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Republican candidates sweep the Northwoods

By Mike Monte

Finally! The election is over, at least in Forest County. In other places, for state and national offices, the counting and arguing will go on for awhile.

Jeff Marvin has handily won the race for Forest County Sheriff. He beat Ron Skallerud 2,433 to 1,724. It was an election where the voters had a choice between two qualified candidates, and from my perspective, it was a clean race.

Forest County is obviously a red county, with no Democrats coming close to a Republican candidate. Tom Tiffany more than doubled his Democratic opponent in the race for the U.S. Congress, and Ron Johnson doubled his opponent, Mandela Barnes, in the race for U.S. Senate.

Years back, you couldn't say anything nice about a Republican in a bar or restaurant without being verbally attacked, somehow, Forest County has changed to a Republican county. Such is politics!

In Townsend and Lakewood, the vote was also very red. Townsend supported Michels by a vote of 469 to 231, Johnson over Barnes by a vote of 487 to 225. Lakewood voted Michels over Evers by a vote of 366 to 170, and Johnson won by a vote of 360 to 173.

See inside this issue for a breakdown on how the vote went in all of the precincts in Forest County.

T&T Well Drilling contributes to Lakewood Library building fund



Mitzer Harnois (R) of T&T Well Drilling, Lakewood, presents a check for \$200 to Katie Essermann, Lakes Country Public Library Director. Mitzer and her husband, Tim, were the first business owners to respond to a community-wide solicitation seeking support for the Library's renovation and expansion project.

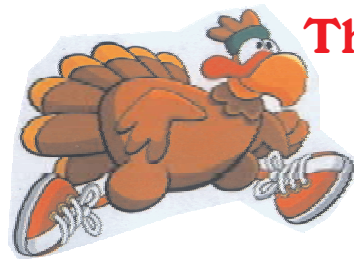
Lakewood Library has another match challenge for \$20,000

Lakes Country Public Library's Capital Campaign to renovate and expand Lakewood Library is moving along at a brisk pace. On November 7 the Building Expansion Committee (BEC) announced that, due to the overwhelming response to its October \$10,000 Donor Match, a second anonymous donor has stepped forward, upping the ante with a \$20,000 match challenge.

"The speed with which we completed the first match was amazing," said BEC member Linda McKenna. "In that regard, we know that the community's support is vital to us reaching our goal. So, as part of our fundraising effort, we recently sent solicitation letters to local Chamber of Commerce members. We received our first donation within two days!"

If you would like to be a part of this exciting project, contributions may be dropped off at the library, done online at www.lakescountrylibrary.org, or by sending a check to LCPL Building Fund, 15235 State Hwy 32, Box 220, Lakewood, WI 54138. Please note "Donor Match" in the memo line.

Another way of donating to the project could help lower your income tax due, even if you do not itemize deductions. For those who must take the Required Minimum Distribution (RMD) from an IRA, the IRS has what is called a qualified charitable contribution (QCD). Your contribution will be excluded from your taxable income if you follow IRS rules that require you to direct your IRA custodian to make the check directly to Lakes Country Public Library. (If it's made out to you, it will be counted as taxable income even if you turn around and donate the money). Contact your accountant or call the library for more information.



Thanksgiving Day Turkey Trot

Start getting in shape now for the Thanksgiving Day Turkey Trot in Laona!

The Turkey Trot is a 5K run/walk on Thursday morning, November 24. The Trot begins at the Laona Town Hall, with registration at 8:30 a.m. and the event begins at 9 a.m.

You can get back the calories you burned if you are one of the top three finishers, as you will win a pie!

Pets are welcome on a leash.

Participants should bring a non-perishable food donation for the local food pantry.

If you would like more information or like to volunteer for the event, call 715-889-0319.

This is a good way to build up an appetite for Thanksgiving Dinner!



Wabeno/Laona Drama Dept. Presents "The Suessification of Romeo and Juliet"



Laona/Wabeno Rebel Drama Department 2022 Fall Play Cast & Crew: First row: Faith Simon, Ezekiel Sarratt, Kaylin Julson, Aaron Julson. Second row: Tristan Miotke, Taylor Miotke, Kierra O'Keefe, Madison Thomson, Nora Kamke. Back row: Trina Ward, Sky Retzlaff, David Nelson, Ozari Ventura, Ab Peterson, Cameron Sorenson. Not pictured: Ted Gust, Lauren Harris, Skyray Denny, Alize Schingeck, Aria Thomson, Idalyn Vladik, Kelsey Beaber, Owen Seeber, Kiana Beaber, and Elise Villarin

On November 10-13, 2022, the Laona/Wabeno High School Rebel Drama Department will present The Suessification of Romeo and Juliet by Peter Bloedel, a very silly and fun rendition of one of Shakespeare's most famous tragedies.

This fast paced, fun-for-the-whole-family, version of Romeo and Juliet tells the classic tale of the star-crossed lovers, but with Seuss style rhymes and all-around goofiness. Juliet's family is the Capitulates, rather than the Capulets, and Romeo's family is the Monotones, rather than the Montagues.

Narrators explain the story, accompanied by a Seuss style band, created by Mrs. Chris Kunz's sixth grade students. Sword fights and "bumbaloon" fights keep the actors hopping around the stage, and the end of this Seuss style tragedy is, unsurprisingly, not that tragic. With all the silliness, this production promises to be both entertaining and somewhat educational.

The large cast includes the following students from both Laona and Wabeno schools: Ab Peterson plays Narrator #1, Cameron Sorenson plays Narrator #2, Skyray Denny plays Narrator #1.5, and Sky Retzlaff plays

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2nd grade "Super Citizen" food drive Wabeno Elementary



Mrs. Counard's second grade class organized a food drive for the Christian Food Pantry to help re-supply for the Fall Holidays. The student did a great job filling the vehicle. Pictured below is Mrs. Counard and Volunteers from the pantry. Appreciation to everyone for all the hard work in making this an awesome event. Great work putting the 'I' in kind!



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The Elcho Community Pavilion Craft Fair



The Elcho Community Pavilion 10th Annual Holiday Craft Fair will be held on December 3, from 9 a.m. until 2 p.m.

Come See Santa, he has promised to be there!

There will be Bucket Raffles.

Bring a nonperishable food item for the Elcho Food Pantry and receive one free raffle ticket.

The Craft Fair will be at N11283 Dorr St. in Elcho, and is sponsored by the United Church of Christ Men's Club and Women's Fellowship.

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.

I read an interesting article this week about the US drought. While drought has been a persistent problem in the western US, it's now spread across other parts of the country that aren't typically this dry.

Nearly 60 percent of the contiguous US is experiencing drought, according to the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA). Drought hasn't been this widespread in the nation in about a decade, and over 80 percent of the country is at least experiencing "abnormally dry" conditions, according to the US Drought Monitor — a first in the drought monitor's 22-year history.

Drought has sparked treasure hunts in receding western water reservoirs this year: uncovering World War II-era vessels in Lake Mead and Lake Shasta. Now, the spree of newly revealed shipwrecks has spread east. Last week, as water levels neared record lows, the Mississippi River bared the bones of a ferry that likely sunk near Baton Rouge at the turn of the 20th century. But dwindling water resources have also outlawed front lawns, left agricultural fields barren, and mangled river shipping routes.

"In the past two decades, this is one of the largest coverages of drought for two reasons," says Brad Pugh, a meteorologist at NOAA. There's a long-term drought that's been no stranger to the west, plus a short-term drought that's developed across the midwest and southeastern US.

California's longest drought on record stretched nearly an entire decade from December 2011 to March 2019, and the "megadrought" that's taken hold in southwestern North America for 22 years marks the driest the region has been in at least 1,200 years, a recent study found.

Climate change has made the perennially dry region even more arid. Hotter temperatures simply dry out soil and vegetation faster. But there are other factors at play — like La Niña. The phenomenon generally shows up every two to seven years as part of a recurring climate pattern called the El Niño-Southern Oscillation (ENSO). Only when La Niña appeared in 2020, it, like everything else about that year, wasn't ordinary.

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Pictured with the check is this years 8th grade girls team, who made it ti the Wisconsin State Invitational last year! Go Cardinals!

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Unfortunately, we don't know who this Argonne player was. If you know give us a call!

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Please RSVP Lorry Runge (715-276-7313) by Monday November 21 if you plan to attend. A free will offering will be taken to help cover costs. Note: St. John will not be offering drive-through curbside pickup this year.

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 Robert Smith, Jr. - Vice-Chairman
 Sonya Knueppel - Treasurer
 Rachel Toyebo - Secretary
 Caleb McGeshick - Councilman II

The new Council Members will be sworn in on Monday, January 16, 2023.

Chi Miigwech to August VanZile, Thomas VanZile, Carmen McGeshick and James Polar, Sr. for your service to our community!!

Bake Sale to support Lakes Country Public Library

The Friends of Lakes Country Public Library will host their Annual Bake Sale at the Lakewood SuperValu on Friday, November 19th from 8:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. or until sold out. Items for sale will include cookies, fudge, bars, brownies, pies, sweet breads, muffins and cupcakes. Come pick up some reasonably priced and very delicious home baked goods for yourself or to share with family, friends, and neighbors.

