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Nebagamon

Community Association

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

NCA UPCOMING EVENTS

NCA MEETING: March 15 @ 630pm @Gopher Hole

NCA MEETING: April 19 @ 630pm @Bridges

NCA MEETING: May 17 @ 630pm @Dockside

We are always looking for volunteers or those willing to come to meeting to keep our events alive.

WORDS FROM OUR VILLAGE PRESIDENT:

I would like to begin my message by thanking all the volunteers that contribute so much to make our Nebagamon Community Association so active and vital in our community. The Association is responsible for organizing and funding our annual

fireworks, parades, parties and other activities, providing our community with the opportunity to socially engage with one another.

Your Village Board has been spending time lately discussing options for the best use of this year's disbursement of Federal Government COVID relief funds. We have identified the following projects as potential uses for the funds:

Installing electrical outlets at campsite in Ravine Park, purchase new playground equipment for the beach, purchase a mower for dragging ball fields and a building to store vehicle and equipment at the ballpark, Erecting a covered patio at the boat landing

We are also getting information on the process involved in applying for Federal funds from the newly approved infrastructure bill.

Also of interest to the community is the board has contracted with Tiger Manufacturing to create a new sign to replace the aging and deteriorating sign at the entrance to our community. The students in this program at Northwestern High School have been a delight to work with and we look forward to seeing the finished product and erecting it after the snow and frost are gone.

Jim Jonasen, Village President

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NEBAGAMON HISTORY

SPOTLIGHT:

Lake Nebagamon Ice Palace:

Since the early 1900's the Village of Lake Nebagamon has been well known as a resort area and place for recreational pleasure.

The businessmen of the village were very enterprising and began thinking of ways to entice more people from the nearby cities of Superior and Duluth and surrounding areas to come to Nebagamon for winter fun.

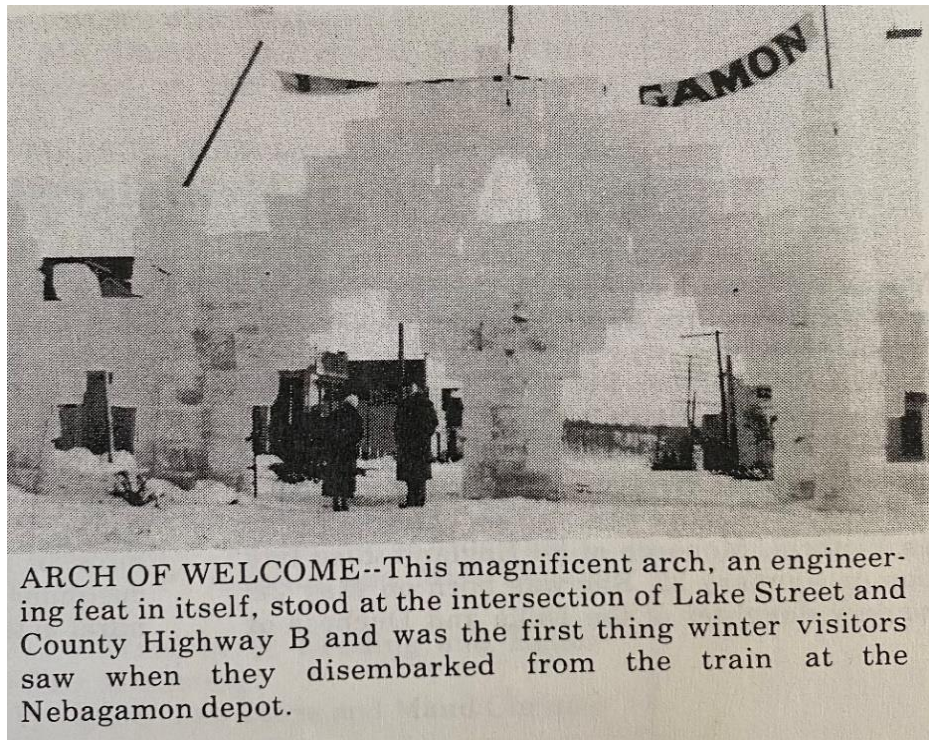
Winters were very quiet in the village. One of the only activities could be found at the skating rink, which was made by simply clearing snow off the lake. A warming shelter made of spruce trees, with no roof, provided some protection against the wind, and it had several hand-made benches for persons to sit on while changing skates.

