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Message from the Wabeno Town Board

Wabeno Town Board has been working on maintaining and, hopefully, improving our downtown business area. In December 2023, it was on the Town Board Agenda and was discussed over the course of 5 months. After much research, working with Forest County Zoning office, a few conversations with other municipalities and Wisconsin Economic Development, Wabeno Town Board decided to draft and adopt an ordinance against any new First floor dwellings from Forest Avenue to Crandon Avenue on North Branch Street. Ordinance went into effect on May 8, 2024.

An excerpt taking from the ordinance:
To preserve the downtown business area in Wabeno, the town hereby prohibits residential housing / living space on the first floor in any building from Forest Avenue to Crandon Avenue. This prohibits new construction and building conversions into apartments, housing or dwellings of any kind. This is to include any long term or short term housing.

Residential being defined as temporary or permanent dwelling space, or long term stay. Long term stay is defined as anything over 10 days.

Temporary stays at Airbnbs, hotels and motels are exempt.

There has been a lot of misinformation and misconceptions regarding the new ordinance so we hope this article will alleviate all of that.

To clarify:

1st - Any dwellings / long term rentals in place before the adoption of the ordinance on May 8, 2024 are grandfathered. Rest assured, no one is being made to move out of their apartments or houses as long as they were in existence prior to the ordinance adoption. The ordinance pertains to any *new* or *converted* dwellings.

2nd - A Town Board's responsibility is to help build on and preserve what we have in order to sustain our municipality for years to come. The ordinance was passed to help preserve our downtown area (business district). Studies have been done and verified how a town/ village/ city's economic stability decreases as businesses turn into residences. It stops any possible economic growth for new businesses and it hurts existing businesses. If we don't have the opportunity to grow, what happens to our little town?

The board took this into careful consideration, especially with the need for housing., which is why the ordinance only states first floor dwellings. Existing two story buildings still have the opportunity for apartments with rear facing entrances. Many towns and cities have similar ordinances in place.

We hope this helps alleviate any misunderstandings and misinformation regarding the ordinance and its intent.

As always, feel free to contact our Town Board members if you have any questions.

Respectfully,
 Wabeno Town Board

Conservation Corner

Conservation Corner is a weekly article produced by the Forest County Land Conservation and Land Information Department. For more information contact Kayla Littleton, Forest County Land Conservation and Land Information Director at 715-478-1387 or by e-mail at lcctech@co.forest.wi.us.

Lake Stratification in Northern Wisconsin

Remember that warm day last week when you went swimming in your lake, and you felt that the water was warmer near the surface and colder at the bottom? Do you know what this phenomenon is called and why it happens? Lakes that are large enough, like Lake Metonga and Lucerne, and deep enough are stratified or layered. Stratification of a lake is simply the layering of different water temperatures within the lake. The three layers that make up the lake are the epilimnion, the metalimnion (also referred to as the thermocline), and the hypolimnion.

The top layer of water is referred to as the epilimnion. This layer is the warmest in the summer because this water is on the surface of the lake and is heated by the sun throughout the day. The sun's rays only penetrate so deep within the water, which is why the water on the bottom of the lake does not get as warm as the water on the top of the lake. The middle layer of water is referred to as the thermocline, or the metalimnion. This layer of the lake has water that is moderate in temperature. It isn't the warmest spot, but it's not the coldest spot either.

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Brightening up Crandon's Lake Avenue



When you are driving down Lake Avenue in Crandon, you will notice that the street has been brightened a bit by a painting done by local artists. It depicts the activities that people who visit or live here can do, and not just in the Crandon area but all over the area. Brian Schultz put up the panels. He said that the groups involved included the American Legion, the Crandon Area Community Foundation, the Peaceful Prison Project (helps prisoners adjust to society after release), and the painters included people from all around the county of all ages. It is on the Crandon Pharmacy.

12th Military Veterans Golf Outing

On Tuesday, September 10th, at the Nicolet Country Club, in Laona, the 12th Military Veterans Golf Outing will take place.

This event is open to Military Veterans only. If you have served in the military, and would like to take part in a non-competitive golf outing, contact Chuck Enders at 715-889-0562 or cenders66@gmail.com, or call the Nicolet Country Club at 715-674-4780. The last day to register is September 4th.

The schedule is:
 9 a.m.-11 a.m. is registration-lunch. The opening ceremony is at 11:15, with a shotgun start at 12 p.m. in a scramble format. The steak dinner is at 5 p.m. at the Wabeno Firefighters Grounds. Extra dinner tickets are \$15 for those not entered.

The cost to play is \$50 for non-Nicolet CC members or \$30 for Nicolet CC members. Carts are available to rent by calling 715-674-4780, or feel free to bring your own cart.

Book Sale to support Lakes Country Public Library

The Friends of Lakes Country Public Library, located on Hwy 32 in Lakewood, will host a book sale on Friday, August 30th from 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. and Saturday, August 31st from 9:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

A large selection of paperback and hardcover fiction and non-fiction books will be sold for \$1 and \$2. Bags of books are available for \$10 on Friday and \$5 on Saturday. We also have many DVDs, puzzles, audio books, bookbags and TShirts for sale.

The Friends are still accepting donations of gently used items which can be dropped off at the circulation desk. Proceeds from this sale will be used to support fall programming for adults and children. Come check out our new addition!

WIS 55 improvements in Forest County

To invest in Wisconsin's transportation system, Governor Evers signed a \$4 million contract to improve WIS 55, between Scott Lake Rd and WIS 70, in Forest County. Work is scheduled to begin Aug. 26, 2024.