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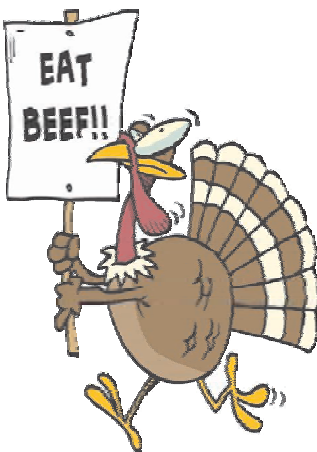
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November is National Alzheimer's Caregiver Month

MILWAUKEE, WI, OCTOBER 26, 2022 November is National Family Caregiver Month and the Alzheimer's Association recognizes the more than 11 million Americans, including 198,000 in Wisconsin, who are currently providing unpaid care for a person living with Alzheimer's and dementia.

"November is a month in which we not only honor Alzheimer's and dementia caregivers, but highlight unique challenges of their caregiver experience," said Jennifer McAlister, Program Manager, Alzheimer's Association Wisconsin Chapter. "Caregiving demands are often greater for these caregivers and there are 4 key reasons why dementia caregiving is more challenging."

4 unique challenges for Alzheimer's caregivers:

1. Caregiving for someone with memory loss is more complex and time-intensive: Caregivers of people with dementia report providing 27 hours more care per month on average (92 hours versus 65 hours) than caregivers of people without dementia. These caregivers are often managing multiple conditions, not only memory loss, but behavioral/emotional changes and gradual loss of mobility.
2. Caregiving Impacts Employment Caregiving has a significant impact on working caregivers. 57% reported needing to go in late or leave early due to care responsibilities, 18% reduced their work hours and 9% gave up working entirely.
3. Alzheimer's caregivers often have to provide care over a longer period of time During the course of a journey with dementia, caregiving tasks escalate and become more time-intensive. The average life expectancy following a diagnosis is 4-8 years, but can be as long as 20.
4. Alzheimer's caregivers report greater stress and personal health problems 59% of Alzheimer's caregivers report their emotional stress as high or very high and 35% report declining health because of caregiving.

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 "Caring for someone with Alzheimer's is overwhelming for many caregivers here in Wisconsin," said McAlister. "However, there is support and resources available including local support groups, education programs and our 24/7 Helpline. No one should face this disease alone and the Alzheimer's Association is here to help."

Caregiving Statistics:

- More than 11 million people in the U.S. are providing unpaid care to a person living with Alzheimer's or dementia; 198,000 in Wisconsin.
- Among primary caregivers of people with dementia, over half take care of their parents.
- Approximately two-thirds of caregivers are women, and one-third of dementia caregivers are daughters.
- Approximately one-quarter of dementia caregivers are "sandwich generation" caregivers, meaning they care not only for an aging parent, but also for children under age 18.
- In 2021, the lifetime cost of care for a person living with dementia was \$377,621.
- 41% percent of caregivers have a household income of \$50,000 or less

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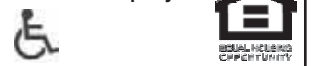
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What is COPD?

WAUSAU, Wis. – Every year, 150,000 people die from Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease, also known as COPD, in the United States. COPD affect more than 15 million adults, and many more are unaware they even have it.

This month is National COPD Awareness Month. During November people from all over the country raise awareness to those at risk for COPD, those living with COPD and the importance of early diagnosis.

COPD refers to a group of diseases that cause airflow blockage and breathing-related problems such as emphysema, chronic bronchitis, and in some cases, asthma.

COPD is a progressive which means it gets worse as time goes on. With COPD, less air flows in and out of the airways, making it hard to breathe.

This type of lung disease is typically caused by long-term exposure to irritating gases or particulate matter such as cigarette smoke. Most people who have COPD smoke or were previous smokers, however, up to 30 percent of people with COPD never smoked.

“COPD is a major cause of disability. Those with COPD find themselves struggling to do daily activities such as walking, cooking, or dressing themselves because they become short of breath so easily,” says Sarah Schroeder, Respiratory Therapist with Aspirus.

According to the CDC, common symptoms of COPD are an ongoing cough or a cough that produces a lot of mucus, shortness of breath (especially with physical activity), wheezing or a whistling or squeaky sound when breathing, and chest tightness or heaviness.

“The most important thing someone with COPD or at risk for COPD can do is to not smoke or quit smoking if they have been a smoker,” says Schroeder. “This lifestyle change can make a drastic difference.”

According to the National Heart, Lung and Blood Institute, additional things people at risk for COPD can do are:

- Limit exposure to air pollution in the home or at work. Stay away from things that could irritate your lungs, like dust, strong fumes and cigarette smoke.
- Visit your health care provider regularly. Make a list of your breathing symptoms and think about any activities that you can no longer do because of shortness of breath.
- Share this information with your provider.
- Protect yourself from the flu and other preventable infectious diseases. It is also a good idea to get a flu shot every year. Talk to your provider about getting vaccinated against pneumococcal disease and COVID-19.

People with COPD are at increased risk of developing heart disease, lung cancer and a variety of other conditions. Early diagnosis is critical to help reduce lung damage and to help with those manage quality of life with COPD.

DNR urges all ATV/UTV riders to wear a helmet

MADISON, Wis. – The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR) urges ATV/UTV riders and passengers to wear their helmets and seatbelts while out riding this fall.

So far this year, 17 people have died in ATV/UTV crashes in Wisconsin. Most crash victims were not wearing seat belts or helmets.

According to the Insurance Institute for Highway Safety, 71% of fatally injured ATV riders were killed in crashes involving no other vehicles in 2020. Helmets and seatbelts dramatically reduce the chance of serious injury, especially in single vehicle crashes.

“ATVs are popular for work and recreational purposes such as trail riding and hunting,” said Major April Dombrowski, DNR Recreational Safety Section Chief. “Protect yourself and loved ones by always wearing a helmet. It’s the single most important piece of protection an ATV or UTV rider can wear.”

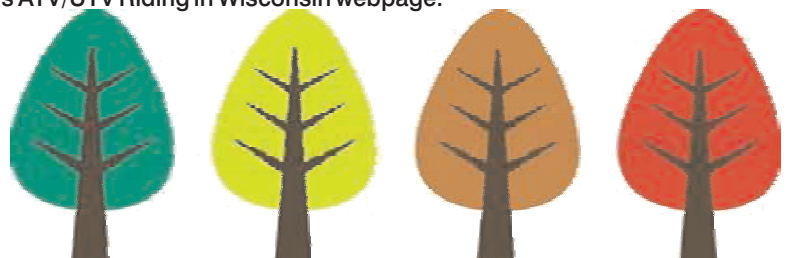
In addition to wearing a helmet, follow these tips for a safe ride:

- Use extra caution when operating on pavement.
- Always operate at a responsible speed and within your abilities.
- Never consume alcohol or drugs before or during your ride.
- In addition to a seat belt and helmet, wear protective clothing such as eye protection, gloves, long pants and long sleeves.
- Know before you go. Review all ATV/UTV laws here.

Wisconsin law requires ATV and UTV operators born on or after Jan. 1, 1988, who are at least 12 years old for an ATV (and at least 16 years old for UTV) must complete an ATV safety certification course to operate in Wisconsin (exception: on private property owned by operator's immediate family). These safety courses can be taken online or in person. A list of approved safety education classes is available on the DNR Safety Education webpage.

Wisconsin law also requires every operator involved in a crash incident to report the incident without delay to law enforcement officials. Operators must submit a written report to the DNR within 10 days of the incident.

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The Rhinelander Public Library

An afterschool program, free for youth in grades K-6 and their families, will be held from 4-5 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 17, at the Rhinelander District Library. Participants will hear the story of Thunder's Hair, by Jessie Taken Alive-Rencountre, which will be read by special guest speaker Norman Crazy Thunder, and participate in a hair braiding activity.

Those interested in attending are asked to sign up by Sunday, Nov. 13, online at <https://oneida.extension.wisc.edu> or by calling 715-365-2750. The program is sponsored by the University of Wisconsin-Extension Oneida County, Rhinelander District Library, and Nicolet Area Technical College's Tribal Outreach Department.

According to Anne Williams, Oneida County 4-H Educator, the program is being held in November as a way to celebrate Native American Heritage month.

"The program will include a simple braiding activity to teach youth about the beauty and importance of braided hair for Native Americans," Williams said. "Bullying is the central conflict in the story, so participants will also be guided on what to do and how to advocate for themselves." More information can be found online at <https://oneida.extension.wisc.edu> or by calling 715-365-2750.

Forest County Sheriff's Office Notice

Forest County Sheriff's Office is now accepting applications for **Full-Time Correctional Officer** positions. *These positions will also be cross-trained as 911 Dispatchers.*

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APPLY: Submit Wisconsin Law Enforcement Standards Board Form, a current DJ-LE-330 Application, Cover Letter and Resume to:

ATTENTION: Chief Deputy Alex Walrath
Forest County Sheriff's Office
100 South Park Avenue
Crandon WI 54520

Applications must be received **by Wednesday November 30, 2022 at 4:00pm**

Forms are available at the Forest County Sheriff's Office or online at www.forestcountywi.gov or at www.forestcountysheriff.com. All questions on the application **MUST** be completed, including Section 6 - Questions A, B & C and your social security number. Applications that are not accurately completed will be rejected.

NOTE: All correspondence for physical fitness exams and interview dates/times will be through email notification.

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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.

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Fire was the scourge of the early communities here in the early days of development. All wooden structures, wood stoves and often kerosene lamps were a hazard if care wasn't taken.

