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Crandon teacher and students present at workshop in New York



Crandon group in front of Albany State Capitol

Señora Brownell and CHS Global Scholars students Maddie Erdmann and Maya Quade recently traveled to Oneonta, New York as part of the COIL Rural CommuniTIES team. The group, which also includes two professors and two students from New York and Illinois, has been working since May on a presentation for K-16 teachers and professors to bring COIL (Collaborative Online International Learning) to more schools.

These projects create partnerships between U.S. and international classrooms so that students can learn more about each other and work together on academic projects. Besides the New York workshop, there will also be COIL workshops in the spring in Illinois and Wisconsin that the team will be leading.

This project is funded through a U.S. State Department Alumni TIES grant with a mission to bring more global connections to rural areas.

In addition to presenting their workshop, the Crandon group sat in on college classes at SUNY-Oneonta and visited Cooperstown and Albany. All of the participants in the workshop and the rest of the COIL team were very impressed with the students, their work ethic, insight, leadership, and contribution to the project.



COIL Rural CommuniTIES grant team from NY, IL, and WI

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.

The Ecological Benefits of Not Raking Leaves into Forest County Lakes

On a recent trip to one of our Forest County Lakes, I noticed several homeowners blowing or raking leaves into the lakes. As leaves carpet lawns and sidewalks, many residents and property owners traditionally rake and dispose of them, often into nearby lakes. However, it's time to reconsider this practice.

Nutrient Recycling

When leaves naturally fall into lakes, they don't go to waste; instead, they serve as a valuable source of nutrients. Leaves are rich in carbon, which provides a vital energy source for aquatic microorganisms. These microorganisms, in turn, support the entire aquatic food web. When leaves decompose in the water, they release essential nutrients like phosphorus and nitrogen, which are critical for the growth of algae and aquatic plants. This natural recycling process enhances the overall health of the lake ecosystem, but raking leaves into a lake, accelerates this process and leads to an excess of nutrients which leads to excessive algae and weed growth.

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Nicolet Hardwoods New boiler runs the kilns Emissions reduced 75%



By Mike Monte

Nicolet Hardwoods, in Laona, Wisconsin, is up and running with a new boiler system at the Laona sawmill. The project came online in June of this year. The new boiler replaced a system that has been in use since 1923.

The Hurst system is one big burner that runs on bio-mass and sawdust generated by the mill. This includes sawdust and bark as well as chips from the slabwood. The steam generated heats five dry kilns as well as the sawmill and is doing a great job. The old boiler took nearly twelve thousand tons of biomass annually to do what the new boiler does with a projected two thousand-five hundred tons annually. Not only did the new boiler improve Nicolet's efficiency, it reduced their air emissions by 75%. The air quality in Forest County is very good, according to the DNR Trends Report, and it just got better with the new boiler system at Nicolet Hardwoods. The rest of the waste is sold. The system is doing the job running at 70% capacity allowing Nicolet to explore the idea of a steam turbine to offset electrical costs. This was, however, a \$3.25 million project. The Hurst system is in a new 5,600 square foot building on the edge of the mill yard. The steam is sent to the five kilns through a pipe system that actually runs through the sawmill to save on the length of pipe, and the steam turned to water is routed back to the boiler.

Fortunately, the cost of the system was covered heavily by grants that are in place to promote this use of bio-mass. Sara Connor was the project coordinator/grant writer that brought in the programs that helped make the new boiler system a reality, and Steve Cornell, Chief of Operations lead the way on this project. The company also received support from both Senator Felzkowski and Representative Mursau's offices in Madison.

The grants came from: USDA-Rural Energy America Program (REAP), USFS Wood Innovation Grants Eastern Region, USFS Community Wood Grant, WDNR State Wood Energy Team, WI-Office of Energy Innovation-Focus on Energy, WI-PACE Commission through Forest County. All of these programs are designed to help utilize local energy sources, namely from the local forests.



This new building houses the new boiler system. Pipes on left carry steam to the dry kilns.

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DNR Deer Hunter Wildlife Survey



The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR) encourages hunters to participate in this year's Deer Hunter Wildlife Survey. This survey is an opportunity for hunters to report which animals they observe while deer hunting.

Data from these reports helps DNR researchers to better understand the relative abundance and distribution of mammals, birds and other species of wildlife across Wisconsin. Past efforts have provided the DNR with valuable information for managing many wildlife species.

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Giant Book Sale at Crandon Public Library

This weekend, Friday and Saturday, the 13th and 14th, Friends of the Library is having a giant book sale in the lower level of the library. It will be held from 9:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. each day.

We have something for every reader. Stock up on your favorites for the upcoming winter months. We have an abundance of children's books and tons of movies to watch on those cold, snowy days up here. Our items are not priced. We happily accept your donations.

The money we make goes to support various programs of the Crandon Public Library, including a yearly scholarship for a worthy senior of Crandon High

Forest County Sheriff's Office awarded a grant for violent crime prevention

The Forest County Sheriff's Office is pleased to announce that we have been awarded a significant grant of \$300,000 from the U.S. Department of Justice. This grant will support our innovative Violent Crime Prevention Deputy program, aimed at enhancing public safety and preventing violence within our community.

The Violent Crime Prevention Deputy program is a proactive approach to law enforcement, focusing on targeted interventions and community engagement to reduce violent crimes. With the support of this generous grant, we will be able to assign a dedicated deputy who will work closely with local law enforcement agencies, community organizations, and residents to tackle the root causes of violent crime.

By collaborating with community leaders, schools, and other stakeholders, our Violent Crime Prevention Deputy will implement evidence-based prevention strategies, outreach initiatives, and educational programs to address the immediate and long-term issues that contribute to violence in our community. Additionally, the deputy will work to establish strong relationships between law enforcement and the community, ensuring a safer environment for all residents.

Through the implementation of this program, The Forest County Sheriff's Office aims to reduce instances of violent crime, improve the trust and cooperation between law enforcement and the community, and enhance the quality of life for all residents throughout Forest County. The grant from the U.S. Department of Justice demonstrates the confidence they have in our organization and our commitment to creating a safe and secure environment for our community.