All that changed around 1914, when the village fathers decided to build an ice palace for the newly planned Ice Carnival. The palace was built of 12x24x30 inch ice cakes cut out from the ice on the lake.

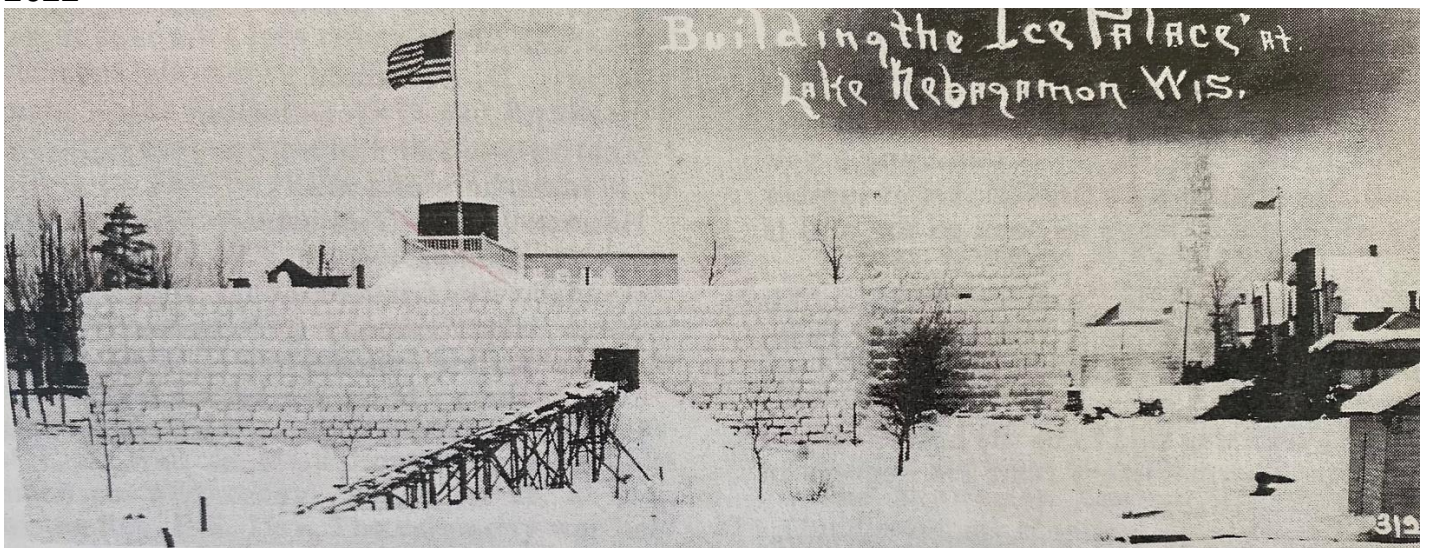
A volunteer crew of villagers erected the massive crystal ice structure around the 75-foot square village pavilion, built in 1905 and then replaced in 1936 with the present auditorium. The ice blocks were placed far enough away from the pavilion walls to make an outer courtyard twenty feet wide around the pavilion. The floor of the courtyard was made of ice cakes laid side by side and then flooded with water so that when frozen, it made an ideal skating rink.

The walls of ice cakes were laid like cement blocks. The joints were made of snow mixed with water, which when frozen, became a solid wall.

At the corners of the structure were tall towers. The door openings were arched much like the palaces of Europe. In the daytime the palace shimmered in the sunlight and at night kerosene lanterns with colored chimneys flickered and reflected against the transparent walls.



ARCH OF WELCOME--This magnificent arch, an engineering feat in itself, stood at the intersection of Lake Street and County Highway B and was the first thing winter visitors saw when they disembarked from the train at the Nebagamon depot.



ENGINEERING FEAT--No one seems to know who designed the village's wonderful ice palace and arch, but the engineering was obviously sound because the structures held throughout the winter providing countless hours of pleasure for local residents and visitors. The palace was lighted with colored lanterns and it completely surrounded the village pavilion. What a spectacle it must have been! This photo was shot during the winter of 1914.