These early 1900's shots of Wabeno show how the towns could change in a short time.

In the top photo, the old drug store, though not a drug store now, still stands.

In the bottom photo, the large wooden building to the left in the top photo is soon to be a smoking foundation. Other buildings would take its place, but it had to be a major disaster to the owner of the store that likely had his living quarters over the store.

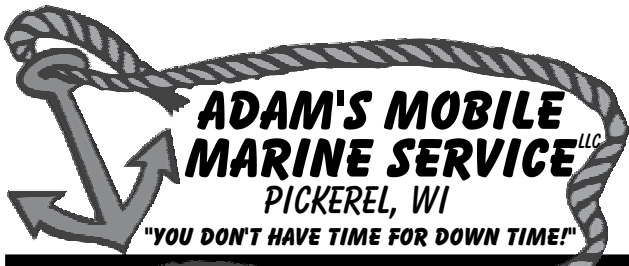
Brick buildings became popular when the wooden stores went up in smoke.



This is Wabeno in the 1940's. This is a bit more familiar to people today, but there have been changes. Notice the burning building has been replaced with brick buildings that are still in use today.



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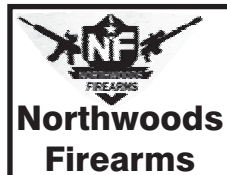


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DNR Air Quality Report

MADISON, Wis. – The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR) today announced the release of the 2022 Air Quality Trends Report.

The annual report includes state monitoring data through 2021 for air pollutants regulated under the federal Clean Air Act, including ground-level ozone, particle pollution, sulfur dioxide, nitrogen dioxide and carbon monoxide. Although concentrations of these pollutants have generally decreased in all regions of the state since monitoring began, Wisconsin faces tough challenges in continued reductions now and into the future. In recent years, the trends report shows that some pollutants have recorded slight increases in concentrations or plateaued reductions.

To better illustrate these trends, the DNR has debuted an interactive StoryMap which illustrates Wisconsin's air quality trends for each pollutant over the last 20 years.

"We are excited to introduce this new StoryMap tool as part of the annual trends report release to better share Wisconsin's air quality story," said Katie Praedel, DNR's Air Management Monitoring Section Chief. "This new interactive tool provides a more user-friendly visual way to convey complex air quality data for Wisconsin residents."

Other highlights in the report include:

- Reducing sulfur dioxide (SO2) in an area near Rhinelander by implementing new emission control measures.
- The reduction means the entire state now meets the EPA SO2 standard.
- Overall, statewide concentrations have decreased by 88% since the early 2000s.

While trends in ozone concentrations have flatlined in recent years, ozone values have improved substantially since monitoring began in the early 2000s. The Lake Michigan shoreline region has seen a 25% average reduction in ozone concentrations between 2001 and 2021. With these reduced ozone concentrations, the EPA announced in spring 2022 that the eastern half of Kenosha County is meeting the 2008 ozone standard. All Wisconsin ozone monitors are now meeting the 2008 ozone standard.

However, due to ozone transport from areas south of Wisconsin, combined with lakeshore meteorological dynamics, seven lakeshore counties remain in nonattainment for the 2015 standard. As a result, 33% of Wisconsin's population lives in an ozone nonattainment area.

"Despite challenges with ozone along the Lake Michigan shoreline, the Trends Report shows Wisconsin's air quality continues to improve, at the same time as Wisconsin's economy continues to grow," said DNR Secretary Preston D. Cole. "Historically and currently, when continually faced with ozone nonattainment

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challenges, the department has relied on our strength in partnerships with local, state and federal partners, research organizations and businesses operating in Wisconsin to facilitate air quality improvements."

The 2022 Air Quality Trends Report, StoryMap, and other historical reports are available on the DNR's Air Quality webpage. Current Wisconsin air quality conditions can be found on the Wisconsin Air Quality Monitoring Data webpage.

DNR cracks down on import of red swamp crayfish

The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR) today announced the first-ever criminal convictions under the state's invasive species law, Chapter NR 40, related to the importation of live red swamp crayfish.

Although red swamp crayfish are native to the southern U.S., they are not native to the northern U.S., including Wisconsin, Michigan and Minnesota.

"These crayfish are illegal in Wisconsin because they cause havoc in our waterways by out-competing other species, damaging shorelines, and burrowing deep into the ground to avoid winter freezing," said Lt. Warden Robert Stroess, DNR Administrator of Commercial Fish and Aquatic Species in Trade Enforcement. "They are prolific and resilient."

The investigation was launched in 2020 after several grocery stores were offering live red swamp crayfish for sale. Then, a walker in Ozaukee County reported an "aggressively acting" crayfish to the DNR. Lt. Warden Stroess tracked the escaped crayfish to a home 340 feet away, where a crayfish boil had taken place a few weeks earlier. Further investigation revealed a significant illegal importation of live red swamp crayfish throughout the Great Lakes region.

The crayfish distributors were sent letters informing them that the red swamp crayfish being shipped was illegal under many jurisdictions. Among those distributors was Louisiana Crawfish Company. The



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investigation showed that Louisiana Crawfish Company received the letter, confirmed its contents, but then continued to ship nearly 13,000 more invasive crayfish to Wisconsin.

"Try as we may, education and outreach don't always change the behavior of some individuals and companies," said Lt. Warden Stroess. "Sometimes enforcement is needed."

The Wisconsin Department of Justice charged Louisiana Crawfish Company with 15 criminal counts of intentionally transporting, possessing, or transferring invasive species. On Aug. 25, 2022, the Dane County Circuit Court accepted a guilty plea from the company. The court then convicted the company of 10 criminal counts and ordered the company to pay \$34,380 in fines, fees and assessments. The plea deal included dismissing the remaining 5 counts.

"Our hope is the outcome of this case can serve as a deterrent to other wholesale distributors to keep invasive red swamp crayfish out of Wisconsin," said Lt. Warden Stroess.

More information about invasive species in Wisconsin can be found on the DNR's website.

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United Methodist Women St. Luke's & Argonne RUMMAGE SALE @ St. Luke's Methodist Church 301 S. Lake St. Crandon FRIDAY & SATURDAY NOVEMBER 11 & 12 9 AM - 2 PM Household items Clothing P31

Rummage Sale Saturday November 12 and November 19 - 9-3 Double Buck Cafe, Laona Christmas ornaments nick nacks, antiques B32

12th Annual Northwoods' Invasive Species Poster Contest

The 2023 Northwoods' Invasive Species Poster Contest is in its 12th year and reaches school districts within 18 Northwoods' counties (Ashland, Bayfield, Burnett, Douglas, Florence, Forest, Iron, Langlade, Lincoln, Marinette, Menominee, Oconto, Oneida, Price, Sawyer, Shawano, Washburn, and Vilas). But, every 4th through 8th grade student in the State of Wisconsin is eligible to enter this contest.

Participating in this contest by submitting a poster will help you gain a better understanding of how invasive species can affect each individual, and there are many from which to choose. Your topic could be the Emerald ash borer, Gypsy moth, Japanese knotweed, Rock snot, Yellow iris, Rusty crayfish, Chinese mystery snail or one of several others. Even choosing an invasive that may currently not be where you live is a learning experience. Perhaps brining awareness to that invasive will help to keep it out of your area. And, you, your classroom, and your school can win!

If you are interested in being a part of this contest, talk to your art or science teachers! Poster entries are due by 4:00 p.m. on Wednesday, April 26, 2023. Posters and poster entry forms may be mailed in or dropped off at any one of our sixteen drop-off locations. A new brochure with complete instructions, drop-off locations and fillable entry forms, is located on the Oneida County Land and Water Conservation Department 2023 invasive Species Contest website at <https://www.oclw.org/2023-northwoods-invasive-species-poster-contest.html>. If drop-off locations are not convenient for you or you need additional information, contact us at 715-369-7835 and we will do our best to make sure we get your posters.

Secondhand Aerosol from electronic cigarettes: a growing concern

There are clear risks linked with secondhand cigarette smoke. State legislatures throughout the nation have banned smoking in public places. What about electronic cigarettes and vaping?

Just as people around smokers can breathe in cigarette smoke, it is possible to breathe in aerosol from electronic cigarettes, this is called secondhand aerosol. Research suggests that bystanders who breathe secondhand aerosol are exposed to the same toxins found in electronic cigarettes.

"If you are around somebody who is using e-cigarettes, you are breathing an aerosol of exhaled nicotine, ultra-fine particles, volatile organic compounds, and other toxins." Explains Dr. Stanton Glantz, Director of the Center for Tobacco Control Research and Education at the University of California, San Francisco.

To lower the potential risks posed by secondhand aerosol exposure from electronic cigarettes, some states, counties, and cities have started restricting where people can vape. According to the American Nonsmokers' Rights Foundation, as of October 2021, 26 states and over 1,000 municipalities have included electronic cigarettes and other electronic smoking devices in their laws and policies that ban smoking in certain spaces.

Wisconsin has a comprehensive smoke-free law that prohibits smoking in workplaces, restaurants, and bars. This has been in effect since 2010. After years of enjoying smoke-free workplaces, the Wisconsin public has come to expect clean indoor air. The rising popularity of electronic cigarettes has complicated this standard. Communities across Wisconsin are choosing to strengthen their clean indoor air policies by including electronic cigarettes and vaping.