The Forest County Sheriff's Office would like to extend appreciation to Deputy James Jezeski for writing the Rural and Small Department Violent Crime Reduction Program Grant.




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TOWNSEND FALL KICK-OFF AND CHILI COOK-OFF A SUCCESS



Children painting their pumpkins

Saturday, September 30, 2023, started rainy and overcast. This did not deter almost a dozen chili chefs from bringing their chili to the 2nd Annual Chili Cookoff contest in Townsend.

They brought spicy and sweet chili. There was white chicken chili and versions of chili with or without beans and with or without pasta.

107 folks came to taste and vote on their favorite chili. After 3 hours of fierce competition, the winners were determined by the votes cast during the day. First place went to Oliver Moitke with his delicious White Chicken Chili. Second place was awarded to Joe Heyrman, and third place went to Dave Elliott. One vote separated 1st and 2nd place. Third place was not very far behind. All three cooks were awarded gift cards to local businesses. Again, congratulations to all who participated.

All of you chili chefs out there, start perfecting your chili recipes and plan on entering the contest next year. You could be the lucky winner of the coveted Golden Soup Ladle.

The fun didn't stop with chili. Deserts of all kinds were available to purchase to top off all that chili tasting. There were many local vendors on hand to offer their handy work for sale. There was pumpkin decorating, a pinata, and various outdoor games for the kids. All in all, it was a great day to spend the day with your friends and neighbors in Townsend.

All monies raised during this event are being presented to the Christian Food Pantry in Lakewood. Hope to see you all there next year!

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OCTOBER 14
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Contact: Yasha Holmes, Realtor
920-377-1214
yashaholmes@gmail.com

This home boasts 4 generously sized bedrooms, an elegant dining room, abundant natural light, and stunning maple flooring throughout. Step outside to enjoy the expansive front porch, a 10x15 rear deck, and a spacious 2-stall garage facing great ATV trails. Additional highlights encompass a practical mudroom, a high-ceiling basement with backyard access. Updated kitchen with charming butlers pantry and stunning staircase to the upstairs bedrooms. Located minutes from lakes, camping, fishing, abundance of ATV and snowmobile trails.

CHS Homecoming Royalty



The Crandon Homecoming King, Queen and Court are:
Freshman Representatives: Emma Koplien & Nolan Bradley
Sophomore Representatives: Cadence Phillips & Trent Palubicki
2023 Homecoming Queen & King: Samara Kane & Omar Bailey
Senior Representatives: Maddie Carlson & Ryan Schunk
Junior Representatives: Lara Certoma & Mavrik Mayer

AREA EVENTS

Forest County Health Department 2023 FLU SHOT CLINICS



If you have any questions, please call 715-478-3371
Please see the following community clinic options available:

- ALVIN – Alvin Town Hall**
Thursday, October 19th – 11:00 am to 2:00 pm
- ARMSTRONG CREEK – Armstrong Creek Community Bldg.**
Wednesday, October 18th – 11:00 am to 2:00 pm
- CRANDON – Crandon Community Building**
Wednesday, October 25th – 2:00 pm to 6:00 pm
- Monday, October 30th – 2:00 pm to 6:00 pm**
- LAONA-Laona Senior Citizen Center**
Tuesday October 17th 11 am to 2:00 am
- WABENO - Wabeno Town Hall**
Monday, October 16th – 11:00 am to 2:00 pm
- Walk in at the Forest County Health Department – Forest County Court House**
Tuesday October 24th – 9:00 am to 4:00 pm

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Trinity Lutheran Church



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Children of all ages welcome with parents or grandparents.

Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) Initial Course Offerings

Spring 2024 Courses
Application Deadline: December 1, 2023
Complete Pre-Requisites by: December 8, 2023

NWTC Marinette; January 17-May 13, 2024
198 hours (M/W/*Sat)- Evening (Blended)
Course# 21391

Mountain Ambulance Service; January 17-May 13, 2024
198 hours (M/W/*Sat)- Evening (Blended)
Course# 21434

NWTC Green Bay, January 16-May 14, 2024
198 hours (T/TR/*Sat)-Daytime (Blended)
Course# 21342

NWTC Green Bay, January 17-May 13, 2024
198 hours (M/W/*Sat)- Evening (Blended)
Course# 21344

***Select Saturdays scheduled to meet required hours for program**

NWTC Contacts

Stephanie Smith
EMS Coordinator
920-498-5613

Amy Mauk
Enrollment Specialist
920-498-6976

Mountain Ambulance Service Emergency Medical Technician Course Offering

Mountain Ambulance Service in conjunction with NWTC is hosting an EMT Course at the Mountain Ambulance Service Station
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Deer Hunter Survey Cont. from pg. 1

The survey period is open now through Jan. 7, 2024, requires no registration and observations can be submitted from the field with a smartphone, at home from a computer or through the mail to:

Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources
C/O Jes Rees Lohr, DNR Research Scientist
2801 Progress Road
Madison, WI 53716
Jessica.ReesLohr@wisconsin.gov or 608-228-8851

Hunters should include the following information in their survey submissions:

- Date(s) hunted.
- Numbers of hours hunted.
- County in which they hunted.
- Zone referenced on the deer management unit map.
- Land type (public vs. private).
- Weather conditions at the time of sighting.
- Type and number of animals observed.

Participants can find a list of animals to report and learn more about the survey by visiting the DNR's Deer Hunter Survey webpage.

