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The Natural Rhythm of Change: Understanding Lake Turnover in Forest County

Among the many natural phenomena that grace the Northwoods, one of the most intriguing is the annual event known as "lake turnover."

What is Lake Turnover?

Lake turnover, often referred to as lake mixing, is a vital process that occurs in temperate and polar regions, including the lakes of Forest County. This natural phenomenon takes place when lakes undergo a seasonal shift in water temperature and circulation. There are two main types of lake turnover: spring turnover and fall turnover.

Spring Turnover occurs as winter gives way to spring. During winter, the surface of the lake becomes colder than the deeper layers. As the air temperature rises and the ice melts, the warmer surface water starts to mix with the colder water below. This mixing is driven by changes in water density due to temperature and, in some cases, wind. As the lake turns over, it becomes fully mixed, allowing nutrients and oxygen to be evenly distributed throughout the water column. This is a crucial event for the health of the lake's ecosystem.

Fall Turnover, on the other hand, occurs when the weather cools down in autumn. As the surface water cools and becomes denser than the water below, it sinks, initiating a similar mixing process. Fall turnover is essential for replenishing oxygen in the lower layers of the lake and ensuring that nutrients are brought up to the surface where they can support aquatic life.

Why Does Lake Turnover Matter?

Lake turnover plays a pivotal role in maintaining the health and balance of Forest County's aquatic ecosystems. Here's why it matters:

Oxygen Distribution: Lake turnover ensures that oxygen is distributed evenly throughout the water column. This is vital for the survival of fish, insects, and other aquatic organisms that rely on oxygen for respiration.

Nutrient Cycling: During turnover, nutrients, such as phosphorus and nitrogen, are mixed from the lake bottom to the surface. This process supports the growth of algae and phytoplankton, which are the base of the aquatic food web.

Temperature Regulation: Turnover helps regulate the temperature of the lake, preventing extreme temperature fluctuations that could harm aquatic life.

Fish Habitat: Many fish species in Forest County lakes rely on specific temperature ranges for spawning and feeding. Turnover ensures that these temperature gradients are maintained, providing suitable habitats for different fish species.

Impacts on Forest County's Ecosystems

The annual cycle of lake turnover has far-reaching effects on Forest County's ecosystems. Some of the notable impacts are:

Biodiversity: Lake turnover promotes the growth of algae and phytoplankton, which serve as the primary food source for a wide range of aquatic life. This abundance of food supports a diverse community of fish, insects, and other species.

Recreation: Turnover can affect recreational activities such as fishing. Anglers often target certain fish species during specific seasons when turnover creates optimal conditions for their catch.

Water Quality: By redistributing nutrients and oxygen, turnover helps maintain water quality. Properly mixed lakes are less susceptible to issues like harmful algal blooms.

Conservation and Management

Understanding and managing lake turnover is crucial for the long-term conservation of Forest County's lakes. Conservation efforts should focus on:

Monitoring: Regular monitoring of water quality, temperature, and nutrient levels can help identify changes in lake conditions and potential issues.

Educational Initiatives: Promoting awareness about the importance of lake turnover and responsible lake use among residents and visitors can help protect these valuable resources.

Preservation: Protecting the surrounding forests and wetlands is essential, as they play a role in regulating water quality and providing habitat for wildlife.

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Atypical antlers on the Courthouse Buck



If you have stopped to look at and maybe feed the deer at the Forest County Courthouse, you would have noticed the antlers on this guy. They are unusual to say the least, and they must be uncomfortable for this buck to carry, with more weight on the left side of his head.

If this deer was shot in the wild in November, it would cost the hunter some money, because the horns would have to be mounted for sure!

If you are near the courthouse, stop and take a look.

ADRC honors former employee Mary Houle



Pictured are the staff of the ADRC and the family of Mary Houle

The Aging and Disability Resource Center invited the family of Mary Houle to plant a red barron flowering crab tree in her memory. Mary was a lifelong resident of the area, and she volunteered and worked for the ADRC and the Forest County Department of Social Services for 17 years.

Mary always had a smile on her face, loved a good joke and was filled with compassion. She will be missed by all who knew and worked with her.



Ruffed Grouse hunting starts on Saturday, Sept. 16

Wisconsin's most popular game bird hunting starts the Saturday, September 16 and ends on January 4th. The ruffed grouse, or partridge, using the popular name, is a tough bird to knock out of the air, especially in the brushy places he calls home.

Gunning for grouse can make you feel like the worst shot in the world after missing several in a row or, for a short time, you can think you are a great shot, when you knock one out of the air when he flies between two trees and you connect.

The numbers are down this year, so don't expect to see a covey every time you turn a corner, but the hunting is still good when you are out in the woods on a crisp day with leaves crunching underfoot.

Woodcock season opens September 23 and lasts until November 6th. Don't shoot at them this weekend!

So dust off your shotgun, load your vest with the proper shells and start thinking of where to find the proper grouse cover. Oil your most comfortable boots. Or fill the car with expensive gas and road hunt. Have a good time!

Wabeno Area Players at work on "Four Old Broads"



The Wabeno Area Players are working very diligently on their October production of the hilarious comedy, *Four Old Broads*. The show, which will be October 6, 7, at 7:00 p.m. and October 8 at 2:00 p.m., is sure to cause uncontrollable laughter and enjoyment! The shows are at the Nancy Volk Auditorium at Wabeno High School.

Mark your calendars now and go to wabenoareaplayers.org for more information or go straight to ShowTix4U.com to order tickets. Don't miss this one; it's going to be a laugh-a-minute!

Crandon Library to hold the Greenspace Open House!