The Northwoods Tobacco Free Coalition (NWTFC) is focused on commercial tobacco prevention and cessation for those most impacted.

"Updating local ordinances to include e-cigarettes and other electronic smoking devices supports a comprehensive approach to tobacco prevention and control efforts throughout the state. It is a stepping stone towards changing the social norm where commercial tobacco is less desirable and less acceptable" Explained Shelby Moore, the NWTFC Coordinator.

To learn more about commercial tobacco prevention efforts in the Northwoods please reach out to Shelby Moore at smoore@co.oneida.wi.us or at 715-369-6115.

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| Forest County General Election (Unofficial Results) | Governor/Leutenant Governor | | | | Attorney General | | | Secretary of State | | | | State Treasurer | | | United States Senator | | | Rep. in Congress District 7 | | | Rep. to the Assembly District 36 | | | County Sheriff | | County Clerk of Circuit Court | | | | | | |
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| | Tony Evers/Sara Rodriguez | Tim Michels/Roger Roth | Joan Ellis Baglinger | Seth Heshin (write-in) | Scattering | Josh Kaul | Eric Toney | Scattering | Doug La Follette | Amy Lynn Loudenbeck | Neil Harmon | Shayl R. McFarland | Scattering | Aaron Richardson | John S. Leiber | Andrew Zuelke | Scattering | Francis Barnas | Ron Johnson | Adam Paul (write-in) | Scattering | Richard Dick-Ausman | Tom Tiffany | Scattering | Ben Murray | Jeffrey Mursau | Scattering | Jeffrey A. Marvin | Ron Skallerud | Scattering | Penny Carter | Scattering |
| Alvin, Ward 1 | 21 | 72 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 26 | 71 | 0 | 21 | 67 | 3 | 3 | 0 | 22 | 71 | 1 | 0 | 23 | 74 | 0 | 0 | 21 | 75 | 0 | 24 | 71 | 0 | 70 | 27 | 0 | 91 | 0 |
| Argonne, Wards 1-2 | 72 | 179 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 82 | 166 | 0 | 79 | 159 | 5 | 3 | 0 | 66 | 173 | 4 | 0 | 70 | 183 | 0 | 0 | 63 | 188 | 1 | 66 | 181 | 0 | 111 | 146 | 0 | 234 | 1 |
| Armstrong Creek, Ward 1 | 63 | 161 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 68 | 156 | 0 | 62 | 151 | 7 | 2 | 0 | 62 | 150 | 7 | 0 | 60 | 165 | 0 | 0 | 59 | 167 | 0 | 61 | 164 | 0 | 140 | 80 | 1 | 198 | 2 |
| Blackwell, Ward 1 | 13 | 41 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 15 | 41 | 0 | 13 | 38 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 12 | 43 | 0 | 0 | 11 | 44 | 0 | 0 | 12 | 44 | 0 | 12 | 42 | 0 | 34 | 21 | 0 | 53 | 0 |
| Caswell, Ward 1 | 10 | 38 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 12 | 35 | 0 | 11 | 33 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 8 | 36 | 1 | 1 | 8 | 41 | 0 | 0 | 11 | 37 | 0 | 10 | 38 | 0 | 28 | 21 | 0 | 47 | 0 |
| Town of Crandon, Wards 1-2 | 91 | 190 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 100 | 184 | 0 | 84 | 185 | 4 | 5 | 0 | 85 | 188 | 7 | 0 | 83 | 198 | 0 | 0 | 83 | 197 | 0 | 86 | 199 | 0 | 165 | 121 | 0 | 273 | 1 |
| Freedom, Ward 1 | 76 | 157 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 84 | 153 | 0 | 75 | 154 | 3 | 2 | 0 | 69 | 168 | 1 | 0 | 74 | 162 | 0 | 0 | 71 | 167 | 0 | 63 | 175 | 0 | 158 | 77 | 0 | 213 | 1 |
| Hiles, Ward 1 | 76 | 152 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 78 | 149 | 0 | 68 | 155 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 67 | 156 | 4 | 0 | 67 | 158 | 0 | 2 | 69 | 158 | 0 | 68 | 157 | 0 | 161 | 60 | 0 | 194 | 1 |
| Laona, Wards 1-4 | 194 | 346 | 7 | 0 | 0 | 195 | 342 | 0 | 175 | 344 | 6 | 10 | 0 | 172 | 344 | 14 | 0 | 181 | 382 | 0 | 0 | 182 | 365 | 0 | 165 | 379 | 0 | 347 | 194 | 1 | 605 | 2 |
| Lincoln, Wards 1-5 | 209 | 257 | 8 | 0 | 0 | 216 | 253 | 0 | 195 | 245 | 7 | 15 | 0 | 196 | 257 | 8 | 0 | 200 | 270 | 0 | 0 | 194 | 276 | 0 | 193 | 273 | 0 | 217 | 258 | 1 | 435 | 8 |
| Nashville, Wards 1-3 | 159 | 164 | 8 | 0 | 0 | 159 | 168 | 0 | 143 | 164 | 7 | 11 | 1 | 146 | 166 | 10 | 0 | 150 | 176 | 0 | 2 | 148 | 182 | 0 | 157 | 173 | 1 | 177 | 152 | 0 | 299 | 5 |
| Nashville, Wards 4-5 | 75 | 154 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 74 | 156 | 0 | 78 | 151 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 72 | 155 | 2 | 0 | 70 | 159 | 0 | 0 | 71 | 161 | 0 | 67 | 163 | 0 | 186 | 56 | 0 | 210 | 0 |
| Popple River, Ward 1 | 8 | 17 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 8 | 17 | 0 | 8 | 17 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 8 | 17 | 0 | 0 | 8 | 17 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 18 | 0 | 7 | 18 | 0 | 14 | 11 | 0 | 25 | 0 |
| Ross, Ward 1 | 9 | 67 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 14 | 66 | 0 | 8 | 68 | 3 | 1 | 0 | 7 | 68 | 5 | 0 | 8 | 72 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 74 | 0 | 9 | 71 | 0 | 60 | 16 | 0 | 79 | 2 |
| Wabeno, Wards 1-4 | 153 | 233 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 169 | 223 | 0 | 149 | 215 | 13 | 6 | 0 | 146 | 225 | 12 | 0 | 148 | 241 | 0 | 0 | 144 | 246 | 0 | 143 | 246 | 0 | 198 | 188 | 0 | 344 | 1 |
| City of Crandon, Wards 1-4 | 223 | 441 | 15 | 0 | 0 | 239 | 426 | 0 | 195 | 426 | 24 | 8 | 0 | 201 | 433 | 16 | 0 | 210 | 461 | 0 | 2 | 198 | 469 | 0 | 187 | 468 | 0 | 387 | 292 | 0 | 588 | 4 |
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| Forest County General Election (Unofficial Results) | Town of Alvin Referendum | | Town of Popple River Referendum | | Three Lakes School Dist Referendum | |
|-----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|----|---------------------------------|----|------------------------------------|----|
| | Yes | No | Yes | No | Yes | No |
| Alvin, Ward 1 | 43 | 51 | | | | |
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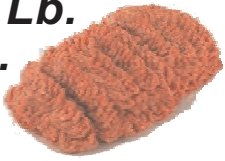
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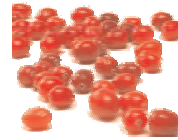
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On Friday, November 4, 2022, **Michael Richard Zahnen**, age 63, passed away peacefully at his home surrounded by his loved ones, after a four year battle with cancer. Michael was born on July 18, 1959 in Chicago, Illinois and was adopted by Clara and Richard Zahnen when he was 3 days old.



On April 27, 1991, Michael married the love of his life and "Pal", Susan Dallmann. They met while working for Princl Freight Lines and continued their lifelong journey of 31 blessed years of marriage.

Michael lived every day of his life to its fullest being the best son, husband, father, grandfather, brother, and best friend that he possibly could. He will be always remembered as a people person, loving and being loved by all who he came into contact with.

Michael's first careers included all the things he loved including long haul trucking and fire services, including the Chicago, Oconto, and Riverview Fire Departments, which ultimately lead him to combine the two and establish the Zahnen Companies. This entailed both the trucking and emergency vehicle design, sales, and service industries.

When he wasn't working, he relished time doing his favorite activities which included, hunting and fishing in the great Northwoods of Wisconsin, Colorado, and Canada, watching sports, playing golf, and smoking any and all kinds of meats on his Recteq.

Michael is survived by his wife, Susan; two daughters, Stephanie (Jesse) Marshall and Casandra (Armando) Delgado; 4 grandchildren, Taylor, Caleb, Sebastian and Juliana; mother, Clara Zahnen; sister, Linda Zahnen; sisters-in-law, Barbara Barker, Carol Coffey and Janis Dallmann; brother-in-law, James Dallmann; and many loved cousins, nieces, nephews, and his loyal fur baby, Tessa.

Michael is preceded in death by his father, Richard Zahnen; mother- and father-in-law, Helen and Herbert Dallmann; brothers-in-law, Richard Dallmann and Roger Coffey; sister-in-law, Patricia Dallmann; and niece, Katie Dallmann.

A special thanks to his many wonderful family and friends who visited and kept in touch, along with, Compassus Hospice and the doctors and nurses from the Aspirus Health System who helped make this difficult journey as peaceful as possible.

