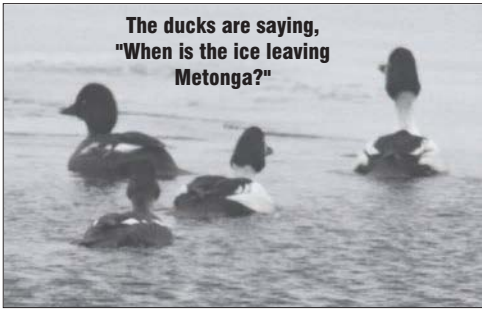


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Holt & Balcom Logging Camp Museum in Lakewood Opens May 27



By Kathleen Marsh, Camp Director

The Holt & Balcom Logging Camp Museum in Lakewood will reopen on Saturday of Memorial Day weekend. Maintenance and cleaning have been done by volunteer staff to ready the site for welcoming visitors. A badly needed touchup repainting of the interior of the cookshack and bunkhouse will be completed this summer by Dan Lazzaroni Painting, Laona. Donations to cover the cost would be greatly appreciated.

School field trip visits are booked for May 11 (St. Anthony School), May 12 (Oconto), May 18 (Gillett), May 19 (Pembine), and May 26 (Oconto Falls). "We are delighted these students, teachers and chaperones chose to visit us this year," says Bob Brown, School Tours Coordinator. "Our mission at Holt & Balcom is to teach guests about our Northern Oconto County logging heritage through a hands-on, interactive experience. Additional staff has been recruited to make sure school visits are safe, educational, and entertaining."

As in the past, the Museum is open Saturdays (10-3); Memorial Day through Labor Day. Special tours of six or more guests can be arranged by calling Bob Brown (715-276-3505) or Kathleen Marsh (920-841-6235). The Museum gratefully accepts donations from those who want to help keep our precious logging heritage alive at the oldest logging camp in America still sitting where it was built. Tax-deductible contributions may be sent to: Kathleen Marsh, Director; Holt & Balcom Logging Camp Museum; 16965 Nicolet Road, Townsend, WI 54175.

Forest County ATV Association Getting Geared Up!

Although Mother Nature is not cooperating, the FCATVA is working hard to have their equipment and members ready for the 2023 Season. The Association has formed many partnerships and is excited to kick off the Spring Ride at the Crandon International Raceway on Saturday, May 13, 2023. The FCATVA will hold their monthly meeting at 9 a.m. in the Brush Run Barn, following the meeting; Crandon's Veterans Post 94 will have lunch for members to purchase before the ride.

Depending on the weather and conditions of the racetrack; President Cliff Flannery said club members may be able to enjoy a lap on the historic racetrack. The ATV club will have merchandise and this year's Poker Run Books for sale by the barn. The riders will stop at Johnnies Resort and Charlies Resort, then enjoy an afternoon of fun at the Night Owl in Crandon with food, raffles, and music. Please see the FCATVA website or FB for more ride details and to register for ride and when trails will open.

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.

Dredging in Wisconsin

Dredging is the process of removing sediments, rocks, and other materials from the bottom of lakes, rivers, flowages or water bodies to maintain navigable channels, restore shoreline, or extract minerals. Dredging is often a necessary process to maintain the natural beauty and economic vitality of Wisconsin's waterways. However, it can have significant environmental impacts if not done properly. In Wisconsin, dredging activities are regulated by the Department of Natural Resources (DNR).

Wisconsin has quite an extensive network of waterways, including 15,000 lakes, 84,000 miles of rivers and streams, and two Great Lakes. These waterways provide significant recreational opportunities, support tourism, and contribute to the state's economy. However, maintaining these waterways often requires ongoing dredging activities.

Dredging can be necessary for a variety of reasons, including:

- Maintaining navigable channels: Dredging can remove sediment that accumulates over time and maintain the depth of waterways, ensuring safe navigation for boats and other vessels.

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Swans on Metonga

Swans are a treat to the eye when looking at area lakes. These swans were on the north end of Lake Metonga on Sunday.

They are not unusual to see these days, but not that many years ago, it was a big event for wildlife fans to see the half dozen or so swans that used to stop to feed and rest on Metonga.

Checking the DNR web site on swans brought a question. Are these tundra or trumpeter swans? Tundra, or whistling swans, are a bit smaller than the trumpeter. They might or might not have a small yellow spot under the eye. The trumpeter was re-introduced to Wisconsin in 1989 with much success.

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Wabeno artist Katie VanEperen wins a statewide award at Antigo competition



Last night marked the reception of the 2023 Regional Teen Art Show Statewide Teen Artist Mentoring Program (STAMP) at the Antigo Public Library. Two Wabeno artists participated, and one was awarded to advance to the state competition by the judges. The STAMP program serves student artists from age thirteen to age nineteen throughout the state of Wisconsin.

Congratulations to our award winner, Bailey VanEperen! Bailey was presented with a state award and a ticket for her artwork to travel to Madison later this summer. Bailey's work will be displayed with selected winners throughout Wisconsin, and she will proudly represent Wabeno with her original colored pencil drawing of a hawk. The judge emphasized the artwork's attention to detail, use of implied movement, and high level of technical skill.

Congratulations, Kierra O'Keefe, for your masterful watercolor and mixed media work. The show attendees were impressed with your attention to detail and form. The judge mentioned the dedication to the excellent textures on the individual fish you achieved. Keep up the great work and the creativity, of course!



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Legion Post 44 spoke to students about the Great Depression & more



Roger VandenLangenberg shares information about the sinking of the Lusitania

The Wabeno High School Junior classes are currently learning about the Great Depression. Janet Newton, the English Department Director, had members from the American Legion Post 44 give a presentation to the students.

George Richards (Commander) spoke on the Great Depression start and finish, the Dust Bowl, Black Tuesday and a 12 year old boy's day during the Depression.

Roger VandenLangenberg (Legion Honor Guard member) spoke to students about WW1, the Roaring 20's, and the sinking of the Lusitania ship.

Big Book & Bake Sale at Crandon Library



To celebrate National Library Week, Friends of the Library, Crandon, is sponsoring a book sale and bake sale this Friday and Saturday, April 28th and April 29th, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. both days. It will be held in the lower level of the library.

Our shelves are full and ready for you to browse. As always, there is no set price - just make a donation. We have an especially large amount of children's and young adult books.

