be obtained from the District Office or at www.wabeno.k12.wi.us, District/Employment Opportunities/Employment Applications. Send the application along with 3 current reference letters to Jeffrey Walsh, District Administrator, 4346 Mill Lane/ P.O. Box 460, Wabeno, WI 54566. Applications will be received until position is filled.

The School District of Wabeno Area in accordance with Wisconsin Fair Employment Practices Act, Wisconsin Statute 111.31, does not discriminate in hiring practice based on gender, age, race, color, creed, religion, genetic information or testing, physical, mental, emotional, or learning disability or handicap, national origin, political affiliation, marital status, veteran status, sexual orientation, arrest record or conviction record. The School District of Wabeno Area is an equal opportunity

Laona Board of Education
Regular Meeting
Monday, January 10, 2022 • 5:30 p.m.
Room 24, C.L. Robinson Elementary School

- 1. Call to Order**
- 2. Pledge of Allegiance** - Frank Shepard Jr.
- 3. Approval of the Agenda**
- 4. Public Forum (10 Minutes)**
- 5. Consent Agenda**
 - A. Bills and Claims
 - B. Meeting Minutes
- 6. Items for Discussion and/or Action**
 - A. Senior Class Trip update
 - B. Open Enrollment Recommendations 2022-2023
 - C. Hiring
 - D. Resignation of Employment
 - E. Approve Neola Policy
 - F. ESSER III Budget
 - G. Boiler Project Proposal
 - H. Flooring Project Proposal
 - I. Copier/Printer Contract
 - J. COVID Discussion
 - K. Personnel
- 7. Informational Items:**
 - A. Business Manager's Report
 - B. Middle/High School Principal's Report
 - C. Administrator/Elementary Principal's Report
 - D. Board Member Reports
- 8. Enter Closed Session Pursuant to Wisconsin Statutes 19.85(1)(c) for considering employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee.**
 - A. Personnel
- 9. Return to Open Session to possibly take action on items discussed in closed session.**
- 10. Adjourn:**

Notes: "This meeting is a meeting of the Board of Education in public for the purpose of conducting the School District's business and is not to be considered a public community meeting.
 The agenda could be subject to last minute change(s)."

WORD PILE By Mark Szorady

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EACH WORD CONTAINS AT LEAST FIVE LETTERS.

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	11. _____	18. _____
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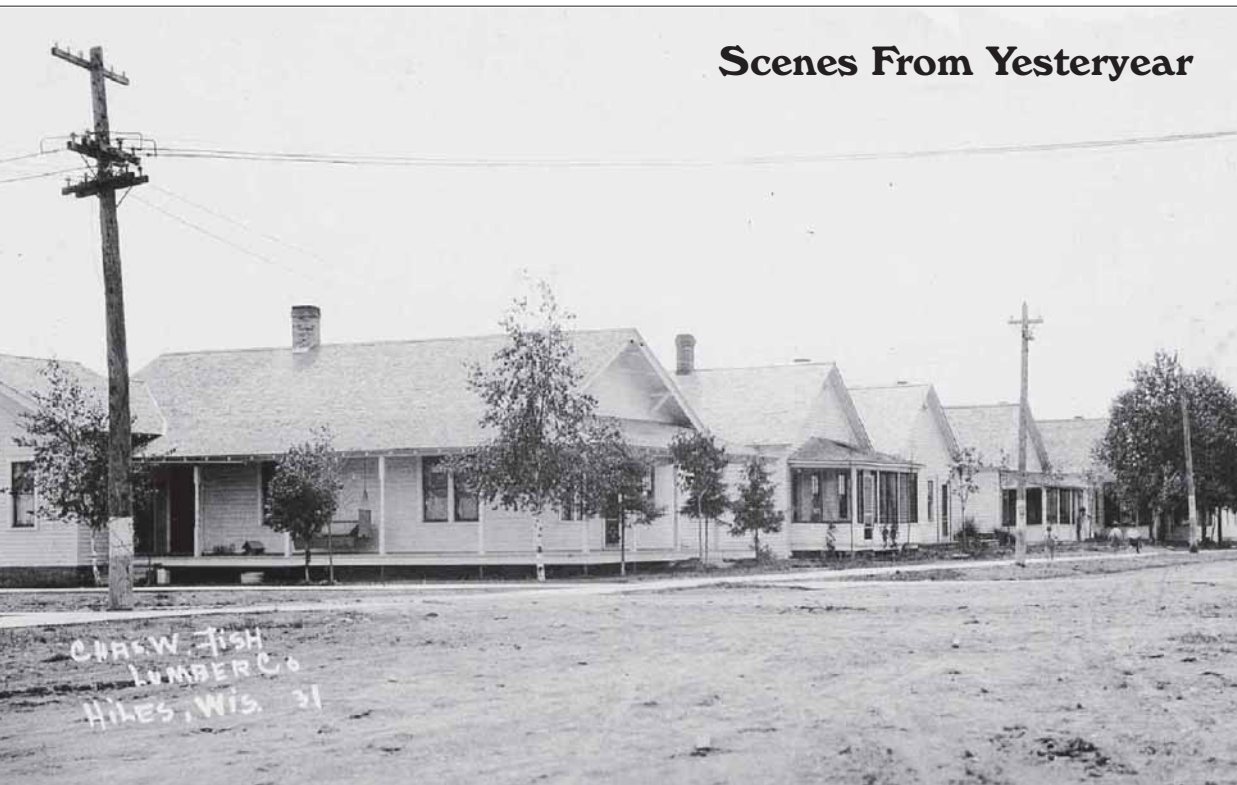
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Wabeno School Breakfast Menu
Jan. 10 - 14