Visitation will be held on Monday, November 21, 2022 from 9-11 a.m. at St. Stanislaus Kostka Catholic Church in Armstrong Creek. Memorial Mass will follow at 11 a.m.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Goodman-Armstrong Creek Fire Department or the Riverview Volunteer Fire Department.

Weber-Hill Funeral Homes will be assisting the family. Online condolences can be made by visiting www.weberhillfuneralhome.com.

Pat A. Kegley, of Crandon, died Sunday, November 6, 2022, at The Bay of Nu Roc while under the care of Compassus Hospice. She was 88 years old. She was born on June 23, 1934 in Crandon; a daughter of the late Charles Sr. and Maude (Sparks) Mihalko.



She married Wilmore Kegley on May 26, 1951 in Crandon.

Together Pat and Wilmore raised four children. Pat's greatest pride were her children and grandchildren. She loved to cook and bake for everyone. She will always be remembered for her famous biscuits, gravy and blue ribbon-winning apple pie. She was a proud homemaker. For several years she was the head cook at the Forest County jail. Pat will be fondly remembered for her kindness and generosity.

Survivors include her daughter, Karen (Roger) Wilson; sons, Robert (Patti) Kegley, Rick (Karla) Kegley and Allan (Debbie) Kegley; grandchildren, Tressa Votis, Gina Kegley, Ricky Kegley, Eric Wilson, Greg Kegley, Brad Kegley, Kristi Campbell, Charlie Kegley, Cassie Gryczkowski and Janet Kegley; 12 great-grandchildren; sister, Mary Linda Houle; and brother, Ken (Sheryl) Mihalko. She is further survived by Wilmore's only surviving sibling, Mildred Koehn, as well as numerous nieces, nephews, cousins and in-laws.

She was preceded in death by her husband; parents; brothers, Tom (Jean) Mihalko and Sonny Mihalko; and brother-in-law, Dave Houle.

Visitation will be held Thursday, November 10, 2022 from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. at St. Luke's United Methodist Church in Crandon. Services will be at 12 p.m. at the church with Pastor Francois Mukosa leading services.

Online condolences can be made by visiting www.weberhillfuneralhome.com.

Letters to the Editor

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

Baldwin Applauds Rural Partners Network Expansion to Support Economic Development in Wisconsin

WASHINGTON, D.C. – U.S. Senator Tammy Baldwin, Chair of the Senate Appropriations Subcommittee on Agriculture and Rural Development, applauded an announcement from U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Secretary Tom Vilsack and White House Domestic Policy Advisor Ambassador Susan Rice that the Rural Partners Network will expand to rural communities in Wisconsin to create local jobs, build infrastructure, and support long-term economic stability. This announcement is part of President Biden's commitment to ensure all rural communities can benefit from federal resources, including historic funding provided by the American Rescue Plan, Bipartisan Infrastructure Law, and Inflation Reduction Act.

"The Rural Partners Network will help bridge the gap between our federal government and Wisconsin's rural communities," said Senator Baldwin. "By expanding the reach of this program to our state, we can ensure every Wisconsin community has access to federal resources and opportunities for job creation, infrastructure, and community development."

"The Biden-Harris Administration is committed to ensuring that people in rural communities have every opportunity to succeed – and that they can find those opportunities right at home in rural America," Vilsack said. "Rural people make up America's spirit and character and provide the everyday essentials our country depends on. We know that when rural people thrive, America thrives. By expanding the Rural Partners Network, we can help these important but often overlooked communities receive their fair share of government resources to keep rural people and economies prepared for the future."

"Rural America is full of opportunities but these vital communities don't always have a way to navigate federal agencies or access the resources of the government," said Domestic Policy Advisor Susan Rice. "The Rural Partners Network is bringing federal staff directly to rural communities to ensure local leaders have access to federal resources as they build strong and vibrant economies."

The Rural Partners Network helps establish community networks in rural areas where local leaders and residents collaborate with civic and business organizations, nonprofits, service providers, development agencies and others to create new opportunities and build on the diversity of a region's population and perspectives.

With this announcement, the Rural Partners Network is expanding to the following community networks in Wisconsin: Northern Wisconsin Community Network including Ashland, Iron and Price counties; Greater Menominee Community Network including Menominee Indian Tribe of Wisconsin and Menominee County; Forest County Community Network; Northwestern Wisconsin Community Network including Eau Claire, Dunn, Clark, Buffalo, Pepin, and Chippewa counties; and Adams County Visionary Community Network.



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Senator Baldwin Secures \$462,000 Investment for Wisconsin Tribes' Climate Resiliency Projects

WASHINGTON –The Department of the Interior announced a \$45 million investment in Tribal communities to address the disproportionate impacts of climate change, including over \$462,000 for the Lac du Flambeau Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians and the Forest County Potawatomi Community. This federal funding is possible because Senator Baldwin and Democrats in Congress passed the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law and the fiscal year 2022 government funding bill, which included \$20 million and \$25 million for these projects, respectively.

These Tribal Climate Resilience projects will support Tribes and Tribal organizations in adaptation planning, climate implementation actions, ocean and coastal management planning, capacity building, relocation, managed retreat, and protect-in-place planning for climate risks.

"The Bipartisan Infrastructure Law is a once-in-a-generation investment to help Wisconsin communities deal with the impacts of climate change and build more resilient infrastructure for generations to come," said Senator Baldwin. "These federal investments will allow Wisconsin's Tribes to manage the current and future impacts of climate change, including protecting and revitalizing our Tribal lands and natural habitats."

"Indigenous communities are facing unique and intensifying climate-related challenges that pose an existential threat to Tribal economies, infrastructure, lives and livelihoods," said Secretary Deb Haaland. "Through the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law, we are making an unprecedented investment in Indian Country to help ensure that Native communities will have clean air, drinkable water, fertile soil and an overall good quality of life for generations to come."

Nationally, 124 awards will support 76 Tribes and 8 Tribal organizations. The following projects in Wisconsin will be funded under this announcement:

The Forest County Potawatomi Community was awarded \$212,079 to implement their Sustainability & Climate Change Resilience Project. This project will help the Tribe implement sustainability and climate change resilience in the Tribal community, specifically by establishing the Tribe's Sustainability and Resilience Program. The Sustainability and Resilience Program will be managed by a Climate Sustainability and Resilience Coordinator who will prepare Tribal leadership, Tribal divisions, and the Tribal community to address predicted climate change impacts and in ensuring resilience of the Tribe, its members, and its culture, now and into the future.

The Lac du Flambeau Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians was awarded \$250,000 for a project to implement actions in Lac du Flambeau's Tribal Climate Resiliency Plan (TCRP) or better known as Waaswaaganing Gaagige Bimaadiziwin Gaawin Geqaabi Naniizanasinoon. In the plan, 20 species were assessed for climate vulnerability through a climate change vulnerability index. This project focuses on protecting species culturally sensitive to the Lac du Flambeau Community.

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Expected to persist into a third winter, the world is facing a rare "triple-dip" La Niña. This marks only the third such "triple-dip" event since the 1950s, according to Pugh. It's exacerbated the longest drought in four decades to hit the Horn of Africa. Pugh says this La Niña is also a primary driver of the long-term drought we're currently seeing in the western US. It's also expected to bring on warmer and drier conditions across the southern US. For that reason, drought conditions could expand further along the Gulf Coast this winter, according to a forecast NOAA released last week. Parts of the southeastern US already affected by the current short-term drought will probably have to live with it for the next few months.

But La Niña's influence varies from region to region. While it tends to trigger drought across southern parts of the country, La Niña tends to bring on wetter weather in the northwest. The midwest will also be spared from La Niña-induced aridity this winter. So, after a very dry September and October, Pugh expects the short-term drought in the midwest to ease up in the next one to two weeks as a much wetter pattern begins to take shape in the central US.

Unfortunately for the southwest, it'll likely take multiple wet years to even begin to make up for how bone dry the region has become with the current megadrought. And climate change will continue to suck the west dry. Hotter temperatures and diminishing snowfall will cut further into water supplies. And all this will keep forcing many communities to figure out how to live with less water than they've had before.



Crandon High football players receive All-Conference awards for the 2022 season



Pictured L to R: Brett Palubicki (1st Team, punter), Rowyn Pagel (1st Team, offensive lineman/Honorable Mention, end), Konner Keao (2nd Team, offensive lineman), Mason Mullins (1st Team, offensive back), Cole Shepherd (2nd Team, defensive end), Kolton Keao (Honorable Mention, offensive lineman), Ethan Thorbahn (2nd Team, defensive lineman/Honorable Mention, tight end), and Caden Palubicki (1st Team, defensive linebacker) NOT PICTURED: Dylan Davis (2nd Team, offensive lineman) and Silas Dennee (1st Team, defensive lineman)



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ALVIN
Thursday - November 17 - Turkey, salad, stuffing, green beans, mashed potatoes, dinner roll, pumpkin pie, milk

Thursday - November 24 - No Meal - THANKSGIVING

Please register with Commission on Aging - 478-3256.

Crandon site is at 715-478-3040. Serving at 12:00 p.m. on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday.

Alvin nutrition site manager Tammy Wolfe is at 715-545-3323.

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

Wabeno site manager Linda McEwen at 715-889-0123 (cell). Meal served at 11:30 a.m. on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday.