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Moved out and downsizing: Friday and Saturday 13th and 14th October 8804 Pine Lake Rd, Hiles. 8am- until sold! 1975 Massey Ferguson Tractor mounted on snowblower, Electric snowblower, Troybuilt 30 inch rider lawnmower, push power mower. Air compressor plus tools including several nailers antique dry sink. kitchen island, chest Freezer, misc. Household goods. Call 414-229-9845

RUMMAGE SALE: CRANDON - At NRC, Old High School, large selection of mens 2x clothing, appliances, electronics, books, games, collectibles, sporting goods, tools, pet supplies, childrens' clothing and supplies, camping, luggage, garden, original Native American pottery, home decor. Saturday, October 14th, 9am-4pm. P28



Toys for Joy On November 4, 2023

Toys for Joy in conjunction with Lakewood Fire Department will host a drive thru fundraiser. Event will be held from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. We will be collecting new toys and monetary donations.

As usual the Toys will be donated to the Christmas Tree Share Program and monetary donations will be used for other child related programs. In the past monetary donations were used for additional toys if needed, coats, hats, mittens, hams and turkeys for holiday, school supplies, water bottles during Covid for the kids, backpacks for the weekend food program, food items for the backpack food program, items were donated to Children's Hospital to enlighten children in the Hospital during the holiday, money was donated Oconto River Kids to provide a hunting experience for selected kids and Camp Daniel for challenge kids and the list goes on to numerous to list.

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Sen. Johnson Joins Colleagues in Opposing Biden FCC's Internet Takeover

WASHINGTON – On Thursday, U.S. Sen. Ron Johnson (R-Wis.) joined U.S. Sens. John Thune (R-S.D.), Ted Cruz (R-Texas), and 40 of their Republican Senate colleagues in urging Federal Communications Commission (FCC) Chairwoman Jessica Rosenworcel to abandon her proposal to reinstate the failed, heavy-handed Obama-era regulations of the internet. In their letter, the Senators point out that all of the Democrats' fearmongering claims about net neutrality—most notably that Americans would get the internet one word at a time—have been debunked and proven to be completely false.

“Re-imposing heavy-handed, public-utility regulations on the internet would threaten the progress our country has made since 2017, and it would steer our country out of the fast lane and into a world of less competition, less choice, less investment, slower speeds, and higher prices,” wrote the senators.

Senator Baldwin's Statement on Avoiding Government Shutdown, Devastating Impacts

WASHINGTON, D.C. – Today, U.S. Senator Tammy Baldwin released the following statement after voting to avoid a government shutdown:

“Hard-working Wisconsinites should never pay the price because of political games in Washington. A government shutdown would have unnecessarily hurt Wisconsin families, our economy, and our troops, and I am proud to have voted to avoid it. Democrats and Republicans came together to ensure needy families and kids will have food on the table, our law enforcement and servicemembers will get their paychecks, and our economy will keep moving forward. This bipartisan compromise will give us the time we need to pass responsible government funding bills – as the House, Senate, and White House all agreed to – and I look forward to continuing to fight to deliver for Wisconsin in that process. While I am disappointed that this bill did not include resources to help Ukraine defend itself against Putin's war, I remain committed to working with my colleagues to provide Ukrainians the assistance they need.”

It takes your enemy and your friend, working together to hurt you to the heart; the one to slander you and the other to get the news to you. - Mark Twain

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Habitat Creation

Leaves submerged in the water create a diverse and dynamic habitat for aquatic organisms. Small invertebrates, fish, and amphibians find shelter among the leaf litter, using it as a nursery and feeding ground. The intricate structure of leaves also provides hiding spots for prey and helps predators hunt effectively. By not raking leaves into lakes, we are essentially preserving and enhancing the biodiversity of these aquatic environments. Again, too many leaves disrupt the natural biodiversity and cause problems for aquatic animals.

Water Quality Improvement

Leaves play a crucial role in maintaining water quality. When leaves enter the water, they absorb pollutants such as heavy metals and organic contaminants. This natural filtration process helps purify the water, making it healthier for both aquatic life and human use. In contrast, raking leaves into lakes can disrupt this cleansing mechanism, leading to poorer water quality over time.

Erosion Control

Leaves in and around lakes act as a buffer against erosion. They help stabilize the soil and prevent sediments from washing into the water, which can cloud it and harm aquatic organisms. Additionally, the root systems of trees and plants that shed leaves help bind the soil together, further reducing erosion risks. By leaving leaves in place, we contribute to the overall stability of our lake ecosystems.

Cost-Effective and Sustainable

Not raking leaves into Forest County lakes is not only ecologically beneficial but also cost-effective. Leaf removal can be an expensive and labor-intensive task. By allowing leaves that fall naturally into lakes to decompose, property owners can save time, money, and energy while supporting local ecosystems.

Community Involvement

Promoting the practice of not raking leaves into lakes can foster a sense of community involvement and environmental stewardship. Local organizations and communities can work together to educate residents about the ecological importance of this practice and encourage responsible leaf disposal methods.

In Forest County, the beauty of our natural surroundings is a source of pride and inspiration for all who call it home. By refraining from raking leaves into our lakes, we can take a simple yet significant step towards preserving and enhancing the health of these vital ecosystems. Nutrient recycling, habitat creation, improved water quality, erosion control, cost-effectiveness, and community involvement are compelling reasons to embrace this eco-friendly practice. So, this autumn, let's choose to leave the leaves, ensuring a brighter and more sustainable future for Forest County's lakes and the entire community.

I mistrust the judgment of every man in a case in which his own wishes are concerned. - First Duke of Wellington

HELP WANTED

The Forest County Highway Department is accepting applications for a full-time position. This is a mechanic position. A minimum of five (5) years experience as a diesel mechanic with experience in electrical, computer, fabrication, welding and gas engines preferred.

Applicants must have a valid driver's license, a clean driving record with a CDL endorsement, and be able to pass a physical, audiogram and DOT drug screen. Applications may be obtained at the Highway offices, located at 5350 County Road W, Crandon, Wisconsin, or off the Forest County website.

All interested parties must file a new job application to be given consideration.

Applications will be accepted until 3:00 p.m. on October 10, 2023.

