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## Respiratory illness in Forest County

Forest County Public Health officials have confirmed 151 Forest County individuals have been diagnosed with novel coronavirus infection (COVID-19) since January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023 with either a PCR, antigen, or home test. Since September 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2023, 1,981 Wisconsin residents have been diagnosed with influenza. As the winter months are arriving, we are seeing a rapid increase in COVID-19, Influenza, and RSV. This is a snapshot of the numbers as they are continuously changing throughout the day.

The Forest County Health Department encourages community members to get vaccinated, practice good hand hygiene, wear a mask or cloth face covering when necessary, and stay alert for symptoms of COVID-19 and other respiratory viruses. As of December 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023, 23.8% of Forest County residents have received their influenza vaccination. It is not too late to receive yours! Please call the Forest County Health Department at 715-478-3371 to schedule your Flu vaccine.

If you are experiencing any symptoms or have been exposed to someone with COVID-19, please contact your health care provider and ask to be tested. If positive, please isolate yourself away from others for 5 days since symptom onset and wear a mask for the 5 days following your release from isolation.

In an effort to keep our community members up-to-date, the Forest County Health Department will continue to update our Facebook page and local newspapers as capacity allows. Please call our office at 715-478-3371 with any questions or concerns.

## Forest County Health Department Walk-In Flu Shot Clinic

Have you "put-off" getting your flu shot this fall? Don't delay any longer! Plan to stop-by the Forest County Health Department Walk-In Clinic between 9 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. on Monday, December 11<sup>th</sup> to receive your vaccination.

The Forest County Health Department is located on the first floor of the Forest County Courthouse 200 E. Madison Street, Crandon.

Individuals with insurance are asked to bring their cards for presentation. Uninsured or under-insured children and adults may also be served.

If you are unable to attend this clinic, please call 715-478-3371 to schedule an appointment.

## 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](mailto:lcc@co.forest.wi.us).

In previous articles, I talked about the Japanese beetle, an exotic invasive that is eating gardens across the Northwoods. Of course, there are many more exotic invasive plants and animals in Wisconsin including the Eurasian Watermilfoil, Common Buckthorn, Garlic Mustard, the Rusty Spotted Lanternfly, and the Spiny Water Flea to name a few. There are many other exotic plants and animals that we don't consider to be pests. For example, corn is native to Mexico, soybeans are native to Asia, tulips are native to Europe. Most of our domesticated animals are exotic with domestic cattle originating in Asia. Many of these plants and animals are exotic, but not extremely invasive. One exotic animal that I had the opportunity to see while deer hunting last week is the Ring-necked Pheasant.

The Ring-necked Pheasant, an animal native to central and eastern Asia and parts of Japan, was introduced in the late 1800's and has populated



much of the northern and western United States and southern Canada. Much of the Ring-necked Pheasant's current range is the result of multiple introductions, largely because of its popularity as a game bird.

Male Ring-necked Pheasants are beautiful birds with red faces and an iridescent green neck with a bold

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## Forest County Christmas Parade was well attended and great fun!

Last Friday's Forest County Christmas Parade was a wild success. There was a great turnout of floats and fire trucks from around the county. There was some great creative work on many of the floats, and there was more than one comment about the parade being better than the parade on the 4th of July!

If you didn't make the parade or want to get another look, this time from a warm chair, here are some photos of the Christmas Parade.



See more on page 15

## Wabeno Lions Christmas Caroling December 15th




The Wabeno Lions Christmas Caroling will be on December 15 from 5-7 p.m. See the ad inside for more details.

## Townsend Firemen's Wives become Friends of Townsend Fire Assoc.



The Townsend Firemen's Wives was originally established as an auxiliary organization to provide financial support for the Townsend Volunteer Fire Department. For

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**25th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION**

**AT TRICIA'S TREASURES**  
(Crandon Store Only)  
**December 9th - OPEN 9-6**

**IN-STORE SPECIALS!**  
**TONS OF GIVE-AWAYS!**  
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**SANTA WILL BE HERE FROM 4:30 TO 6:00 PM**



**WABENO LIONS CHRISTMAS CAROLING!**



The caroling will be on Friday, December 15th, from the hours of 5:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. through the streets of Wabeno!

Santa will be onboard the people haulers handing out candy bags for the kids along the way and Christmas Cookies to the folks at Wabeno Heights.

**Wabeno Winterfest**



Wabeno's Winterfest was a big success, with plenty of great vendors and a good crowd. There were enough people with an appetite to just about run the booth out of food.

For anyone looking for unique gifts or for items they want to keep and treasure, this was a great event.

Santa Claus stopped in too. He had plenty of fans who enjoyed his lap.



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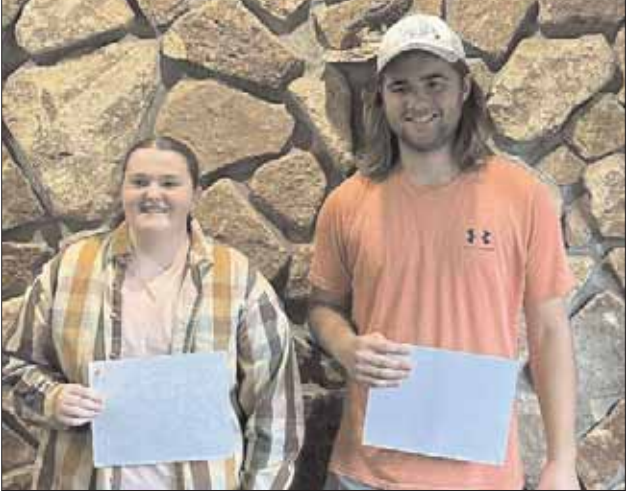


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**Muggs Armstrong Memorial Golf Scholarships awarded**



Upon successfully finishing their first semesters of college, Maddy Calhoun and Owen Seeber will be each awarded with \$500 "Muggs" Armstrong Memorial Golf Scholarships.