Northeast Asphalt, Inc is the prime contractor for the project. Crews will resurface the highway, install new guardrails, and replace culverts along WIS 55.

During culvert replacements, WIS 55 will be closed and detoured via US 8, WIS 139 and WIS 70. Remaining project work will be completed with single-lane closures under flagging operations or shoulder closures. Access to driveways will be maintained.

Construction is scheduled for completion by November 2024. The schedule is dependent on favorable weather conditions and construction progress.

For more information regarding traffic impacts, transportation news and improvement project updates in Wisconsin's North Central Region:

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Polaris & Crandon Raceway Renew Vows



Polaris and Crandon International Raceway Renew Partnership Vows For 2024 and 2025 -- Agreement Extends Title Sponsorship of Crandon World Championships --

The continuation of a successful 10 year marriage celebrated at the 31st annual Forest County Potawatomi Brush Run event, Crandon International Raceway today announced a renewed multi-year partnership with Polaris Inc.

Since first joining Crandon as a product supplier in 2014, the presence of the Polaris brand at off-road racing's most iconic race track has greatly expanded to include the title sponsorship of the annual Polaris Crandon World Championship Off-Road Races® -- the largest event of its type in the world.

The two year partnership extension also provides Polaris with the designation as Crandon's "Official UTV" through the 2025 calendar year. Polaris will also retain major brand signage throughout the facility including the track's notorious Polaris Gravel Pit turn and the Polaris Flyway Jump that racers negotiate before Crandon's infamous final turn known as "Calamity Corner."

"Polaris is proud to be a long-standing sponsor of Crandon International Raceway, as we are pleased to continue this relationship for another two years as title sponsor," said Alex Scheuerell, Director of RZR Racing. "As a brand, we are deeply committed to supporting off-road racing and this ongoing partnership underscores that dedication to advancing the sport and providing an unparalleled experience for racers and fans alike."

For the 2024 season Polaris-backed racers include CJ Greaves (Pro SxS and Pro Stock SxS), Andrew Carlson (Pro SxS), and Ronnie Anderson (Pro SxS).

"Wisconsin is at the heart of Polaris country in America, and we are proud to be a centerpiece for the brand here at Crandon." explained Crandon Promoter Marty Fiolka. "Thanks to the support of Polaris, the Crandon World Championship weekend has reached recognition on the national stage as a world class motorsports and lifestyle event. We look forward to expanding that achievement even further in 2024 and 2025." In addition to its relationship with Polaris, Crandon International Raceway also enjoys long-term partnerships with a distinguished list of top-tier brands including Red Bull, Lucas Oil, MAVTV, Forest County Potawatomi, Yokohama Tire, Fox Shox, Eibach Springs, Vision Wheel, Steel-It, Ponsse, Rugged Radio, Boxo Tools, McCoy and others.

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•2019 Chevrolet Silverado 1500 Crew cab, Trail boss, 98K miles, Red, \$28,900*

•2019 Buick Enclave Premium AWD Leather, Loaded and Clean! Black \$22,500*

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•2015 Chevrolet Silverado, double cab, 4x4, LT, Z71, Gray, Nice! \$17,600*

•2015 GMC Sierra SLE Crew cab, 4x4, 5.3L V8, Topper, Nice! Bronze, \$16,900*

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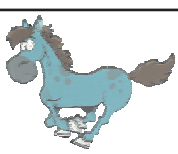
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This water receives some sunlight, but not enough to warm up the water molecules so that they can become a part of the epilimnion. The bottom layer of the lake is known as the hypolimnion. This layer consists of the coolest, densest water since the sunlight typically does not reach the bottom of the lake.

Here in Northern Wisconsin, these three layers do still exist in the winter, but they are underneath the layer of ice that is formed on top of the water. These layers change throughout the year during turnover. Turnover is caused by the density of the water particles changing and it allows for the colder water to move to either the top or bottom of the lake, depending on the season. This allows the lake to mix when temperatures equalize throughout the water column. Meaning, water from the bottom of the lake rises to the top, and water from the top of the lake sinks to the bottom. The process allows for oxygen to be replenished and nutrients to be distributed throughout the lake. This is why you may see more algae growth on the surface of the water after the nutrients that were on the bottom are carried up to the light, depending on the lake.

For more information contact Kayla Littleton, Forest County Land Conservation and Land Information Director at 715-478-1387 or by e-mail at lcctech@co.forest.wi.us.

For Old Times Sake



The older fellow is John E. Hammes. He is the founder of what was once the village of Padus. The young guy's name is lost to time, but who knows, he may be the great grandpa of people living in the area today. Padus lasted as long as the logs did, and then when they ran out, so did the sawmill. Today, you would never know that there was a boarding house, company houses, and a store and living quarters for the Hammes family. The train is no longer running either. But! The Padus gun club is still shooting and making a lot of noise on Tuesdays during the summer!

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The Community Center has formed a committee to assist in the planning, with several county agencies engaged and willing to assist in hosting a safe fun event.

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Death Notices

Charles "Chuck" Schuett, an avid outdoorsman, died Friday, August 16th, 2024, at the UW Hospital in Madison, Wisconsin. We don't want to tell you how he died; we want to tell you how he lived. It is what it is.



Chuck was born September 3rd, 1954, in Antigo to parents John and Virginia Schuett and was 1 of 7 children. As a child, Chuck mastered the art of trash-talking and sarcasm, skills he would continue to refine throughout his life. He grew up with a simple life, walking uphill both ways to school, hauling firewood, and making countless terrifying trips to the outdoor privy in the middle of the night.