You are invited to join the Crandon Public Library and celebrate our Greenspace Open House! Celebrate outside, weather permitting, (lower level also available) on Thursday, September 21st from 4-6 p.m. We will have appetizers, desserts, beverages, and grasshopper cocktail tasters.

Come to enjoy the Greenspace and chat with the CPL Foundation Members, CPL Board of Trustees, CPL Friends of the Library, Lions Club Members, Library Staff, and our Community.

Successful First Bear Hunt for Local Youth



Kylie and Shane Thiel pose with Kylie's first bear.

Kylie Thiel, a local bear hunter had the great fortune of bagging her first black bear on Wednesday, September 6th. Kylie, the daughter of Travis Thiel has hunted all of her life. Some would even say she was born to bear hunt as it was her grandfather Tim's favorite type of hunting. The bear weighed in at 237 pounds dressed. Her hunting party consisted of Kylie, Tina and Shane Thiel, Gene Okrasinski, Trevor Hoenig. In memory of Tim, the girls wore necklaces with his ashes.



L-R: Nicole Lowery, Library Aide; Michelle Gobert, K-12 Librarian

Nicole is married and her husband teaches middle school social studies at the Jr./Sr. High School. She has two sons in college. Her hobbies: Reading... "I know, so predictable."

Words of wisdom: Most things can be solved with compassion and reason.

Michelle is married with two children. Her oldest son is a Marketing Specialist at UW-Milwaukee and her youngest son teaches 9th & 10th grade English at Crandon High School. Her hobbies include Reading, Local History/Family History, and Crafting.

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Crooked Lake/Mountain Lions donate to Rainbow House



The more that is being revealed about domestic violence, the more the Crooked Lake/Mountain Lions Club realizes the necessity of a facility like the Rainbow House in Marinette and Oconto Falls. After visiting with Jessica Honish our club was made aware of all the additional things they do to protect their clients. Visit their website to learn all about what the Rainbow House offers. Jessica on the left receives a \$500 donation from Crooked Lake Lions Club member Lyn Carns.

Vendors wanted for Crooked Lake Oktoberfest

It's an outdoor event that draws approximately 200 people. The Crooked Lake/Mountain Lions Club is sponsoring the thirteenth annual Oktoberfest at the Crooked Lake Community Center on Saturday, October 14th. For only \$10, crafters can sell their goods in a 10 X 10 outside space.

Vendors will need to supply their own tables, etc. There are only twelve spaces available so everyone attending the Oktoberfest will have time to check out all the displays. In addition to the craft fair, the Beer Garden opens at 11 a.m. with a meat raffle starting at noon. There will be minnow races for young and old and

pumpkin decorating for the little ones. A tractor will pull wagons full of people (at no charge) through picturesque Crooked Lake throughout the day. A fire-roasted pig dinner will be served from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. with dining inside or outside. Carry-out meals will also be available. Beginning around noon our favorite DJ, Whitey, will be playing appropriate Oktoberfest music for all to enjoy. The cost of the dinner is \$12 for adults, \$5 for children 10 and under but children 5 and under eat free. If you have any questions or to reserve your craft space, call Cassie at 715-276-6196.

For Old Times Sake



Starting a farm in the cutover of northern Wisconsin wasn't a job for weak-willed farmers or their horses. The first time the soil was tilled after most of the stumps and roots were pulled and the rocks were hauled wasn't easy. This is the Popp Farm in Cavour, and the soil is being tilled for the first time. Makes you tired just to look!

Words can never adequately convey the incredible impact of our attitude toward life. The longer I live the more convinced I become that life is 10 percent what happens to us and 90 percent how we respond to it. - Charles R. Swindoll

There are really only three types of people: those who make things happen, those who watch things happen, and those who say, 'What happened?' - Ann Landers

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Bring along your friends, they will be raffling off packages of meat, poultry, sausages, bacon, beverages and items donated by local businesses. There will also be 50/50 raffles. Come on in, win a prize and help a veteran. Everyone is welcome.

The American Legion Sylvan Post 44 of Wabeno is composed of veterans who are committed to helping veterans, their families and the community.

Crandon Public Library

we are havng a celebration of our greenspace on September 21st. from 4 to 6 pm. It will take place behind the library in the new greenspace area. The event is open to the community. There will be appetizers, desserts and beverages. Please join us.

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Baldwin, pushes FDA to crack down on lab-grown imitation dairy products

Letter builds on Baldwin's longstanding effort to stand up for farmers and stop the unfair practice of mislabeling non-dairy products using dairy names

U.S. Senators Tammy Baldwin (D-WI) and Jim Risch (R-ID) led a bipartisan group of colleagues in standing up for American dairy farmers and calling out the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) for letting non-dairy lab-grown products illegally label their products with dairy terms. The bipartisan group highlighted the proliferation of imitation products, specifically the new cell-based, lab-grown imitators that are using dairy terms like milk, cheese, and yogurt.

"For decades FDA has allowed non-dairy products to illegally use dairy terms to label their imitation products, most of which are nutritionally inferior to the real dairy foods they purport to emulate," wrote the Senators in a letter to FDA Commissioner Robert Califf. "Public health is now facing a new, additional perpetrator - Cell-based dairy imitation products. These are synthetically created options posing as natural foods, many of which are nutritionally inferior to the dairy products they imitate."

Current FDA regulations define dairy products as being from dairy animals, however, the FDA has failed to enforce these regulations, allowing non-dairy products to use dairy names, leading to the rapid growth of mislabeled alternative products that contain a range of ingredients and nutrients that are often not equivalent to the nutritional content of dairy products - including cell-based, synthetic dairy imitation products. By using dairy names like milk, these synthetic products are posing as natural foods, clearly violating the FDA's standards of identity, which requires the food product be made from milk from an animal.