Maddy attends UWSP and Owen attends UW-Madison. The money for the scholarships was raised at a golf tournament in honor of Muggs Armstrong in October 2021.

They will continue to be awarded to a male and female golfer for one more year.

The Laona/Wabeno Golf Team would like to extend appreciation to "Muggs" Armstrong's family for their generous scholarship opportunity for their athletes.

# AREA EVENTS

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**FOR SALE:** Lighted and decorated wreaths and centerpieces. Dec. 11, 12, 13 and 17, 10 a.m.-3 p.m. 2373 Mud Creek Rd., Monico. Next to the planetarium. Call 715-902-1212. P37

**CRAFT & FLEA MARKET**  
 Nashville Town Hall  
 Hwy 55 & B, just south of Crandon  
 Nov. 18, 10 a.m.-3 p.m.  
 Handcraft wood, knitted and crochet items, canned and baked goods, jewelry, cards, tools, household, holiday items and more. Start your Christmas shopping early. B36

**CHRISTMAS SALE:**  
 Friday December 8 - December 10. 9am-5pm in heated garage. Located in Popple River on Highway 139. Items you can't buy in the store. Good variety of other items too. P38

**Salvation Army Bell Ringers Needed**



It's Bell Ringing time again for our neighbors in need of our help.  
 For every dollar that's donated, 86¢ stays here in Forest County!  
 To ring the Bell call 715-478-2683 or send donation to Box 251 Crandon, WI 54520

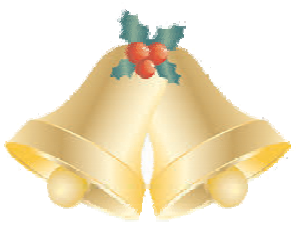
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**American Legion Post 44  
 November 25th, 2023 Rifle Raffle**

Prize	Name	From
1st---savage 30-06---	Pat Proctor-----	Wabeno
2nd ---savage 308---	Jeff Nelson-----	Crivitz
3rd---savage 270---	John Wachtendonk---	Townsend
4th---savage 243---	Sam Poklinkoski-----	Manitowac
5th ---\$350.00-----	Pat Gilligan-----	Long Lake
6th--- \$300.00-----	Greyson Brown-----	Waukesha
7th---\$250.00-----	Ann Barfknecht-----	Wabeno
8th---\$200.00-----	Don Zarda-----	unknown
9th---\$150.00-----	Adam Holder-----	Winneconne
10th---\$100.00-----	Tashina Soletske-----	Pound
11th---\$100.00-----	Dean Rein-----	Green Bay
12th---\$100.00-----	Chad Olson-----	Lakewood
13th---\$100.00-----	Jim Blaha-----	Sheboygan
14th---\$100.00-----	Robert Jones-----	Cavour
15th---\$100.00-----	Bill Scheuer-----	Three Lakes

**Donated back to the legion. We appreciate that bill!**  
 The American Legion Post 44 in Wabeno appreciates everyone who supported our veterans in purchasing raffle tickets. We also appreciate all our business supporters.

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By Mark Szorady



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City of Crandon dandy! Built in 2009, this home is a good one! 3 bedroom, 2 bath home with open concept kitchen/dining/living room, cathedral ceiling, large windows for natural light. Master bedroom with attached bathroom. Nice front deck, corner lot and detached garage. Home sits on a full basement with a partition wall started and 2 egress windows in and ready for the finishing. **\$199,900**



Corner lot with garage and small workshop. Excellent location for your new home. Lots are located within a block from Cardinal Park, and within a short walk to the downtown area. Mature trees, driveway, level building site, ready for construction. **\$27,500**

**Great starter, flipper or rental property.** Home does need a little TLC, but is priced accordingly. Main floor bedroom, main floor laundry, plus 2 more bedrooms and a half bath upstairs. There is an attached garage and a front deck. Great location within walking distance to all of the downtown businesses **\$82,000**

**Looking for a roomy family home in the City of Crandon?** This is it, and its affordable as well. Home has kitchen, dining, living room and bathroom on the main floor with 4 nice sized bedrooms upstairs. Double corner lot with a roomy yard. **\$100,000**

**FULLY FURNISHED HOME!** This beautiful, newly remodeled home in the heart of Crandon comes with everything you need for your next home! Completely Turn Key and Move in ready! This gorgeous home can be yours. Three Bedroom, Two Full Bath with 3 City lots on almost 3/4 of an acre. Furniture, Television, Beds and decorations are all included! **\$299,900**

**PRICE REDUCTION - RIVER FRONTAGE!!!!**

**Bring your fishing pole! 164' of frontage on the Oconto River!** This 3 bedroom, 2 full bath split level home has an open staircase, large entry way; as well as a unique layout, throughout the home. Plenty of storage including a pantry, a walk-in closet plus numerous closets throughout the house. The home has a maintenance free composite deck conveniently located right off of the kitchen. The garage is a 2 car plus, with an entrance leading into the kitchen on the main level as well as an entrance going to the lower level, directly into the full size laundry room for added convenience. The backyard landscaping and trees will give you the country feeling,

while being in the city. The house sits on almost an acre of land and has a very large backyard. Whether you enjoy fishing, grilling, sitting by the campfire or setting up a volley ball net...this property has endless opportunities to enjoy time with your family and friends. **\$314,900**

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**10 Warning Signs of Alzheimer's**  
 Ahead of the holidays, program explores common warning signs of Alzheimer's Disease

The earliest signs of Alzheimer's can look similar to typical age-related changes that we all may experience as we grow older. As the holidays approach, it is important to be aware of the common warning signs of Alzheimer's in family and friends. Alzheimer's and other dementias cause memory, thinking and behavior problems that interfere with daily living. The Alzheimer's Association's 10 Warning Signs of Alzheimer's program helps people recognize common signs of the disease and know what to watch for in themselves and others.