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KIN CHRISTMAS PROJECT:

"Yes Virginia, there is a Santa Clause. He exists as certainly as love and generosity and devotion exist, and you know that they abound and give to your life its highest beauty and joy." Those words written by Francis P. Church so many years ago came home to me this year as KIN was organizing its annual Christmas project, whose purpose is to make the holidays brighter for students and their families in our school system who were in special need. This year KIN was blessed to be able to serve 46 families with food baskets and 103 kids with Christmas gifts. And none of it would have been possible without the amazing generosity from this community we call home. We at Kin were truly humbled by the outpouring of aid we received this year, from financial donations to food goods, to helping hands when we needed them most. We are overwhelmed with gratitude to each and everyone who helped in any way and wish you and your families a happy, healthy, and blessed new year.

Cathy Ketola, Coordinator

NEBAGAMON COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION UPDATES:

NCA MEETINGS~ We are keeping our meetings at local businesses, to support them and to welcome anyone to come join in to help set up the upcoming events. If you have any interest, care to volunteer, just want to give some feedback on what you would like to see then please join us (President David Dinda~ Vice President Mike Ross ~ Secretary Lindsey Wilson~ Treasurer Patti Coughlin): Third Tuesday each Month

Mar 15 Apr 19 May 17

SPAGHETTI FEED FUNDRAISER:

Thank you to all of those that donated time, setting up cleaning, cooking, serving, and auction items. Also, a huge shout out to all of those that came to eat and congregate during this meal served every January with all monies given directly to the 4th Fest Fireworks fund.

MISSION STATEMENT: To welcome new businesses, community groups and citizens of Lake Nebagamon, Wi to participate in the promotion of the community. Our objective is to work together to inform Lake Nebagamon, Wi area of local news.

If you are interested in receiving an email copy of the newsletter monthly send request in email to: nebagamoncommunityassociation@gmail.com

ST. PATRICKS DAY PARADE:

Grand Marshall and Mashalet Bob and Barb Anderson will start the parage at 5pm downtown Lake Nebagamon... Let's remember 2 years ago this week and do a "restart".... ** flyer attached, everyone is encouraged to participate and walk the parade route, staging in parking lot begins at 4:30pm and parade starts sharp at 5pm. Thank you to the Lake nebagamon Fire Dpartment, who will be present during the parade with "THE BOOT" please help support our volunteers....

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Thank you to the local business' here that support and help the NCA with printing expenses for our monthly newsletter. Please support our community.

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VILLAGE OF LAKE NEBAGAMON:

<https://villagelakenebagamon.com/> The Village Board meets the SECOND Tuesday of each month. As always, it takes a Village.



**Village of
Lake Nebagamons,
Wisconsin**

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LAKE NEBAGMON FIRE DEPARTMENT:

The can trailer has been relocated to the fire department parking lot. Please drop your cans off and a huge thank you to all donations as this fundraising account helps to supplement the purchase of fire and medical equipment and gear to keep our community safe.

Pleased to present our 'Member of the Month,'

Lake Nebagamon Member of the Month Adam Fornear

How long have you been part of the department?

I've been on the Lake Nebagamon Fire Depart for the past 15 years.

What positions and/or certifications do you hold?

Firefighter. I currently have Firefighter I & II.

Why did you join?

Before coming to the Lake Nebagamon Department I spent a couple of years as a wildland firefighter for a private contractor based out of Duluth. That's when the first hook was set in my interest in being a firefighter. Then while working for Camp Nebagamon, I joined the Excelsior, MN Fire Department during the camps off season. That's when I signed on with the Lake Nebagamon Fire Department. So, I was a seasonal firefighter in Minnesota and Wisconsin. I love the job of being a firefighter. Joining the Lake Nebagamon Department allowed me to stay fresh on my skills, meet new people and be a part of a great community. Lastly, I grew up on Tonka Trucks and being a firefighter for Lake Nebagamon lets me keep on playing with a cooler version of Tonka Trucks.

What are you doing when not volunteering for the department? (Job, hobbies, family, etc.)

I've worked full time for Camp Nebagamon as an Associate Director/Wilderness Trip Director for the past 18 years. When not on the clock you can find me fly fishing, sailing, mountain biking, canoeing, rock/ice climbing and definitely hanging out with friends around a campfire.

What would you tell someone who is considering joining the department?

Do it! Being a part of a team is rewarding. You get to meet new people; you get to be the solution to a problem and drive around in real life Tonka Trucks! Seriously though, if you have any curiosity as to what it's all about, you should inquire. It's a team and experience that I'm grateful to be a part of everyday!