"It is critical that FDA intervene to prevent this new violation committed by cell-based foods from compounding the harm Americans are already experiencing from FDA's decades of inaction on plant-based mislabeling," wrote the Senators. "New developments in food science should advance new and innovative products, not cause deeper injury to public health. It is FDA's job to ensure a stable and transparent marketplace to support safe innovation while protecting Americans."

Senator Baldwin has been leading the charge for years to get the FDA to properly enforce their own guidance on dairy labeling, introducing the bipartisan DAIRY PRIDE Act again this year - bipartisan legislation to combat the unfair practice of mislabeling non-dairy products using dairy names. In May, she sent a letter to the FDA slamming the Biden Administration's misguided draft guidance that allows non-dairy product imitators to use dairy names, like milk, when labeling their products.

In addition to Senators Baldwin and Risch, the letter was co-signed by Senators Angus King (I-ME), Kirsten Gillibrand (D-NY), Tina Smith (D-MN), Susan Collins (R-ME), Roger Marshall (R-KS), and Mike Crapo (R-ID).

Rummage Sales

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Thank you for sharing your lives with me as I did with you. It has been so much fun- just went too fast!

May God Bless each and everyone of you. I will miss you all and think of you often.

Best wishes - Good bye my friends!

Sandy Howerton



The family of Marilyn Pichotta Rocolé would like to extend their gratitude to Compassus Hospice and her in home caregivers, Roxi, Maggie, Tina and Lisa. We would also like to extend our gratitude to Shane from Weber Hill & Packard Funeral Home and all the men and women from St. Ambrose Church who assisted us in celebrating Mom's life.

Free hospice education offered

Compassus, a leading nationwide provider of integrated home-based care services, including hospice care, is offering free hospice education courses in the Northern Wisconsin area, including Arbor Vitae and Rhinelander.

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Reminder postcards are being mailed to persons attending at least one of the 2022-2023 socials. All that is required to receive notice by postcard is to attend one of the socials. Dates of socials are listed in the Bugler Newsletter, submitted to the newspapers and posted at the Legion Hall.

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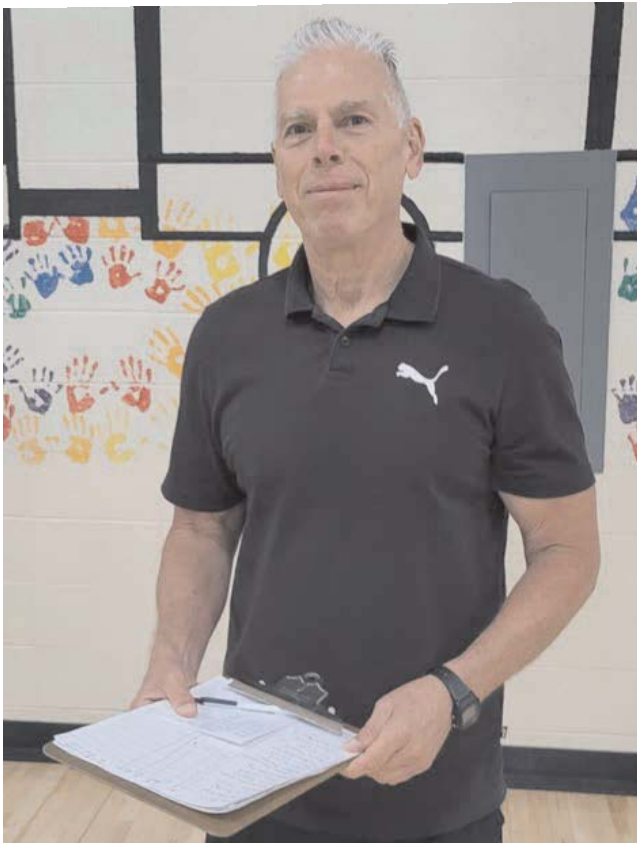
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Don't forget to plan your costume! Yes!! Lederhosen, Dirndl dresses & Bavarian hats. Sign up for our costume contest when you arrive. Watch Facebook for more details: Holly Wood Hills & Crandon Saloon Event Center.



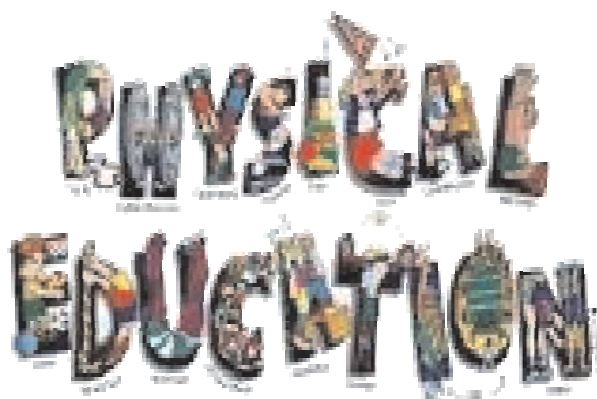
New staff at Wabeno Elementary



Mr. Marc Russo
Elementary/Middle School Physical Education

Mr. Russo is a world traveler. His hobbies include reading, writing, drawing, and biking. He has always wanted to work in the great northwoods of Wisconsin and feels blessed to live here. "Everyone I have met in Wabeno is so helpful and kind."

Words of wisdom: Success comes from knowing that you did your best to become the best that you are capable of becoming.



DID YOU KNOW?

More than half the fish caught in 1880 in the 23 million pounds caught in Lake Michigan that year were Whitefish.

