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Wabeno High School 2024 Valedictorian & Salutatrian

Brian Sears will graduate from Wabeno High School's Class of 2024 as Valedictorian. He is the son of Terri & Cody Erickson and Brian Sears. Brian plans to attend Fox Valley Technical College in Appleton to obtain an associate degree in web development and design.

A f t e r



college, Brian aspires to pursue a career in the IT

field. Throughout high school, Brian was involved in many different curricular activities, including basketball, track and field, and drama. He was also a member of the National Honor Society for two years. His interests include fishing, staying active, traveling, camping, and spending quality time with friends and family. He also spent a lot of his time in the Fab Lab, designing and building many projects for the community. Brian's biggest high school achievement is being a three-time Lions Honor Award recipient. He received this award for Social Studies, Business/Fab Lab, and Math.

Lawton Webb, son of Jamey Webb and Melissa Ouellette, is the salutatorian of the Wabeno High School Class of 2024. Lawton has participated in basketball, golf, and baseball during his four years of high school. His interests are most sports, being outdoors, and spending time with family and



friends. Lawton will be attending NWTC where he will pursue a technical diploma in electrical power distribution.

Laona Memorial Day Ceremony





The Laona Memorial Day Ceremony was held at the Laona Cemetery. Paul Thornton, wearing white in the photo above was the MC of the event. Jacob Koutnik, next to Thornton was the speaker for the event and did a fine job.

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Crandon International Raceway Awaits June's Forest County Potawatomi Brush Run



-- Racing Tradition and Record Purse to Highlight Summer Kick Off --

For the off-road racing community of teams and loyal fans, if it feels like summer, it must be time for legendary Crandon International Raceway to come alive for the 2024 season. After posting the most successful season in a storied 55 year-history last year, Crandon International Raceway is preparing to host the first major weekend of two this year with June's 31st Forest County Potawatomi Crandon Brush Run races. Named "Facility of the Year" at the 2022 Performance Racing Industry (PRI) show, Crandon will open the gates to its 400-acre facility June 21 - 23, for three days of action-packed practice, qualifying and racing as part of the 2024 AMSOIL Champ Continued on page 04

Wabeno Memorial Day Ceremony



The Wabeno Memorial Day Ceremony went very well and was well attended. The Wabeno School Band supplied the music, and the main speaker was Terry Severson, who is the daughter of a WWII Navy Vet and the proud wife of an Air Force Vet who served in Viet Nam.

Severson talked of the ordeal that wives and families of servicemen go through when the husband and father is sent to places overseas, when sometimes they can go, and other times they count the months until their spouse comes home.

A dedication was made for the trail that winds through the woods at the grounds to Byron and Bob Erdman. Bob Erdman, below, was at the ceremony.





The Wabeno School Band did a great job supplying the music!

Crandon: Remember Fallen on Memorial Day



The American Legion in Crandon hosted the annual Memorial Day Ceremony on the Forest County Courthouse lawn. Major David Pepe was the speaker.

Major David Pepe is a 28 year veteran, 11 years enlisted and 17 as an officer. Major Pepe told us that Memorial Day is a solemn day and that it is a time to stop and remember all of the people who gave up their life so that we could be free. He also told us to remember the soldiers of other countries that gave the ultimate sacrifice. He said we show respect on this day by visiting the cemeteries and decorating the graves with wreaths and flowers.

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Wabeno Lions support the Wabeno School House Restoration Project



Recently, the Wabeno Lions presented a \$1000 check to Lion Larry Rummel to assist the on-going school house restoration project.

Larry, Tim, and Dick, the members of a group called "The Man Cave", are taking on the job of restoring the historic first Wabeno school house. They have been working on the project for about a year. In that time, the group has resided the building and built new steps. The Man Cave group's goal for this summer is to give the entire building a new paint face lift. Painting tools have already been acquired through other local groups.

You are appreciated, Man Cave guys (Larry, Tim, and Dick)! It will be interesting for all of us as we watch your progress on this great restoration project.

Submitted by: Lion Clare Huisman and Lion Norma Johnson

Conservation Corner

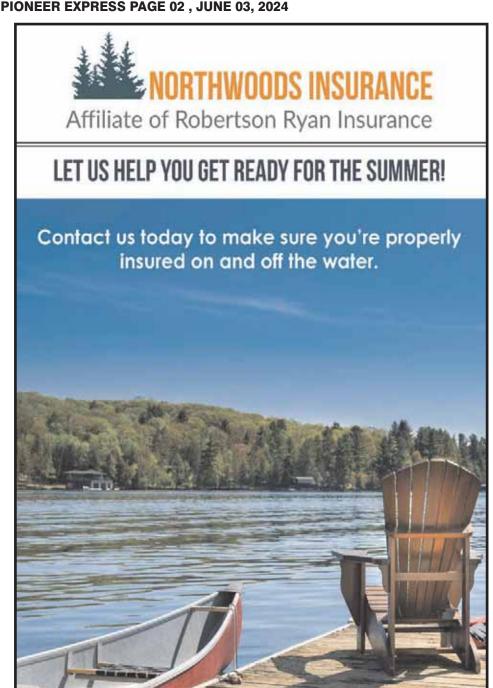
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NATIVE PLANT PICK-UP WILL BE FRIDAY 8-4 IN THE COURTHOUSE SQUARE (by the tank).

I had to jump the gun last weekend and mow my lawn for all the family that was coming for Memorial Day. Many people have committed to not mowing their yards in May, allowing flowering plants to grow to help provide food for pollinators. Before you stow away your mower for May, let's look at what options you can take to help pollinators this Spring.

Sometimes it depends on your lawn. Lawns that consist solely of turfgrass provide little to no resources for pollinators. However, lawns that also contain low growing flowering plants, such as dandelions, can provide nectar and pollen to a wide range.