And if you're hungry for a sweet treat, there will be a large variety of baked goods. Again, price is by

Nicolet Foundation Promise Luncheon honors students and thanks donors

The Nicolet College Foundation recently held a Promise Luncheon to honor students in the program and thank the donors who make it possible for qualifying students to attend college tuition-free.

Nicolet student Madelin Keepers attended the event and is one of the 69 students who have benefited from the oftentimes life-changing program since it was founded in 2016.

"I would like to start off by expressing my sincere gratitude to each one of you," Keepers said during her presentation.

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The Wall That Heals honoring Vietnam Vets at Nicolet College May 18 to 21



The Wall That Heals honoring Vietnam Veterans will be on display at Nicolet College starting with a processional to campus May 16 with the exhibit open to the public May 18 to 21 in the Nicolet Field.

The Wall That Heals honors the more than three million Americans who served in the U.S. Armed forces in the Vietnam War, and it bears the names of the 58,281 men and women who made the ultimate sacrifice in Vietnam. The Wall That Heals is a three-quarter scale replica of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial Wall in Washington, D.C.

The processional onto campus will start at noon, Tuesday, May 16, at the Northwood Golf Club and then travel into Rhinelanders along Hwy. 8 and Kemp Street. It will then turn south at Pioneer Park on Oneida Ave. for the final leg to campus.

"During the processional we encourage everyone to come out and line the streets to see and honor The Wall That Heals as it heads to Nicolet," Lehmann said.

The event will also include a motorcycle processional led by the American Legion Riders out of Lake Tomahawk with other local clubs and riders joining in as well.

The installation will be assembled in the field at Nicolet near the Northwoods Community Garden on Wednesday,

May 17.

The exhibit will officially open to the public on Thursday, May 18 and will be open all day. There will also be a Welcome Home Ceremony at 6 p.m., Thursday, May 18.

Along with speakers, the Northwoods Honor Guard will conduct a Color Guard ceremony. Those who would like to sit during event are asked to bring a lawn chair. The ceremony will be no longer than one hour.

The Wall That Heals exhibit will then be open 24 hours a day Thursday, May 18 through Saturday, May 20 and until 2 p.m. on Sunday, May 21. Admission is free.

The exhibit will also include the In Memory Honor Roll display, honoring local Vietnam Veterans who died after returning home.

Since the Vietnam War ended, thousands of Vietnam veterans have suffered due to Agent Orange exposure, PTSD and other illnesses as a result of their service. The Vietnam Veterans Memorial Fund (VVMF) believes all those who served in Vietnam should be honored and remembered for their service. The In Memory program enables the families and friends of those who came home and later died the opportunity to have them be forever memorialized.

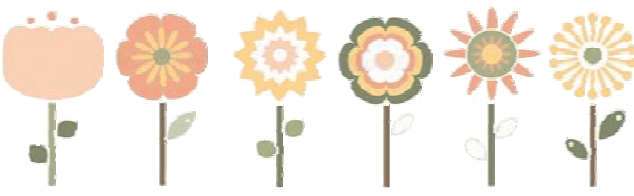
All veterans from Wisconsin honored through In Memory will have their photos and names on display as part of the mobile Education Center exhibit.

As part of the In Memory Honor Roll, an online personal remembrance page is created for each honoree

with their photo and biographical information. Family members can share the page and leave remembrances about their loved one. To see the Honor Roll, visit vvmf.org/Honor-Roll/

"The impact of the Vietnam War stretches far beyond the 58,281 names on the Vietnam Veterans Memorial. More than three million Americans served in Vietnam and an untold number of those who served have suffered from service-connected illnesses. No one knew that when the war ended, Vietnam veterans and their families would still be feeling the effects of their service more than 50 years later. In Memory is our way to honor these Vietnam veterans for the sacrifices they made," said Jim Knotts, president and CEO of VVMF, the nonprofit organization that founded the Vietnam Veterans Memorial in Washington, D.C. in 1982 and manages The Wall That Heals and In Memory programs.

For more information on The Wall That Heals coming to Nicolet College, visit nicoletcollege.edu/community/community-events/wall-heals-3.





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Padus Youth Trap Team

Trap Shooters from the Padus Youth Trap Team took part in the 2023 Northwoods Shootout held at the Padus Gun Club in Wabeno from April 21-23. There were Shooters from eight teams that took part.

Shooters from Padus took 3rd place in the Intermediate Division, the shooters were; Ryder Harnois, Landon Connor, Brody Brockway, Jaxson Cleerman, and Bobbie Janczewski

Individual place winners from Padus along with their scores were: Rookie Division Landon Connor, 2nd place 36; Intermediate Advanced Ryder Harnois, 3rd place 44; Ladies Intermediate Advanced Bobbie Janczewski, 2nd place 33.

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Applications will be accepted until 4:00 pm on May 5, 2023.

School District of Laona Middle School/High School Special Education Teacher

Starting at the beginning of the 2023-2024 school year, the School District of Laona is looking for a full-time middle/high school (grades 6-12) special education teacher. The teacher will work with students in a multi-categorical setting with an emphasis on developing programming, case management, evaluation and implementation of behavioral and instructional supports for students with individualized education plans. The teacher will be responsible for all aspects of student's educational and socio-emotional programming including assessment and IEP development.

Qualifications - Ability to collaborate with special and general education team members to support students' growth and programming. Communication with parents and teams is essential. Working with a variety of itinerant services, paraprofessional staff and consultants to support instructional carryover in all settings. Experience in using literacy intervention options and ability to collect data, monitor progress, and make decisions to increase student success in the areas of reading, writing, and math skills. Willing to work collaboratively with outside agencies to support transition opportunities for students. Desire to engage in co-teaching partnerships and to apply universal design for learning concepts in the classroom. Knowledge of strategies and evidence-based practices preferred to work with students with intellectual and autism needs as well as development of behavioral plans, social stories, visual strategies, and use of assistive technology tools for all students.

Requirements - WI DPI Certification in Cross-Categorical, ID, EBD (any combination) Special Education 6-12 (any certification working with elementary/MS/HS will be considered including education or other majors willing to complete special education add on certification) or having multiple certifications with preference for intellectual, emotional behavioral, and/or cross-categorical certification disability.

How to Apply - Please upload your information to WECAN which includes a letter of interest, resume, 2-3 written letters of recommendation, 3 references (names) with phone numbers, transcript, and a copy of licensure or anticipated licensure. This position will remain open until filled. If you prefer to mail your information, please send it to:

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Director of Student Services Allyssa Anderson
5216 Forest Ave Ste A
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The Forest County Land Information Department is seeking proposals from surveyors or surveying firms for surveying services. The project will consist of the re-establishment of the Public Land Service System (PLSS) corners, a U.S. Public Land Survey Monument Record, along with GPS coordinates in the Forest County Coordinate System.