Chuck graduated from Elcho High School in 1972. He enjoyed multiple sports, including football, basketball, and wrestling. A favorite pastime for Chuck and his buddies was visiting their rival high school for dances and events to steal their women and get in fights with their jocks. This is where he met the love of his life. Chuck and Carol Ann Ball were wed on February 26th, 1974.

Chuck attempted multiple jobs before finding his niche as a proud union bricklayer. This career path allowed him to raise his family and give him a comfortable retirement. Although his children were very proud of him, they also grew tired of him pointing out every project he had ever worked on as they drove by. He was a true sportsman. His greatest passion, beyond his children and grandchildren, was definitely shooting at something. His favorite things to hunt were coyotes and deer. He had two statements that you were guaranteed to hear during deer season, "If it's brown, it is down," and "I thought it was bigger."

In his retired life, he enjoyed driving around to find the new victim of one of his rifles, visiting friends, or taking care of the old bats at the cabin.

Chuck is survived by his daughters, Danielle (Jade) Crawford and Kasey (Jerome) LaBarge, who are as pretty as a wrinkle on a wart on a toad's ass, and his son, Charlie Schuett, who is still bouncing around like a fart in a mitten. Chuck loved tormenting his children by licking their eyeballs and making them work too hard. He always had time for butterfly kisses for Kasey, enjoying sports with Charlie, and making sure Danielle got happy colorful flowers for her winter birthday to brighten her day. He is also survived by his grandchildren Levi, Jaida, Sabreya, Cheyenne, Vivian, Jonathan, and Elijah Crawford; Seth and Jaxon Schuett, and Sadi Schultz. He was especially looking forward to initiating his coming grandson, Chambo from Flambeau, into his hunting militia. He loved taking his grandkids for rides to find shed antlers in the winter and fishing with the whole family in the summertime. He is further survived by his aunt, Betty Schuett; his brothers, John and Rob Schuett; his sister, Wave Gillett; and a myriad of friends and coworkers.

Chuck was preceded in death by his father, John Schuett; his mother, Virginia Schuett; his sisters, Rosemary Stensland and Dianne Kammer; his brother, Don Schuett; and his beloved wife, Carol Schuett, who hopefully was not too disappointed when he showed up at the Pearly Gates. We know she enjoyed her 15-year reprieve and is now getting to use her favorite phrase again, "Shut the hell up, Chuck." He is now enjoying his final resting place, driving the love of his life nuts while playing with his favorite hunting dogs, Spook, Alf, and Rocko.

We have a couple of memories to share to illustrate how Chuck lived. He told his daughter this story recently: One day, a passerby stopped to ask a fisherman if he was catching anything. The fisherman said, "No, not today. But you should have been here yesterday!" Then Chuck said, "I've had a lot of yesterdays." He was happy with the life he lived and the people he was blessed with along the way.

On his last day, he confronted the doctor with a demand to let him go on his recovery walks by himself. The doctor told him that he had to have at least one nurse accompany him. His reply was, "Fine, but it is going to be a female nurse and I get to pick which one!" He was defiant, quick witted, and sassy to the end and left with no regrets.

We welcome family and friends to join us for a Celebration of Life for Chuck on Saturday, August 24th, 2024, from 12-4 p.m. ~ N11488 Pratt Rd. Elcho, WI 54428.

Alice Erdman, Lakewood, WI passed away peacefully on Monday, August 12, 2024, at the age of 81.



Alice was born on March 8th, 1943, in Fond Du Lac, Wisconsin to Edward and Marcella (Sally) Bloomer (Nee: Dohr). Alice was raised in Chilton, Wisconsin and graduated from Chilton High School in 1961. Alice held a 30+ year career in teaching in Mountain, WI and truly enjoyed her students.

In 1974, Alice married the love of her life, Byron Erdman and they lived their life enjoying the Northwoods. Alice loved the outdoors and being surrounded by nature. She enjoyed spending time biking, walking, cross country skiing and especially swimming in her beloved Maiden Lake with her sister Mary. Alice was a lover of animals, especially dogs and always stopped for a hello to the neighborhood dogs while on her walk. Alice enjoyed painting, reading and camping and spending time with her nieces and nephews during the summer on Maiden Lake.

Alice will be lovingly remembered and missed by all who knew her, especially by sister, Mary Bloomer and brother Jim Bloomer, nieces and nephews, and many great nieces & nephews. She is also survived by her late husband's children and their families.

Alice was preceded in death by her husband; Byron Erdman, brother: Edward Bloomer, sister-in-law; Carla Bloomer, sister-in-law; Gretchen Bloomer and parents Marcella (Sally) and Edward Bloomer.

A memorial Mass will be held on Saturday, August 24th at St Mary's Catholic Church in Lakewood, WI. Visitation 9:30-11:30, Mass at 11:30, Luncheon at 12:30

Weber-Hill & Packard Funeral Home of Wabeno is assisting the family with arrangements.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations can be made to The American Stroke Association.

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The 55th Polaris Crandon World Championships is set to take place Labor Day weekend from August 29 - September 1, 2024. Long established as the largest short course off-road race in the world, the largest field of Sportsman and Pro category competitors are expected at the iconic facility for four days and nights of door-to-door action. Racers will be looking to earn Crandon World Championship rings in front of an expected weekend crowd more than 60,000 strong. The World Championships will culminate for the Pro categories on Crandon Red Bull World Cup Sunday (September 1) with the finale pitting Pro 2 and Pro 4 unlimited trucks racing together in the 9th annual Red Bull Cup race.

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New online tool for analyzing water quality on lakes & streams

The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR) today announced the release of the Wisconsin Water Explorer, a web-based tool that can help Wisconsin residents address concerns about the quality of water in their local lakes or rivers.