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Hidden Bear Trail ATV Club and Red Arrow Snowmobile-ATV Club graduate 30 DNR ATV Safety Course Students



DNR ATV Safety Class Students in Townsend

The Hidden Bear Trail ATV Club and the Red Arrow Snowmobile ATV Club held a DNR ATV Safety Course on May 11, 2024. The event was held at the Townsend Town Hall in Townsend and we thank them for the use of the facility. Lead Instructor was Larry Westphal with Sandy Wagner, Mike Malueg, Rick Van Asten, Ron Schmocker and Brandon Leitzke assisting with the one day course. Instructors were extremely pleased with the student's preparation prior to attending the classroom session. Oconto County Recreation Officer Dan Woodke provided insight into relevant information on ATV regulations and safety.

Thirty students passed the exam and have successfully completed the DNR ATV Safety Course. Class participants included: Morgan Arnoldhussen, Gaven Bastian, Maxwell Berger, Finleigh Betters, Van Blaskowski, Harper Blaskowski, Maison Blaskowski, Emily Brey, Taylor Hansen, Carter Hochkammer, Danielle Lehman, Brandon Leitzke, Nicholas Merholz, Nolan Merholz, Joseph Metzner, Wesley Mier, Alex Nettekovan, Isabella Ondik, Easton Palet, Everett Palet, Quinn Pick, Morgan Rank, Dylan Rank, Carter Reed, Jack Reed, Callie Reed, Justin Seckel, Jacob Seiltz, Faith Wallner and Jonas Zellner.

Individuals born after January 1, 1988 must complete the course to legally drive an ATV in Wisconsin. Currently that means that anyone 36 years old or younger must have completed the course. An on-line version is available through the DNR, but younger students especially are highly encouraged to take the classroom version for maximum effect.

Congratulations to all the graduates and their parents who encouraged them to take the course. The Hidden Bear Trail ATV Club has been serving the area since 2009. The Red Arrow Snowmobile ATV Club has been serving the area since 1968. For more information on our clubs, please see our websites or visit us on Facebook.



June NORTA Meeting

NORTA (Nicolet-Oconto Retired Teachers' Association) will hold its June meeting at Blue Spruce, 8096 County Road A, Lena, Wisconsin, 54139 (920-829-5960). The meeting will be held on June 19, 2024, with the meal at noon, presentation, then business meeting.

This month's presentation will cover the who. what, when, where, and why of Hospice. The presenters will be Katie Wasielewski RN, Dana Anderson HCC, and Charlayn Krance HCC, from Moments Hospice.

President Nancy Morstad will also be presenting an award to the NORTA Volunteer of the Year.

The June meeting is a prepay event. Reservations must be called in to the venue on June 5th. Cost of the meal is \$20 per person and should be mailed to Rita Blazewicz, 14245 Glenwood Lane, Lakewood, WI 54138. Checks should be made out to NORTA. Members can find an addressed envelope in their 2024 Directories. If you are unable to get the money to Rita in time, please call President Nancy at 920-897-4230 or 920-373-8009.





Girl Scouts recited a touching poem.



The Laona School Band members did a fine job.





AUCTIONS

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(Sunday, June 9th) (Starts 10:30 AM)(View 9:30) (Lunch)

Mr. Randy Jacob passed away.

(Most items excellent)

Antigo, WI. 350 Mapleview Rd. (Off HWY 45 South side) Roadster Car: 1919 Overland Touring (restored) must see! Like New Car Hauler Trailer: Sur Trac 20' 1973 <u>Chevrolet Truck (Hot Rod Truck)</u>: restoration project, frame is built with rebuilt Cummins engine Truck Box: 20' Guns: Marlin 30/30, Mossberg 410, Mossberg 12 ga, Sports King 22cal., Tools: tool box, battery charger, paint sprayer, table saw, vise, engine hoist, creeper, sanders, jig saw, air tools, impacts, grinders, air hose reels, air compressor, chain saw sharpener, chop saw, circular saw, miter saw, halogen light, hardware & more! Man Cave items: 50+ license plates, road signs, Nascar items, Sporting/Yard: outdoor swing, outdoor decor, power washer, scaffording, old sleds, chain saw, blower, chipper, ice auger, tip ups, yard tools, Coleman lantern, RC panes, vintage snowmobile helmets & suits, exercise equipment, turkey cooker, firewood, gun cabinet & more! Home Contents/Antiques: dining table, pictures, baby bed, wicker chair, Bugle, Christmas items, refrig, microwave & more! Terms: Cash or good check, credit cards. Sales tax charged on some items. No responsible for loss or accidents. Settlement made before removing items. Conditions: sold as is, where is. Announcements made on auction day take precedence over printed material. R.W.A. Col. Rene Brass #424, Col. Robert St. Louis #450, St.Louis Auctions LLC 6728 Whitefish Lk. Rd., Three Lakes, WI 54562. PH. 715-367-1668

HISTORY on Tap

The Crandon Area Historical Society is inviting visitors and the community members o our upcoming History on Tap presentation. The event is scheduled for Thursday, June 27 at the Night Owl, 103 E Madison Street in Crandon. It will begin at 6:30 p.m.

The topic will be on metal detecting brought to you by the N.E.W. Metal Detecting Club. The club recently performed detecting on the museum and courthouse grounds

If you would like to learn more, please plan on attending this event. More information will be forthcoming.

You can also learn more about our museum, our planned programs and the history of the Crandon area by visiting our website at www.crandonareahistory.org.

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Navigating Clear Air Month amidst Canadian Wildfires

UPPER PENINSULA, Mich. - As May unfolds, so does Clean Air Month, an annual reminder of the importance of breathable, pollution-free air for our health and the environment. However, most recently, many states are grappling with a pressing issue: Canadian wildfires causing smoke and air quality issues. With over 146 active wildfires burning in Canada, wildfire smoke has drifted across the border into the United States, prompting many state officials to issue air quality alerts.

One of the most alarming repercussions of wildfires is the deterioration of air quality due to the release of harmful pollutants such as particulate matter (PM), carbon monoxide (CO), nitrogen oxides (NOx), and volatile organic compounds (VOCs). These pollutants can penetrate deep into the respiratory system, causing or exacerbating various health problems, including respiratory illnesses, cardiovascular diseases, particularly among vulnerable populations such as children, the elderly, and individuals with pre-existing health conditions.