By Order of the Forest County Highway Commissioner
Mark Chrisman, Highway Commissioner

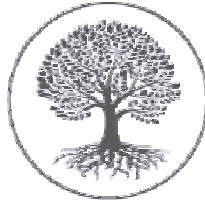
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APPLY: Application and background packet available at the Forest County Sheriff's Department or Submit Wisconsin Law Enforcement Standards Board Form DJ-LE-330 Application. Email applications to: jmarvin@forestcountysheriff.org or awalrath@forestcountysheriff.org.
Or Mail applications to: Chief Deputy Alex Walrath
Forest County Sheriff's Office
100 South Park Avenue
Crandon, WI 54520
Applications are available at the Forest County Sheriff's Office or online at <https://wilenet.widj.gov/employment/employment-opportunities/780> or at <https://wilenet.widj.gov/training-standards/officer-training-employment-and-reciprocity>
All questions on the application must be completed, including Section 6 - Questions A, B & C. Please supply your social security number on the application.
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Must be a resident of the Goodman/Dunbar area. Call 715-854-7453 or 1-800-990-4242 with questions or send letter of interest by October 30, 2023 to:
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Help Wanted Forest County Highway Commissioner

The Forest County Board will be appointing a Highway Commissioner at the November 14th 2023 Board Meeting

All interested parties should submit a letter of interest to the County Board Chair by 4:30 p.m. on November 2nd, 2023

**By Order of the Forest County Highway Committee:
Mark Chrisman, Highway Commissioner**

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Mail applications to: Chief Deputy Alex Walrath

Forest County Sheriff's Office
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Crandon, WI 54520

Applications also available at the Forest County Sheriff's Office or online at <https://wilenet.widj.gov/employment/employment-opportunities/780> or at <https://wilenet.widj.gov/training-standards/officer-training-employment-and-reciprocity>

All questions on the application must be completed, including Section 6 - Questions A, B & C. Please supply your social security number on the application.

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Wabeno Lions support "Backpacks To Go" Program

Wabeno Lion Jonathan Calhoun, in keeping with Lions' "We Serve" motto, presented a check for \$800 to Pam Schroeder, "Backpacks To Go" coordinator. Pam gave an informative presentation about the program at the Wabeno Lions' meeting on September 27. She also handed out well organized information brochures covering what the program is about and a list of key personnel.

The "Backpacks To Go" program addresses the needs of hungry children on weekends. The program provides backpacks or bags filled with foods that are child friendly, nutritious, shelf stable, and easily consumed.

Bags are packed by volunteers and are discreetly distributed to participating elementary and high school students every week.

Free breakfasts and lunches are provided to all students in the School District of Wabeno Area during the school week. However, this does not address the needs of hungry children on weekends.

Participation in the program is totally confidential. The school assists with communication to parents about the program and receives permission for their children to participate.

The "Backpacks To Go" program and the Wabeno Lions would like to make people aware of ways to support this program. Volunteers to help fundraise or purchase the food for the backpacks are always appreciated. Delivering the bags each week or making

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contributions are also helpful.

The program is funded entirely by local donations and a generous, special benefactor, with 100% of these donations spent on food and packaging. The average cost to support one child for the school year is \$100. If you are interested in volunteering or donating, please contact Pam Schroeder at (715)473-3808.

For Old Times Sake



These two young fellows had a fine day of duck shooting one day back in about 1910. They likely hunted Lake Metonga or possible Peshtigo Lake. Blowing it up on the screen, they had a mix of ducks that looks to include some mergansers. They might have had a special recipe. We don't know who they are, but on the picture was Bob R. on the left and Bob G or maybe C on the right. One was shooting a hammer double gun and the other a very modern, for the time, pump that looks like an Ithaca.

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American Legion Post 44 honors First Responders

American Legion Sylvan Post 44 honored and hosted a free booyah luncheon for all our first responders and their family from all our local towns and communities

The rave of the day was the booyah made by Lisa Earley from Townsend. Lisa used her late father Harold Ebben's recipe.

The neat event of the day was the jaws of life demonstration by the Wabeno Fire Department.

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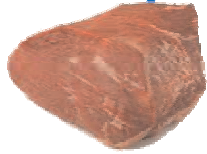
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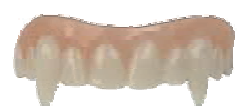
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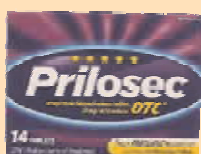
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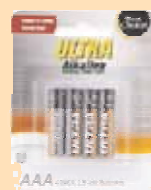
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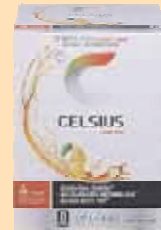


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Request For Bids

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If interested please contact the Sokaogon Chippewa housing office 715-478-2001, to make arrangements to view the homes

Deadline to bid on the project will be October 16, 2023

Notice of Budget Hearing School District of Wabeno Area

Notice is hereby given to the qualified electors of the School District of Wabeno Area that the budget hearing will be held at the Wabeno High School Auditorium on the 23rd day of October 2023 at 6:00 P.M. The summary of the budget is printed below. Detailed copies of the budget will be available for inspection in the District Office at Wabeno Elementary School, Laona State Bank in Wabeno, Lakewood, and Townsend as of October 13, 2023.

Dated this 10th day of October 2023.

Notice for Annual School District Meeting School District of Wabeno Area

Notice is hereby given to qualified electors of the School District of Wabeno Area that the Annual Meeting of said District for the transaction of business will be held in the Wabeno High School Auditorium on Monday, October 23, 2023, immediately following the budget hearing.