Answering water quality questions requires sophisticated computer software and extensive datasets. The Wisconsin Water Explorer tool makes scientific data analysis accessible to the public by automating the process of finding and analyzing data. The tool provides insights into current conditions and trends through graphs, maps and automated reports.

The Wisconsin Water Explorer tool also consolidates several water quality tools into one platform. For example, Citizen Lake Monitoring Network volunteers can now access and share automated annual reports summarizing data from their respective lakes.

Paul Skawinski, statewide educator for the Citizen Lake Monitoring Network, appreciates the Wisconsin Water Explorer tool's ease of use.

"Both volunteers and staff use Wisconsin Water Explorer to quickly generate and download PDF reports and graphs to understand how a lake's water quality has changed over time. It's very easy to print these files or share them with other interested people around the lake," Skawinski said.

The Wisconsin Water Explorer includes an updated version of the Wisconsin Lake Modeling Suite to help non-technicians analyze whether a lake adheres to water quality standards, identify likely sources of pollution and determine the necessary level of improvement for restoration.

The new tool is available on the Wisconsin Water Explorer webpage.

Those interested in participating in water quality monitoring in their area are encouraged to join the DNR's Citizen Lake Monitoring Network or Water Action Volunteers or to reach out to their local water quality biologist.

For additional information regarding water quality activities at the DNR, visit the Water Quality Bureau's Surface Water webpage.

Back-to-School Nutrition Advice for Parents

As the new school year approaches, making sure your kids get the right nutrition is key to supporting their overall health and well-being. Mary Cherne Schoenfelder, a registered dietitian with Aspirus St. Luke's, shares a few simple tips for parents to help their kids start the school year with healthy eating habits.

"Healthy foods are packed with vital nutrients that are crucial for a child's growth and development," says Schoenfelder. "A varied, nutritious diet helps establish healthy habits and positive relationships with food and our bodies."

However, school-age kids have the lowest diet quality compared to other age groups, despite having the highest nutritional needs, according to the National Institutes of Health (NIH). To help parents make informed decisions, Schoenfelder shared her expert advice on how to nourish kids for a successful school year.

Make Fruits and Veggies Fun

Fruits and vegetables are rich in vitamins, minerals and fiber, promoting healthy digestion and overall wellness. To engage children, Schoenfelder suggests framing foods in an appealing and fun way: "Instead of labeling foods as 'good' or 'bad,' explain how different colors and types of foods benefit their health."

For example, teach children things like 'red foods are good for our hearts' or 'orange foods help us see in the dark.' This approach not only makes eating healthier more interesting but also helps kids understand the positive impact of their food choices.

Build a Balanced Lunch

The right foods at lunchtime will help children stay focused and energetic throughout their day. Schoenfelder recommends including a mix of carbohydrates (such as grains, rice, and pasta) and proteins (like meat, fish, eggs and nuts) along with a variety of fruits and vegetables.

Packing a lunch that looks appetizing can also encourage kids to eat. Avoid sending fruits that might become unappetizing by lunchtime and consider using fun shapes or colorful containers to make the meal more engaging.

Ensure containers are easy to open and remember that many kids have limited time for lunch. "Packing nutrient-dense foods will help ensure they get the energy they need in the time they have," Schoenfelder adds.

Don't Skip Breakfast

Breakfast is a crucial part of a child's day. "Kids who eat breakfast tend to perform better in school and have more energy," says Schoenfelder.

Whether preparing breakfast at home or utilizing the school breakfast program, aim for a mix of carbohydrates, protein and fruits or vegetables.

Understand Portion Sizes and Eating Patterns

"I see parents put a lot of pressure on themselves to make sure their kids are eating enough," notes Schoenfelder. "But kids will have different needs depending on their hunger and activity levels."

While parents choose the foods and timing, it's important to let kids have a say in deciding which foods to eat and how much. Balancing this approach can be difficult, but it helps children develop healthy eating habits. Encourage children to listen to their hunger and fullness cues. As a general guideline, you can use the plate model as a guide: one-fourth carbohydrates, one-fourth protein, and half fruits and vegetables.

Support Healthy Eating Habits at Home

Schoenfelder emphasizes the importance of family meals. "Eating together not only models healthy relationships with food, but also strengthens family bonds. Kids who eat with their families tend to do better in school and have lower chances of engaging in risky behaviors later on."

By following these tips, parents can help their children develop healthy eating habits that support their well-being throughout the school year and beyond.

Mary Cherne Schoenfelder, MPP-D, RDN, LD, sees patients at Aspirus St. Luke's Clinical Nutrition in Duluth. If you are seeking extra help with your child's nutrition, talk with their pediatrician. They can help you connect you with a registered dietitian in your area.

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Spring Waterfowl Survey Shows Positive Results



Mallards on Metonga

MADISON, Wis. – The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR) today announced that data from the annual spring survey of breeding waterfowl is available. The survey indicated both stable population numbers and habitat conditions for migratory birds.

The information from this survey is part of the overall survey of breeding waterfowl in North America. It aids the DNR in making management decisions about waterfowl in Wisconsin, including hunting season structure and harvest limits.

The spring waterfowl breeding survey has been conducted every year since 1973, except for 2020. Survey results are best interpreted as trends over several years rather than year-to-year comparisons.

Surveyors estimated the state's breeding duck population to be 502,058 birds, a 3.7% decrease from the 2023 estimate but above the long-term average. The mallard breeding population estimate is 146,561 birds, 7.9% lower compared to 2023 and lower than the long-term average. The wood duck population estimate was 96,711 birds, similar to last year and above the long-term average. The Canada goose population estimate was 153,402 birds, similar to 2023 and significantly higher than the long-term average.