Often, the earliest warning signs of Alzheimer's are dismissed as a normal part of the aging process. This free 90-minute program:

- Describes common signs of Alzheimer's and dementia.
- Offers tips for how to approach someone about memory concerns.
- Explains the importance of early detection and benefits of diagnosis.
- Details possible tests and assessments for the diagnostic process.
- Identifies helpful community resources for diagnosis and those affected.

The 10 Warning Signs of Alzheimer's program is offered in partnership with the ADRC of Oneida County and will be held on Tuesday, December 19, at the ADRC of Oneida County (100 Keenan Street, Rhinelander) from 1-2:30 p.m.

To learn more about this program, or to register (registration is appreciated), please contact Julie St. Pierre at (715) 352-4091 or [jstpierre@alz.org](mailto:jstpierre@alz.org). Individuals can also register by reaching out to the Alzheimer's Association 24/7 Helpline at 1-800-272-3900 or by visiting: <https://bit.ly/10SignsRhinelanderDec23>.

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### Laona Board of Education Regular Meeting

Wednesday, December 13, 2023 • 5:30 p.m.  
Room 24, C.L. Robinson Elementary School

1. Call to Order
2. Pledge of Allegiance - Samantha Hoffman
3. Approval of the Agenda
4. Public Forum (10 Minutes)
5. Consent Agenda
  - A. Bills and Claims
  - B. Meeting Minutes
6. Items for Discussion and/or Action
  - A. Senior Class Trip
  - B. School Report Cards
  - C. Academic and Career Planning - Jason Bertrand
  - D. Board Survey Tool
  - E. Handbook Language
  - F. Updated Safety Plan
  - G. CD Renewals - Tiffany Pakulski
  - H. Professional Staff Retirement
7. Informational Items:
  - A. Business Manager's Report
  - B. Middle/High School Principal's Report
  - C. District Administrator/Elementary Principal's Report
  - D. Committee Reports
  - E. Board Member Reports
8. Enter Closed Session Pursuant to Wisconsin Statutes 19.85(1)(c) for considering employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee.
  - A. Personnel
9. Return to Open Session to possibly take action on items discussed in closed session.
10. Adjourn:
 

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

## Bids & Notices

**TOWN OF LINCOLN  
DECEMBER MEETING CHANGE**  
The regularly scheduled December board meeting will take place on **Monday, December 18, 2023 at 6 PM (this meeting was originally scheduled for December 11).**

**TOWN OF ARGONNE TAXPAYERS**  
Notice is hereby given to all taxpayers of the Town of Argonne that the first installment of the 2023 Taxes is due to the Town of Argonne by January 31, 2024.  
**If you want a receipt, please enclose a self-addressed stamped envelope. If paying in person, below are the dates and times the office (located at town hall) will be open for tax collection:**  
Friday, December 22, 2023, 2:00PM- 6:00PM  
Thursday, December 28, 2023, 4:00PM-6:00PM  
Friday, January 12, 2024, 9:00AM-12:00PM  
Friday, January 26, 2024, 9:00AM-12:00PM  
Monday, January 29, 2024, 2:00PM-6:00PM  
Please pay with check, or money order payable to the Town of Argonne, 8050 Schmidt Ln, Argonne WI 54511. If you pay in cash, it must be the exact amount. We are not able to accept credit card/debit card payments.  
If you have any questions, please call 715-649-3222 or leave a message on the Town hall answering machine at 715-649-3550.  
**Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.**  
Submitted by Christie Schmidt,  
Town of Argonne Treasurer  
Dated November 27, 2023

## WHAT'S TO EAT

**LAONA SCHOOL DISTRICT  
BREAKFAST MENU  
DEC. 11-15**  
**Mon.** - Whole grain cereal, string cheese, peaches, juice  
**Tues.** - Cereal bar, string cheese, pineapple, juice  
**Wed.** - Blueberry waffles, pears, juice  
**Thurs.** - Sausage breakfast sandwich, apple slices, juice  
**Fri.** - Whole grain cereal, yogurt cup, mixed fruit, juice

**Wabeno School  
Breakfast Menu  
Dec. 11 - 15**  
**Monday** - Early risers 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

**LAONA SCHOOL DISTRICT  
LUNCH MENU  
DEC. 11-15**  
**Mon.** - Nacho grande, pineapple, corn, refried beans, churro  
**Tues.** - Breaded chicken patty on a bun, sweet potato tots, pears, garden bar  
**Wed.** - Loaded baked potato, ham and cheese sauce, broccoli, apple, breadstick  
**Thurs.** - Chicken and gravy over biscuits, carrots, peaches, garden bar  
**Fri.** - Whole grain corn dogs, French fries, orange slices, cookie

**Wabeno School  
Lunch Menu  
Dec. 11 - 15**  
**Monday** - Mini corn dogs, Mac & cheese, carrots, pears, garden bar, milk  
**Tuesday** - Chicken patties, garden vegetable pasta, mixed vegetable, apple sauce, garden bar, milk  
**Wednesday** - Salisbury steak, mashed potatoes, dinner roll, broccoli, apple crisp, garden bar, milk  
**Thursday** - Hot ham & cheese, chips, green beans, berry cup, garden bar, milk  
**Friday** - Turkey and gravy, mashed potatoes, California blend, peaches, dinner rolls, garden bar, milk