Dated this 10th day of October 2023.
Trinity Shepard, District Clerk

Human kindness has never weakened the stamina or softened the fiber of a free people. A nation does not have to be cruel in order to be tough. - Franklin D. Roosevelt

SCHOOL DISTRICT OF WABENO AREA BUDGET PUBLICATION 2023-2024

GENERAL - FUND 10	Audited 2021-2022	Unaudited 2022-2023	Budget 2023-2024
Beginning Fund Balance	7,346,948	7,910,092	9,292,952
Ending Fund Balance	7,910,092	9,292,952	9,962,086
REVENUES			
Local Sources (Source 200)	5,547,952	6,537,410	6,881,717
Interdistrict Payments (Source 300)	199,916	228,069	202,296
Intermediate Sources (Source 500)	0	2,880	2,273
State Sources (Source 600)	801,010	897,764	783,991
Federal Sources (Source 700)	1,043,495	1,283,337	906,906
All Other Sources (Source 800-900)	20,905	9,219	9,810
TOTAL REVENUES	7,613,278	8,958,679	8,786,993
EXPENDITURES			
Instruction (Function 100 000)	2,961,550	3,158,976	3,314,588
Support Services (Function 200 000)	2,708,466	2,921,388	3,337,480
Non-Program Transactions (Function 400 000)	1,380,118	1,495,455	1,465,791
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	7,050,134	7,575,819	8,117,859
Percentage Increase/Decrease General Fund	+7.67	+17.48	+7.20

SPECIAL PROJECTS - FUND 21	Unaudited 2021-2022	Budget 2022-2023	Budget 2023-2024
Beginning Fund Balance	449,619	1,402,532	1,350,560
Ending Fund Balance	1,482,532	1,350,560	1,350,560
REVENUES	1,275,250	274,581	423,314
EXPENDITURES	242,337	406,553	423,314

SPECIAL EDUCATION - FUND 27	Unaudited 2021-2022	Budget 2022-2023	Budget 2023-2024
Beginning Fund Balance	0	0	0
Ending Fund Balance	0	0	0
REVENUES	1,153,301	1,328,166	1,427,358
EXPENDITURES	1,153,301	1,328,166	1,427,358

NATIVE AMERICAN EDUCATION - FUND 29	Unaudited 2021-2022	Budget 2022-2023	Budget 2023-2024
Beginning Fund Balance	0	0	0
Ending Fund Balance	0	0	0
REVENUES	24,420	30,350	41,223
EXPENDITURES	24,420	30,350	41,223

LT IMPROVEMENT CAPITAL TRUST - FUND 46	Unaudited 2021-2022	Budget 2022-2023	Budget 2023-2024
Beginning Fund Balance	266,273	424,442	516,639
Ending Fund Balance	424,442	516,639	360,672
REVENUES	186,454	202,674	2,000
EXPENDITURES	28,285	110,477	157,967

FOOD SERVICE - FUND 50	Unaudited 2021-2022	Budget 2022-2023	Budget 2023-2024
Beginning Fund Balance	0	0	0
Ending Fund Balance	0	0	0
REVENUES	433,995	463,847	497,417
EXPENDITURES	433,995	463,847	497,417

CUSTODIAL FUND - FUND 60	Unaudited 2021-2022	Budget 2022-2023	Budget 2023-2024
Beginning Fund Balance	24,171	0	0
Ending Fund Balance	0	0	0
REVENUES	38,759	0	0
EXPENDITURES	62,930	0	0

COMMUNITY SERVICE FUND - FUND 80	Unaudited 2021-2022	Budget 2022-2023	Budget 2023-2024
Beginning Fund Balance	50,754	50,565	56,559
Ending Fund Balance	50,565	56,559	51,884
REVENUES	103,477	152,632	145,962
EXPENDITURES	103,666	146,638	150,637

ALL FUNDS	Unaudited 2021-2022	Budget 2022-2023	Budget 2023-2024
TOTAL EXPENDITURES - ALL FUNDS	9,099,068	10,061,850	10,815,775
Percentage Increase/Decrease			
Total Expenditures From Prior Year	+3.84	+10.58	+7.49

PROPOSED PROPERTY TAX LEVY	Audited 2021-2022	Unaudited 2022-2023	Budget 2023-2024
General Fund	5,495,955	6,466,307	6,814,567
Community Service Fund	30,000	30,000	30,000
TOTAL SCHOOL LEVY	5,525,955	6,496,307	6,844,567
Percentage Increase/Decrease			
Total Levy From Prior Year	-2.50	+17.56	+5.36

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HAPPY HALLOWEEN

School District of Wabeno Area Annual School District Meeting Monday, October 23, 2023 - 6:00 P.M. Wabeno High School Auditorium Agenda

- Call the meeting to order.
- Review the qualifications for voting.
- Election of chairperson.
- Reading of minutes of the last Annual Meeting held on October 24, 2022.
- Treasurer's report.
- Presentation of the Budget – President of the Board.
- Hearing on the budget.
- Adoption of tax levy.
Action on the following resolution:
Resolve that a tax of \$6,814,567 be and is hereby levied against all real and personal property in the School District of Wabeno Area in the respective proportionate amounts as set forth to be used for operation and capital costs of the elementary and secondary schools of the School District of Wabeno Area.
- Authorize the board to pay legal fees for actions involving the school district.
- Authorize the board to provide student accident insurance.
- Approve regular salaries for Board of Education members and salaries for days spent on school business.
- Approve payment of actual and necessary expenses of a school board member when traveling in the performance of duties.
- Approve providing free breakfast and lunch to all students for the 2023-2024 school year and until the Annual Meeting in October 2024.
- Authorize the board to furnish free textbooks to students.
- Authorize the board to acquire or dispose of property through purchase or condemnation, as they deem necessary.
- Authorize the board to set the annual meeting date and time for 2024.
- Other business.
- Adjourn

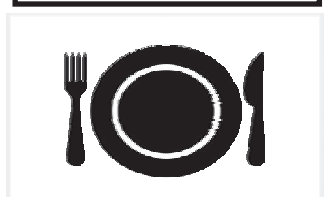
WHAT'S TO EAT

Wabeno School Breakfast Menu Oct. 16-20

Monday - Pancake on a stick, applesauce cups, fruit juice, milk
Tuesday - Scrambled eggs, sausage links, kiwi, tator tots, fruit juice, milk
Wednesday - Muffins, oranges, fruit juice, milk
Thursday - Belgium waffles, sausage patty, strawberries, fruit juice, milk
Friday - Cereal bar, yogurt, pears, fruit juice, milk

Wabeno School Lunch Menu Oct. 30-31

Monday - Chili with whole grain crackers, baked potatoes, broccoli, apple slices, garden bar, milk
Tuesday - Zombie meatloaf, mashed potatoes with gravy, peas and carrots, fruit cocktail, ice cream sandwiches, pumpkin patch garden bar, milk
Wednesday - Thursday - Friday -



BIDS AND NOTICES

**School District of Wabeno Area
Regular School Board Meeting
Wednesday, September 6, 2023
High School Library – Wabeno Jr./Sr. High School**

School Board Vice President, Katryna VanEperen, called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M.