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



BIDS AND NOTICES

**Wabeno School Breakfast Menu
Nov. 14 - 18**

Monday - Breakfast sandwiches, apple sauce, fruit juice, milk
Tuesday - Scrambled eggs, sausage links, tator tots, peaches, fruit juice, milk
Wednesday Belgium waffles, sausage patty, strawberries, fruit juice, milk
Thursday --Muffins, yogurt, Apple sauce cups, fruit juice, milk
Friday - Cereal bars, pears, fruit juice, milk

**Wabeno School Lunch Menu
Nov. 14 - 18**

Monday - Salisbury steak, mashed potato, carrots, pears, garden bar, milk
Tuesday - Taco bar, Spanish rice, corn, apple sauce, garden bar, milk
Wednesday - Sloppy Joe, fries, mixed vegetables, grapes, garden bar, milk
Thursday -Popcorn chicken, buttered noodles, carrots, berry cups, garden bar, milk
Friday - Cheeseburgers, chips, green beans, tropical fruit, garden bar, milk

**TOWN OF CRANDON
BUDGET MEETING
FOR 2023**

**DATE: NOVEMBER 14, 2023
TIME: 7:00 P.M.
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING
TO FOLLOW**

**RON COLE
CLERK, TOWN OF CRANDON**

**NOTICE TOWN OF NASHVILLE
MEETING OF ELECTORS
Budget hearing and 2022 levy approval
Nashville Town Hall, 4265 Sate Hwy 55,
Crandon, Wi
November 10, 2022 @ 6pm**

**TOWN OF NASHVILLE
MEETING NOTICE OF ANNUAL
BUDGET AND TAX LEVY
NASHVILLE TOWN HALL, 4265
STATE HWY 55, CRANDON WI**

Agenda
Public Hearing on Proposed 2023 Budget
 1. Call to order/ approve agenda
 2. Review the 2023 budget
 3. Elected official's salaries
 4. Discuss any other pertinent information to the budget
 5. Adjournment of the public hearing portion of the meeting.

**Special Meeting of the Towns Electors to Approve the 2023
Budget
Nashville Town Hall, immediately following budget
Hearing**

Agenda
 1. Call to order
 2. Motion from the floor to establish the compensation for elected town officers pursuant to s 60.01(1)(B)1, Wis. Statutes.
 3. Motion from the floor to approve the 2022 total town tax levy to be collected in 2023 pursuant to s 60.10(1)(a) of Wis. Statues
 5.. Adjourn

*A full copy of the budget is available at the clerk's office

**RESOLUTION OF TOWN BOARD PROPOSING TO EXCEED LEVY LIMIT
VIA SPECIAL TOWN ELECTOR MEETING**

Town of Wabeno, Forest County
Resolution No. 2022-10

Whereas, the State of Wisconsin has imposed levy limits on town, village, city, and county levies for 2022 and thereafter under Wis. Stat. § 66.0602;

Whereas, Wis. Stat. § 66.0602 limits the allowable local levy for 2022 to a percentage increase of no more than the greater of (a) zero percent of the 2021 payable 2022 adjusted actual levy as calculated under the state's levy limit law* or (b) a percentage equal to the percent change in equalized value due to net new construction less improvements removed, which for the Town of Wabeno is 1.323 % (Net new construction % from LLW Line 6);

Whereas, the town board of the Town of Wabeno, Forest County, believes that for the 2022 tax levy (to be collected in 2023) it is in the town's best interest to exceed the state levy limit as described above by a greater percentage than 1.323 % (Net new construction % from LLW Line 6);

Whereas, the Town of Wabeno's 2021 payable 2022 adjusted actual tax levy was \$ 160,730.00 (LLW Line 4), and further whereas the state law would limit this year's increase to \$ 2126 (LLW Line 4 x Net new construction % from LLW Line 6), for a total allowable town tax levy for 2022 (to be collected in 2023) of \$ 162,716.00 (LLW Line 8);

THEREFORE, the town board of the Town of Wabeno, Forest County does hereby resolve and order as follows:

1. The town board supports an increase in the town tax levy for 2022 that will exceed the amount allowed by the state levy limit.
2. The town board directs that the question of increasing the allowable town tax levy for 2022 (to be collected in 2023) by 61.457 % (Dollar amount of requested levy increase + LLW Line 8 x 100), which would increase the town levy by \$ 100,000.00 (Dollar amount of requested levy increase), for a total town tax levy (after adjustments) of \$ 262,716.00 (Dollar amount of requested levy increase + LLW Line 10)**, shall be placed on the agenda for the special town elector meeting to be held on November 22, 2022.

Adonved this 1st day of November, 2022,***

Signature of Town Chair: _____

Signature of Town Clerk: _____

**NOTICE OF SPRING ELECTION
Town of Wabeno
04/04/2023**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an election is to be held in the Town of Wabeno on Tuesday, April 4, 2023. The following offices are to be elected to succeed the present incumbents listed. The term for all offices begins on April 18, 2023. All terms are for two years unless otherwise indicated.

| Office | Incumbent |
|-----------------|------------------------|
| Town Chairman | James A. Smith |
| Town Supervisor | Nancy Schuhart |
| Town Supervisor | Alan D. Harrison |
| Town Clerk | Raletta Shampo-Ashbeck |
| Town Treasurer | Kimberly Champine |

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the first day to circulate nomination papers is December 1, 2022, and the final day for filing nomination papers is 5:00 p.m. on January 3, 2023, in the office of the Town Clerk.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that is a primary is necessary, the primary will be held on Tuesday, February 21, 2023

Acceptable photo ID is required to vote at each election

**Done in the Town of Wabeno
on November 22, 2022**

**Raletta Shampo-Ashbeck
Wabeno Town Clerk**

**NOTICE
City of Crandon
RESIDENTS**

With winter coming soon we need residents to make sure that the street right of way (which is 33 ft from the center of the road) is clear of any and all trash or junk or anything that the plow may hit. This includes your trash and recycling containers, these need to be removed from roadside as soon as possible after they are emptied by Republic Services.

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Mayor**



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Bids & Notices

School District of Wabeno Area Annual Meeting Monday, October 24, 2022 - 6:00 P.M.

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 P.M. by School Board President, Dave Seeber. Board members present: Dave Seeber, Trinity Shepard, Dan Christianson, Katryna VanEperen, Lori Mattern, Janet Opiela, and Dawn Jakubiec. Administration: Jeffrey Walsh, District Administrator, William Taylor, Jr./Sr. High School Principal

Board members absent: None

Administration absent: Tim Brauer, Elementary Principal, and Robert Tucker, Director of Pupil Services

Others present: Sherry Birschbach, Diane Ashbeck, Chad Beerntsen, Lee Mattern, Laurie Christianson

Dave Seeber reviewed qualifications for voting.

Dave Seeber asked for nominations for a chairperson for the meeting. There was a motion by Katryna VanEperen seconded by Jeff Walsh to nominate Dave Seeber as chairperson for the meeting. The motion carried.

There was a motion by Jeff Walsh seconded by Lee Mattern to approve the minutes of the October 25, 2021 Annual Meeting. The motion carried.

The Treasurer's Report was presented. There was a motion by Jeff Walsh seconded by Bill Taylor to approve the treasurer's report. The motion carried.

The 2022-2023 budget was presented by School Board President, Dave Seeber. Business/HR Director, Diane Ashbeck, made some comments on the budget.

A hearing on the budget was held.

A motion was made by Bill Taylor seconded by Laurie Christianson to approve the following resolution:

Resolve that a tax of \$6,466,307 be and is hereby levied against all real and personal property in the School District of Wabeno Area in the respective proportionate amounts. \$6,436,307 is set forth to be used for operation and capital costs of the elementary and secondary schools of the School District of Wabeno Area and \$30,000 is set forth to be used for the daycare costs in the Community Service Fund.

The motion carried.

There was a motion by Jeff Walsh seconded by Sherry Birschbach to authorize the board to pay legal fees for actions involving the school district. The motion carried.

There was a motion by Laurie Christianson seconded by Bill Taylor to authorize the board to provide student accident insurance. The motion carried.

There was a motion by Laurie Christianson seconded by Bill Taylor to approve regular salaries for days spent on school business for Board of Education members. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Lee Mattern seconded by Laurie Christianson to approve actual and necessary expenses of a school board member when traveling in the performance of duties. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Sherry Birschbach seconded by Jeff Walsh to provide free breakfast and lunch to students for the 2022-2023 school year and until the October Annual Meeting in 2023. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Laurie Christianson seconded by Jeff Walsh to furnish free textbooks to students. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Bill Taylor seconded by Laurie Christianson to authorize the board to acquire or dispose of property through purchase or condemnation as they deem necessary. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Laurie Christianson seconded by Sherry Birschbach to authorize the Board to set the Annual Meeting date for 6:00 P.M. Monday, October 23, 2023 at the Wabeno Junior High/High School. The motion carried.

Other Business: None

There was a motion by Jeff Walsh seconded by Laurie Christianson to adjourn at 6:14 P.M. The motion carried.

Trinity Shepard, District Clerk

DNR Deer Donation Program

MADISON, Wis. – The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR) encourages hunters to donate Wisconsin-harvested deer to the department's Deer Donation Program. The program helps stock food pantries for the upcoming holiday season and supports residents in need throughout the state.

Since the program began in 2000, hunters have donated almost 100,000 deer, totaling more than 3.8 million pounds of venison distributed to Wisconsin food pantries.

Through the Deer Donation Program, the DNR works with partnering meat processors to distribute thousands of pounds of donated venison to Wisconsin food pantries.