To obtain the official Request for Proposal (RFP) document along with specifications and instructions please contact Steve Kircher, Forest County Land Information Officer, lcc@co.forest.wi.us or Jamie Anderson, Forest County Surveyor at Jamie.Anderson@co.forest.wi.us or at the Land Information Department (200 E. Madison, Crandon, WI 54520).

Proposals must be received by the Land Information Department on or before 3:30pm on May 17th, 2023 and will be publicly opened at the Land Information Department Office located at 200 E. Madison at 4:00pm on that day.

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- Food safety is a must
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- Assist cook with meal prep

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If interested in applying for the position, please send a letter of interest by May 2, 2023 to:

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Discuss proposed 2023 deer season at deer advisory council meeting

Everyone is welcome to attend the Forest County Deer Advisory Council meet on Wednesday, May 3 at 7 p.m. to learn what's being proposed for the 2023 deer season.

Topics of discussion include antlerless quotas, antlerless permit numbers, season options and opportunity for public comment. If you would like to take part in the discussion, join the advisory council at the Crandon Public Library, located at 110 W. Polk St., Or utilize the zoom link option, with the link and call-in number for the meeting available at dnr.wi.gov/topic/hunt/cdac.

County Deer Advisory Councils are sponsored by the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources and the Wisconsin Conservation Congress. Find out more about your county's council and the deer season setting process on the DNR website: dnr.wi.gov/topic/hunt/cdac.

Questions can be emailed to DNRCDACWebMail@wi.gov.

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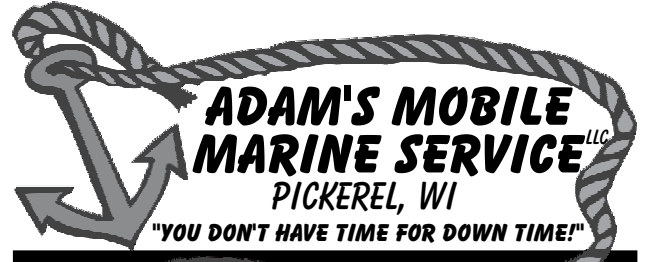
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Nicolet College surpasses \$1.5 million mark in textbook savings for students

The trend of students getting free college textbooks and other no-cost learning materials continues to grow at Nicolet with the total students have saved now over \$1.5 million.

And that number is only expected to grow in the future, said Cindy Domaika, Open and Inclusive Academics manager at Nicolet.

"The cost of attending college is a huge factor for many of our students and this is just one way we've been able to ease the financial challenges of earning the college education that will help them get ahead in life," Domaika said.

"We've heard time and again how students have benefited from this program and we are committed to serving even more students in the future. For many, it's a real game changer that can save them many thousands of dollars over their college careers."

In academia the initiative is known as Open Education Resources, or OER. Domaika was instrumental in bringing the next-generation learning materials to Nicolet in 2018.

The majority of the instructional materials come from oercommons.org, a vast, content-rich website where educators from across the globe openly share a wide variety of instructional material that is available at no cost.

Sources range from electronic textbooks to videos and PowerPoint presentations to a wide variety of other content that is available entirely in an electronic format.

Domaika stressed that all of the material that makes it into a Nicolet OER class goes through a rigorous review process to ensure it meets academic standards.

"We make sure that all of the material is peer reviewed by faculty at other colleges and universities," Domaika said. "The quality has to be there in order to make it into a Nicolet course."

Every Nicolet class has a list of course competencies that outline the subject matter to be learned in that course.

To gather the educational material that covers all of the competencies, Nicolet instructors and Domaika work hand in hand to find the appropriate course content that students can access for free.

Nicolet Nursing Instructor Krista Polomis was recently involved in project to expand the OER learning materials available to Nursing students, writing a chapter for an Advanced Nursing Skills textbook.

"I saw it as an incredible honor when I was asked if I would be interested in writing a chapter for the textbook," Polomis said. "I see how valuable OER resources are for students - and how expensive traditional Nursing textbooks are - so I had to jump at this wonderful opportunity."

Polomis wrote a chapter on how to insert a nasal tube to gain access to a patient's stomach and its contents. The Advanced Nursing Skills textbook that includes the chapter Polomis wrote is expected to be available to students starting this fall.

While Nicolet was an early adopter and one of the first colleges in the state to incorporate OER resources into the classroom, many other technical colleges across the state have since seen the benefits and adopted OER resources as well.

To develop OER even further, the Wisconsin Technical College System has included a request for \$3 million in its 2023-25 Biennial Budget Proposal. The money would be devoted to expanding these free learning resources across all 16 colleges in the WTCS and play a significant part in reducing student loan debt, according to a WTCS budget position paper.

"Student debt not only creates a hardship for Wisconsin families, but also creates a strain on the economy because debt lowers credit scores and limits purchasing power," the paper states.

"This ultimately means individuals with debt are less able to participate and help grow the economy. Providing Wisconsin students with Open Educational Resources (OER), which are free-of-cost course materials, would be a state investment that will assist in alleviating student debt and future negative implications on the economy."

For more information about the academic programs at Nicolet and the college credentials offered, visit nicolecollege.edu or call the college at (715) 365-4493.

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Johnathan Kevilus - 13

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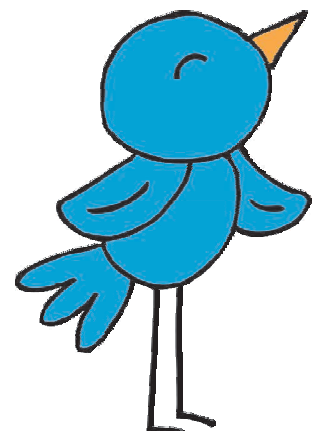
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Baldwin Votes to Support Local Fire Departments, Keep Wisconsinites Safe

WASHINGTON, D.C. – U.S. Senator Tammy Baldwin (D-WI) joined her Democratic and Republican colleagues in supporting the Fire Grants and Safety Act, which passed the Senate 95-2. The bipartisan legislation extends federal programs that provide resources to local fire departments across Wisconsin to support staffing, equipment, training and emergency services.