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Repairing sun damaged skin from the summer

Summer is short here in Wisconsin. We all try to enjoy it while we can, but the hot summer sun can take a toll on our skin. The Skin Cancer Foundation estimates that 90 percent of skin aging is caused by the sun. Some damage we can see right away and some we can't see quite yet and causes us to age quicker over time.

According to the American Academy of Dermatology (AAD), skin damage, or oxidative stress to the skin cells, caused by the sun can also lead to wrinkles, age spots/dyschromia, and loose skin due to loss of collagen and elasticity. Over the summer, the build-up of dead skin cells can noticeably change the appearance of our skin.

"Using sunscreen and wearing protective clothing is the first line of defense, but it's not always enough to prevent sun damage," says Katrina Mattek, Physician Assistant at Aspirus Plastic Surgery & Aesthetics. "Thankfully, there are many ways to help repair and rejuvenate your skin after the summer months. Aspirus Plastic Surgery & Aesthetics offers many solutions for sun damaged skin."

Aspirus and AAD suggest the following tips to help repair your skin this fall:

Get started on a basic skin care routine. Washing your face twice daily, using an exfoliating product and a toner can significantly improve your skin appearance and health.

To combat oxidative stress from the sun, an antioxidant Vitamin C product can help repair damaged skin and prevent future damage. Vitamin C can help brighten skin, even out discoloration, and boost collagen. Exfoliate and rejuvenate skin with in-office procedures such as chemical peels and dermal-infusion treatments.

"We offer skin-repairing procedures as well as medical grade skincare products at Aspirus and can help you decide on the best treatment for your skin," says Katrina. "It's the perfect way to shed the summer damage and head into the colder months with a 'clean slate.'"

For more information about the in-office procedures or skincare products available at Aspirus Plastic Surgery & Aesthetics, visit www.aspirus.org/plastic-surgery or call 715.870.2162.

Wabeno NEW Early Childhood Play Dates:

WHO should come? Caregivers and their children ages 2.5- turning 4 years old after September 1st 2023 (children who did not qualify by age for 4K this year)

WHEN will the play dates happen? Every Friday that school is in session, beginning on Friday September 15th, 2023. Playdates will be 9:00-11:15 a.m.

WHAT will we be doing? Children will have an opportunity to play in an engaging preschool setting. Adults will play with their children and also learn tips from a variety of professionals.

WHERE will this take place? The 4K room at Wabeno Elementary

WHY should I come? After each play date you will go home with a FREE resource such as a learning game, book, or parent tool. Lunch will be provided as well! Your child will love to visit the preschool setting and adults will learn valuable information about their young child.

FREE LUNCH on Fridays for playdate caregivers and children!

Playdates are brought to you by the Wabeno Early Childhood Council. We are looking forward to seeing you!

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Wild rice harvest opportunities limited in 2023

MADISON, Wis. – The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR) today announced that northern Wisconsin's natural wild rice crop production is generally below average to average this year across lakes, flowages and rivers.

"Following a flush of high water after this past winter's snowmelt, water levels in many lakes and flowages in northern Wisconsin have since been lower than normal due to droughty conditions between late spring and late summer," said Jason Fleener, DNR Wetland Habitat Specialist. "This may provide a challenge to harvest wild rice on some waters if it makes access and navigation by canoe more difficult," he added.

Harvesters should not be discouraged, however, as there are still plenty of waters in the north that are producing strong rice beds with adequate water levels for navigation. It may take a little extra research and exploration by harvesters to find these beds. The Great Lakes Indian Fish & Wildlife Commission maintains the Off-Reservation Wild Rice Harvest Regulations webpage, which includes helpful information for harvesters and wild rice production conditions for some wild rice waters.

Wild rice harvesting is open to all Wisconsin residents. Harvesting wild rice provides the opportunity to forage a highly nutritious, natural food source that is unique to the upper Midwest. Wild rice maturity typically ranges from late August through mid-September across the state and varies by water body and rice bed.

The DNR stresses the importance of waiting to harvest wild rice until it falls with relatively gentle strokes while "flailing" or "knocking" using ricing sticks. If little to no rice is falling, it is best to come back and try harvesting at least a few days later. Kernels toward the top of the seed head tend to mature and fall first. Harvest efforts on immature beds inhibit the maturation of the rice kernels, which negatively impacts the harvest experience for others and the long-term sustainability of wild rice production.

As a reminder to boaters, one of the main threats to wild rice production is improper watercraft use throughout the growing season. If wakes are created near wild rice beds in shallow waters, it often results in the uprooting and destruction of wild rice while it's most vulnerable in the submerged or floating-leaf stages of growth (between early June and early July). Additionally, the use of watercraft, especially those with mud motors, directly through wild rice beds will cut and uproot rice. The DNR encourages all watercraft users to educate themselves on how to identify wild rice and modify their boating activities to reduce damage to this treasured Wisconsin resource.

More information on harvesting wild rice and harvest regulations is available on the DNR's Wild Rice Harvesting webpage.

Mursau named to Bipartisan Taskforce on Human Trafficking

Madison Rep. Jeff Mursau (R-Crivitz) has been appointed to the newly created bipartisan Taskforce on Human Trafficking. Rep. Jerry O'Connor (R-Fond du Lac) and Rep. Jodi Emerson (D-Eau Claire) will lead the fifteen-member taskforce.

"I am thankful to have been chosen to serve on this important committee because human trafficking impacts every community," said Mursau. "While human traffickers will prey on any person they determine is vulnerable, it's our children and teens who are the most susceptible."