"The impact of poor air quality cannot be overstated," said Tony Malik, MD, Hospitalist for Aspirus Health. "Whenever we have poor air quality, it can cause exacerbation or flare-ups for people with chronic lung diseases, coronary artery diseases, and other chronic diseases."

Our lungs need clean air to stay healthy. That's why it's important the air we breathe is free of pollution. Each May, the American Lung Association (ALA) celebrates Clean Air Month to educate people about the impact clean air can

Aspirus Health stresses the importance of protecting yourself from air pollution impacts by:

· Knowing the daily air quality index of your area.

- Taking precautions when air quality is not safe for your health, including staying indoors, closing windows, using air filters and not smoking.
- Not exercising next to busy roads to avoid contact with car exhaust.
- · Eliminating bad air from inside your home by keeping it mold-free, cleaning often to avoid dust mites, using cleaning products with lower amounts of volatile organic compounds (VOCs), ensuring fuel-burning appliances are vented properly, testing your home for radon, not smoking, avoiding secondhand smoke, and opening windows to bring in fresh air when outdoor air quality is safe.

"Summer is rolling around and people are getting outside – more camping, cleaning up their yards with brush fires or having campfires. Avoid these activities during times of poor air quality," says Dr. Malik. "It would be a good idea to stay inside or minimize your time outside if possible."

As of today, Montana, North and South Dakota, Iowa, Minnesota, Wisconsin and Michigan were among the states reporting unhealthy air quality. By prioritizing measures to protect oneself from air pollution and its impacts. individuals can contribute to healthier communities and a more sustainable future for generations to come.

Aspirus Health has taken an active role in sustainability since 2018, including introducing programs to reduce its carbon footprint to support community health and improve air and water quality. One clean air initiative at Aspirus Health is to use clean, renewable solar energy. To date, Aspirus has installed 1.957 megawatts of solar electric panels across its locations. These solar panels use the sun to create electricity, which is used to help power the buildings where

Another ongoing clean air initiative is the conversion to LED lighting across its hospitals in Wisconsin and Upper Michigan. LED lighting uses less energy than traditional lighting while also requiring fewer lights to achieve the same level of brightness. Less energy use translates to fewer greenhouse gas emissions.

AREA EVENTS

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The Wabeno Area Players are looking for actors to fill our Tall Tales Readers Theater cast for "Paul Bunyan" and also "Pecos Bill with Sluefoot Sue," which we will perform at Wabeno's WamFest on Saturday, July 20.

Are you an articulate and expressive reader? Do you want a low-risk introduction to being on the stage? Readers Theater might be a great way to join The Players.

Auditions are June 4 and 5 at 6 p.m. at the Wabeno Public Library. Scripts are available to check out for two days at a time at the Wabeno Public Library.

If you have questions, please call Carol Bartlein at 715-473-5466. Leave a message and she will return your

Please join us for the fun theater has to offer!

Crandon Memorial Day Cont. from pg. 1

Major Pepe gave a brief history of Memorial Day and then told us about two people who gave the ultimate sacrifice. Lori Piestewa and Christopher Gonzales. Lori Piestewa, a member of the Quartermaster Corps, a Hopi, Piestewa was the first Native American woman to die in combat while serving in the U.S. military and the first woman in the U.S. military killed in the Iraq War.

Christopher Gonzales was assigned to 1st Battalion, 15th Infantry Regiment, 3rd Brigade Combat Team, 3rd Infantry Division, Fort Stewart, Ga. He died May 14, 2007, in Salman Pak, Iraq, when his unit came in contact with enemy forces using an improvised explosive device and small-arms fire.

Sgt. Gonzalez was from the Navajo Nation. He enlisted in the Army in 2001. He served two tours in Iraq and did an eight-month tour in Korea.

John Brensinger gave a brief history on Patrick Henry. The legion gave a 21 gun salute, the flag was raised, taps were played and the service was concluded.

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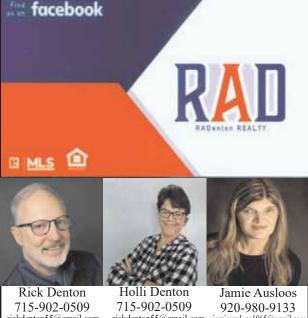








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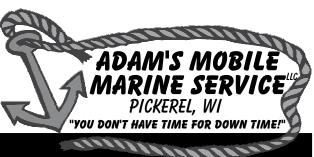


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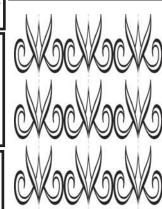
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Brush Run Cont from pg 4



ENTERTAINMENT GALORE: Besides offering fans free admission on Friday, June 21, Crandon's 31st Forest County Potawatomi Brush Run weekend is packed with the world's best off-road drivers competing in 33 races in two days. Saturday night all guests are invited to the Crandon Clubhouse to enjoy Whiskey Ditch -- one of Wisconsin's premier party bands

Off-Road Series. Last year's FCP Crandon Brush Run attracted the largest crowd in event history, and track officials expect to host even more spectators, campers and race teams in 2024. Grass sites in Camp Crandon are still available, as are a limited number of grandstands seats. All ticket information and reservations can be made directly by visiting crandonoffroad.com.

In keeping with a long-held Crandon tradition, on Friday, June 21 enthusiasts young and old are encouraged to help kick-off the season with "Free Friday." Beginning at 9:00am parking and admission gates will be open for the entire day at no cost, courtesy of the Forest County Potawatomi community. The entrance gates for Camp Crandon for attendees and racers opens on Thursday, June 20 at 12:00pm noon (CST). Part of the seven race 2024 Champ Off-Road series, the Crandon Brush Bun is expected to host more than 250 racers competing in 36 rounds of competition for all Pro and Sportsman categories. A combination of the track's prestige and the largest season cash purse in Crandon history will provide race fans with a highly competitive field in all truck, buggy and UTV classes, including the spectacular Pro 4, Pro 2, Pro Lite and Pro Spec category trucks.