“Our firefighters put themselves in harm’s way every day to keep us safe and it is our responsibility to ensure these brave men and women have the tools they need to do their jobs. I hear from fire departments across the state that rely on these vital federal programs to support the staffing, training and life-saving equipment firefighters need to protect Wisconsinites in every corner of the state,” said Senator Baldwin. “I was proud to fight for and deliver the resources our fire departments and emergency medical workers rely on to do the hard and often dangerous work of keeping our communities and families safe.”

The Fire Grants and Safety Act reauthorizes the Federal Emergency Management Agency’s (FEMA) Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response (SAFER) grant program, the Assistance to Firefighters Grant (AFG) program, and the United States Fire Administration (USFA) until 2030. The programs are used by local fire departments to address staffing needs, purchase equipment, develop fire training and education programs, and improve emergency medical services. More than 75 fire departments in Wisconsin – often in small towns and rural areas – rely on these grants to keep the communities they serve safe.

Senator Baldwin visited the Wausau Fire Department last week to highlight her support for this legislation. The department was awarded over \$3 million from a SAFER grant to fully fund nine new firefighter positions for three years, allowing them to better meet increasing call demand and responsibilities for emergency response.

2023 spring hearing statewide results now available

MADISON, Wis. – The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR) today announced the 2023 Spring Hearing questions and results are now available. More than 11,500 people responded to the 2023 Spring Hearing questionnaire available online April 10-13. The results and questions are available on the DNR website.

“I’m really pleased to see the amount of participation we had for this year’s Spring Hearings. There were a lot of different topics and issues included, and I’m very happy with the input and public discussions we had around the Spring Hearing questions this year,” said Wisconsin Conservation Congress Chair Rob Bohmann. “It tells me the public is interested in being engaged in resource management in Wisconsin and it clearly matters to them; it’s great to see.”

The annual Spring Hearing is an opportunity for the public to provide input on a wide array of natural resources-related proposed rule change questions presented by the DNR and advisory questions presented by the Conservation Congress. The public also has the opportunity to provide input on resolutions that members of the public previously submitted.

Public input received through this process is advisory to Natural Resources Board members, department staff and anyone working on these issues.

Results from the public input will be considered by the Conservation Congress, DNR and Natural Resources Board in the coming months.

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“The thought of starting my new journey in college was very stressful and scary. However, upon learning that I received the Promise, there was an immediate weight lifted off my shoulders. My family has always struggled with money growing up and knowing that I would be getting a college education without having to worry about the financial aspect of it has been an incredible experience.”

Under the program, the Nicolet College Foundation will pay the balance of tuition and fees for eligible students after federal and state grants have been applied. The Foundation will cover this cost for up to 15 credits per term, until completion of an associate’s degree or 70 credits.

“Many people may feel that college is not an option for them because of cost,” said Heather Schallock, Nicolet vice president of Community Engagement and executive director of the Nicolet College Foundation.

“Others might be reluctant to enroll because they think they will be overwhelmed with student debt. The Nicolet Promise addresses both of those issues.”

The program also aims to encourage young adults to stay in the Northwoods at a time when many leave seeking opportunity elsewhere.

“The chance to earn a tuition-free college education is a huge incentive for young adults to stay in the region,” Schallock added. “The skills they will learn are in high demand across the Northwoods. Our hope and goal is for these students to graduate and start careers that are financially and personally rewarding in area communities.”

During the luncheon that was prepared by Nicolet Culinary Arts students, Schallock also expressed heartfelt gratitude to all of the Foundation donors who have made the Promise program possible.

“All of our donors have a great deal of faith in students attending Nicolet and want to do whatever they can so everyone who wants a college education has the opportunity to earn a college education,” she said. “For that, I say thank you.”

As for Keepers, she will graduate from Nicolet this spring from the college’s University Transfer Liberal Arts program and then transfer this fall to the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire to pursue a bachelor’s degree in social work.

“With the education and experience that I have received from Nicolet, I know that I am more than ready to take this next step into my future,” she said. “My biggest desire in life is to help anyone that needs it, whether it be large or small. I want to make a difference in people’s lives, in the same way that each one of you has made a difference in mine.”

There’s still time to find out if you are eligible for the Nicolet Promise. The deadline to apply is June 1, 2023. For more information visit nicoletcollege.edu or call the college at (715) 365-4493.

Recruitment closing soon for 2024 class of state conservation wardens

MADISON, Wis. – The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR) reminds the public that recruitment closes soon for the 2024 class of conservation wardens, a fulfilling and exciting public service career dedicated to protecting Wisconsin’s natural resources and the people who use them. Applications are being accepted through May 4, 2023.

DNR conservation wardens are credentialed law enforcement officers who serve rural and urban communities statewide. Wardens enforce laws that protect fish and wildlife, the environment, state parks and forests, and outdoor recreation enthusiasts.

This year’s successful applicants likely will be assigned to major state park and forest properties across Wisconsin.

“We have a great in-house training program to help newly hired staff find success in this unique career and hire people from a wide variety of backgrounds,” said DNR Conservation Warden and Training Director Major Cara Kamke. “We’re committed to building a diverse, passionate and capable team.”

Successful applicants will progress through the hiring process in 2023 and begin their warden training in early 2024. Applicants must:

- Be at least age 21 upon hire.
- Already have earned or be planning to earn at least 60 college credits within their first five years of being hired.

Conservation wardens also serve as ambassadors and educators, teaching the public about natural resources, outdoor safety and environmental conservation.

The warden service offers opportunities to build relationships, protect the state’s natural resources and serve communities in unique and essential ways.

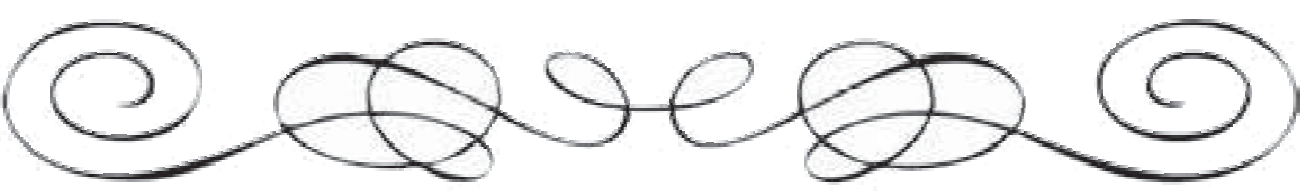
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Learn more about the conservation career on our recruiting website or watch a previously recorded webinar covering the day-to-day work of a conservation warden on the DNR’s YouTube channel.