The Taskforce on Human Trafficking is one of four bipartisan taskforces created this session by Assembly Speaker Robin Vos to examine important issues in Wisconsin. The additional taskforces announced this session include:

- Speaker's Task Force on Artificial Intelligence
- Speaker's Task Force on Childhood Obesity
- Speaker's Task Force on Truancy in K-12 Education

Currently, Representative Mursau serves on the Wisconsin Department of Justice's Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women Taskforce. The Taskforce has been working to identify the factors that contribute to missing and murdered indigenous women and the response from social service organizations.

"It's imperative that we prevent vulnerable people from being exploited and we need to protect victims and get them the services they need," expressed Mursau. "I look forward to working with my legislative colleagues to identify policies and resources to help address this horrific reality."



A note from the three busmen (Mike, Christ & Bob) and Kristi...

We will be planning a route in September to Helene's Hilltop Orchard in Merrill to celebrate this gorgeous time of the year. There is a flat-rate admission fee of \$7.50 +tax. This will be a fun trip that involves wagon rides, sunflower fields, apple orchards, and maybe some pumpkins! Admission fees will not be required for access to the Farm Store & Bakery, Barn Cellar, or The Loft.

The Office of Aging is looking for responsible bus drivers, if you would like to apply the application is on our website! Our meal sites are also looking for volunteer drivers to deliver to our homebound seniors. Our seniors rely on this service and any will be greatly appreciated. Please contact 715-784-1497 if you have any questions or if you feel this would be an opportunity you would like to explore.

TUESDAY AND THURSDAY TRIPS: Forest County to Rhinelander, Antigo and Iron Mountain.

We pick you up at your home sometime between 8 and 9 a.m. and typically arrive at the destination town around 9:45.

Walmart is a popular stop but we will attempt to take you wherever you wish. Then...LUNCH!!! (Optional) We talk about where to eat and all riders are encouraged to voice their opinion. Then return home, arriving between 1:00 and 2:00 most days.

Thursday, Sept. 14: Antigo

Tuesday, Sept. 19: Helene's Hilltop Orchard + Merrill

Thursday, Sept. 21: Iron Mountain

Tuesday, Sept. 26: Rhinelander

Thursday, Sept. 28: Antigo

Forest County Commission on Aging Nutrition Program

SENIOR MEALS



CRANDON, WABENO, LAONA

Monday - Sept. 18 - Kielbasa and kraut, twice baked mashed potatoes, Wisconsin blend vegetable, whole wheat dinner roll, raspberry sherbet jello

Monday - Sept. 25 - Monterey chicken with veggies, broccoli, buttermilk biscuit, pineapple, blueberry coffee cake

CRANDON, WABENO, LAONA, ARMSTRONG CREEK
Tuesday - Sept. 19 - Swiss steak, parsley buttered potatoes, carrots, whole wheat bread, pineapple upside down cake

Tuesday - Sept. 26 - Spaghetti and meat sauce, Italian blend vegetables, garlic breadstick, diced pears, rhubarb cake

CRANDON, LAONA, ARMSTRONG CREEK, WABENO

Wednesday - Sept. 20 - Roast beef, mashed potatoes, gravy, squash, oat bread, banana, pumpkin bar

Wednesday - Sept. 27 - Lemon pepper fish, baked potato, sour cream, peas, rye bread, creamy fruit salad

ALVIN (Alvin now serving at 12:00 p.m.)

Thursday - Sept. 21 - Sloppy joe on a bun, brussel sprouts, banana, roasted potatoes, brownie, milk

Thursday - Sept. 28 - Split pea soup with ham, fruit salad, salad with tomato and carrots, toasted cheese sandwich, cookie, 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.

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

Conservation Corner Cont. from pg. 1

Lake turnover is a fascinating natural process that shapes the ecosystems of Forest County. Its impact on water quality, biodiversity, and recreational opportunities cannot be understated. By understanding and respecting this annual event, we can contribute to the conservation and sustainable management of Forest County's beautiful lakes for generations to come.

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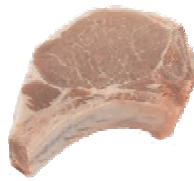
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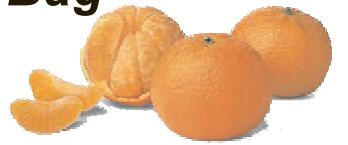
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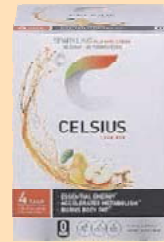
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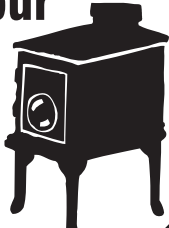
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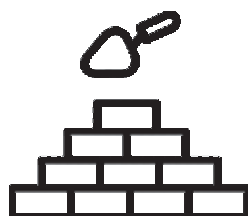
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DEATH NOTICES

It's with heavy hearts that we announce the passing of our husband, father, grandfather, and papa. **Lynn Keith Liesch**, 81, of Rhinelander, formerly of Laona, died peacefully with his wife and daughter holding his hands, on September 4, 2023.

He was born in Laona, the youngest of 5, on January 31, 1942 to Kenneth and Beatrice (Lewis) Liesch. He graduated from Laona High School in 1960, then on to college at Green Bay Technical Institute. He went on to work for Boeing in Seattle, Washington. Unhappy being away from the Northwoods and nature, he moved back to his hometown of Laona. The Vietnam War broke out and he was drafted into the Army.

On June 17, 1967, he married his wife Jeanie Trottier at St. Leonard's Catholic Church. Together they had one daughter, Tammy Lynn. Lynn spent most of his career employed by Connor Forest Industries and Nicolet Hardwoods. Being an avid sportsman, one season led into another (hunting, fishing, trapping, snowshoeing, snowmobiling, trap shooting, bowling, and camping). He enjoyed all his Canada trips with his special friends and loved spending time with his family and vacationing with his wife.