Monday - Assorted cereal, yogurt, orange slices, fruit juice, milk
Tuesday - Scrambled eggs, country fried steak, pineapple tidbits, yogurt, fruit juice, milk
Wednesday - Late Start
Thursday - Scrambled eggs, sausage patty, biscuits & gravy, yogurt, banana, fruit juice, milk
Friday - Breakfast pizza, yogurt, tropical fruit, fruit juice, milk

Wabeno School Lunch Menu
Jan. 10 - 14

Monday - Taco bar, Spanish rice, corn, peaches, Scooby snacks, garden bar, milk
Tuesday - Chicken nuggets, mac & cheese roasted vegetable, Mandarin oranges, garden bar, milk
Wednesday - Pizza bake, California blend, garlic bread stick, mixed fruit, garden bar, milk
Thursday - Baked chicken, mashed potato w/ gravy, baby carrots, apple slices, garden bar, milk
Friday - Hot ham & cheese, curly fries, peas & pearl onions, strawberries, ice cream sandwiches, garden bar, milk



Scenes From Yesteryear

This picture, taken from a postcard, shows the company houses so common in sawmill towns. Most of these homes are gone now, but they kept a work force warm and dry and ready to show up at the sawmill for work.

The caption says Chas. W. Fish, so it is in the later years of the sawmill that was started by Franklin Pierce Hiles, who sold to Forster-Mueller and then to Fish. Fish, by the way, had the sawmill that put Elcho on the map, and he also was the last owner of the Keith & Hiles mill in Crandon.



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Mary Campion, Karen Prueter and Carol Butrymowicz.

The Nicolet AARP Christmas party was held at the Anderson Supper Club in Lakewood with members enjoying a chicken or pork dinner. President Karen Prueter and Treasure Carol Butrymowicz organized a drawing for attendees to choose an Amish Pie or a box of fudge. Mary Campion (pictured) chose an Amish blueberry pie. A collection for the Christian Food Pantry resulted in a \$92.00 contribution. The January meeting will be a potluck and ticket raffle with dinner starting at noon.

All persons fifty and over are invited to join the local AARP Chapter. AARP meetings are social, entertaining, and informative. Meetings are held at the Lakewood Presbyterian Church on the fourth Tuesday of the month starting at 1:30 PM (winter hours). Contact Joyce West, Membership Chairman, at 715-850-0336.

Submitted by Dick Culver, Public Relations Chairman. 715-276-2618

School District of Wabeno Area Board Election April 5, 2022

Incumbent Trinity Shepard filed a Declaration of Candidacy prior to the 5:00 PM, January 4, 2022 deadline for one position representing the Forest County area, which includes parts of Forest, Langlade, and Marinette Counties.

Incumbent Daniel Christianson filed a Declaration of Candidacy prior to the 5:00 PM, January 4, 2022 deadline for one position representing the Oconto County area.

All positions are for three-year terms and will be on the ballot for the April 5, 2022 election. Residents of the School District of Wabeno Area are reminded that they can vote for all of the above candidates, regardless of the township or county they live in. Residents are able to vote for any candidates that are on the ballot that is provided at their polling place.



Kindness Challenge



Wabeno Elementary students participated in the 12 days of kindness challenge leading up to Christmas break. Students were tasked with different activities each day to spread kindness throughout our building and at home. The students were able to earn a link for each act of kindness that they did, while trying to build the longest kindness chain with their class.

The class with the longest chain was Mrs. Romprey's first grade class and the winner drawn from the links was Robin. Students also participated in 12 holiday dress up days! It was amazing to watch all of the acts of kindness our students did throughout the 12 days.


Forest County Tavern League donates to Forest County Humane Society




The Forest County Tavern League made a donation of \$250.00 to the Forest County Humane Society on December 17, 2021. Denise Larsen of the Forest County Tavern League presented the check to Chrystal Ross of the Forest County Humane Society. This donation will be matched by the Wisconsin Tavern League Foundation.



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