

COMMUNITY CORNER

Arneberg named tops out of 1,250 cadets

Ben Arneberg, a 2008 graduate of Chippewa Falls Senior High School, was awarded the top freshman out of 1,250 cadets in the Air Force Academy.



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Each of the 40 cadet squadrons nominate one doolie (freshman) for the award. They look at performance in every aspect of the Academy: academic, physical, military/leadership, and competency with doolie duties. After reviewers narrow the field down further to four doolies, an interview helped determine the ultimate winner.

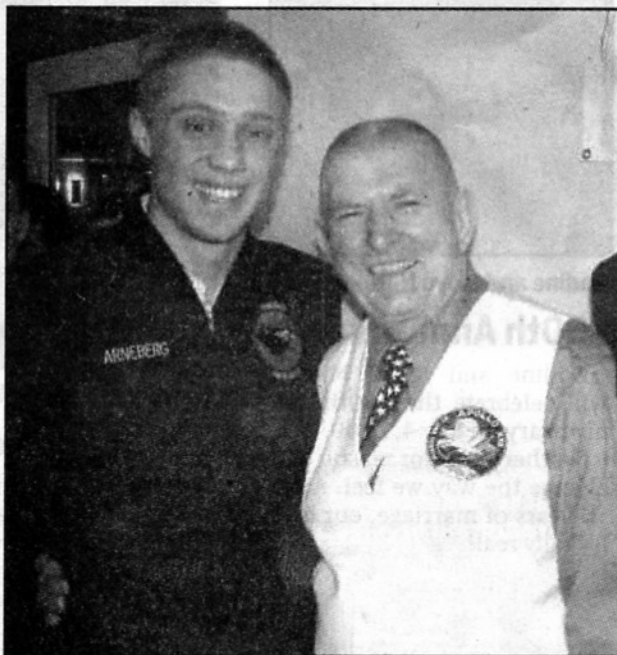
As part of the honor Ben received a trophy and met NASA flight director Gene Kranz, most noted for his efforts in saving Apollo 13. Ben is the son of Tom and Beth Arneberg of Chippewa Falls.

"Having been obsessed with the movie 'Apollo 13' as a boy, Ben was excited to finally meet one of his unconventional boyhood heroes," said his father, Tom.

Lake Wissota Garden Club earns national honor

Garden Club Convention in Houston, Texas in late May. Pitcher in turn presented the certificate and \$500 prize to local club President Ginger Wierman the morning of June 11 at the Wisconsin Garden Club Executive Board Meeting at Olbrich Gardens in Madison. Wierman presented the \$500 prize check to LWGC Habitat for Humanity Design and Planting Committee Chairman Mary Lou Keegan.

In addition to national competitions and grant opportunities, members of federated garden clubs can attend courses in environmental studies, horticulture, and landscape and floral design. A portion of each federated garden club's dues supports numerous state and national upper level college scholarships. In 2009 Wisconsin students of conservation, floriculture, forestry and horticulture were awarded five \$1,000 scholarships from the Wisconsin Garden Club Federation and one \$4,000 National Garden Club



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After having been named outstanding freshman in his class of 1,250, Chippewa Falls' Ben Arneberg, left, met retired NASA flight director Gene Kranz. Kranz is most noted for his efforts in saving Apollo 13.

last three years, the club purchased Wisconsin native trees for the Native Tree Project at Chippewa Falls Irvine Park.

Founded in 1975, the Lake Wissota Garden Club is open to residents of the Chippewa Falls area. Meetings are held at 7 p.m. the second Thursday of each month. Club mem-

Officers for 2009-2010 are David H. Raihle, Jr. (chair), Bert Swanson (vice chair), Robert Hogseth (secretary) and Steve Pregent (treasurer). Newly appointed committee members are Ken Custer, Dave Jankoski, Sue Kern, Fred Kuss and Mike Pope on the Resource Development Committee, and