"In addition to positive survey results, the wet conditions across the state should provide excellent brood-rearing opportunities for waterfowl throughout the remainder of the summer," said Taylor Finger, DNR game bird ecologist.

Find additional data from this and other wildlife survey reports on the DNR's Wisconsin Wildlife Reports webpage.

DNR seeking volunteers for Rare Plant Monitoring



MADISON, Wis. – The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR) today announced that they are seeking volunteers for the Wisconsin Rare Plant Monitoring Program, a community-based science program that gives plant enthusiasts an opportunity to conduct surveys for rare plants around the state.

The information these volunteers collect is used to assess plant population trends during state and national conservation efforts. The volunteer program is Wisconsin's largest source of rare plant data.

"Whether you have botanical knowledge, a commitment to conservation or are just passionate about plants, this is a great opportunity to enjoy the outdoors while making a difference," said Jessica Ross, DNR Rare Plant Monitoring Program coordinator. "Our volunteers come from a wide variety of backgrounds, and their efforts play a significant role in helping us understand the state of rare plants in Wisconsin and inform how we might conserve them."

Since 2013, Rare Plant Monitoring Program volunteers have checked on the health and size of rare native plant populations in nearly every county in the state. In 2023 alone, more than 50 trained volunteers from around the state submitted 178 reports of rare plants, including 31 populations in areas of Wisconsin where they had not been documented before.

Become A Rare Plant Monitor

Rare Plant Monitoring Program volunteers are trained in surveying techniques, including how to accurately estimate large plant populations, assess habitat conditions and use GPS coordinates to locate and mark rare plant populations. Although formal plant identification training isn't required or included, successful volunteers often have previous experience.

In-person training for the Rare Plant Monitoring Program will be offered on Aug. 24, 2024, 10:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. at the UW Arboretum Visitor Center in Madison. Volunteers interested in attending this training can sign up online.

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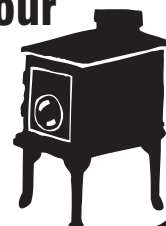
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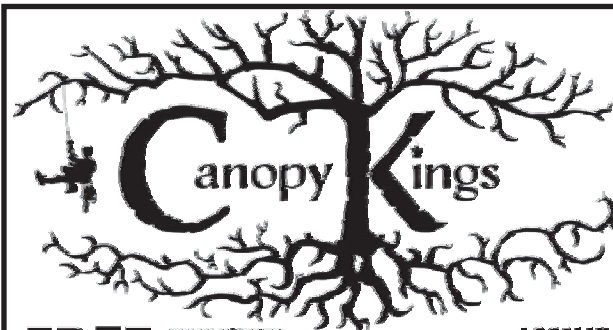


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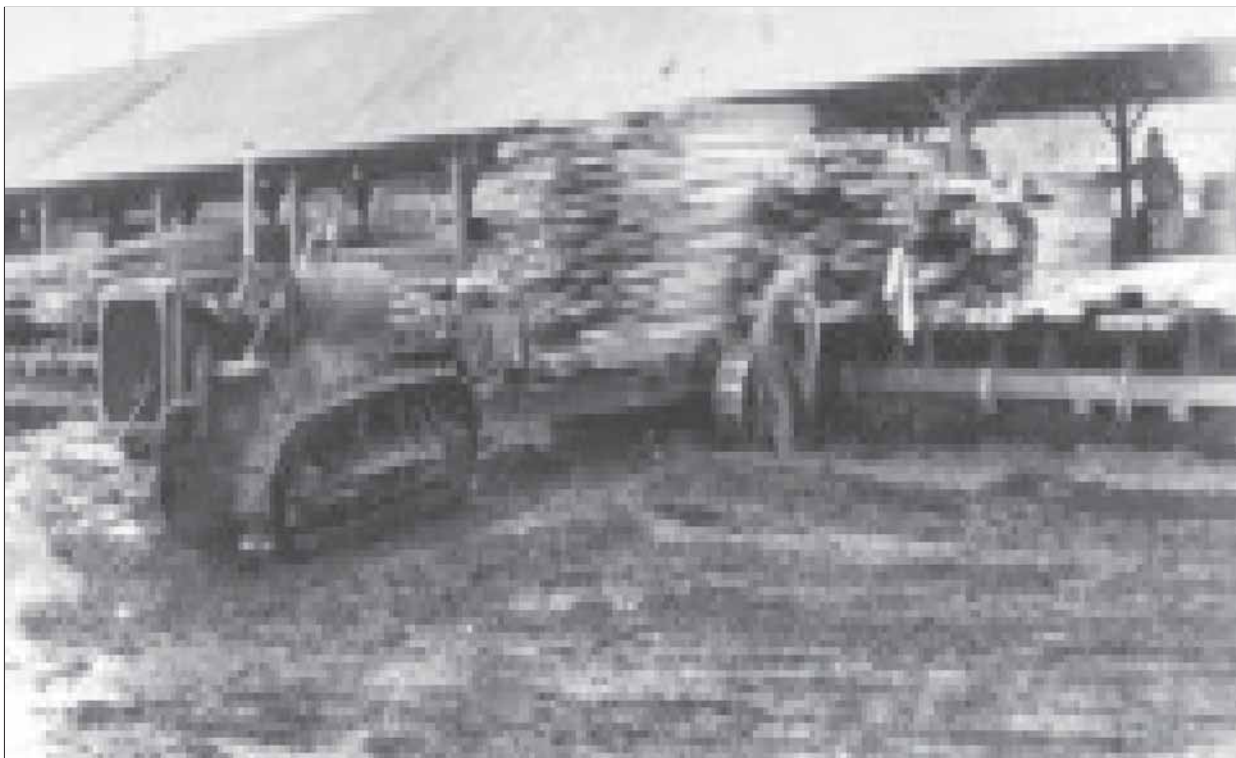
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Hunter Education plays a vital role in keeping Wisconsin a safe place to hunt. Anyone born on or after Jan. 1, 1973, is required to hold a certificate in Hunter Education to purchase a hunting license unless hunting under the Mentored Hunting Law.

