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Four suspects in armed robberies arrested

A joint investigation involving the Barron County Sheriff's Department, along with the Rice Lake, Barron and Chetek Police Departments, regarding the home invasions that occurred last week in Barron and Chetek, has led to the arrest of four suspects.

Taken into custody were Zach Schwanke, 17, of

Barron, and Ricky Gjersest, 17 of Black River Falls. With the assistance of the Eau Claire Police Department Tyler Rognholt, 17, of Cameron, and Jonah Blake, 20, of Cumberland were also taken into custody.

All four subjects are currently being held in the Barron County Jail on robbery charges.



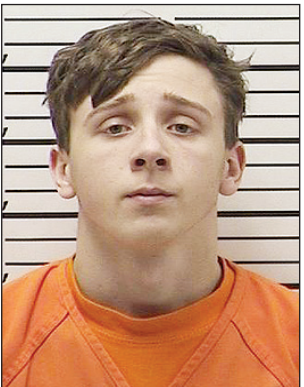
Jonah Blake



Tyler Rognholt



Ricky Gjersest



Zach Schwanke

2017 Year in Review

January

January 2017 started off badly with cars going through the ice on lakes and car accidents claiming a number of lives.

The January council meeting saw the City Council honoring Butch Holmes of C&C Disposal for his 46 years of service to the community. Butch sold C&C Disposal to Waste Management, Inc. who will be taking over the garbage contract for the City.

The first babies of the new year both arrived on the same day. At Cumberland Memorial Hospital, a son, Atlas Grey Begay, weighing 5 lbs. 5 oz. was born to Jordan Clausen and Colton Begay of Cumberland on January 5th and at Mayo Clinic HealthSystem-Northland in Barron, a son, Carter James Bontekoe, weighing 6 lbs., 13 oz., was born to Sarah Bontekoe of Shell Lake also on January 5, 2017.

On, Sunday, January 15, 2017, at approximately 11:07 p.m., the Rice Lake Police Department responded to an apartment complex in the City of Rice Lake. Barron County Dispatch had taken a 911 call from an upset male subject who stated he had a bomb.

Upon arrival, officers approached the caller's residence and heard a male yelling inside the apartment. The responding officers quickly evacuated the building. A short time later, an explosion occurred. Fire spread throughout

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Cumberland Area Senior Center, a great place to warm your days with good food and great friends!

Northwoods Notebook: A place to go for a hot meal and warm fellowship

by Larry Werner

Gene Hines is there five days a week to get a mid-day meal and to visit with other seniors, many of them, like him, widowed and living alone.



Gene Hines

"It's very difficult to cook for yourself," Hines said one day last week.

He and a half dozen of his friends were chatting before lunch was served family-style at the Cumberland Area Senior Center. One of those serving the meal was Kathy Mason, a widow, who hangs out and volunteers at this place because, "It gives me a reason to get out, not sit home and hibernate, being a loner. I get to talk to people, argue with people. It gives people something to do."

Dave Husby, president of the senior center board, said this one-story building on Webb Street is busy Monday through Friday with folks like Hines and Mason, who come to eat, to play cards or bingo, to work on the puzzle that's always out on one of the tables. Probably half the folks who come here live alone, he said, and the city-owned center gives them a place to be with others.

And while the city pays for the utilities and plows

the snow, the non-profit that operates the place is responsible for everything else, including maintenance and replacing equipment that is getting old after almost 50 years since the center was built.

The place has old fluorescent lights, and the tables and chairs are wobbly and mismatched. The workshop has some nice woodworking equipment but is unheated. It could use one of those garage heaters, and the whole place could use a paint job.

But the city doesn't have the money for those things.

"There are many financial challenges," Mayor Bert Skinner said in an email. "The city owns the building, which was constructed in the mid '70s and is in need of many updates. The city budget at this time cannot meet all the needs of the center."

Skinner said the city "would welcome the financial support of neighboring townships, considering their senior citizens do participate and benefit from the activities that the senior center provides."

Sitting in the back room of the center, Husby talked about the challenges of the place over the beep of a smoke alarm that needed a new battery. Just one of the maintenance duties that must be attended to, he joked. More serious challenges are detailed in a "five-year plan" he presented to the city.

The priorities enumerated in that report are painting and updating restrooms that are "in an atrocious state;" lighting fixtures with inefficient

fluorescent bulbs that should be replaced with LED lighting; old tables and chairs that scratch a new floor the center replaced recently by cashing in a certificate of deposit, and walls throughout that need painting.

Husby joined the board shortly after moving to Cumberland from near Birchwood 10 years ago. He's in his third year as president, and his wife, Katherine, keeps the books. Those books show the senior center lost about \$3,000 last year. About \$10,000 of income (from \$10-a-year memberships and a few fund-raising activities) were more than eaten up by maintenance costs.

A few years back, the board got rid of a janitor and activities director to save money. The daily lunch comes from the Barron County Meals on Wheels program in Cameron, which brings food to Cumberland five days a week. Seniors can get a hot lunch for \$4, and meals are packed at the center for delivery to the homebound in the community. Volunteers, such as Hines and Mason, help with packaging those meals, including running a machine that seals the food containers with plastic.