### Halloween at the Lazansky Community building in Mountain



### CITY OF CRANDON POLICE DEPARTMENT FROM THE DESK OF CHIEF ERIC BATH CPD November Activity Report:

- 2 - Alarm Call(s)
- 6 - Animal Incident(s)
- 1- Assault/Battery (1 ARREST)
- 4 - Assists to Citizens/Motorists/Business
- 10 - Assists to Forest County Sheriff's Dept.
- 7 - Assists to Forest County Sheriff's Dept. (Drugs/K9 Deployment)
- 2 - Assist Rescue
- 3 - ATV/UTV Incident(s)
- 2 - Civil Matter/Dispute(s)
- 2 - Criminal Damage to Property/Vandalism Incident(s) (2 ARRESTS)
- 1 - Dangerous Drug/Drug Para. And/or Poss. (1 ARREST)
- 5 - Disorderly Conduct/Fight(s) (2 ARRESTS)
- 1 - Domestic Dispute/Disturbance
- 3 - Fire Complaint(s)
- 1- Fraud/Scam Incident(s)
- 1 - Harassment/Threat Incident(s)
- 8 - Health/Safety/Welfare Incident(s)/911 Calls
- 1 - Liquor Law Violation(s)
- 1 - Obstruct/Resist/Flee Officer Incident(s) (1 ARREST)
- 2 - O.W.I. (6 CITATIONS)
- 3 - Probation/Parole Violation(s) (3 ARRESTS)
- 2 - Property Dispute Incident(s)
- 27 - Security Checks--Businesses/Residences
- 11 - Suspicious Person/Activity/Package/Vehicle Incident(s)
- 1 - Theft/Possible Theft Incident(s)
- 7 - Traffic/Driving/Parking Incident(s)
- 1 - Trespassing Complaint(s)
- 9 - Vehicle Lockout(s)
- 4 - Warrant Arrest(s)/Apprehension Request(s)
- 14 - Citations Issued re: Traffic-Related Matters
- 78 - Warning(s) to Drivers (re: Vehicle or Traffic Safety)



### For Old Times Sake



If you read the caption on the photo, it says: "Star Load of the Season." It was hauled by C. Minton, who was probably Cap Minton, from Crandon. The logs were evidently being put on cars at Adkins Siding, which should probably read Atkins.  
It is likely that these logs ended up in the sawmill in Crandon after a ride on the railroad. Then again, maybe not. It is impossible to figure out the old business deals from a century or more ago. Note the small building on the right of the photo. It was likely a where the scaler lived and worked while this job was being cut and hauled. And think of this. There are likely people still living and walking on the hardwood flooring made out of these logs over a century ago.

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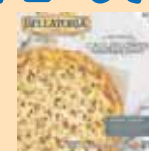


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# Death Notices

**Lorraine L. Aromi**, age 96, of Laona, passed away on Sunday, November 19, 2023, at The Bay of Nu Roc in Blackwell while under the care of Moments Hospice. She was born June 8, 1927, in Chicago, Illinois to the late Herman and Virginia (Koch) Hensel. She married Raymond "Dutch" Aromi in 1947. He preceded her in death in 1984.



Lorraine enjoyed many different types of craft activities and cherished her time spent with her children and grandchildren. She worked many years in Chicago at a print shop before retiring to the Laona area.

Survivors include her sons, Harvey (Peggy) Aromi and Jeff Aromi; grandchild, Adrienne Aromi; and great-grandchildren, Hailey and Sydney Connor.

In addition to her parents and husband, she was preceded in death by a sister, Dorothy (Phillip) Aromi; and brother, Buddy Hensel.

Per Lorraine's wishes, no services will be held. Online condolences can be directed to [www.weberhillfuneralhome.com](http://www.weberhillfuneralhome.com).

**Otto James Hoepner**, 80, of Laona, Wisconsin passed away on November 29 at his home in the company of his family, ending a three-year battle with liver cancer.



He was born on August 15, 1943, in Chippewa Falls to Nickolas and Gladys (Priest) Hoepner. From the earliest days of his childhood, Otto learned resourcefulness and gratitude, traits that would stick with him throughout his life. His first homes were a log cabin without running water or electricity, a boxcar converted into a cabin, and a one-room schoolhouse. While a student at Stout State University, he paid for his tuition by working as a farm hand on weekends and over the summers. After graduation, he was hired as industrial arts teacher at the high school in Laona, where he met and married Mary Belland, settled down, and raised three daughters. He taught at Laona High School for 35 years.

During summers he worked as a fireman on the Lumberjack Special steam train for about a decade and for over twenty years on the grounds crew at Nicolet Country Club. He was a founding member of the Laona Rescue Squad and volunteer of over thirty years. After retiring from teaching, Otto embarked on a second career, working at Nu Roc nursing home and Connor Builder's Supply Co.

Otto loved being active and outdoors—hunting, fishing, mountain biking, hiking, and especially cross-country skiing, for which he achieved "Birchlegger" status, having completed twenty American Birkebeiner ski marathons. He loved to hike the grandkids back to Mud Lake for an afternoon of fishing and could often be found attending Crandon sporting events cheering on his grandkids.

Otto is survived by his wife of 55 years, Mary Hoepner; daughters, Jennifer Hoepner of Milwaukee, Stephanie (Joe Funk) Hoepner of St. Paul, Minn., Jacquelyn (Greg) Wilson of Crandon and their brother Michael (Catherine) Wray of Highlands Ranch, Colo.; ten grandchildren, Ashley Wilson, Greg (Misty) Wilson II, Jacob Wilson, Jacinta (Hayden) West, Marissa Wilson, Josh Wilson, Aminetta Esamenope, Anna Funk, Lauren Wray, Tessa Wray; three great-grandchildren, Peyton Wilson, Alaina Wilson, (arriving soon) Cameron West; and siblings, Leon (Darlene) Hoepner, Doris (Harvey) Howard, Allen (Linda) Hoepner, Theresa Keller, Pat Mayek, and Ken Mayek.