Apply at Wisc.Jobs and search for Job IDs: 9980 and/or 9990.

Job posting 9980 is for a statewide conservation warden recruitment that will be used to fill multiple vacancies across the state. Applicants with or without prior law enforcement training or experience can apply for this posting.

Job posting 9990 is specific to a conservation warden position at Devils Lake State Park. For this posting, applicants need to have current law enforcement certifications to apply.



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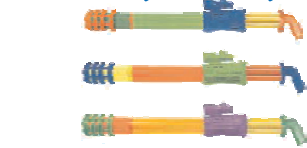


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Donna L. Collins, of Crandon, died on April 22, 2023, at Aspirus Rhinelander Hospital after a brief illness. She was 71 years old. She was born on September 20, 1951, in Milwaukee, a daughter of the late Fred and Anna (Bocek) Letto. She married Tim Collins on September 13, 1997, in Crandon.



She moved with her family to Franklin, Wisconsin at the age of 11 with her parents, where she attended school. Following school, she moved to Crandon where she worked for Job Corp. in Blackwell. Several years later she was employed as a caregiver at Harmony House in Crandon. As she grew older, she found her love of caregiving as she began in home health care. During that time, she cared for many family members as well as other friends in the Crandon community.

Donna loved to crochet, cook and bake, especially around the holidays. She was tender and warm-hearted and was willing to help anyone. She also enjoyed watching the birds in her yard.

Survivors include her husband, Tim; sisters, Irene Pagel of Crandon and Anna Lee (Tom) Pavasil of Rubicon, WI; brothers, Alois (Julie) Letto of Eagle, WI, Kenneth (Grace) Letto of Franklin, WI and Fred Letto of Rhinelander, WI as well as many nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents and brother-in-law, Eldred Pagel.

Visitation will be held Saturday, April 29, 2023, at Weber-Hill & Packard Funeral Home in Crandon from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Pastor Franz Gerber will preside over services at 1 p.m. Burial will take place immediately after services at Crandon Lakeside Cemetery.

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

Lillian E. Howard, 99, of Crandon, WI passed away Thursday, April 20, 2023 at Aspirus Rhinelander Hospital. Lillian was born February 4, 1924 in Crandon, the daughter of August and Edna (Fenton) Dreager. She was united in marriage on January 12, 1946 to Ivan Howard and he preceded her in death in February of 1992.



Lillian is survived by her daughters, Sharon (Virgil) Quade of Antigo and Patricia (Bob) Kegley of Tony, WI; sons, Edward (Theresa) Howard of Crandon, Ronald Howard (Sharon Reynolds) of Crandon, Dennis Howard of Bunker, Missouri, Gary (Kim) Howard of Forsyth, Missouri, James (Sharon) Howard of Belgium, WI and Wayne (Christine) Howard of Iron River, Michigan; 23 grandchildren; several great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents; daughter, Carol Shampo; son, Duane Howard; sisters, Sylvia Pollock and Velma Combs; and brothers, Forest, Vernon and Raymond Dreager.

Memorial services will be held at 12 p.m. on Tuesday, May 9, 2023 at Praise Chapel Community Church with Pastor Franz Gerber officiating. Visitation will be held from 10 a.m. to time of services. Burial to follow at Nashville Cemetery.

Online condolences for the family may be directed to www.weberhillfuneralhome.com.



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- Thursday, April 27:** Rhinelander
- Monday, May 1:** Iron Mountain
- Thursday, May 4:** Rhinelander
- Monday, May 8:** Antigo
- Thursday, May 11:** Rhinelander
- Monday, May 15:** Rhinelander
- Thursday, May 18:** Iron Mountain
- Monday, May 22:** Rhinelander
- Thursday, May 25:** Antigo
- Monday, May 29:** Rhinelander

Forest County Commission on Aging Nutrition Program SENIOR MEALS

CRANDON, WABENO, LAONA

Monday - May 1 - Loaded broccoli, potato and cheddar soup, naked chicken breast strips, crackers, coleslaw, apple slices, cookie

Monday - May 8 - Garlic lime chicken, diced seasoned potatoes, three bean salad, multi-grain bread, pineapple cake

CRANDON, WABENO, LAONA, ARMSTRONG CREEK

Tuesday - May 2 - Ham and scalloped potato casserole, Pacific blend veggies, whole wheat roll, banana

Tuesday - May 9 - Swedish meatballs, mashed potatoes, broccoli and cauliflower, whole wheat bread, applesauce

CRANDON, LAONA, ARMSTRONG CREEK, WABENO

Wednesday - May 3 - Stuffed green pepper casserole, dill carrots, raisin bread, spice cake

Wednesday - May 10 - Spaghetti and meat sauce, Italian blend vegetables, garlic breadstick, diced pears, rhubarb cake

CRANDON, LAONA, ARMSTRONG CREEK, WABENO CONGREGATE & HOME DELIVERED, ALVIN (Alvin now serving at 12:30 p.m.)

Thursday - May 4 - Spaghetti with meat sauce, mixed fruit, garden salad, corn, breadstick, cookie, milk

Thursday - May 11 - Barbecued pulled pork sandwich, coleslaw, brussel spouts, hashbrown casserole, cupcakes, milk

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.

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Baldwin and Colleagues Introduce Legislation to Lower Drug Costs and Hold Big Pharma Accountable for Price Hikes

WASHINGTON, D.C. – U.S. Senator Tammy Baldwin (D-WI) introduced two bills to lower prescription drug costs and increase access to life-saving medications for Wisconsin families. The Lower Drug Costs for Families Act would punish big drug companies for raising prescription drug prices faster than the rate of inflation and the Ensuring Timely Access to Generics Act would tackle sky-high prescription drug costs by increasing competition for generic drugs.

The Lower Drug Costs for Families Act builds on the Inflation Reduction Act's work to lower health costs for seniors with Medicare by ensuring that all Wisconsinites are protected from exorbitant increases in prescription drug prices—including private health insurance and employer-sponsored health plans. Under current law, the federal government can only limit drug price increases faster than the rate of inflation for drugs purchased and used by people with Medicare. This legislation would require drug companies to pay a penalty for increasing prices faster than the rate of inflation for patients with private health insurance and Medicare and returning the collected fines directly into the Medicare Trust Fund. This legislation would extend Medicare solvency and save the government \$34 billion over ten years.