Other members help with cleaning and fixing. But it's time to hire contractors to paint and do some major repairs, and Husby is looking for money. He plans to seek grants from United Fund and 3M, which have given to the center in the past. He

plans to visit the township boards to ask for money since residents from outside the city are members of the center. And he's looking for ideas on how to raise about \$25,000 – maybe a fundraiser of some sort.

I told him I found Cumberland to be a generous community. A few years ago, the board of ETC, our arts council, raised enough money to build three new restrooms at the arts center. Surely, we can come up with the funds to spruce up a place where seniors go for food and fellowship.

Barb Benjamin was there the day I visited. She said the Senior Center is "a lifesaver" for some. Isn't that a bit of an overstatement?

"For the widows and widowers it's a lifesaver," she said, "because it gets them out. They get their meals here. It keeps them going."

Then she and her husband sat down on old chairs at wobbly tables to eat a hearty meal with a dozen friends in this "really good place, a place where people can come and converse and be themselves," in the words of Dave Husby.



Dave Husby

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EARLY DEADLINE

Due to New Year's Day falling on Monday, we request that ALL advertisements and news articles be in our office NO LATER THAN NOON on FRIDAY, DECEMBER 29th. Thank you very much for your help. Have a Safe and Happy New Year!

People

A ‘Musical Memoir’ to benefit ETC

For Ron Ruppel, the stages of his life suggest songs, ranging from his rock ‘n roll years, to dark times following the death of his child, to the days in New York when he grew fond of Broadway show tunes.

While recuperating from a broken leg a couple years ago, the Cumberland businessman finished writing a musical he named Lifesong that will be performed by almost 40 singers and musicians at the Cumberland Fine Arts Center.

The performances are Jan. 5, 6, 12 and 13 at 7 p.m., with a 2 p.m. matinee on Sunday, Jan. 14. Tickets, which are \$12, can be purchased at Peter & Annie’s World Market in downtown Cumberland and can be reserved by calling 715-822-2787.

Ruppel, a retired CEO of Ardisam Inc., has been involved with music most of his life. He and his brother,

Mark, bought the old Catholic church on the edge of downtown and gave it to Enrichment Through Culture (ETC) several years ago. To recognize the Ruppels’ contributions to the arts council, ETC named the performance space in the arts center the “Ruppel Family Theater.”

Ruppel said he wanted to reciprocate with a fundraiser for ETC in the form of the musical, featuring more than 28 adult artists and 10 youth performers. They will sing and play music ranging from country to classics, such as Frank Sinatra’s My Way, and a few original songs written by Ruppel.

Ruppel said the variety show is about the songs of his life. But, he said, Lifesong is really a variety show that showcases local musical talent.

Questions? Call Larry Werner at 612-743-5117.



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Island Wines & More

Protea Red Blend Sale \$5.99

Hot Buy! Dark Horse Double Down Red Blend Sale \$6.99

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7 Days a Week • 8am - 8 pm 715-822-4777

PARENTS WHO HOST LOSE THE MOST

Don't be a party to teenage drinking. It's against the law.

WINTER PARKING REGULATIONS

There will be no parking on any city street between the hours of 2:30 a.m. and 6:00 a.m. on any day between November 1 through April 1. Violators may be ticketed or towed.

Rick Rieper
Cumberland
Chief of Police

Thomas St. Angelo Public Library Presents:

NOON YEAR SOCK HOP AND DANCE PARTY!



Music and fun for all ages!

The count down begins at noon with noise makers, streamers and bubbles. Wear your fun, colorful and silly socks.

Party snacks will be provided.

Saturday, December 30

11:00 AM - 12:30 PM



This event is free and open to all ages!

Sponsored by The Friends of the Library

3rd Annual

Bring in the New Year at the Cumberland Ice Arena New Year's Eve Party Sunday • December 31

Join us for a fun night of skating, music & raffles
8 pm 'til 12:30 a.m.
Tickets: \$10 per person
Includes one raffle ticket.

Concessions will be open & additional raffle tickets will be available for purchase.

Children unaccompanied by an adult MUST be signed in by a parent or guardian. Once the child is signed in they will not be permitted to leave until they are signed out by a parent or guardian. Adult chaperones will be present, but please consider your child's safety, age, & responsibility with drop-offs.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact us at hockey54829@gmail.com or call 715-822-3887

Sponsored by Cumberland Youth Hockey Assoc.

HAPPY 100th BIRTHDAY HELEN HINES!

From Sisters Lolly & Joy and family and Friend Irene

Thomas St. Angelo Public Library Presents:

K9 Paws To Read



Enzo and China are the library's new therapy dogs and they love to listen to people read. Give them a tail wagging time by reading to them. This experience will surely bring a smile to your face also.

Therapy Dogs, Enzo and China will be available on Saturdays, January 6—February 10 from 10:00 AM to 11:30 AM. You may sign up for a 15 minute session. All ages and reading levels are welcome.

Please contact the library to reserve a reading session .

Phone - 715-822-2767

Email - cupl@cumberlandpl.org



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FREE Champagne at Noon, 3 pm, 6 pm, 9 pm & Midnight!