Otto was preceded in death by his parents, Nick and Gladys Hoepner; brother, Fred Hoepner; and nephew, Joey Mayek.

A wake will be held from 9 until 11 a.m. in the morning on Saturday, December 9 at St. Leonard Catholic Church in Laona, followed by a funeral mass at 11 a.m. celebrated by Fr. Anil Polumari, with Fr. Kennedy Gaspar of Crandon concelebrating. The burial will take place at Laona Cemetery. In lieu of flowers you may donate to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, St. Leonard's parish, or Lakewood Cross Country Ski Club.

The family would like to sincerely thank all the staff at Compassus Hospice, especially Sandy, McKenna, Evie, Becka, Crystal, Val, and Lorina.

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# Letters to the Editor

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

To the Editor:

Kudos to all the people, businesses and organizations for their considerable efforts to make the Lake Avenue Christmas parade and tree-lighting a rousing success!

The air was chilly, but the sense of community was heartwarming, and the kids and adults alike headed home in a spirit of season and community.

Ron & Winnie Krueger

## Baldwin delivers over \$38 million to improve airports in Wisconsin Funding to bolster safety and improve connectivity from Baldwin-backed Bipartisan Infrastructure Law

U.S. Senator Tammy Baldwin (D-WI) announced airports across Wisconsin will receive over \$38 million in federal funding for infrastructure upgrades – including investments in runways, taxiways, safety and sustainability projects, terminal upgrades, airport-transit connections, and roadway projects. The funding for these projects comes from Federal Aviation Administration Airport Improvement Grants (AIG), a program funded by the Baldwin-backed Bipartisan Infrastructure Law.

"Our Wisconsin airports are vital to our economy and way of life, connecting our communities, empowering tourism, and driving our local economies," said Senator Baldwin. "Aging infrastructure can cause delays, jeopardize passenger safety, and negatively impact our economy and that is why I am thrilled to deliver this federal funding. These resources will help our airports across the state increase efficiency, improve safety, and ensure our airports can welcome new passengers for years to come."

In September, Senator Baldwin announced a similar investment of over \$23.5 million in federal funding from the Airport Improvement Program (AIP) awarded to Appleton International, Dane County Regional, and Rhinelander-Oneida County airports, as well as the Wisconsin State Block Grant Program.

Through AIG, the following airports will receive funding:

**Northern Region: \$5.5 Million**

- Langlade County Airport, Antigo, \$144,000
- John F Kennedy Memorial Airport, Ashland, \$144,000
- Cable Union Airport, Cable, \$113,000
- Crandon/Steve Conway Municipal Airport, Crandon, \$113,000
- Eagle River Union Airport, Eagle River, \$144,000
- Sawyer County Airport, Hayward, \$144,000
- Major Gilbert Field Airport, La Pointe, \$113,000
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# Birth Announcement



Roman Leonard and Courtney White of Crandon are excited to announce the birth of their son, Lynken Fredrich, at 8:38 a.m. on November 19, 2023. Lynken was 9 lbs. and 19 inches long. Congratulations on the new addition to your family.



**A note from the four busmen (Mike, Christ, Bob & Kevin) ...**

This month we have two special dates for special trips this month. On December 1, we will be taking a trip to watch the Crandon Tree Lighting and on December 7, we will be taking a bus to Appleton for anyone who wants to partake in some Christmas shopping (weather permitting of course).

Please let us know if there are any special trips on your bucket list and we will see if we can make it happen.

Please call 715-784-1497 if you would like to join us for these trips or for any other rides you'd like to attend.

**Tuesday and Thursday Trips**

Forest County to Rhinelander, Antigo and Iron Mountain. We will 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, December 7:** Appleton (weather permitting)

**Tuesday, December 12:** Iron Mountain

**Thursday, December 14:** Rhinelander

**Tuesday, December 19:** Antigo

**Thursday, December 21:** Iron Mountain

**Tuesday, December 26:** MERRY CHRISTMAS!

**Thursday, December 28:** Rhinelander

**Forest County Commission on Aging**  
**Nutrition Program**  
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**Monday - Dec. 11** - Ham on marble rye with romaine and tomato slice, mayo, minestrone soup, crackers, peach slice

**Monday - Dec. 18** - Spaghetti and meat sauce, mixed greens, dressing, garlic breadstick, mandarin oranges, pineapple cake

**CRANDON, WABENO, LAONA, ARMSTRONG CREEK**

**Tuesday - Dec. 12** - Seasoned baked fish, parsley buttered potatoes, tartar sauce, carrots, rye bread, diced mixed fruit

**Tuesday - Dec. 19** - Sliced turkey sandwich on whole wheat bread, romaine and tomato slice, Tuscan bean soup with chicken and sausage, crackers, peach slices, cookie

**CRANDON, LAONA, ARMSTRONG CREEK, WABENO**

**Wednesday - Dec. 13** - Swedish meatballs, mashed potatoes, squash, rye bread, pineapple, chocolate cake

**Wednesday - Dec. 20** - Roast beef, mashed potatoes, gravy, peas and carrots, whole wheat roll, cranberry cake  
**ALVIN (Alvin now serving at 12:00 p.m.)**

**Thursday - Dec. 14** - Shepherd's pie, broccoli salad, biscuit, cookie - **CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION**

**Thursday - Dec. 21** - Ham salad with tomatoes and carrots, baked beans, hashbrown casserole, dinner roll, pie

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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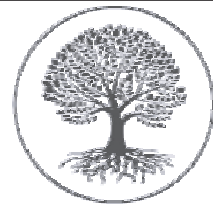
Applicants must have a valid drivers license, a clean driving record, with a CDL endorsement, and be able to pass a physical, audiogram, and D.O.T. drug screen. Applications may be obtained at the Highway offices located at 5350 County Road "W" Crandon, Wisconsin, or off the Forest County web site.