The Ensuring Timely Access to Generics Act would work to increase competition from generic drugs through better oversight of the Food and Drug Administration's (FDA) citizen petition process. The citizen petition process allows interested stakeholders, including drug companies, to bring concerns to the FDA's attention regarding pending applications. Currently, the process is being exploited by bad actors who fill citizen petitions in order to delay the approval of generic competitors and extend their patent protections. This legislation ensures the FDA has the ability to reject citizen petitions if they believe that the primary purpose of the petition is to delay the approval of an application, thereby increasing competition in the marketplace and lowering costs for patients.

The legislation was led by U.S. Senators Jeanne Shaheen (D-NH) and Susan Collins (R-ME), and cosponsored by Senators Michael Bennet (D-CO), Marco Rubio (R-FL), and Mike Braun (R-IN).

Senator Baldwin has been a fierce champion in holding big drug companies accountable and expanding access to affordable health care for Wisconsinites by passing legislation to allow Medicare to negotiate lower drug prices and cap the cost of insulin at \$35-a-month for Medicare recipients. Recently, Senator Baldwin introduced bipartisan legislation requiring pharmaceutical companies to be transparent with their customers and explain to the public why they are raising drug prices on working families.



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Volunteer Appreciation Week

Thank you to all the volunteers who serve our students throughout the school year. We all appreciate your time, talents and dedication to the children of the School District of Wabeno.



Pictured above (left) are Dave and Linda Zuleger and (right) Mary Ellen Greiten and Roger Wight. Dave and Linda have been volunteering in the 5th grade classrooms weekly providing extra math support. Mary Ellen also volunteers weekly and supports our reading program in multiple grade levels. Roger volunteers every morning in the math intervention area. Once again, thank you all!

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Diabetes Alert Day: Understanding your risk

Did you know that about one in five people in the U.S. with diabetes don't know they have the disease? That's 8.5 million people, according to the National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases (NIDDK).

Diabetes Alert Day is observed annually on the fourth Tuesday in March by the American Diabetes Association (ADA), this year falling on March 28, 2023. It's a one-day "wake-up call" that focuses on the seriousness of diabetes and the importance of understanding your risk.

Diabetes occurs when your blood sugar (glucose) is above normal, either because your body doesn't make insulin (type 1 diabetes) or doesn't properly make or use it (type 2 diabetes), according to the [National Institutes of Health](#) (NIH). If left unmanaged, diabetes can lead to other serious health issues or complications such as heart disease, stroke, kidney disease, vision loss, nerve damage and foot problems.

"It's a very serious disease that can harm nearly every part of the body. Learning that you have it and understanding how to manage it are crucial steps in avoiding complications," says Craig Zastrow, NP, Aspirus Tomahawk Clinic. "The tricky part is knowing if you have diabetes, as it doesn't always cause noticeable symptoms. The only way to know for sure is to talk with your provider and get tested."

When to get tested

There are many risk factors for developing type 2 diabetes, including age, weight and lifestyle, according to ADA.

If you're 45 years of age or older, you should be tested for diabetes. If your test results are normal, you should be tested again at least every three years, according to the ADA.

If you're younger than 45, you should be tested for diabetes if you are overweight and:

- Don't exercise regularly
- Have an immediate family member with a history of diabetes
- Are African American, Latino, Native American, Asian American or Pacific Islander
- Have, or are being treated for, high blood pressure or unhealthy cholesterol levels
- Have a history of heart or blood vessel disease
- Have other conditions associated with insulin resistance, such as acanthosis nigricans (a skin condition characterized by a dark, velvety rash around the groin, neck or armpits)
- Have been diagnosed with gestational diabetes
- Have polycystic ovary syndrome (PCOS)

Aspirus encourages you to find out if you—or someone you love—are at risk for type 2 diabetes by taking this quick and simple [Diabetes Risk Assessment](#).

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prediabetes, which is when blood sugar is higher than normal but not high enough for a diabetes diagnosis. At this stage, some people may be able to prevent or delay developing type 2 diabetes through small, purposeful and impactful lifestyle changes," says Zastrow.

NIDDK recommends making the following changes to lower your risk:

- Lose weight and keep it off. You may be able to prevent or delay diabetes by losing five to seven percent of your starting weight. For instance, if you weigh 200 pounds, your goal would be to lose about 10 to 14 pounds.
- Move more. Get at least 30 minutes of physical activity five days a week. If you have not been active, talk with your health care professional about which activities are best. Start slowly to build up to your goal.
- Eat healthy foods most of the time. Eat smaller portions to reduce the amount of calories you eat each day and help you lose weight. Decreasing added sugar and choosing foods with less fat is another way to reduce calories. Drink water instead of sweetened beverages.

Advances in DNA research saving lives

Advances in DNA technology are changing our daily lives from solving decades-old crime investigations to diagnosing and treating cancer.

National DNA Day is celebrated annually on April 25 to commemorate two major discoveries in genetics: the discovery of the double helix and the completion of the Human Genome Project.

Medical professionals are increasingly able to detect cancers by a blood sample.

Aspirus offers genetic counseling services that can help you determine your own personal inherited health risks, or those of other family members, and learn how personalized medicine can impact your health.

"Advances in DNA sequencing technology are leading to a new understanding of cancer and new ways for diagnosing and treating many types of cancer," says Victoria Ballard, Aspirus Genetic Counselor.

Cancer is a group of genetic diseases that result from changes in the genome of cells in the body, leading them to grow uncontrollably. These changes involve DNA mutations in the genome.

Our cells are constantly finding and fixing mutations that occur in our genome as the cells divide over and over again. But on rare occasions, some mutations slip through our cells' repair machinery, and those mutations can lead to cancer.

"The Human Genome Project has allowed us to establish what 'normal' usually looks like for a human genome, so that we can now tell when changes in our genome have taken place that lead to cancer," says Ballard.

- An Aspirus genetic counselor will help you:
- Find your chance of getting certain diseases
 - Decide if a genetic test is right for you
 - Learn how knowing your genetic makeup could help you with disease prevention or management so you can make more informed health care decisions.



Sponsor a Senior Seniors 2023 Crandon High School

As the school year winds down and Spring approaches, it is that time of year to honor our 2023 Crandon High School graduates. One way we do that is through our annual tradition of "Sponsor a Senior," in which we hang senior banners throughout downtown Crandon. We have had great success with this project in the past, and we hope to continue it for years to come.