The DNR offers multiple course options and locations, so hunters can choose the best format for how and where they'd like to learn. Individuals under 18 are required to take a course with a hands-on training component.

Traditional Course

Students attend a multi-day, in-person course to learn hunter responsibility and safety through lectures, demonstrations, group discussions, practical exercises and individual study. The students then take a multiple-choice exam and complete a hands-on, skills-based assessment based on information found in the printed student manual and taught during class.

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The online-only course has the same general content as the other course options but is entirely online. Students work through online units, take multiple-choice quizzes and take a final multiple-choice exam. This course is specifically for students with prior hunting or firearms handling experience and is only available to individuals 18 or older.

Search for upcoming courses in your area through your Go Wild account.

To learn more about Hunter Education and the individual course offerings, head to the DNR's Safety Education webpage.

USDA Forest Service seeks public comment on draft guidance for old growth management on national forests

The U.S. Department of Agriculture's Forest Service is taking the next step to advance President Biden's commitment to conserve old growth forests by publishing a draft environmental impact statement for the proposed national old growth forest plan amendment. The proposed amendment will be available tomorrow in the Federal Register, and will be open for public comment for 90 days following publication.

The purpose of this amendment is to provide consistent guidance for the stewardship, conservation, and recruitment of old growth across national forests. The proposed amendment highlights the importance of proactive stewardship actions in managing threats to old growth forests, and to reduce wildfire risk, considering current and emerging climate-driven threats. It also calls for adaptive management strategies to be developed using local, geographically relevant information and the best available science, including Indigenous Knowledge.

"Recent scientific analysis shows us that many old-growth forests are under significant threat from climate change," said Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack. "The Forest Service's plan will help safeguard these iconic stands of trees through science-based management and conservation strategies that can be adapted to unique local circumstances on national forests. USDA is looking forward to receiving feedback on today's draft proposal from tribal, state and local governments, industry partners, conservation organizations, and many others; all of whom will be critical partners in the forest management and conservation actions needed to ensure the maintenance and growth of old-growth forests into the future."

"Under President Biden's leadership, we are taking action to ensure that millions of acres of old growth forests across the nation are conserved, resilient, and abundant for future generations," said White House Council on Environmental Quality Chair Brenda Mallory. "With our nation's forests absorbing more than 10% of our annual greenhouse gas emissions, protecting and expanding old growth is critical to delivering on the Biden-Harris Administration's climate and conservation priorities."

"Our old growth forests breathe in carbon pollution, cleaning up the air, and filter our water, cleaning up rivers and streams. These forests are an essential partner in tackling climate change. President Biden's historic leadership on climate – including his executive order on safeguarding our forest system – leans into that partnership and potential by advancing climate-smart forestry and investing in forest restoration," said Assistant to President Biden and National Climate Advisor Ali Zaidi. "Today's action will help better inform the stewardship of the national forest system and strengthen our work to deploy nature-based solutions that improve the resilience of lands, waters, wildlife, and communities."

"Old growth forests are important to our ecosystems by capturing carbon, and contributing to clean air, soil, water and diverse habitats," said Forest Service Chief Randy Moore. "Old forests also provide other benefits like subsistence and cultural uses, outdoor recreational opportunities and sustainable local economic development. The proposed old growth amendment will provide guidance that can be adapted locally to support multiple uses, including proactive stewardship of old forests to reduce wildfire risk and create long-term resilience in a changing climate."

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At President Biden's direction, the Forest Service and the Department of the Interior's Bureau of Land Management (BLM) completed the first-ever nationwide inventory of old and mature forests, and developed definitions for more than 200 forest types in the United States. This initial inventory report showed that the BLM and Forest Service manage approximately 32 million acres of old growth and 80 million acres of mature forests on federally managed lands, for a total of 112 million acres. Old-growth forests represent 18% and mature forest another 45% of all forested land managed by the two agencies.

The Forest Service also recently finalized the Mature and Old Growth Threat Analysis, which identifies threats to mature and old growth forests on Forest Service and BLM lands. The report informed the Forest Service's proposed national amendment and highlights the urgent need for action, suggesting current management is not responsive enough to address disturbances driven by climate change such as wildfire, insects and disease.

The Forest Service evaluated tribal and public input from the initial scoping period, which closed February 2, 2024. Extensive feedback from a diverse range of audiences was vital in the development of the draft environmental impact statement and were incorporated into the proposed action and used to develop alternatives. The agency will continue to learn from the input and feedback received during this public comment period, as well as through ongoing tribal roundtables and consultation sessions, and dialogue with cooperating agencies, and state and local governments.

This work is part of larger agency efforts to support healthy, resilient forests and ecosystems by integrating climate change considerations into all aspects of planning and operations to support healthy resilient forests and ecosystems. The work is consistent with the Inflation Reduction Act which directed \$50 million to fund old growth conservation and stewardship as well as Executive Order 14072, Strengthening the Nation's Forests, Communities, and Local Economies, issued by President Biden on April 22, 2022. It also supports the Forest Service's Wildfire Crisis Strategy and Reforestation Strategy. In addition, USDA announced updates to its Climate Adaptation Plan earlier today, in concert with other agencies acting to advance climate resilience.