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

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



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**SALARY & BENEFITS:** 40 Hours of Vacation after 90 days, Pay Wage and Vacation time increases with longevity. Benefits include: Wisconsin Retirement Fund, Health Insurance, Life Insurance, Sick Leave, Vacation Time, 9 Paid Holidays, Uniform Allowance, and Deferred Compensation.

**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.

**Mail applications to:** Chief Deputy Alex Walrath  
Forest County Sheriff's Office  
100 South Park Avenue  
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>

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## Part-Time Help Wanted in Town of Lincoln

The Town of Lincoln is looking to hire a PART-TIME employee on a limited/emergency basis for the winter months for the purposes of snow plowing and building maintenance.

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Submit a letter of interest and qualifications by 12/20/23 using one of the below options:

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-Text/Call: 715-490-5541

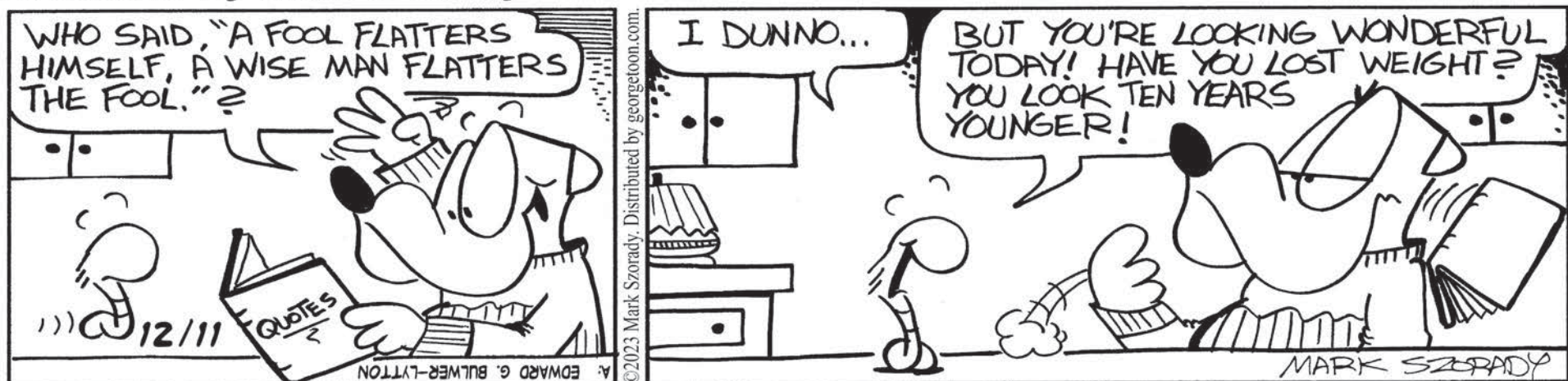
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## School District of Crandon Internal and External Vacancy

Posted: 11/29/2023

**Position Title:** Payroll and Benefits Specialist/Accounts Receivable

**Report to:** District Administrator

**Position Description:**

The School District of Crandon is seeking a Payroll and Benefits Specials/Accounts Receivable to work in the District Office. This position will be 40 hours per week. Pay for this position will begin at \$19.00 and will be based on experience. The position offers full benefits and will begin immediately.

**Qualifications:**

- Two-year Associate Arts Certificate in Business or accounting, or their equivalent
- Two or more years of responsible payroll or related work experience
- Two or more years of responsible bookkeeping work experience or an equivalent combination of training and experience
- Ability to work confidentially with upper-level management as well as instructional and non-instructional personnel and establish and maintain effective and public working relationships
- Thorough knowledge of data processing, payroll, bookkeeping, and/or accounting principles and procedures
- Such alternatives to the above as the Board of Education and/or District Administrator may find appropriate

**PERFORMANCE RESPONSIBILITIES**

- Receive and compute all payrolls; including making deductions and Board of Education contributions for income tax, retirement, social security, insurance, and other deductions
- Prepare all state and federal tax and labor forms relating to payroll matters
- Prepare reports and payments for Wisconsin retirement funds
- Enter and update the Employee Management function of Skyward
- Enroll new employees with health insurance, dental insurance, long-term disability, life insurances, and retirement
- Prepare information for yearly workers' compensation audit
- Perform monthly bank reconciliations
- Maintain activity fund - requisitions, orders, payables, etc.
- Receive staff sick leave/absences and contact substitutes
- Other tasks as may be assigned by the District Administrator

**Submission Materials:**

- Cover Letter
- Resume
- Three Current Letters of Recommendation

**Application Deadline:** Monday, December 11, 2023 at 3:00 pm

**How to Apply:** To apply for this position, please submit application materials to Kirby Schultz, Interim District Administrator, School District of Crandon, 9750 US HWY 8 W, Crandon, WI 54520, or on WECAN. The full job posting can be found at [www.sdofcrandon.com](http://www.sdofcrandon.com).

*The School District of Crandon does not discriminate on the basis of sex, race, religion, national origin, ancestry, creed, sexual orientation, pregnancy, marital or parental status, mental, emotional, or learning disability.*

## Townsend Fire Assoc. Cont. from pg. 1

decades, this group of devoted members played an outside roll in bolstering firefighting capabilities. However, TFW recently embraced the idea that all community members, not just firefighters' families, should be included.