Pro and Sportsman racers will be competing for a Crandon Brush Run weekend record cash purse of \$95,000, including \$30,000 for the weekend's big Forest County Potawatomi Community Cup finale. Now in its 31st year, this prestigious tradition is an all-out brawl that pits Pro 2 and Pro 4 racers on the track at the same time with a staggered start. These special Cup races were invented at Crandon International Raceway and offer fans a heart-stopping spectacle. Last year Pro 4 champion racer CJ Greaves took home his second consecutive Forest County Potawatomi Community Cup driving the #33 Monster Energy Toyota Tundra.

In the world of motorsports, the Crandon International Raceway and Forest County Potawatomi Community partnership is wholly unique. Both entities work

to serve the local population and economy of Wisconsin's picturesque Forest County, located in the state's popular Northwoods region -- a growing tourist destination for outdoor recreation. In 2023 that relationship was extended to include the rapidly expanding Potawatomi Casino Hotel located in Milwaukee.

In addition to its relationship with the Forest County Potawatomi community, Crandon International Raceway also enjoys long-term partnerships with a distinguished list of top-tier brands including Red Bull, Polaris, Lucas Oil, MAVTV, Yokohama Tire, Fox Shox, Eibach Springs, Vision Wheel, Steel-It, Ponsse, Rugged Radio, Boxo Tools, McCoy and others.

In addition to racing, the weekend schedule includes a free concert Saturday night, June 22, for racers, campers and fans with music courtesy of Whiskey Ditch, one of Wisconsin's favorite party bands. The party starts promptly at 8:30pm at the Crandon Clubhouse pavilion and bar, located adjacent to Crandon's historic Lucas Oil Barn.

"The family of staff and volunteers at Crandon look forward to opening the gates in four weeks to our extended family of racers and fans," explained Crandon President Cliff Flannery. "Every year at the Brush Run is a celebration of speed, fun and the beginning of summer in Wisconsin. Thanks to the support of everyone -- especially our partners at Forest County Potawatomi and the Potawatomi Casino Hotel -- we can continue to raise the bar and share our good fortune with guests and racers alike."

Crandon's major 2024 second event will take place over Labor Day weekend (August 30th - September 1) for the 55th Polaris Crandon Off-Road World Championship Races® and 9th annual Red Bull Crandon World Cup. The world's largest short-course off-road event will host an expected crowd of nearly 70,000 people, with more than 450 race teams from around the country, Canada and Mexico expected to put it all on the line to earn coveted Crandon World Champion titles.



Death Notices

On Tuesday May 21, Kim Faye DeBay passed away peacefully in her home. Kim was born in Shawano, WI on January 22, 1966, to Norwell and Darlene Schreiber where she spent most of her childhood until her family moved to Crandon where Kim graduated high school.

Kim knew from early on that she had a love for children and a passion for teaching. She spent most of her life doing what she loved as an Early HeadStart



teacher in Crandon for 20+ plus years. In addition to her passion for children, she loved crafting. Often, her two passions overlapped and no matter how many children graced her presence, the family always left with a scrapbook of memories from the time the child entered Early HeadStart to when they left. To Kim, these children were more than her students. She thought of every child like her own and over the years as all the children grew, she always kept in touch with the families. Kim will always be remembered for the light she brought everywhere with her and the many lives she's touched.

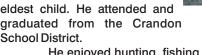
Kim is celebrated in life by her husband, Warren DeBay; her four children, Keith Conn (Appleton), Robert (Trista) Conn, Michael (Ashley) Conn, and Whitney (Zach) Higgins; as well as 13 grandchildren. She's also survived by her sister, Lori (Greg) Kaiser; her brother, Kevin (Patty) Schreiber; and her brother, Darren Schreiber.

Kim is preceded in death by her parents, Norwell and Darlene Schreiber, and a few other family members.

Visitation will be held from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. on Friday, May 24, 2024 at Weber-Hill & Packard Funeral Home in Crandon. Services will follow at 12 p.m. at the funeral home.

Eric George Bocek of Argonne passed away on Wednesday, May 22, 2024, at Aspirus Wausau Hospital. He was 48 years old.

Eric was born in Eagle River, Wisconsin on January 25, 1976, to George Bocek and the late Debbie (VanWormer) Bocek. He was the second eldest child. He attended and graduated from the Crandol



He enjoyed hunting, fishing, riding his bike, and 4-wheeler. Eric had a green thumb, both with flower gardening and vegetables. He even grew his own pumpkins that he would harvest to make homemade pumpkin pies. His great-nieces and nephews were the only ones allowed to pick his prized pumpkins. He also planted many apple trees of which he took great pride in. Other interests included riding horses on organized rides, particularly at Caroline, Wisconsin in the fall of the year. Eric shared a very special bond with his Red Tick Hound named Red whom he enjoyed chasing through the woods while hunting. He was a fan of western movies, rodeo events, watching COPS on TV and listening to country music.

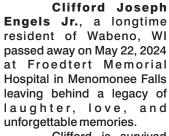
He is survived by his father, George Bocek (Cindy Doleshal); sister, Janice (Todd) Montgomery; brothers, Lance Bocek and David Windus; niece, Noelle (Cole Whittemore) Bocek; nephew, Nicholas (Dana Ambrosius) Parker; nieces and nephews, Kayla Montgomery, Tyler Montgomery, Cashton, Aviyanna and SaRaya; greatniece, Oaklynn Whittemore; great-nephews, Lane Parker and Bradley Whittemore; aunts and uncles, Ed "Squeek" Bocek, Gary (Tannis) Bocek, Butch (Marge) Bocek, Rose Gerow, Vern (Diane Marvin) Bocek, Diane Schultz, Sharon (Peter) Pisarek, Judy (Henry) Zortman, Charlotte Bocek and Lori Bocek; and special friends, Josey Kevilus, Rhonda Kevilus, Tyler Schneider, Adalee, Reyna, Billie and Ezra, Cindy Nawrocki, Sue Palubicki and family, Ervin (Nancy) friends.