Board members present: Katryna VanEperen, Trinity Shepard, Dawn Jakubiec, Dan Christianson, Emy Belland, 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.

Board Members Absent: Dave Seeber

Others Present: Teresa Romprey

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 Amended Agenda I. Carried 6 to 0.

Motion made by Emy Belland seconded by Dawn Jakubiec to approve the Regular School Board Meeting Minutes of August 2, 2023. Carried 6 to 0.

Motion by Dan Christianson seconded by Dawn Jakubiec to approve the payment of vouchers by general checks 85159 to 85299 for \$322,658.25 and payroll checks 900049212 to 900049280 for \$69,215.69, and a state tax, 941 tax, and employee trust fund electronic transfer for \$87,244.51. Carried 6 to 0.

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

The Board commended/thanked the following:

-Our custodial staff. You always do a fabulous job keep our buildings looking clean and floors shiny!

-Thank you to all staff involved in making Open House another success. The high school office remodel looks very nice and supper was great as usual.

Motion by Emy Belland seconded by Trinity Shepard to approve Maline Enders as an Elementary Special Ed teacher. Carried 6 to 0.

Motion by Carlton Stealer seconded by Dan Christianson to approve Marc Russo as Elementary Phy Ed Teacher. Carried 6 to 0.

Motion by Trinity Shepard seconded by Emy Belland to approve Andy Ostrowski as MS/HS Math Teacher. Carried 6 to 0.

Motion by Emy Belland seconded by Trinity Shepard to approve Mark Zelle as District-Wide Long Term substitute teacher. Carried 6 to 0.

Motion by Dawn Jakubiec seconded by Dan Christianson to approve Alexandra Taylor as an Elementary 3rd Grade Long-Term substitute teacher. Carried 6 to 0.

Motion by Emy Belland seconded by Dan Christianson to approve Nicole Lowery as an Elementary Library Aide. Carried 6 to 0.

Motion by Emy Belland seconded by Dawn Jakubiec to approve Laura Godin as an Elementary Teacher Aide. Carried 6 to 0.

Motion by Trinity Shepard seconded by Emy Belland to approve Bonnie Jost and an Elementary Teacher Aide. Carried 6 to 0.

Motion by Carlton Stealer seconded by Dan Christianson to accept Dawn Hundt's resignation from Elementary Library Aide with many thanks from the board. Carried 6 to 0.

Motion by Emy Belland seconded by Dawn Jakubiec to accept Laura Godin's resignation from Elementary Teacher Aide. Carried 6 to 0.

Motion by Carlton Stealer seconded by Dan Christianson to approve the M3 Insurance proposal as presented. Carried 6 to 0.

Motion by Trinity Shepard seconded by Dan Christianson to approve the WIAA Laona/Wabeno Co-op Team Renewal for all sports. Carried 6 to 0.

Motion by Carlton Stealer seconded by Trinity Shepard to table NEOLA policies: po0142.1, 0143.1, 0144.3, 0164.1, 0164.2, 0165.2, 1260, 1421, 1422, 1623, 1630.01, 1662, 2260, 2260.01, 2266, 2340, 2451, 2521, 3121, 3122, 3123, 3139, 3211, 3362, 3430.01, 4121, 4122, 4123, 4139, 4211, 4220, 4362, 4430.01, 5113, 5200, 5215, 5330, 5350, 5505, 5517, 5530, 6110, 6111, 6151, 6236, 6610, 7250.01, 7440.01, 7440.02, 7540.08, 8121, 8146, 8220, 8310, 8420, 8500, 8531, 8700, 8740, and 8913 until October 2023 for a second reading. Carried 6 to 0.

Motion by Dawn Jakubiec seconded by Trinity Shepard to approve the state volleyball overnight trip to Green Bay November 2-4, 2023. Carried 6 to 0.

Motion by Dan Christianson seconded by Emy Belland to go into closed session at 6:18 P.M. Pursuant to Wisconsin State Statute 19.85 (1) (c) (e) and (f). Roll call vote: Katryna VanEperen, yes; Dawn Jakubiec, yes; Trinity Shepard, yes; Dan Christianson, yes; Emy Belland, yes, Carlton Stealer, yes. Carried 6 to 0.

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

- a. Discuss and take possible action on employee contracts.
- b. Discuss and take possible action on daycare paid time off.
- c. Discuss and take possible action on teacher compensation for subbing for other teachers beyond during a prep period.

Motion by Dawn Jakubiec seconded by Emy Belland to return to open session at 7:49 P.M. to announce or take action, if any, and if appropriate on items discussed in closed session. Roll call vote: Katryna VanEperen, yes; Dawn Jakubiec, yes; Trinity Shepard, yes; Dan Christianson, yes; Emy Belland, yes, and Carlton Stealer, yes. Carried 6 to 0.

Motion made by Emy Belland seconded by Trinity Shepard to approve direct report district administrative assistant position to be moved to a salaried position. Carried 6 to 0.

Motion made by Dawn Jakubiec seconded by Emy Belland to approve change to use of paid time off (PTO) for daycare employees working 30 or more hours per week. Carried 6 to 0.

Motion made by Dan Christianson seconded by Carlton Stealer to approve employee contracts for Computer Technician and Business/HR Director. Carried 6 to 0.