In keeping with this premise, TFW has been renamed Friends of Townsend Fire (FOTF). Their mission remains the same: assisting the Townsend Volunteer Fire Department and the communities they serve. In that regard, FOFT recently obtained a 501(c)3 non-profit, tax-exempt designation to facilitate fundraising and foster broader community support. The change takes effect January 1, 2024.

Wanda Laste, FOTF Board of Directors Chair, called this a very welcome change. "This is an exciting time as we expand our membership and fundraising opportunities. With the anticipated increased support, we can better provide safe, state-of-the-art equipment needed in a fire emergency."

Fire Chief Dawn Herlache noted that most volunteer fire departments must raise money to fund equipment and training. "Having a group like the Friends of Townsend Fire supporting us is essential to having the resources we need to do our jobs safely and effectively."

Current fundraising activities will help pay for a new Fire Engine on order at Pierce Manufacturing in Appleton. FOTF has pledged \$60,000 toward the unit. The group will also fund continuing education for firefighters to ensure their safety and preparedness.

FOTF membership is open to anyone 18 or older. To join or learn more about how you can help, email [FOTF@friendsoftownsendfire.org](mailto:FOTF@friendsoftownsendfire.org); visit [www.friendsoftownsendfire.org](http://www.friendsoftownsendfire.org); or like Friends of Townsend Fire on Facebook. Much-appreciated tax-deductible contributions can be sent to Friends of Townsend Fire, PO Box 129, Townsend, WI 54175.

## Conservation Corner Cont. from pg. 1

white ring. The male's very long tail is coppery with thin, black bars. As with many bird species, the females are quite ordinary - brown with paler scaling on the upperparts; buff or cinnamon underparts with black spotting on the sides; and thin, black bars on their tails.

Ring-necked Pheasants are birds of agricultural areas intermixed with areas of taller vegetation, which they use for cover. You will find ring-necked pheasants on game farms in northern Wisconsin, such as Heritage Hunt Club in Laona, but you will have to go south into the heart of Wisconsin's agricultural areas to find wild breeding populations. Look for them along rural roadsides, grassy strips in contour fields, in brushy areas, or hedgerows, which provides cover beside corn, soybean, or other grain fields.

They forage on the ground in fields, where they eat waste grain, other seeds, and insects when available. They will then roost in the cover near these fields. Ring-necked Pheasants usually walk or run and only occasionally resort to flying, usually when disturbed at close range by humans or other predators. Males give a loud, cackling display that can be heard over long distances.

Male pheasants are territorial giving crowing call while briefly drumming with wings. One male may have several mates, the females associating with each other in a small flock on his territory. In courtship, male struts in half-circle around female with back and tail feathers tilted toward her, near wing drooping, face wattles swollen. Nests are on the ground in dense cover. They consist of a shallow depression lined with grass, leaves, weeds and are built by the female.

Females lay eggs in clutches of 10-12 in April to June depending on region. Incubation is by female only, 23-28 days. Downy young leave nest with female shortly after hatching and mostly feed themselves. Male pheasants rarely accompany female and brood. Young are capable of short flights at about 12 days but stay with female for 10-12 weeks.

The Wisconsin DNR and ring-necked pheasant conservation groups release pheasants in the fall for the Wisconsin pheasant hunting season. All hunters who want to pursue pheasants must purchase a pheasant stamp. The funds generated from your pheasant stamp purchase go directly to habitat management for the ringed-necked pheasant in Wisconsin.

Remember that not all exotic plants and animals are considered invasive. Some of these exotic animals, like the ring-necked pheasant, have become an important part of our hunting and family traditions.

## Northwoods Legislators to hold a public discussion on the 2023 Gun Deer Hunting Season

State Representatives Rob Swearingen, Calvin Callahan, and Senator Mary Felzkowski are seeking public input regarding the 2023 gun deer hunting season in Wisconsin – including, but not limited to, the gray wolf impact on our deer population.

**Event Details:**

**Date:** December 21st Time: 5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

**Location:** Woodruff Town Hall, 1418 1st Ave, Woodruff, WI 54568

Representatives from the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR) are invited to attend so they can provide their perspective on deer management strategies regarding this year's hunt.

"After a disappointing gun deer hunting season, we received outreach from constituents who expressed their concern with the state of our deer ecosystem. Harvest numbers saw a significant decline of nearly 20% this year," said Rep. Swearingen. "This public discussion is vital for us to address these concerns and explore ways to ensure a sustainable and thriving deer population."

Senator Felzkowski added: "Northern Wisconsin used to be a deer hunter's paradise, and now we've got folks who don't see a single deer during the entire nine-day gun deer season. They're beyond frustrated with the population numbers, so we want to give hunters an opportunity to directly join the discussion as we work with the DNR to ensure this downward trend is reversed as fast as possible."

"Hunting is a time-honored tradition in Wisconsin," stated Rep. Callahan. "The decline in successful hunts this year should be deeply concerning to us all, and it's time the DNR got a handle on managing our state's deer population in a way that is effective and beneficial for our citizens and our environment. I look forward to hearing from folks at our upcoming listening session."

All community members, hunters, and concerned citizens are encouraged to attend this informative event. The discussion will include an open forum for attendees to share their thoughts and engage in a constructive conversation.



## Nicolet AARP Chapter 1191

The November meeting of the Nicolet AARP Chapter 1191 was for the election of officers for the coming year. President Karen Prueter and Secretary Pat Bass were reelected to their positions. The positions for V.P. Ethel Firgens and Treasure Carol Butrymowicz will expire next year. The Members also voted to make charitable contributions to the following organizations: \$100 to Lakewood Ambulance, \$100 to Mountain Ambulance, \$100 to Lakewood Presbyterian for use of the church, \$100 to Christian Food Pantry, \$75 to Lakewood Library, and \$50 to Kids for Wisconsin.