Eric is preceded in death by his mother, Debbie; maternal and paternal grandparents; uncles, Steve "Jr." Bocek, Guy VanWormer, Dave Bocek, Glen Bocek, Lloyd Bocek and Paul Gerow; aunt, Janice Bocek; and cousins, Bradley Schultz and Richie Bocek.

A gathering of family and friends will be held at Weber-Hill & Packard Funeral Home in Crandon on Friday, May 31, 2024, from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. Funeral service will follow at 12 p.m., Pastor Don Dewing will preside. Eric will be laid to rest at Crandon Lakeside Cemetery.

Online condolences may be directed to www.weberhillfuneralhome.com.

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Clifford is survived by his wife, Chan (Chin) Engels; brother, Peter Engels; daughters, Belinda Engels and Patricia (Lawrence) Mize;

grandchildren, Brayden and Sydnee; and greatgrandson, Kyrie.

He was born May 2, 1944 to the late Clifford and Helen (Stutleen) Engels Sr. in Green Bay, WI. He spent his early years working at his family farm in Townsend and graduated from Wabeno High School.

Clifford was drafted into the United States Army. He was stationed in Korea where he met the love of his life, Chan. They married on February 24, 1967 in Korea and settled in Wisconsin.

After the military, he worked as a tree surgeon for Acme Tree Surgery and Asplundh. He spent the rest of his working career proudly mentoring young men as a resident supervisor at Blackwell Job Corps.

Clifford loved all things outdoors to include hunting, fishing, camping, riding his ATV and working on his hunting shack. He was an avid NASCAR and football fan (especially the Green Bay Packers). He was passionate about traveling with Chan. He was a faithful man of God, seldomly missing a Sunday Service at Trinity Lutheran Church.

Clifford will be remembered for his infectious sense of humor and his generous spirit. He had a knack for finding the funny in any situation, and his quick wit could bring a smile to anyone's face. His charm was undeniable, and he had a way of making everyone feel comfortable and welcome. No matter who he was talking to, Clifford could strike up a conversation that was as easy as pie.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Clifford Sr. and Helen; and siblings, Patsy, Donald, Ervin, Patrick, and John.

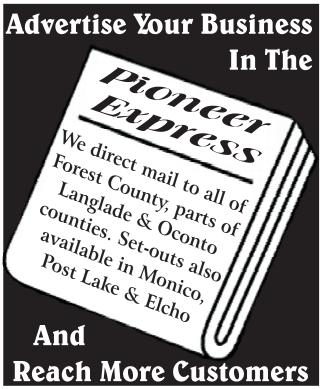
The family would like to express their heartfelt gratitude to Kevin Boney (the son Clifford never had) for his incredible support and friendship. Kevin's kindness and generosity had a significant impact on Clifford's life that we are extremely grateful for.

The family would also like to express their heartfelt gratitude to Dennis and Pam Sherrick for their lifelong friendship and for always being there in times of happiness and times of need with their generosity and comfort.

A special thank you to Pastor Michael Willitz for his compassion, kindness and prayers no matter what time

A visitation will be held for Clifford on Thursday, May 30, 2024 from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. at Trinity Lutheran Church in Wabeno. Funeral Services will follow at 11 a.m.





Letters to the Editor

PIONEER EXPRESS PAGE 05, JUNE 03, 2024

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:

Last week a letter to the Editor of this paper expressed concern about our country's national debt. The St. Louis branch of the Department of the Treasury has tracked the nation's debt since 1966. It reveals that a rapid increase in the national debt coincided with a series of tax cuts favoring the very wealthy. The graph shows that following the 2001 and 2003 tax acts our national debt started to skyrocket.

The fact that they did favor the very wealthy is confirmed by an article in the May 2024 Newsweek showing the tax rate of the 400 richest Americans (23%) is now for the first time lower than the tax rate of the bottom half of our workers (24%)

The Center on Budget Policy Priorities, 10/23/2017 reports that these tax cuts benefitted primarily the top-income taxpayers. They did not improve economic growth or pay for themselves as promised. Instead, they ballooned our national debt and contributed to an increase in income inequality.

While the Newsweek article reveals they failed to pay for themselves they did transfer a greater tax burden onto the hard-working lower-income workers.

With the question of continuing this shift in tax burden ahead in 2025, it is not surprising a multi-millionaire from California has announced his candidacy for Senator in Wisconsin. Cutting social programs by the government that he advocates to lower the national debt will have no or minimal impact on the ultra-wealthy. However, addressing a real cause of the problem by restoring fairness in our tax rates to lower the debt is not on his agenda

/s/ Ed Mullaney

"Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act"

In response to Mr. Bill Farr's recent letter to the editor, I fully agree that the federal debt has risen to massive levels. Both Republicans and Democrats are responsible for the debt. The last time there was a balanced budget was in 1997 during the Clinton Administration. There's plenty of blame to go around. But the infrastructure bill that I addressed in my earlier letter, and to which Mr. Farr responded, does NOT increase the national debt. The infrastructure plan is fully paid for without borrowing and without "printing" money, as Mr. Farr suggests.

But don't take my word for it. At least two independent groups have analyzed the "Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act" and agree that it is fully paid for. The "Committee for a Responsible Federal Budget" and "Penn Wharton University of Pennsylvania" have analyzed the plan and agree that it meets its goal of covering the expenses over 15 years without incurring further debt. A simple online search will support this.

Some background might help explain how a \$1.2 Trillion project can be paid for. Funds that had been set aside to support the federal response to the pandemic and were not disbursed were redirected to infrastructure covering over half of the expense. Another major source of funding comes from a partial reversal of the Trump corporate tax cut of 2017. President Trump reduced the tax rate from 35% to 21% providing a windfall to billion-dollar corporations. The infrastructure law moderates the tax rate to 28%. It also prevents corporations from claiming offshore tax havens to avoid paying federal income tax. Other sources include over \$30 Billion in SBA funds that remained unused, and \$3 Billion in relief funds for anticipated airlines hires that did not materialize. Budgetary adjustments often are required but can only be accomplished if both sides work together.