Motion by Dawn Jakubiec seconded by Emy Belland to approve \$20/hour at Elementary or per period at Middle/Jr./Sr. High School, up to a maximum of \$120/day, to compensate teachers for subbing for other teachers for the 2023-2024 school year. Carried 4-0-2. Dan Christianson and Katryna VanEperen abstained.

Motion by Dawn Jakubiec seconded by Emy Belland to adjourn at 7:53 P.M. Carried 6 to 0.

Trinity Shepard, District Clerk

Request For Proposals

September 21st, 2023

To Whom it May Concern:

The Forest County Commission on Aging and its Senior Dining Program currently have four (4) meal sites located throughout Forest County and additional home delivered route at the four (4) meal sites.

Forest County's Commission/Office on Aging is seeking proposals to provide a catered food service for its four meal sites located in Forest County. The addresses of the facilities are as follows:

Armstrong Creek Community Center 7860 Old 101 Road Armstrong Creek, WI 54103	Laona Senior Citizen Center 5277 Linden Street Laona, WI 54541
Crandon Community Building 601 West Washington Street Crandon, WI 54520	Wabeno Town Hall 4473 North Branch Street Wabeno, WI 54566

Proposals are being sought from interested parties to provide food service for those participants that are 60+ years.

Our current enrollment for the four (4) meal sites is upwards of 165 adults. Participant Seniors are served as follows

Armstrong Creek Meal Site Tuesday and Wednesday Serving: 11:30 A.M.	Laona Meal Site Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday Serving: 12:00 P.M.
Crandon Meal Site Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday Serving: 12:00 P.M.	Wabeno Meal Site Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday Serving: 11:30 A.M.

Due Date: October 27th, 2023

Proposal opening:
November 2nd, 2023
12:00 P.M. CST
County Board Room 107

In care of:
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WHAT'S TO EAT

LAONA SCHOOL DISTRICT BREAKFAST MENU

OCT. 16-20

Mon. - Whole grain cereal, yogurt cup, applesauce, fruit juice, milk

Tues. - Whole grain early riser, string cheese, peaches, juice, milk

Wed. - Whole grain french toast sticks, sausage patty, pears, fruit juice, milk

Thurs. - Whole grain banana and blueberry bread, mixed fruit, fruit juice, milk

Fri. - No school

LAONA SCHOOL DISTRICT LUNCH MENU

OCT. 16-20

Mon. - Scalloped potatoes and ham, corn, apple slices, dinner roll

Tues. - Breaded chicken patty, cheesy broccoli, cuties, garden bar

Wed. - Grilled cheese, tomato soup, mixed vegetables, peaches

Thurs. - Hot dogs, mac and cheese, carrots, pears, garden bar

Fri. - No school

Town of Laona Fall 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.**

You will need to arrange for hauling of all items to the recycling center.

THERE IS A LIMIT TO ONE TRUCK LOAD or ONE SINGLE AXEL TRAILER PER HOUSEHOLD!

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Saturday October 21st 8am to 4pm

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- Liquid Waste (for example paint that is not dry)
- Tires
- Appliances
- Electronic waste (tvs, dvd's, printers, scanners, monitors, keyboards, cpu's)
- 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

Michelle Belland, Clerk/Treasurer



Bids & Notices

SCHOOL DISTRICT OF LAONA PROPOSED BUDGET SUMMARY 2023-2024

GENERAL FUND	Audited 2021-22	Unaudited 2022-23	Budget 2023-24
Beginning Fund Balance	2,844,536.11	3,241,534.62	3,104,157.43
Ending Fund Balance	3,241,534.62	3,104,157.43	2,772,804.22
REVENUE AND OTHER FINANCING SOURCES			
Transfers In (Source 100)	0.00	0.00	0.00
Local Sources (Source 200)	1,782,784.33	1,670,019.27	1,778,692.00
Inter-district Payments (Source 300 + 400)	416,470.08	445,504.00	449,104.00
Intermediate Sources (Source 500)	6,037.77	6,176.66	6,186.30
State Sources (Source 600)	2,046,397.97	2,182,901.37	2,351,238.00
Federal Sources (Source 700)	524,785.28	567,949.55	275,384.12
All Other Sources (Source 800 + 900)	11,071.38	26,067.85	6,500.00
TOTAL REVENUE & OTHER FINANCING SOURCES	4,787,546.81	4,898,618.70	4,867,106.42
EXPENDITURES & OTHER FINANCING USES			
Instruction (Function 100 000)	2,032,998.09	2,091,556.62	2,312,369.10
Support Services (Function 200 000)	1,826,836.92	2,308,785.17	2,179,025.64
Non-Program Transactions (Function 400 000)	530,713.29	635,652.10	707,064.89
TOTAL EXPENDITURES & OTHER FINANCING USES	4,390,548.30	5,035,995.89	5,198,459.63
SPECIAL PROJECTS FUND			
Beginning Fund Balance	76,024.13	73,242.77	63,488.45
Ending Fund Balance	73,242.77	63,488.45	64,213.45
REVENUE & OTHER FINANCING SOURCES			
	425,187.61	507,164.83	575,405.52
EXPENDITURES & OTHER FINANCING USES			
	427,968.97	516,919.15	574,680.52
DEBT SERVICE FUND			
Beginning Fund Balance	0.00	0.00	0.00
Ending Fund Balance	0.00	0.00	0.00
REVENUE & OTHER FINANCING SOURCES			
	0.00	0.00	0.00
EXPENDITURES & OTHER FINANCING USES			
	0.00	0.00	0.00
CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND			
Beginning Fund Balance	10,000.21	35,025.42	45,266.47
Ending Fund Balance	35,025.42	45,266.47	55,266.47
REVENUE & OTHER FINANCING SOURCES			
	25,025.21	10,241.05	10,000.00
EXPENDITURES & OTHER FINANCING USES			
	0.00	0.00	0.00
FOOD SERVICE FUND			
Beginning Fund Balance	0.00	0.00	0.00
Ending Fund Balance	0.00	0.00	0.00
REVENUE & OTHER FINANCING SOURCES			
	235,861.19	266,913.39	277,603.07
EXPENDITURES & OTHER FINANCING USES			
	235,861.19	266,913.39	277,603.07
COMMUNITY SERVICE FUND			
Beginning Fund Balance	47,388.05	68,762.07	50,292.38
Ending Fund Balance	68,762.07	50,292.38	50,292.38
REVENUE & OTHER FINANCING SOURCES			
	157,601.81	107,191.72	125,170.32
EXPENDITURES & OTHER FINANCING USES			
	136,227.79	125,661.41	125,170.32
PACKAGE & COOPERATIVE PROGRAM FUND			
Beginning Fund Balance	0.00	0.00	0.00
Ending Fund Balance	0.00	0.00	0.00
REVENUE & OTHER FINANCING SOURCES			
	0.00	0.00	0.00
EXPENDITURES & OTHER FINANCING USES			
	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURES & OTHER FINANCING USES			
ALL FUNDS			
GROSS TOTAL EXPENDITURES - ALL FUNDS	5,190,606.25	5,945,489.84	6,175,913.54
Interfund Transfers (Source 100) - ALL FUNDS	261,976.27	375,672.46	462,096.09
Refinancing Expenditures (FUND 30)	0.00	0.00	0.00
NET TOTAL EXPENDITURES - ALL FUNDS	4,928,629.98	5,569,817.38	5,713,817.45
PERCENT INCREASE - NET TOTAL FUND EXPENDITURE FROM PRIOR YEAR		13.01%	2.59%
PROPOSED PROPERTY TAX LEVY			
FUND	Audit 2021-22	Unaudited 2022-23	Budget 2023-24
General Fund	1,689,939.00	1,635,816.00	1,634,817.00
Referendum Debt Service Fund	0.00	0.00	0.00
Non-Referendum Debt Service Fund	0.00	0.00	0.00
Capital Expansion Fund	0.00	0.00	0.00
Community Service Fund	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL SCHOOL LEVY	1,689,939.00	1,635,816.00	1,634,817.00
PERCENTAGE INCREASE - TOTAL LEVY FROM PRIOR YEAR		-3.20%	-0.06%