Throughout his life, he was so proud to have served his country. He belonged to several organizations over the years, but the VFW was his top priority, with his fellow comrades.

Approximately 6 years ago, he and his wife moved to Rhinelander to be near his daughter and family. In May of this year, he went on the "NEVER FORGOTTEN HONOR FLIGHT" to Washington DC, with his daughter being his chaperone. Upon return, that's all he talked about.

He was preceded in death by his parents; mother and father in-law, Al and Ann Trottier; brother, Kenneth Liesch; sister, Nancy Strand; brother-in-law, Jerry Strand; sister-in-law, Lorretta Liesch; and brother-in-law, Richard Trottier.

He is survived by his wife, Jeanie; daughter, Tammy (Frank) Danielczak; three grandchildren, Tyler (Sam) Danielczak, Nick (Jordan) Danielczak, and Amber (Nick) Simons; eight great-grandchildren; brother, Bayard; sister, Marilyn (Bob) Knuth; and sisters-in-law, Judy Liesch and Carolyn Trottier. He's also survived by many nieces, nephews, and close friends.

Please join us to honor Lynn's life with a military funeral on Saturday, September 16, 2023 in Laona, Wisconsin at St. Leonard's Catholic Church. Father John Cerkas will preside over Mass. Visitation begins at 10 a.m. with Mass at 12 p.m. Interment to follow at the Laona Cemetery.

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Dennis Carl Schuenemann, age 80, of Argonne, passed away at The Bay at NuRoc in Laona, September 8, 2023.



He was born December 7, 1942, in Milwaukee to the late Carl and Leona (Dettlaff) Schuenemann. Dennis was a graduate of Brookfield Central High School. Following high school, he attended MATC in Milwaukee.

His first marriage blessed him with four children. He settled for a while in the Crivitz area before moving to Argonne in 1981. While in Crivitz, he started his own barber shop known as Denny's Hair Care later moving his business to Crandon; a career that spanned nearly 40 years.

In 1998, he married Rosemary Wietrzykowski in Iron Mountain, Michigan. He and Rose enjoyed attending fur trade re-enactment, such as Klondike Days in Eagle River. He loved to trap and make garments from the wild game he would get. Throughout his life, he produced many handmade hunting knives with deer antlers handles.

As a young man, Dennis played in several bands including Lou Christie, Gordon Lightfoot and was even invited to Australia to play for the Animals. He sang back up and played guitar and bass guitar. He continued playing instruments throughout his life. While living in Crivitz, he penned a cartoon column in the local paper; generally, sportsmen related. He also enjoyed keeping a journal. Most recently he was writing a book based on beating the odds pertaining to his health conditions.

Dennis was an avid Green Bay Packers fan, rarely missing a game on TV. Dennis will be remembered for many things, but above all else, he was a proud husband, loving father and grandfather. His faith in God was unwavering.

In addition to his wife, Rosemary, he is survived by daughters, Teresa (Allan) Konz, Shawn Mueller, Charlene Maurer and Mindy (Keith) Richards; step-children, Wendy Patz, Laura Patz, Joseph (Cory) Patz and Robert (Janet) Patz; sisters, Kathleen (Manuel) Gonzales and Maryann (Mark) Redding; brother, Robert (Joelen) Schuenemann; 14 grandchildren; and 28 great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents; and brothers, Keith "Skip" Schuenemann and Kenneth Schuenemann.



Visitation will be held Thursday, September 21, 2023 from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. Services will follow at 12 p.m. with Pastor Franz Gerber officiating. Burial will follow at Crandon Lakeside Cemetery.

Rosanne C. Bastian, 82, of Crandon, WI, loving wife of Bob, passed away peacefully on September 6, 2023, surrounded by her family.



She was born April 20, 1941, in Kaukauna WI, to the late Henry and Cecilia (Schampers) Bowers.

She married the love of her life, Bob, on July 2, 1958, at St. Paul's Catholic Church in Wrightstown, WI. The couple were blessed with five children. She and Bob celebrated their 65th wedding anniversary this past July. Her sanctuary was being at their home on the lake in the woods. She enjoyed being involved in the Catholic Church, both St. Paul's in Wrightstown and St. Joseph's in Crandon. Rosanne also liked a good card game with family and friends. During a season of their life, Rosanne and Bob enjoyed wintering in Pharr, Texas. She was very loved by her husband and played a special part in the lives of her children, grandchildren, great-grandchildren, and great-great-grandchildren.

In addition to her husband Bob, survivors include children, Geri Mooren of Plano, TX, Tami (Joseph) Aerts of Wrightstown, Ken (Julie) Bastian of Kaukauna and Debi (Donald) Schultz of Menasha; grandchildren, Amanda (Brent) Weinmann, Bobbie (Brad) Hendricks, Adam (Amy) Mooren, Janet (Wallace) Bandeff, James (Sarah) Aerts, Peter Aerts, Kayla (Pearce) Goodwin, Alex (Belle) Bastian, Amy (Nino) Rebholz, Jacob Schultz, Brianna Schultz and Rebecca Schultz; great-grandchildren, Kaylee Weinmann, Brent Weinmann, Payton Hendricks, Hailey Hendricks, Allen Mooren, BreAnna Mooren, Leah Bandeff, Sebastian Aerts, Felix Aerts, Margaret Aerts, Carson Goodwin, Connor Goodwin, Caleb Goodwin, Taki Bastian and Mele Bastian; great-great-grandchildren, Breleigh Weinmann and Kinslee Rose Huddleston; brother, Bernard Bowers; sisters-in-law, Margaret Bowers and Mary Jane Bowers; and brother-in-law, Donald Vandenack.