But Mr. Farr, you miss the point of my letter of May 20. Political accomplishments can occur, even in this divisive environment, when there is someone at the helm that understands how the mechanisms in Washington are supposed to work. Joe Biden has been able to shepherd through Congress the "Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act" bringing jobs and investment to northern Wisconsin. The "Chips and Science Act" provides expansion of the production of computer chips in the United States, reducing our reliance on China for the technology. The "Pact Act" provides a significant expansion of services to toxicexposed Veterans. And there's more if you do a little research; lowering drug costs by limiting the price of insulin and allowing Medicare to negotiate for the cost of medications with drug companies, lowering the number of Americans without health care by nearly 6 million, and imposing a minimum tax rate for billion-dollar corporations.

Experience and temperament matter. None of this could happen in the previous administration because of an inability, or unwillingness, to understand the process. There is now a stability and effectiveness in the Presidency that was lacking during in the last Administration. The choice in November should be obvious.

Ron Strong

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NOTICE TO BID

Town of Lincoln Mckeague Rd LRIP (TRI) PROJECT

The Town of Lincoln will be accepting sealed bids for pulverizing, adding of 3" of gravel prior to pulverization, prepping/final grading & Asphaltic Concrete mixture, paver laid hot mix asphalt, 2" depth after compaction, with 2' of shoulder gravel on approximately .52 mile (2745') on Mckeague RD. This project will start at County Road "P" and continue to Keepers Ln for approx. 2745' at a width of 20'. All materials (including gravel) must meet State Of Wisconsin Specifications. Verification sheets will be required - please include all costs associated with testing in your proposal. All asphalt driveways & intersections to be saw cut & butt joints. Project must be completed by October 5th, 2024.

Bidders shall separate all costs, (i.e. prep-gravel, pulverization, shoulders, and asphalt) and specify the total tonnage amount with the cost of the price per ton laid on the road, and these amounts will be strictly adhered to. (Changes or additional charges will not be accepted unless a written change order is approved with the town board prior to the project.)

Send bids to: Tressa Votis, Town of Lincoln Clerk, 5376 County Road W, Crandon, WI 54520. Please mark "LRIP BID" on the envelope. Bids must be received by the Town Clerk or Town Board Chair no later than 3:00 p.m. on Friday, June 7th, 2024.

If you have any questions about the project, please contact Jason Headson, Town Chairman, at 715-966-1699 for further information.

The Town of Lincoln reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids.

Jason Headson Town of Lincoln - Chairman

NOTICE

Town of Townsend Applications for Liquor Licenses

Application has been made with the Town Clerk of the Town of Townsend for license renewal for the period of July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025 by the following

"Class A" Combination:

Janesch's, Inc., Mike's Supermarket, Steven Janesch, Agent, 17887 Hwy 32

Lotter's III, LLC, Lotters Townsend BP, Frank Lotter, Agent, 17757 Hwy 32

"Class B" Combination:

Sunset Bar & Grill of Townsend, LLC - Scott Ellis, Agent, 17189 Bowman Ave

Little Tipsy - Katarzyna Calaway, Agent, 17875 Hwy

Wendt's Sandbar Resort - Jason A. Wendt, Agent, 16688 Nicolet Rd

RJE LLC, Hillcrest Lodge, - Rebecca Halambeck, Agent, 16704 Nicolet Road

Phil's Philling Station, LLC- Philip Maynard, Agent, 16861 Unity Dr.

Old Town Hall, LLC - Joshua Banie, Agent, 17767

The Olive Pit, LLC - Joshua Banie, Agent, 18904 Hwy Long Branch Saloon II - Eric Branch, Agent, 17901

Karla's Kitchen, Inc - Kelly Van Camp, Agent, 17973 Hwy 32.

Bids & Notices

NOTICE

Town of Crandon Applications for Liquor Licenses

CRANDON MOTORS LLC. TRADE NAME CLIFFORD FLANNERY - OWNER 10104 HWY 8, CRANDON ADDRESS CLASS B LIQUOR & BEER

HOLLYWOOD EVENT CENTER - TRADE NAME BRANDI & ZANE ROBERTS - OWNER 10209 KEMP LANE, CRANDON, WI **CLASS B, BEER & WINE CLASS A, LIQUOR**

BEACHES STEAKS & SPIRITS - TRADE NAME BRIAN BEACH - OWNER 10139 HWY 8 CRANDON, WI **CLASS B, LIQUOR & BEER**

WOLF RIVER RENDEZVOUS - TRADE NAME BRUCE DECORAH - OWNER 11624 HWY 8, CRANDON, WI CLASS B, LIQUOR & BEER

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SCHOOL DISTRICT OF WABENO AREA REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

Wednesday, June 5, 2024 High School Library - Wabeno Junior High / High School 6:00 P.M.

AGENDA

Call Meeting to Order

Roll Call - Verification of Quorum

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

Pledge of Allegiance

Amended Agenda Approval

Public Participation at Board Meetings - See Board Policy 0167.3

- a. Welcome and Guidelines for Public Comments (5 Minute Maximum per Person)
- b. This is a listening session for the community to address the Board. The maximum time limit for this section is 30 minutes. The purpose of this segment of the meeting is for the Board to listen to the views of our community.
- c. Public Participation

VII. **Approval of Minutes**

- a. Approval of the minutes of the Organizational Meeting Minutes on May 1,
- b. Approval of the minutes of the Regular School Board Meeting Minutes on May 1, 2024.

Approval of Vouchers and Payroll.

Informational Items:

VIII.

- a. Bill Taylor, District Administrator will present updates and information.
- b. Bob Tucker, Jr./Sr. High School Principal, will present updates and information.
- c. Tim Brauer, Elementary Principal, will present updates and information.
- d. Shelly Dotson, Director of Special Education, will present updates and information.
- e. Board Member Reports.