For Old Times Sake



We think this is Doc Ison showing off his new-fangled pump shotgun. We doubt he was hunting in this garb. Doc Ison was a mainstay around the Crandon area, being a Kentuck doctor who came north and provided medical care to many people. He also like outdoor sports like hunting and fishing. He built a nice building on the main street of Crandon back in 1921. The Pioneer operates out of his original building today. His name is on the front of the building along with the date.

NOTICE CITY OF CRANDON YARD WASTE AND BRUSH PICK UP

The City of Crandon Public Works crew will be picking up yard debris and brush in the City on Monday, October 30, 2023. Please be sure that your leaves are in bio-degradable bags and any brush or branches are no longer than 6 feet.

YARD DEBRIS MUST BE CURBSIDE ON OCTOBER 30, 2023 BY 5:00 A.M. IN ORDER TO BE PICKED UP & placed where it is easily seen and convenient to load onto the City trucks. Excessive piles of brush will not be picked up. Thank you.

Meagan Kevilus
City Clerk/Treasurer

School District of Laona Notice of Budget Hearing Wis. Stat. 65.90 (4)

Notice of Annual District Meeting Wis. Stat. 120.08 (1)

Notice is hereby given to the qualified electors of the School District of Laona that a **Budget Hearing will be held on Monday, October 23, 2023 at 5:30 p.m.** in Room 24, C. L. Robinson Elementary School. Detailed copies of the budget are available for inspection in the District Office at C. L. Robinson Elementary School.

The **Annual Meeting** of said District for the transaction of business will be held on **Monday, October 23, 2023 following the Budget Hearing.**

Dated this 10th Day of October, 2023.

Hope Gilligan
District Clerk



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

Please join us on the bus for a fun-packed October!

On the 5th we will be taking a cozy ride to the Minocqua area for a scenic tour of all the colors of fall! Don't worry, we will have sweets and the bus will still stop anywhere needed with time permitting.

On October 31st we will be offering our usual ride and stops on the bus with a spooky little twist. Please dress up in your costumes for a chance to win a prize! Best costume takes the cake so show us your Halloween spirit!

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, Oct. 12: Antigo

Tuesday, Oct. 17: Iron Mountain

Thursday, Oct. 19: Rhinelander

Tuesday, Oct. 24: Antigo

Thursday, Oct. 26: Iron Mountain

Tuesday, Oct. 31: Rhinelander (Spooky Bus)

Forest County Commission on Aging Nutrition Program



SENIOR MEALS

CRANDON, WABENO, LAONA

Monday - Oct. 16 - Beef stroganoff, mashed potatoes, broccoli, biscuit, banana cake

Monday - Oct. 23 - Swiss steak, mashed potatoes, 3-bean salad, rye bread, ambrosia fruit salad

CRANDON, WABENO, LAONA, ARMSTRONG CREEK

Tuesday - Oct. 17 - BBQ pork, whole wheat hoagie, scalloped potatoes, rutabagas, diced peaches, grapes

Tuesday - Oct. 24 - Chicken florentine, penne pasta, cauliflower, mandarin oranges, bananas and vanilla pudding

CRANDON, LAONA, ARMSTRONG CREEK, WABENO

Wednesday - Oct. 18 - Oven baked rosemary chicken, baked sweet potato, diced beets, cornbread, cranberry bar

Wednesday - Oct. 25 - Beef vegetable stew, biscuit, whole kernel corn, tossed romaine/spinach salad, dressing, cookie

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

Thursday - Oct. 19 - Chicken and noodles, California blend veggies, salad with carrots and tomatoes, mashed potatoes, dinner roll, cupcake milk

Wednesday - Oct. 25 - Vegetable soup with beef, peaches, broccoli salad, toasted cheese sandwich, brownie - **NO MEAL THE 26th**

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.

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From left to right: Randy Lincoln Ken Bauer, Murray Hayden, Sr., and Jr. in training by the Hurst Boiler Company trainer.



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