She was preceded in death by her parents; mother and father-in-law, Milton and Leta Bastian; daughter, Wendy Bastian; grandsons, Benjamin Bastian, Oliver Bandeff, Avery Mooren and Aaron Mooren; granddaughter, MaryJo Aerts; sisters and brothers-in-law, Loraine and Jim Shillcox, Mildred and Roy Lamers, Mary and Joseph Hermes, Arlene and Cletus Blair, and Eleanor Bowers; brothers and sisters-in-law, Norman Bowers, Larry and Ann Bowers, Clarence and Nancy Bowers, and Lloyd Bowers.

Visitation will be held at St. Joseph Catholic Church in Crandon, WI, Wednesday, September 13, 2023, beginning at 9 a.m. until the time of Mass at 11 a.m. Father Kennedy Gaspar officiating, assisted by Rosanne's son-in-law Deacon Don Schultz. Burial will follow on Thursday, September 14, 2023, at noon at St. Paul Catholic Cemetery in Wrightstown, WI.

The family would like to give a special thank you to Aspirus Antigo Hospital Nursing staff and Compassus Hospice.

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BIDS AND NOTICES

School District of Wabeno Area Regular School Board Meeting Wednesday, August 2, 2023

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, Dan Christianson, Emy Belland (via phone), and Carlton Stealer.
 Administration: William Taylor, District Administrator, Robert Tucker, Jr./Sr. High School Principal, Tim Brauer, Elementary Principal, and Shelly Dotson, Director of Pupil Services.
 Others Present: Sarah Thomaschefskey, Lee Mattern, Joe Westimayer, Raleeta Ashbeck, Brent Young, Ben Hermus, Randy Johnson, Dan Moravec
 Verification of Meeting Notice (Compliance with Open Meeting Law Notification (Wis.Stats. 19.84(2))).
 Pledge of Allegiance.
 Motion made by Carlton Stealer seconded by Dan Christianson to approve the Agenda. Carried 7 to 0.
 Motion made by Katryna VanEperen seconded by Dawn Jakubiec to approve the Regular School Board Meeting Minutes of July 5, 2023. Carried 7 to 0.
 Motion made by Dan Christianson seconded by Katryna VanEperen to approve the Laona/Wabeno Co-op Meeting minutes of July 17, 2023. Carried 5-0-2. Trinity Shepard and Emy Belland abstained.
 Motion by Katryna VanEperen seconded by Dawn Jakubiec to approve the payment of vouchers by general checks 85094 to 85158 for \$234,939.46 and payroll checks 900049131 to 900049211 for \$79,775.58, and a state tax, 941 tax, and employee trust fund electronic transfer for \$192,848.30. Carried 7 to 0.
 William Taylor, District Administrator, Robert Tucker, Jr./Sr. High School Principal and Tim Brauer, Elementary Principal shared updates and upcoming events with the Board. Emy Belland stated the 7th grade class will have a strawberry shortcake stand at the Wabeno Street Dance and Family Fun Night, Friday, August 4, 2023.
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 Motion by Katryna VanEperen seconded by Carlton Stealer to purchase an Optec sign from Fox Cities Sign LLC and Demerath Masonry for the high school. Carried 7 to 0.
 Discuss and take possible action on sale of downtown baseball diamond. Tabled until closed session.
 Motion by Carlton Stealer seconded by Trinity Shepard to accept Bill Taylor's resignation from JH Basketball Coach with many thanks from the board. Carried 7 to 0.
 Motion by Dawn Jakubiec seconded by Trinity Shepard to approve Mitchel Kraft as a food service worker. Carried 7 to 0.
 Motion by Katryna VanEperen seconded by Dan Christianson to approve Sara Perry as JV volleyball coach. Carried 7 to 0.
 Motion by Carlton Stealer seconded by Trinity Shepard to approve Bill Perry as 7th grade volleyball coach. Carried 7 to 0.
 Motion by Dawn Jakubiec seconded by Katryna VanEperen to approve Ashley Seiler as 6th grade volleyball coach. Carried 7 to 0.
 Motion by Carlton Stealer seconded by Katryna VanEperen to accept Prairie Farms' quote to provide milk for the 2023-2024 school year. Carried 7 to 0.
 Motion by Emy Belland seconded by Trinity Shepard to accept Yaeger Oil Inc.'s quote for diesel and unleaded fuel for the 2023-2024 school year. Carried 7 to 0.
 Motion by Carlton Stealer seconded by Dan Christianson to accept Country Vision's quote to provide propane for the 2023-2024 school year. Carried 7 to 0.
 Motion by Carlton Stealer seconded by Trinity Shepard to approve the Staff Handbook with Paid Time Off (PTO) changes for the 2023-2024 school year. Carried 5-0-2. Dan Christianson and Katryna VanEperen abstained.
 Motion by Dawn Jakubiec seconded by Dan Christianson to accept LaForce's FRP with aluminum frame quote for new front doors at the Jr./Sr. high school. Carried 7 to 0.
 Motion by Carlton Stealer seconded by Katryna VanEperen to adopt the new General Records Schedules for School Districts. Carried 7 to 0.
 Motion by Trinity Shepard seconded by Dan Christianson to approve the revised Laona/Wabeno Rebels Coaches' Handbook for 2023-2024. Carried 7 to 0.
 Motion by Dawn Jakubiec seconded by Carlton Stealer to approve the volleyball overnight trip to Waupun, August 25-26, 2023. Carried 7 to 0.
 Motion by Trinity Shepard seconded by Dan Christianson to approve the volleyball overnight trip to WI Dells, September 8-9, 2023. Carried 7 to 0.
 Discuss Air Quality and Outdoor Activities Recommendation for Schools.
 Motion by Trinity Shepard seconded by Dan Christianson to go into closed session at 6:56 P.M. Pursuant to Wisconsin State Statute 19.85 (1) (c) (e) and (f). Roll call vote: Dave Seeber, yes; Katryna VanEperen, yes; Dawn Jakubiec, yes; Trinity Shepard, yes; Dan Christianson, yes; Emy Belland, yes, (left at 7:22) Carlton Stealer, yes. Carried 7 to 0.
 The board may convene in closed session for the purpose of:
 a. Discuss and take possible action on position classification/contract.
 b. Discuss and take possible action on sale of downtown baseball diamond.
 c. Discuss and take possible action regarding the post-employment compensation of former individual employees
 Motion by Trinity Shepard seconded by Carlton Stealer to return to open session at 7:36 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; Dawn Jakubiec, yes; Trinity Shepard, yes; Dan Christianson, yes; and Carlton Stealer, yes. Carried 6 to 0.
 Motion made by Carlton Stealer seconded by Trinity Shepard to approve the sale of the downtown ballfield to the Town of Wabeno for \$1.00 with stipulations. Carried 6 to 0.
 Motion by Dawn Jakubiec seconded by Carlton Stealer to adjourn at 7:42 P.M. Carried 6 to 0.