The banners will cost \$45 each. If you are interested in donating to the "Sponsor a Senior 2023" project, you can donate toward a specific senior, or you can donate toward the overall project to help offset the cost of the banners. You can donate any amount of money that you feel comfortable with, and any donations are greatly appreciated as this is a privately funded project.

We are hoping to gather all donations by April 28th so that there is ample time for the production of banners as well as getting them hung downtown well before graduation day on Saturday, May 27.

If you have any questions concerning our sponsorship opportunity, feel free to contact Terri Palubicki at 715-499-1068. If you would like to sponsor a senior by providing a donation, please make checks made payable to Terri Palubicki and mail to: 10484 Bocek Lane Argonne, WI 54511. I can also accept venmo so please reach out if you need that information. Thank you for your help!

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Bid should include mowing, string trimming around headstones, etc., blowing grass off headstones and occasional picking up of debris. Can be bid by the hour or by the job.

Proof of Liability Insurance is required.

Bids should be mailed to St. Ambrose, PO Box 280, Wabeno, WI 54566 by May 15th.

For more information, please call 715-473-3372 or email stambrose@centurylink.net

Town of Laona Spring Clean-Up Days

The Town of Laona Spring Clean-up Days will be held at the Laona Recycling Center, **NO CURBSIDE PICK-UP WILL BE PROVIDED FOR CLEAN-UP DAY ITEMS.**

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Friday May 12th 8am to 4pm
Saturday May 13th 8am to 4pm

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- Hazardous waste
- Waste oil
- Brush
- No construction waste (ex: shingles, etc)

If you have any questions on items that will or will not be allowed please call Republic Services at 715-477-0077

Jessica Thornton, Clerk/Treasurer

Town of Ainsworth Bids Wanted for Removal and Cleanup of Pearson Cemetery Tree

The Town of Ainsworth is accepting bids for removal and cleanup of a tree in the Pearson Cemetery on County TT. For information, contact Clerk Kathleen Koller at 715-484-8949. Bids must be received by 5 p.m. On Wednesday, May 10, 2023 and will be opened on Wednesday, May 10, 2023 at the Town Board Meeting to be held at the Ainsworth Town Hall at 6:30 p.m. The Town reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids and to choose the bid most advantageous to the Town.

Send bids marked "Cemetery Tree" to:
Kathleen Koller, Ainsworth Town Clerk
N11146 East Shore Road
Pearson, WI 54462

Kathleen A. Koller
Ainsworth Town Clerk

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING REGARDING THE PROPOSED LAONA RESCUE UNIT PROJECT:

A meeting will be held on May 9th at 5:30 pm at the Laona Municipal Building located at 5277 Linden Street Laona, Wisconsin to discuss the proposed new EMS facility project with the public.

Laona Recue Unit and Greenfire representatives will be present to explain the project and assist in answering any questions.



"Shoulder Pain..." by Paul Levenson, MSPT at Health In Motion

A painful shoulder causes a lot of chaos in a person's life. It can interrupt sleep, prevent ability to work, and really limit enjoyment in life. Sometimes, trauma is involved, but often, shoulder pain seemingly has no cause and comes out of nowhere.

Often with pain comes weakness as well...because muscles don't like to work well under pain. It's most important to resolve the pain first, and then see what is left to work on. It's critical to stop doing activities (for now) that hurt and start doing things that help, with the long-range goal of full functional return.

Sometimes, identifying the "culprit" in pain can be a tricky deal. Physical therapists are trained in the detection and treatment of neuromusculoskeletal (nerve, muscle, bone) dysfunction to restore normal function as painlessly and quickly as possible.

Most patients are dramatically better in 3-4 weeks. Think of it, you may be less than a month from sleeping like a baby again! And to make it even better, Health In Motion can get you in for a free screen for your shoulder problem to give you some direction towards recovery. If you need more therapy, a visit to the physician, or can do it yourself at home, we'll give you that advice.

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For Old Times Sake



This was the Wal-Mart of an early logging town. The man behind the counter is John Hammes, owner and founder of the Town of Padus located between Laona and Wabeno on the C&NW railroad tracks. The town was there because of the Hammes sawmill, and this is the company store, hotel and living quarters of the Hammes family.

The store and the post office were in the same room when this photo was taken, but later on the post office had its own small building.

There was a boarding house in Padus, company houses and other homes built by workers at the sawmill. Like many logging/sawmill towns in Wisconsin and the U.P. it started to disappear when the last log was cut off and the sawmill had no raw material. All of the original buildings have disappeared, but new homes have been built in the area and the Padus trap range is a busy spot in the warm months.



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**SCHOOL DISTRICT OF WABENO AREA
REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING**

**Wednesday, May 3, 2023 (Immediately following the Organizational Meeting)
High School Library - Wabeno Junior High / High School**

AGENDA

- I. Call Meeting to Order
- II. Roll Call – Verification of Quorum
- III. Verification of Meeting Notice (Compliance with Open Meeting Law Notification (Wis. Stats. 19.84(2))
- IV. Pledge of Allegiance
- V. Agenda Approval
- VI. Public Participation at Board Meetings - See Board Policy 0167.3
 - a. Welcome and Guidelines for Public Comments (5 Minute Maximum per Person)
 - b. This is a listening session for the community to address the Board. The maximum time limit for this section is 30 minutes. The purpose of this segment of the meeting is for the Board to listen to the views of our community.
 - c. Public Participation
- VII. Approval of Minutes
 - a. Approval of the minutes of the Regular School Board Meeting on April 4, 2023.
- VIII. Approval of Vouchers and Payroll
- IX. Informational Items
 - a. Jeff Walsh, District Administrator, will present updates and information.
 - b. Bill Taylor, Jr./Sr. High School Principal, will present updates and information.
 - c. Tim Brauer, Elementary Principal, will present updates and information.
 - d. Bob Tucker, Director of Pupil Services, will present updates and information.
 - e. Board Member Reports.
- X. Action Items
 - a. Middle School Student Council summary for 2022-2023 by Kris Moser.
 - b. Discuss and take possible action on offering summer school.
 - c. Discuss and take possible action on resignation(s).
 - d. Discuss and take possible action on hiring(s).
 - e. Discuss and take possible action on student accident insurance.
 - f. Discuss and take possible action on 2023-2024 health insurance rates.
 - g. Discuss and take possible action on District Office summer hours.
 - h. Discuss and take possible action on 2023-2024 CESA 8 Service Agreement.
- XI. Motion and roll call vote to go into closed session. Pursuant to Wisconsin Statutes 19.85(1)(c)(e), the Board may convene in closed session for the purpose of:
 - a. Discuss and take possible action regarding teacher contracts and non-instructional staff letters of appointment.
 - b. Discuss and take possible action on compensation for administrators, professional staff, support staff, and direct report staff for 2023-2024 school year.
 - c. Discussion of Board Governance and Expectations.
- XII. Motion and roll call vote to return to open session to announce or take action, if any and if appropriate.
- XIII. Discussion of Establishing Dates for Future Board Meetings and Establish Future Agenda Items. No substantive discussion will occur concerning future agenda items.
- XIV. Adjourn

NOTE: THE AGENDA IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE AS ALLOWED BY LAW.