Action Items:

- a. Discuss and take possible action on designating the District's fund balance at the end of the 2023-2024 school year.
- b. Discuss and take possible action on resignation(s).
- c. Discuss and take possible action on staff hiring(s).
- d. Discuss and take possible action on open enrollment in and out of the District for 2024-25 school year.
- e. Discuss and take possible action on graduation date for 2025.
- f. Discuss the Achievement Gap Reduction Goals for 2024-2025 school year.
- g. Discuss and take possible action on WIAA All Sports Renewal for 2024-
- h. Discuss and take possible action on band trip proposal.
 - i. Discuss and take possible action on girls overnight volleyball trip.
 - j. Discuss and take possible action on revised CESA 8 Service Agreement
- XI. Motion and roll call vote to go into closed session. Pursuant to Wisconsin Statues 19.85(1)(c)(e)(f), the Board may convene in closed session for the purpose of:
 - a. Discuss and take possible action regarding the post-employment compensation of formerindividual employees.
 - b. Discuss employee compensation.
- XII. Motion and roll call vote to return open session to announce or take action, if any, and if appropriate.
- XIII. Discussion of Establishing Dates for Future Board Meetings and Establish Future Agenda Items. No substantive discussion will occur concerning future agenda items.

XIV. Adjourn

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

Approved for Publication/Posting by:

District Administrator

Upon reasonable notice, the District shall make reasonable accommodation to accommodate the needs of people with disabilities through appropriate aids and services including the provision of informational material in an alternative format for a disabled person to be able to attend this meeting. For additional information or to request this service, contact the District Office at 715.473.2592.

Sent to:

Board of Education

Administrative Team

Pioneer and Lake/Forest Beacon Newspapers

The agenda, as noted above, was sent more than twenty-four hours prior to the meeting date. Due to this fact, the Agenda published in the newspaper(s) listed above may have been altered after delivery to the above listed newspaper(s). The most up to date Agenda information is also available on the District Website: https://www.wabeno.k12.wi.us/#

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How to Identify Melanoma The ABCDEs of early melanoma detection

Academy of Dermatology, the first Monday of May each saving lives. year marks Melanoma Monday, initiating Skin Cancer Awareness Month

This period serves as a global call to action to cancer variant, urging individuals to inspect their skin for do not match. any unusual growths or marks.

Melanoma arises from the uncontrolled borders. replication of melanocytes, the cells responsible for skin C refers to Color - Highlighting moles that contain several pigment, transforming them into cancerous cells.

The American Cancer Society highlights melanoma's danger due to its potential for quick spread to other body areas. Depending on the melanoma type, this a pencil eraser. spread can occur in a matter of weeks or over many years.

Melanoma might form within an existing mole or appearance over time. emerge on previously unaffected skin. Although areas melanoma, it can develop anywhere on the body.

skin," comments Patrick Kehoe, MD, a board-certified sun-protective clothing." dermatologist at Aspirus. "The most avoidable risk factor is tanning beds, can induce cell mutations leading to certified dermatologist immediately. melanoma," says Dr. Kehoe.

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Monitoring for new or changing moles, spots that grow quickly, or alterations in existing skin marks is crucial.

Detecting melanoma early significantly diminishes Since its inception in 1995 by the American the risk of it metastasizing to other body parts, potentially

> For early melanoma detection and to safeguard f and your loved ones, remember the ABCDE guide

increase awareness about melanoma, a highly lethal skin A stands for Asymmetry - Where the two halves of the mole

B is for Border – Noting moles with uneven, fuzzy, or notched

hues or shades, with the presence of grey, black, blue, or white being particularly alarming.

D denotes Diameter - Signaling moles larger than the size of

E stands for Evolution – Indicating any change in the mole's

"Preventing melanoma effectively means protecting frequently exposed to the sun are more prone to your skin from solar radiation," advises Dr. Kehoe. "I advocate using sunscreen with a minimum SPF of 30, offering broad-"Melanoma doesn't discriminate, but it poses a spectrum protection. Reapply sunscreen every two hours, higher risk to individuals with lighter or less pigmented more so after swimming or perspiring, and consider wearing

Skin cancer, when identified early, is highly long-term, cumulative exposure to sunlight. Ultraviolet treatable. If you notice any new, unusual, or evolving spots light exposure, from sunlight or more hazardously from on your skin, or spots that itch or bleed, consult a board-

To book an appointment with a board-certified dermatologist, please visit aspirus.org.

Vehicles & Heavy Equipment



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of pollinators. Lawns that are mowed higher (more than 3") and less often tend to have more flowering plants, supporting a greater diversity of pollinators and other insects. However, if you let your lawn go unmowed and then mow more than one-third of the height at once, this can be stressful to both the turfgrass plants and the mower. For more information about how to take care of your lawn, see our Extension publication about lawn maintenance.

If you want to add to your lawn's value to pollinators, add flowering plants to your lawn. Low-growing flowering plants like Dutch White Clover (Trifolium repens), Self-heal (Prunella vulgaris) and Creeping Thyme (Thymus serpyllum) will add diversity to the flowering plants in your vard and can tolerate mowing and foot traffic. You may also consider purposely planting a bee lawn. Bee lawns are low-input lawns intentionally planted and managed with flowering plants to provide food for pollinators. Learn more about bee lawns from the University of Minnesota.

If you don't have evidence of a pest problem, or the pesticide provides limited or short term control, consider delaying the application or eliminating it altogether. Before applying an insecticide yourself or from your lawn care provider, confirm that you have a problem that warrants insecticides. Insecticides are rarely needed in Wisconsin lawns. If it is determined that you need a pesticide in your lawn, then do your research about how it might impact non-target organisms. For more information, see our Extension publication, Conservation of Native and Domestic Pollinators in Managed Turfgrass Landscapes.

Pollinators forage for food on blooming flowers throughout Wisconsin's growing season from April to October. A healthy pollinator habitat provides sources of nectar and pollen from diverse, flowering vegetation across the entire growing season. Native plants like flowers, shrubs and trees, provide the best food resources for pollinators throughout all stages of their life. Nonnative plants can also provide food for pollinators. If you are worried about being stung, plant away from high traffic/play areas. Here is a list of just a few native and non-native* plants that bloom in early spring. You might already have some of these in your yard and neighborhood. Check out the planting guides linked in the Resource Library on our Pollinator website! Native flowers: Virginia Bluebells, Pasque Flower, Eastern Columbine, Lanceleaf Coreopsis, Self-heal Native flowering trees/shrubs: Serviceberry, Maple trees, Oak trees, Plum & cherry trees, Black Chokeberry Non-native species Lenten rose, early season bulbs (crocus, daffodils, hyacinths, tulips, etc.), Eastern redbud, Magnolia, apples & crabapples

Pollinators require shelter and places to nest to survive and grow their offspring. Delay your spring clean-up and/or tilling of these places until late spring (late May) after pollinators have emerged as adults from their overwintering nests. To learn more about how to provide shelter and nesting habitat for pollinators, you can refer to the Xerces Society's Nesting and Overwintering Habitat publication.