Throughout the comment period, the Forest Service will conduct public engagements and field tours, including virtual information sessions. The agency will also continue formal consultation with Tribes, and work with state and local governments, conservation districts and other cooperating agencies. Additional information on engagement opportunities is available on the Forest Service National Old Growth Amendment website.

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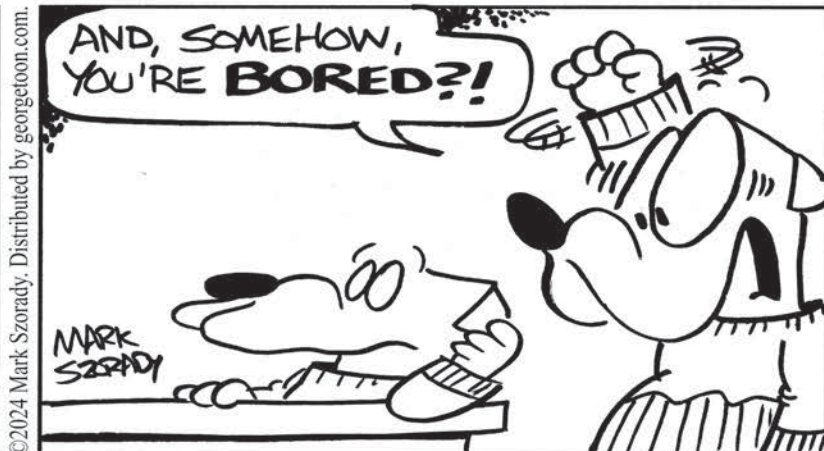
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The DNR's Surface Water Grants Program leverages money from the state conservation fund's water resources account to help local communities accelerate water protection and restoration efforts across Wisconsin. The funding can support a wide range of locally driven projects that invest in watersheds and surface waters.

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Who Is Eligible To Apply For Grant Funding?

Eligible organizations include counties, municipalities, local government units, lake and sanitary districts, natural resource agencies, tribal governing bodies, colleges and school districts, lake associations, nonprofit conservation organizations, river and surface water management organizations and producer-led groups. Individuals are not eligible for grants (with a few exceptions) but may partner with an eligible organization willing to sponsor a project. Reach out to your local environmental grant specialist to confirm your organization's eligibility.

What Funding Is Available?

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How To Apply

Submit a pre-application by Sept. 15. This will connect you to local assistance and ensure you are eligible to submit a final application by Nov. 15.

Pre-application forms can be found under the "Applying" tab on the DNR's Surface Water Grants Program webpage. Right-click the link to Surface Water Grant Application Form 8700-284 and download or "save as" to create a copy of the form on your computer. Open the form from your local drive and fill out the sections labeled "pre-application."

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The DNR Surface Water Grant Applicant Guide is a comprehensive user manual for the program. This document has been updated for the 2024-2025 grant cycle. It is organized chronologically to explain how to navigate the grant program from application to closing. Start by reading Section 1, which contains enough high-level introductory information to get you started. Section 2 summarizes each grant type, and Appendix A includes the corresponding criteria that the ranking teams will use to evaluate submitted applications.

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SCHOOL DISTRICT OF WABENO AREA PUBLIC NOTICE REBEL FANS

2024-2025 ATHLETIC EVENT PASSES AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE

The School District of Wabeno Area will be selling passes for Rebel athletic events for the 2024-2025 school year. These passes are good for all Laona/Wabeno Rebel home sporting events. Passes will go on sale in the High School office starting **Monday, August 19, 2024**. Prices will be as follows:

Adults \$25.00
Family \$50.00

Citizens 55 and older can receive free Rebel athletic passes in the High School office.

Citizens 62 and older can receive free conference athletic passes in the District Office.

None of these athletic passes are good for WIAA Tournament games.

INVITATION FOR BIDS TOWN OF WABENO

The Town Board of Wabeno is seeking sealed bids for the following project:
FIREFIGHTER'S GROUNDS ELECTRICAL UPGRADES RV PEDESTALS

**BID REQUIREMENTS:
DETAILED PRICING FOR THIS PHASE SHOULD INCLUDE:**

- 12 RV Pedestal Electrical Installation:**
 - 6 RV Pedestal sites spaced as per Town Board Specs (approximately every 30') along South perimeter. From small tan building to the West.
 - Freestanding RV pedestals with ONE -50A , ONE- 30A and ONE- 20A receptacles.
 - 4 RV Pedestal sites spaced per Town Board Specs (approximately every 30') along East perimeter. From small tan building to Northeast corner.
 - Freestanding RV pedestals with ONE- 30A and ONE- 20A receptacles.
 - 2 Tent Sites located in Northeast Corner. ONE Post with service panel feeding ONE 20A receptacle for each site.
 - 4 100A RV pedestal feeder breakers
 - Feeder Conductor

More information can be obtained from the Town Clerk -715-850-1127 or by email clerk@wabeno.org

The winning bidder is required to provide Certificate of Liability Insurance for \$1,000,000. Deadline for submitting bids is September 5, 2024 at 12:30 pm.

Bids can be mailed to Town of Wabeno, PO Box 447, Wabeno, WI 54566 or delivered to the Clerk's Office at 4473 North Branch Street.

Please mark "Firefighter's Grounds Electrical Project RV Pedestals" on the outside of sealed envelope. All permitting is the responsibility of contractor.