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For Old Times Sake



This old shot of Wabeno is interesting. As can be seen, there is room for plenty of new houses in the years to come. There appear to be fenced off areas, and when blown up on the computer, it appears that there is a cow in one of the fenced areas. The big hill to the south of town has been logged and run through the sawmills, and it looks as if there was an attempt to start a farm field. These days, it is wooded again.

What is really interesting is that it looks like a ginseng bed in the foreground next to the pretty bungalow house. We wonder if it paid off.

Bids & Notices

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**SCHOOL DISTRICT OF WABENO AREA
ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING ORDER OF BUSINESS**
Wednesday, May 3, 2023 – 6:00 P.M. (Regular School Board Meeting to follow)
High School Library - Wabeno Junior High / High School

AGENDA

- I. Call meeting to order by the board president.
- II. Roll call of school board members by the board president.
- III. Approval of the agenda.
- IV. Election of board officers:
 - a. President
 - b. Vice President
 - c. Clerk
 - d. Treasurer
 - e. Deputy Clerk
- V. Designation of official depositories.
 - a. Designation of banks as depositories for district funds.
 - b. Designation of checking account bank for ensuing fiscal year.
- VI. Designation of official newspaper for the ensuing fiscal year.
- VII. Approval to affiliate with the Wisconsin Interscholastic Athletic Association (WIAA).
- VIII. Approval to affiliate with the Wisconsin Association of School Boards (WASB).
- IX. Election of the WASB representative and alternate, who will serve as the delegate to the 2024 WASB Delegate Assembly.
- X. Designation of school board meeting times and date.
- XI. Election of a delegate to the CESA 8 annual meeting.
- XII. Discuss and take action regarding professional development opportunity for school board members and administration conducted by the Wisconsin Association of School Boards (WASB).
- XIII. Adjourn

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Conservation Corner Cont. from pg. 1

•Restoring shorelines: Dredging can be used to remove sediment and debris from shorelines, which can help prevent erosion and improve water quality. Extracting minerals: Dredging can be used to extract minerals such as sand and gravel from the bottom of waterways. Despite its importance, dredging can have significant environmental impacts if not done properly. Dredging can disrupt aquatic habitats, harm fish and other wildlife, and release pollutants into the water. Therefore, dredging activities are regulated in Wisconsin to ensure that they are conducted in an environmentally responsible manner.

DNR Permits Required

The Wisconsin DNR regulates dredging activities through a series of permits. The type of permit required depends on the scope and impact of the proposed dredging activity.

Some of the permits required for dredging activities in Wisconsin include:

1. General Permits: General permits are issued for activities that have minimal environmental impact. These permits are typically issued for small-scale dredging activities, such as removing sediment from a boat slip or dock.
2. Individual Permits: Individual permits are required for activities that have the potential to cause significant environmental impacts. These permits are typically required for large-scale dredging activities, such as deepening a navigation channel or extracting minerals from the bottom of a waterway.
3. Waterway and Wetland Permits: Waterway and wetland permits are required for dredging activities that impact navigable waterways or wetlands. These permits are issued by the DNR's Waterway and Wetland Program and ensure that dredging activities do not harm these sensitive ecosystems.

In addition to these permits, dredging activities may also require other approvals, such as a permit from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers or approval from local authorities.

Dredging is often a necessary process to maintain Wisconsin's waterways. However, dredging activities can have significant environmental impacts if not done properly. The Wisconsin DNR regulates dredging activities through a series of permits, which ensure that dredging activities are conducted in an environmentally responsible manner. By following these regulations, we can ensure that Wisconsin's waterways remain healthy and vibrant for generations to come.

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.

NOTICE!!There will be a meeting to discuss the easements of the property of Dennis Hotchkiss. Please plan to attend May 13 at 12 noon at 17414 Mockingbird Lane Townsend, WI. This meeting is for anyone who has a deeded easement to Resivor Pond. Located 350 feet south of Horn Lake Road on Meadow Parkway. If this property is listed on your deed. Please bring the deed or a copy of the deed.
Thank you,
Dennis Hotchkiss and Family

**Wabeno School
Breakfast Menu
May 1 - 5**

- Monday** - Assorted cereal, kiwi, fruit juice, milk
- Tuesday** - Pancake on a stick, pineapple tidbits, fruit juice, milk
- Wednesday** - Late Start
- Thursday** - Breakfast sandwich, yogurt, oranges, fruit juice, milk
- Friday** - French toast sticks, sausage patties, banana, fruit juice, milk

**Wabeno School
Lunch Menu
May 1 - 5**

- Monday** - Baked potato bar, chili, broccoli, sliced apples, garden bar, milk
- Tuesday** - Sub sandwich, chips, carrot sticks, watermelon, assorted cookies,, garden bar, milk
- Wednesday** - Asian rice bowl, chicken, oriental vegetable, Mandarin oranges, garden bar, milk
- Thursday** - Chicken sandwich, potato wedges, mixed vegetables, tropical fruit, garden bar, milk
- Friday** - Chef carved ham, scalloped potatoes, glazed baby carrots, sliced apples, garden bar, milk



It is nice to know that trumpeters were removed from the Wisconsin endangered species list in 2009.

What is interesting about the photo of the pair of swans is whether or not they are tundra swans or trumpeter swans. According to the DNR website, the yellow spot under the eye is a sign that it is a tundra, but

that spot is found in about 80% of the species, not all of them. Blowing up the photo on the front page on the computer, a yellow spot couldn't be seen.

Which ever species of swan this pair belongs to, they are a treat to see in Wisconsin. Anybody who has pheasant hunted in South Dakota has seen swans by the thousands, but they weren't that common here. Haven't huge numbers of swans isn't likely here, but it is a treat to see them on local lakes.



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