The AARP Christmas Social will be on December 11, at Randy's Place Bowling Alley in Suring. It will start at 11:30, serving lunch at 12:30 P.M. The menu will be sliced roast beef, mashed potatoes and gravy, dinner roll, peas, carrots, dessert, and coffee. The cost is \$20.00. For reservations call Carol Butrymowicz on 715-276-3468.

There is no AARP meeting in December. The January 23, 2024, meeting will be a Potluck meeting with dinner served at 12:00 PM.

AARP meetings are social and informative. Meetings are held on the 4th Tuesday of the month at the Lakewood Presbyterian Church starting at 1:30 PM. Contact Janice Tetzlaff Membership Chairperson at 920-323-6734 for information.

Submitted by Richard J. Culver, Public Relations Chairperson

## Pickerel Chain Lake aeration system Caution advised traveling on Pickerel, Little Pickerel, and Smoke Lake ice

Aeration systems will be in operation this winter on Pickerel, Little Pickerel, and Smoke Lakes, all located just north of Townsend in Oconto County. Caution should be used if using or traveling on the lakes ice surface this winter, as the aeration systems will create a large area of open water in each of the lakes.

The Pickerel Chain Lake Association operates and maintains these aerations systems as a means to help prevent fish kills due to the development of low dissolved oxygen levels as the winter season progresses.

The Pickerel Lake aerator is located off the north shore and across the lake from the boat landing at Townsend's Oughton Park. The Little Pickerel Lake aerator is located on the north end of that lake, and the Smoke Lake aerator is located on the northeast quadrant of that lake.

The aeration systems will be put into operation once ice thickness on the lakes is considered safe for lake association members to erect an open water warning system consisting of posts and rope. The post and rope warning system will be placed to surround each of the open water areas that will develop. Caution signs warning of the aeration system operation and the presence of open water areas will be placed at the Pickerel Lake boat landing and at other locations where fishermen, snowmobilers, and other lake users typically access the lakes.

The size of the open water areas created by the aeration systems will vary depending on wind and temperature. Thin ice conditions can extend out beyond the edges of the open water, and the lake association reminds all lake users to not assume the ice is safe at the post and rope warning system location, and to always check ice conditions prior to travel near the aeration systems or elsewhere on the lakes.

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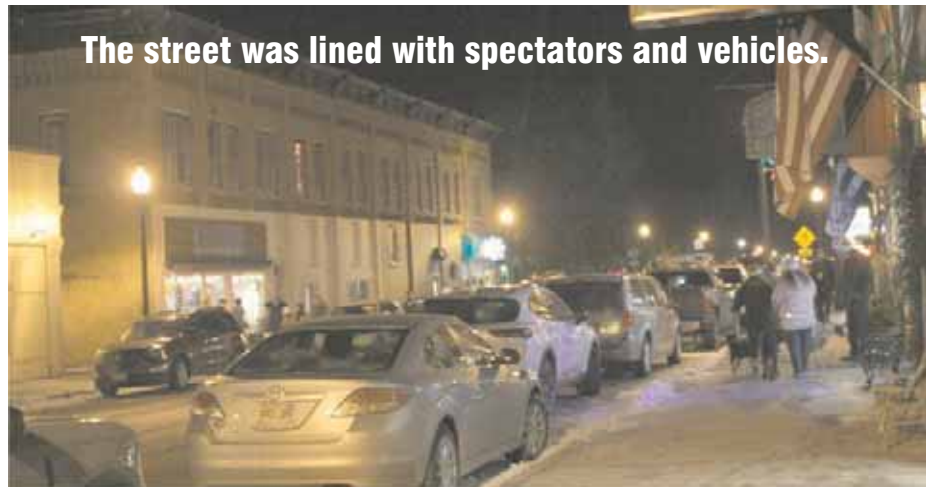


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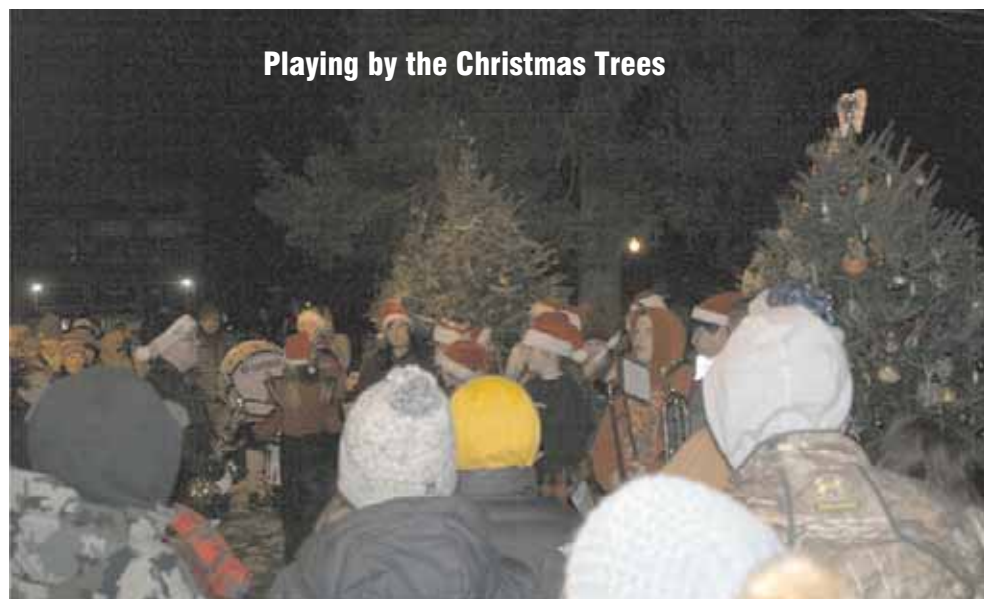
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