Trinity Shepard, District Clerk

Wabeno School Breakfast Menu Sept., 18 - 22

Monday - Assorted cereal, berry cups, fruit juice, milk
Tuesday - Pancakes, sausage patty, Mandarin orange, fruit juice, milk
Wednesday - Breakfast tacos, apple churros, tropical fruit, milk
Thursday - French toast sticks, bacon, apple sauce, fruit juice, milk
Friday - Breakfast pizza, yogurt, pears, fruit juice, milk

Wabeno School Lunch Menu Sept., 18 - 22

Monday - Chicken nuggets, mashed potatoes/w gravy, corn, apple sauce, garden bar, milk
Tuesday - Asian rice bowl, oriental vegetables, Mandarin oranges, garden bar, milk
Wednesday - Cheeseburgers, chips, carrots, oranges, garden bar, milk
Thursday - Smoked pork loin, oven roasted potato, mixed vegetables, grapes, dinner roll, garden bar, milk
Friday - Pizza bake, garlic bread, broccoli, peaches, garden bar, milk

Scam Awareness

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Red pine (*Pinus resinosa*) can be found throughout the state, especially the sandy soils of central, northwest and northeast Wisconsin.

"The DNR's supply of red pine seed has been depleted due to the lack of good cone crops over the past couple of years," said Jeremiah Auer, DNR Forest Regeneration Specialist. "Red pine is Wisconsin's number one conifer for timber production and many red pine plantations are now being harvested as they reach maturity. For sites that will be returned to red pine production, that most likely means planting seedlings for regeneration so help in collecting seed now is vital to ensure the future of this valuable timber resource."

Early September is the prime time to collect the red pine cones as they turn from green to purplish brown and reddish-brown tips develop. The DNR is seeking red pine cones at that mature stage, when the color has just turned brown but the scales have not yet opened to release the seeds. They are at maturity in southern and central Wisconsin and are mostly ready for collection in northern Wisconsin.

The DNR pays \$125/bushel for properly collected red pine cones. A bushel typically nets about a half of a pound of viable seeds. This means the nursery needs to purchase more than 120 bushels of cones to get enough seed for one year's worth of red pine seedlings. Collecting

cones is a win-win as the collector earns some pocket money and helps ensure the next generation of red pine trees in Wisconsin.

HOW TO COLLECT

Before collecting cones, contact one of state nurseries to ensure purchasing is still open.
Griffith Nursery – Wisconsin Rapids 715-424-3700
Wilson Nursery – Boscobel 608-375-4123
Hayward Nursery – Hayward 715-492-1204

All seed must be of natural origin. Trees in your yard are not appropriate for seed harvest.

Seed must be separated and labeled by county of origin.

Cones must be closed. Red pine cones open and close quickly in response to humidity changes but they disperse most of their seed after opening the first time.

Red pine cones are mature when they have turned from green to purplish with red-brown tips. Use clippers to snip these mature, unopened cones at the base of the branch.

Wear gloves so your hands don't get covered in sap.

Do not mistake Austrian or Scotch pine for red pine. Scotch pine bark is flaky (especially toward the upper part of the stem) and orange and their cones appear twisted and green, even at maturity. Austrian pine tends to be found in urban environments, has a stocky appearance and darker bark compared to red pine. The DNR's "Forest Trees of Wisconsin" booklet can help collectors identify red pine.

Get permission from the landowner before collecting cones.

HOW TO SELL

After collecting, store the cones in a cool, dry area

to limit mold growth or cone opening.

Store the cones in breathable containers.

Deliver the cones to one of the DNR buying stations as soon as possible. View buying stations on our Sell Tree Seed webpage.

If there is excess debris mixed in with the cones, they may be rejected or a price reduction applied. The DNR reserves the right to refuse purchase if the cones don't meet specifications.

Read the 2023 Seed Collector Newsletter for more information about seed drop-off and buying locations throughout the state.





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National Coffee Day

SEPTEMBER 29
Earn & Redeem 25 same day points for a free coffee at the Coffee Pot.

One offer per customer from 8am-10pm. While supplies last. Vouchers will be good for one month after redeeming. (Coffee Pot hours 6am-2pm) Drink value not to exceed \$10.

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