SCHOOL DISTRICT OF LAONA ANNUAL NOTICE – HOMELESS CHILDREN

The McKinney-Vento Act defines children and youth who are homeless (twenty-one years of age and younger) as:

*Children and youth who lack a fixed, regular, and adequate nighttime residence, and includes children and youth who are:

- Sharing the housing of other persons due to loss of housing, economic hardship, or a similar reason (sometimes referred to as double-up);
- Living in motels, hotels, trailer parks, or camping grounds due to lack of alternative adequate accommodations;
- Living in emergency or transitional shelters;
- Abandoned in hospitals;
- Awaiting foster care placement;

*Children and youth who have a primary nighttime residence that is a public or private place not designated for, or ordinarily used as, a regular sleeping accommodation for human beings.

*Children and youth who are living in cars, parks, public spaces, abandoned buildings, substandard housing, bus or train stations, or similar settings.

*Migratory children who qualify as homeless because they are living in circumstances described above.

If you are personally aware of or are acquainted with any children who may qualify according to the above criteria, the School District of Laona provides the following assurances to parents and homeless children;

*Local school district staff member (liaison) to assist homeless children/families:

-Jason Bertrand, Homeless Liaison, (715) 674-2143 or jbertrand@laona.k12.wi.us.

*There shall be immediate enrollment and school participation, even if educational and medical records and proof of residency are not available.

*All educational opportunities and related opportunities for homeless students (preschool to age 21), including unaccompanied youth, shall be the same as for the general student population.

*Enrollment and transportation rights, including transportation to the school of origin. "School of origin" is defined as the school the child or youth attended when permanently housed or the school in which the child or youth was last enrolled.

*Written explanation of a child or youth's school placement, other than school or origin or the school requested by the parent, with the right to appeal within the local dispute resolution process.

*Meaningful opportunities for parents to participate in the education of their children. These shall include: special notices of events, parent-teacher conferences, newsletters, and access to student records.

Please contact Jason Bertrand, homeless liaison for the School District of Laona, for additional information about homeless issues. Jason can be reached at (715) 674-2143.

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SCHOOL DISTRICT OF LAONA ANNUAL NOTICE OF SPECIAL EDUCATION REFERRAL AND EVALUATION PROCEDURES

Any person aware of a child between the ages of birth and 21 who may be experiencing physical, mental, emotional or learning problems may contact the Special Education teachers at the School District of Laona, 52116 Forest Avenue, Suite A, Laona, WI 54541, phone(715)674-2143 to initiate screening services that will determine if a referral for special education is appropriate.

Referral Procedure

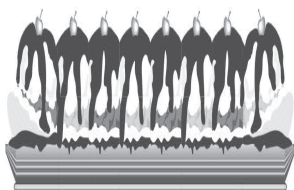
The school district shall solicit and receive referrals of students with suspected educational needs from all persons who have responsible cause to believe that such need exist. Specific state criteria shall be adhered to in determining eligibility for specific handicapping conditions. Referrals of suspected children with disability shall be referred to either of the of the people listed above.

IEP - Team Evaluation

Whenever a child is referred who is suspected of having an exceptional educational need, the school district shall establish an IEP Team. An appointment of this team shall be the responsibility of the Program Support Teacher. The Program Support Teacher shall approve the evaluation process and may request additional information. Procedural safeguards for evaluations including the following:

The notice of intent to evaluate shall be sent to the parents that will include: a full explanation of the due process/procedural safeguards; a description of the evaluation proposed, any options that were considered and the reasons why those options were rejected; a description of each evaluation procedure used as a basis for the evaluation; the type of professionals conducting the evaluation; a description of any other relevant factors. Written parental consent shall be obtained when a child is being evaluated for the first time within the district. This consent form shall include: a statement documenting that the parent understands the content of the notice; information on the general areas to be evaluated; information on the general types of procedures to be used.

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- 2) Generac 8.5Kw Generator (Supplied By Home Depot Green Bay)
- 3) 5' Gliding Bench (Supplied By Rustic Retreat Furniture Lakewood)
- 4) \$500 Shell Gas Card (Donated By Lakewood Shell)
- 5) \$500 Gift Card (Donated By Ken's Sports, Green Bay)
- 6) \$500 Cash (Donated by John & Linda Brantmeier)
- 7) Winchester Super Hybrid Hunter Camo Shotgun (Donated By Old Town Hall Bar & Restaurant, Townsend)
- 8) Stihl MS 180 Chainsaw (Donated by Powers Service Center, Townsend)

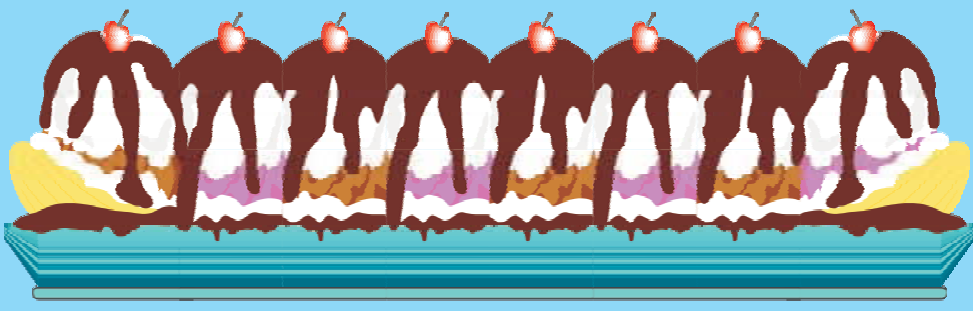
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