"Wisconsin hunters have an important opportunity to support families in their communities during the deer season through the Venison Donation Program," said Brad Koele, DNR Wildlife Damage Specialist. "Whether you harvest an extra deer or donate the only deer you shoot, we thank all deer hunters, meat processing and nonprofit partners who help make this program a success for those in need."

Those looking to support the Deer Donation Program can also do so through a monetary donation when purchasing a hunting or fishing license or a Wisconsin State Park pass.

Food Insecurity In Wisconsin

Approximately one in 12 Wisconsin households did not have enough food before the COVID-19 pandemic began in early 2020, and research shows this number continues to rise, according to the University of Wisconsin-Madison's Food Security Project.

Additionally, the Wisconsin Food Security Project reports that food insecurity makes it harder for children to thrive in and out of school, increases the risk of health problems for children and adults, makes it more difficult to manage chronic conditions and contributes to short-term and long-term stress for children and families.

How To Donate Wisconsin-Harvested Deer

Hunters interested in donating a Wisconsin-harvested deer to the DNR's Deer Donation Program can follow these steps:

- Field dress your deer. Handle the carcass with care.
- Register your deer through Game Reg. Make a note of your registration confirmation number and keep it on hand when dropping off your deer.
- Test your deer for CWD if harvested from a CWD-affected county that requires testing before taking the deer to a processor. To find a CWD sampling location near you to submit samples from Wisconsin-harvested deer free of charge, visit the DNR's "Sampling For Chronic Wasting Disease" webpage. Test results are usually available from the DNR within two weeks.
- Call ahead. Contact one of the participating processors before dropping off your deer to make sure they have space to accept it. More processors may be added later in the season, so check back if you don't see one currently in your area. If donating a Wisconsin-harvested deer that is being tested for CWD, inform the processor at the time of the donation and

School District of Wabeno Area Regular School Board Meeting Wednesday, October 5, 2022 High School Library – Wabeno Jr./Sr. High School

School Board President, Dave Seeber, called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M.

Board members present: Dave Seeber, Katryna VanEperen, Trinity Shepard, Dawn Jakubiec, Janet Opiela, Lori Mattern, and Dan Christianson. Administration: William Taylor, Jr./Sr. High School Principal, Tim Brauer, Elementary Principal, and Robert Tucker, Director of Pupil Services

Administration Absent: Jeffrey Walsh, District Administrator

Others Present: Brian VanEperen, Michelle Boor

Verification of Meeting Notice (Compliance with Open Meeting Law Notification (Wis.Stats. 19.84(2))).

Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion made by Katryna VanEperen seconded by Lori Mattern to approve the Agenda. Carried 7 to 0.

Motion made by Dawn Jakubiec seconded by Dan Christianson to approve the Regular School Board Meeting Minutes of September 7, 2022. Carried 7 to 0.

Motion by Janet Opiela seconded by Katryna VanEperen to approve the payment of vouchers by general checks 83926 to 84057 for \$243,402.68 and payroll checks 900046529 to 900046728 for \$277,975.31, and a state tax, 941 tax, and employee trust fund electronic transfer for \$90,386.50. Carried 7 to 0.

William Taylor, Jr./Sr. High School Principal, Tim Brauer, Elementary Principal, and Robert Tucker, Director of Pupil Services, shared updates and upcoming events with the Board. Jeffrey Walsh, District Administrator, previously shared his updates.

The Board complimented the class advisors and anyone else who helped with the homecoming parade. The powder puff game was good and the commentary from Mr. Schubert was entertaining. The Fab Lab signs for the walk/run were outstanding! If anyone had been to the Roller Booster golf outing last year, they were the same type of sponsor signs the Fab Lab made for that event.

Discuss and take possible action on increasing flood insurance on the elementary building. No action.

Motion by Lori Mattern seconded by Dan Christianson to approve a temporary, limited easement of land at the baseball field downtown for road construction purposes. Carried 7 to 0.

Motion by Janet Opiela seconded by Dawn Jakubiec to approve the AGR plan. Carried 7 to 0.

Motion by Dan Christianson seconded by Katryna VanEperen to approve students participating in Youth Options for Semester Two. Carried 7 to 0.

Motion by Katryna VanEperen seconded by Dan Christianson to approve NEOLA policies: 0100, 0161, 1213, 1421, 1619.03, 2260.02, 2414, 2460.03, 2522, 2700.01, 3121, 3213, 4121, 4213, 5113, 5335, 5340, 5517.01, 7440.01, 8146, 8410 and to rescind 4120.04. Carried 7 to 0.

Motion by Dawn Jakubiec seconded by Janet Opiela to approve the overnight band trip to Washington DC June 4-9, 2023. Carried 7 to 0.

Motion by Janet Opiela seconded by Dan Christianson to go into closed session at 6:33 P.M. Pursuant to Wisconsin State Statute 19.85 (1) (c) (e). Roll call vote: Dave Seeber, yes; Katryna VanEperen, yes; Janet Opiela, yes; Lori Mattern, yes; Dawn Jakubiec, yes; Trinity Shepard, yes; and Dan Christianson, yes. Carried 7 to 0.

The board may convene in closed session for the purpose of:

- Discuss and take possible action on personnel, compensation, and benefits.

Motion by Lori Mattern seconded by Katryna VanEperen to return to open session at 7:20 P.M. to announce or take action, if any, and if appropriate on items discussed in closed session. Roll call vote: Dave Seeber, yes; Katryna VanEperen, yes; Janet Opiela, yes; Lori Mattern, yes; Dawn Jakubiec, yes; Trinity Shepard, yes; and Dan Christianson, yes. Carried 7 to 0.

Discussion of Establishing Dates for Future Board Meetings and Establish Future Agenda Items. No substantive discussion will occur concerning future agenda items. Annual Meeting - Monday, October 24, 2022 at 6:00 P.M.

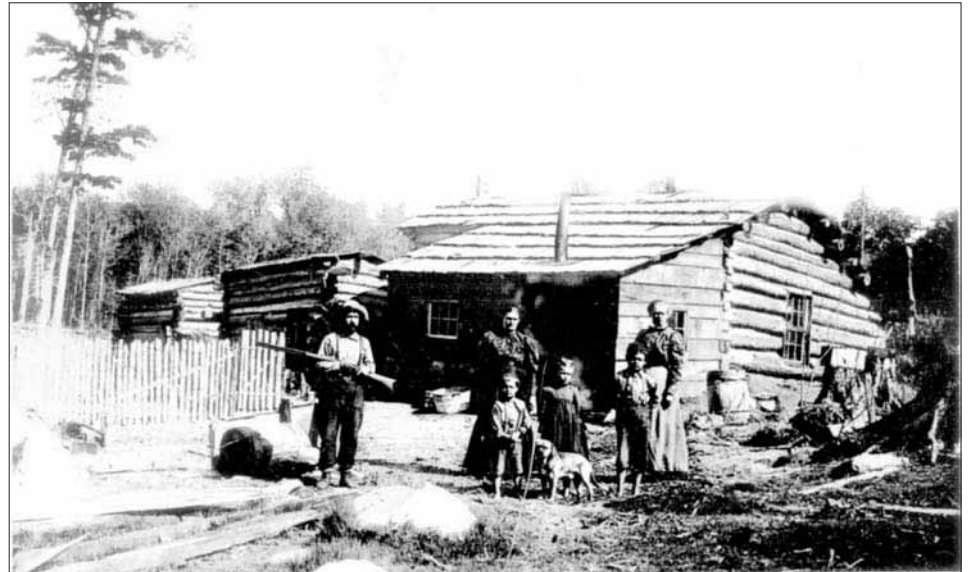
Motion by Dawn Jakubiec seconded by Janet Opiela to adjourn at 7:21 P.M. Carried 7 to 0.

Trinity Shepard, District Clerk

provide your CWD barcode number. The processor will hold onto the donated deer until results are known and before distributing to an area nonprofit. Drop off your deer at a participating processor.

Visit the DNR's Deer Donation Program webpage to learn more. Forest County is not listed, but Oconto and Oneida are on the list requiring testing.

For Old Times Sake



This is how farms were started here in the Northwoods. Homesteading was a tough job. There were stumps, rocks, even some standing trees that had to be removed if there was to be grazing for animals and a place to raise crops. It took a special and tough family to do well at this enterprise.

This location might be a farm yet today, or it could have also failed and the forest has taken the land back. This old picture is from the early days of Armstrong Creek. We wish we knew who it was.

Bids & Notices

NOTICE OF SCHOOL BOARD ELECTION School District of Wabeno Area April 4, 2023

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that at an election to be held in the School District of Wabeno Area, on Tuesday, April 4, 2023. The following offices are to be elected to succeed the present incumbents listed. The term of office for each school board member is three years beginning on Monday, April 24, 2023.

| | |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------|
| Office | Incumbent |
| Forest County Area (includes parts of Forest, Langlade, and Marinette Counties) | Lenora Mattern |
| Oconto County Area | Janet Opiela |

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN, that a Campaign Registration Statement and a Declaration of Candidacy, must be filed beginning December 1, 2022 and no later than 5:00 p.m., on Tuesday, January 3, 2023 in the office of the school district clerk, Trinity Shepard, or in the School District Administration Office.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN, that if a primary is necessary, the primary will be held on Tuesday, February 21, 2023.

A description of the school district boundaries can be obtained from the school district office.