There is more than one way to help protect and support pollinators. Allowing flowering plants to grow in your lawn area in the early spring and beyond or planting good sources of pollen and nectar to provide them food. Pollinators also need protection from pesticides and habitat disturbances. All these practices can be done independently or together to support pollinators in your area. A good starting place to see if your lawn and property can support Wisconsin's wild pollinators is our home habitat assessment too.

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"Preserving Wabeno Web Site is Live"

The students in Mrs. Peterson's "Preserving Wabeno" class have been working hard this semester cataloging, documenting, and bringing the School District of Wabeno's history to an on-line audience. Students started this daunting, and still in progress, task in January 2024. With the help of our librarian, Mrs.Gobert, some students started scanning the library's yearbook collection, other students started developing a website to house the on-line collections, and another group tackled inventorying the school's many trophy case artifacts.

Why start this project? Our reasons are twofold. Our walls and trophy cases were running out of room and we recognized the need to preserve our history in a digital format that allows students and researchers to access the materials while at the same time preserving the materials for future generations to enjoy.

As our students progress and continue working on this resource, please take some time to reminisce with your family over old yearbooks, class composites, trophies won, pictures found, and memories shared. You may visit the website at https://sites.google.com/wabeno.k12.wi.us/wabenoshi story/.

As said, this project is far from finished, but we have created a great base. Next school year, we will have students continue the work we have started. If you have artifacts to add, we are more than happy to scan them in. Students will also be encouraged to branch out and really research stories and history that interest them. For more information, please contact Danielle Peterson at dpeterson@wabeno.k12.wi.us or Michelle Gobert at mgobert@wabeno.k12.wi.us.









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The hands-on courses will include food safety, essential kitchen skills, and culinary basics.

"This is a fantastic opportunity for anyone looking to start a career in culinary arts, said Vicki Mendham, who teaches culinary arts. "Our program is designed to provide students with the essential knowledge they need to succeed in a professional kitchen."

Classes will be held June 21 - June 28 and July 8 -26 from 8 am - 4:30 pm.

Upon successful completion of the courses, students will have the opportunity to participate in paid work experiences, spanning 3-4 weeks, starting in August. Students 16-years-old and older are eligible to attend.

This program is made possible by the North Central Wisconsin Workforce Development Board. To register or for more information, contact Colt Nicklaus at 715-204-2374 or cnicklaus@fsc-corp.org.



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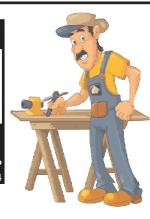
The Forest County Zoning office is now accepting applications for a part-time (16 hours per week) Land Use Assistant starting June 10 through August 30, 2024. The Land Use Assistant will provide support for the Zoning Office. A high school diploma or equivalent is required.

The pay for this position is \$15.00 per hour with no benefits. Applications and job description for this position are available at www.co.forest.wi.gov or from the County Clerk's office. Applications should be returned to the Forest County Clerk's office, 200 East Madison Street, Courthouse, Crandon, WI 54520.

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Trap Shoot



The Laona Lions Club held their 34th annual Trap Shoot on Sunday May 26th at Padus Gun Club, Wabeno. The cool and cloudy day brought the best of shooters out to make it a great event. The Lions grilled a lot of hamburgers, brats and hot dogs, along with variety of baked goods and beverages.

The raffle was held at 5 pm. The following winners

1st place: Mossberg 12 Ga. Eventide Synthetic O/U Black Mat-Wabeno Bowl, Rusty

2nd place: \$500.- Deb Mentz, Laona

3rd place: \$100 Gas card-Bill Stanley Sr.

The Laona Lions Club appreciates your support at the Trap Shoot and look forward in seeing you at the Community Soup on Saturday August 3, 2024 at the Silver Lake beach, Laona.



Wisconsin Senior Farmers' Market **Nutrition Program**

The Forest County Health Department is pleased to announce that the agency will again be administering the Wisconsin Senior Farmers' Market Nutrition Program. The 2024 program begins June 1st and runs through October 31st.

The Senior Farmers' Market Nutrition Program provides to income eligible Seniors (60+, Native American +55) residing in Forest County, vouchers to purchase fresh locally grown fruits, herbs, and vegetables from certified farmers. The vouchers may be used at one of three certified stands/farms in Forest County - Josh's Corn Stand, Crandon, Lila Tibbs Farm Stand, Armstrong Creek, FCP Farm-Hwy H, Blackwell - or any certified Farm Stand or Farmers' Market throughout the State. The program requires income declaration and completion of a simple one-page form with agency staff. Current annual program income guidelines using gross income (before taxes and deductions) are:

- One (1) person household \$27,861/year -(\$2,322/month;
- Two (2) person household \$37,814/yr. -(\$3,152/mo.);
- Three (3) person household \$47,767/yr. -(\$3,981/mo.);
 - Four (4) person household \$57,720/yr. -(\$4,810/mo.);
 - Five (5) person household \$67,673/yr. -(\$5,640/mo.).

To apply, please call the Forest County Health Department (715-478-3371) beginning Monday, June 3rd. For more SFMNP information, please call the Department (8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m., M-F) and ask for Gayle or Julie . "Inspiring Better Health for All!"

Rib Fest Challenge 2024 by Legion Post 44 at Wabeno Town Hall

All community members and their families are welcome to attend our annual Rib Fest Challenge June 8, 11 a.m.-5 p.m. at the Wabeno Town Hall.

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