Acceptable Photo ID will be required to vote at this election. If you do not have a photo ID you may obtain a free ID for voting from the Division of Motor Vehicles.

Done in the School District of Wabeno Area this 22nd day of November, 2022.

Trinity Shepard, District Clerk
4346 Mill Lane
Wabeno, WI 545

NOTICE OF PUBLIC BUDGET HEARING FOR THE WABENO SANITARY DISTRICT NO. 1 CUSTOMERS

Notice is hereby given that on Monday, December 5, 2022 at 6:00 pm, a Public Hearing will be held on the 2023 Proposed Budget of the Wabeno Sanitary District No. 1. The location of the Hearing is the District Office located at 1735 Third St., Wabeno, WI 54566. Copies of the 2023 Proposed Budget are available at the District Office located at 1735 Third St., Wabeno Town Hall, and Laona State Bank (Wabeno Branch). Copies for inspection are posted at Wabeno Sanitary District Office Bulletin Board and Wabeno Post Office Bulletin Board.

REGULAR MEETING OF THE WABENO SANITARY DISTRICT NO. 1 BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

The Regular Meeting will follow the Budget Hearing for the Wabeno Sanitary District No. 1 Customers. Agendas for the Budget and Regular Meetings will be posted at the Wabeno Post Office, Town of Wabeno website (wabeno.org), Laona State Bank (Wabeno Branch) and Wabeno Sanitary District Third St. Office.

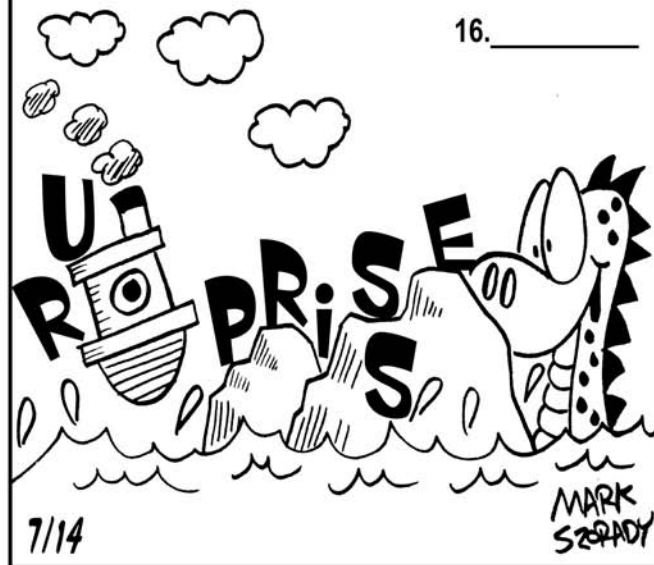
Dated: November 8, 2022
Jennifer Schmidt, Clerk
Wabeno Sanitary District No. 1



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Paul Bunyan Riders and the Red Arrow graduate 33 Safety Course Students



The Paul Bunyan Riders Snowmobile Club and the Red Arrow Snowmobile ATV Club held a DNR Snowmobile Safety Course on October 29, 2022. The event was held at the Town of Lakewood Community Center/Fire Department, and attracted students of all ages. Instructors included Brian Fitzpatrick, Diane Fitzpatrick, Jim Wisneski, Larry Westphal, Sandy Wagner, and John Brantmeier for the classroom date of the course. Training materials had been sent to the students two weeks in advance of the class. Instructors were extremely pleased with the student's preparation prior to attending the classroom session. Oconto County Deputy Sheriff Andrew Dryja provided insight into relevant information as identified in the Wisconsin Snowmobile Laws.

33 students passed the exam and have successfully completed the DNR Snowmobile Safety Course. Class participants included: Dane Anderson, Sidney Berth, Brady Biesterveld, Jaydon Bollsen, Hugh Comerford, Jaden Davis, Walker Davis, Wendy Davis, Olivia Deneys, Marshal Drakenberg, Grayson Frederick, Sawyer Frederick, Tucker Frisch, Cashton Frisch, Ashton Frisch, Kendra Gauthier, Madlynn Hert, Eli Heuser, Maxwell Huntington, Mersadies Jacobsen, Jake Johnson, Philip Kimmel, Taylor Kimmel, Donavyn Lawler-Wortner, Darrell Newman, Fletcher Pahl, Kellen Pradarelli, Cameron Schroeder, Isabelle, Sexauer, Brady Vander Loopf, Autumn Worden, Lance Wiedenhoef, and Landon Zielke.

Individuals born after January 1, 1985 must complete the course to legally drive a Snowmobile in Wisconsin. Currently that means that anyone 37 years old or younger must have completed the course. An on-line version is available through the DNR, but younger students are highly encouraged to take the classroom version for maximum effect.

Congratulations to all the graduates and their parents who encouraged them to take the course. The Paul Bunyan Riders Snowmobile Club has been active in the Lakewood community for over 50 years. The Red Arrow Snowmobile ATV Club has been serving the Townsend area since 1968. For more information on our clubs, please visit our websites at paulbunyanriders.com or redarrowtownsend.com or visit us on Facebook.

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WAUSAU Wis. – According to the Stop Pneumonia Initiative (SPI), pneumonia claimed 2.5 million lives, or one person every 13 seconds, in 2019.

Respiratory infection deaths further increased during the COVID-19 pandemic, reaching a death toll of over six million in 2021. Health experts urge the public to act now to help reduce respiratory infection illness and deaths, as well as the risk of further respiratory infection pandemics.

“Fewer people were getting sick with respiratory viruses other than COVID while strict masking and social distancing measures were in place. Now we’re seeing a significant increase in respiratory virus activity and anticipate it could get worse as we move further into flu season,” says Kris Lahren, MD, Aspirus Pulmonary and Critical Care Physician.

World Pneumonia Day, November 12, was established by the SPI in 2009 to raise awareness about the world’s biggest infectious killer of adults and children. Pneumonia is a common lung infection caused by germs, such as bacteria, viruses, and fungi in the air we breathe. Dr. Lahren adds “the cause of the infection and the overall health of the person who gets it makes a difference in the severity of illness. That’s why it’s important that people remain diligent in their efforts to stay healthy even as those preventative measures against COVID-19 continue to decrease.”

Risk factors

According to the American Lung Association (ALA), people at high risk for pneumonia include those:

- With a chronic lung disease (including asthma and COPD), heart disease or diabetes
- Recovering from severe illness
- In nursing homes or other chronic care facilities
- Who smoke cigarettes

•Under 5 years of age or 65 or older

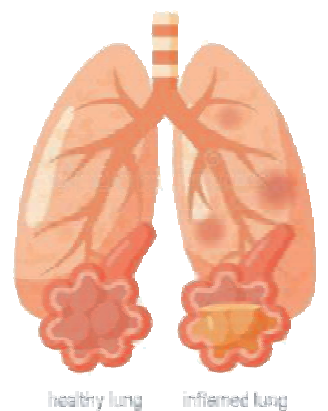
Reduce your risk

The ALA offers these four steps to help reduce the risk of pneumonia:

1. Get a flu shot. Pneumonia often develops as a complication of influenza. A flu shot, therefore, can help protect you against both diseases.
2. Get vaccinated. You can get vaccinated against pneumococcal pneumonia, the most common cause of bacterial pneumonia. These vaccines are recommended for everyone at high risk of getting pneumonia.
3. Stay healthy. Since pneumonia often strikes when the immune system is weak, keeping your immune system strong can help ward off this illness. It can also help ward off other respiratory infections that can lead to pneumonia.
4. Keep your immune system healthy with good health habits, a healthful diet, cleanliness, rest and regular exercise. Even if you do get sick, you’ll get over it faster with a healthy immune system.
5. Keep an eye on your lungs. Watch out for any respiratory symptoms that last longer than a few days. Though this won’t actually prevent pneumonia, it can help prevent a mild case from turning into a serious one. Early treatment makes a big difference.

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9 to 4 on Saturday, Nov. 12 **REFRESHMENTS**

It's the Perfect Time to Pre-Order Thanksgiving Pies & Cheesecakes! Our Open House will feature a "Taste of Christmas" With SAMPLES of Christmas Desserts, Cookies and More!

CHECK OUT OUR CRAFT SECTION!

BC CAKES and MORE
304 N Lake, Crandon

20% OFF Store-wide **30% OFF SELECT ITEMS**

- Amazing Door Prize
- Stocking Stuffers
- Gift Items
- Crandon Cardinal Apparel
- Christmas Decor
- Refreshments

Creative Screen Printing
Northern Tees & Gifts
119 N. Lake Ave

Hours
Friday 9 - 4 & Saturday 9-3

JINGLE & MINGLE
Friday, NOV. 11 & Saturday Nov. 12

IN-STORE SPECIALS **REFRESHMENTS**
FUN & SAVINGS **DOOR PRIZES**

Hours:
Friday 10 - 4
Saturday 9 - 4

Tricia's Treasures
Downtown Crandon
(715) 478-1160

Some Exclusions Apply. Sale not Good on previously purchased merchandise or markdown merchandise. Discount cannot be combined with any other sale or promotion.

FRIDAY, NOV, 11 & SAT, NOV. 12

IN-STORE SPECIALS **ENTER TO WIN A GIVE AWAY!**

Yvonne's Classy Closet
Offering festive hair tinsel extensions on Saturday only!

HOURS:
10 TO 4
BOTH DAYS

102 N. Lake Ave., Crandon