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CUMBERLAND SCHOOL DISTRICT NEWS

Upcoming Events

Monday, December 25th- Monday, January 1st

Merry Christmas & Happy New Year!
NO SCHOOL DISTRICT WIDE • WINTER VACATION

Thursday Dec. 27th & Friday, Dec. 28th
8:30 am • Cumberland Wrestling/Badger State • River Falls

Friday, Dec. 28th- Sunday, Dec. 31st
Cumberland Hockey at Barron Holiday Tournament • Barron

Tuesday, January 2nd
SCHOOL RESUMES DISTRICT WIDE

Community Ed Classes

Winter Yoga
Pam Baker, Instructor

Thursdays • 5 pm • January 4 - February 8
Cumberland High School Room 18 • Easy to find and plenty of room for all with a calming candlelight setting!
\$40 for a 6 week session or \$8 for one session

All Levels of Experience Welcome! (Male/Female All Ages) This 6-week yoga session will focus on exploring a different chakra, our bodies energy system. We will identify their characteristics and learn poses that will help release blocked energy. Please bring your own yoga mat . Please pre-register for this new class by calling Susan Bridger, CCE Director, 715-822-5121 ext. 403 or emailing sbrid@csdmail.com.

COUNTRY LINE DANCING
For Beginners and Those With Experience!
Rich and LeeAnn Borseth, Instructors

Tuesdays • Jan. 9 thru Feb. 13 • 6:30-7:30 p.m.
6 weeks for \$30. • Cumberland Elementary School

If you can walk, you can dance—so come join us!
Different dance steps will be presented each Tuesday. If there is a song out there, there is a line dance for it! Come as a single or as a couple it's fun; a great source of exercise, great for memory and your heart, great for balance and overall total body wellness!

You must pre-register; please contact: Susan Bridger, CCE Director, 715-822-5121 ext. 403 or emailing sbrid@csdmail.com.

Beginning Quilting
Instructor • Pauline Schell • Cost: \$30
Cumberland HS FACE Room

Wednesday, Jan. 10 at 6-7pm: One hour of introduction: Pattern will be handed out, instructions, class list of purchase expectations; Wednesday, Jan. 24 at 6-9 pm; and Wednesday, Feb. 7 at 6-9 pm.

Class is intended for beginners, but certainly any level of expertise may participate! Work on "Trip Around the World" project that you will complete in class. Register for this class by calling Susan Bridger, CCE Director, 715-822-5121 ext. 403 or emailing sbrid@csdmail.com.

BODY 360'
WITH INSTRUCTOR JADA HAMILTON

Interested in a Total Body Workout? This class is for you!!
First Class Free!! Come check us out!!

10-Week Session will begin
Jan. 10th-March 16th • Wed. & Fri. • 5:15 a.m. • CHS Gym

Cost: \$7 for Walk-ins • 10 passes for \$60 • 20 passes for \$100

Please bring your own Yoga Mat & Dumb Bells. If possible. Weights, HIIT, and Tabata techniques will be used throughout the session. To register or for questions or concerns please contact: Susan Bridger, CCE Director, 715-822-5121 ext. 403 or emailing sbrid@csdmail.com.

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FREE “KICKIN’ BUTTS” SMOKING CESSATION 6-WEEK CLASS

SESSIONS BEGINNING ON
Tuesday, January 9, 2018

6:00 pm

Classes will meet the following six Tuesday evenings at 6:00 pm

Cumberland Healthcare Administrative Board Room
1110 Seventh Avenue, Cumberland WI
Call 715-822-7264 for more information



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original songs written by Ron himself

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7PM

JANUARY 14

2PM

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SCHOOL LUNCH

Menus subject to change

Lunch menu includes assorted fresh vegetables, fresh fruit, and 1/2 pt. milk.
Salad bar served each day as an alternate. Free & Reduced applications are available at the school office.

Tues., Jan. 2: Chicken nuggets, potato triangles, carrots, bread, mixed fruit.

Wed., Jan. 3: Beef stroganoff, peas, oatmeal buns, apple slices.

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Cumberland
Open daily 7am to 10pm

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Barron County Area Literacy Council
715-637-5797

2017 Year in Review...

the entire apartment complex, which was a complete loss. The bomber was later located, deceased, inside his apartment. As a result of the explosion, one Rice Lake Officer received minor injuries from flying debris, and one citizen received minor injuries while being evacuated from the building. No other casualties or injuries resulted from the incident.



January: The Chetek Fire Department Dive Team, Barron County Sheriff's Deputies and Rice Lake Police coordinated efforts to find missing snowmobiler, Todd Kane. Tragically, his body was recovered from under the ice on Rice Lake.

Fire engulfed the Cumberland home of Jamie and Becky Sebens on Monday, January 16th. The firefighters were able to save the garage, but the house was a complete loss. No one was at home at the time of the fire, however, the family did lose one of their pet cats to the blaze.

At a ceremony on Saturday, January 21st in the Wisconsin Dells during the Army National Guard "All Saints Dinner." The Steel Order of the de Fleury Medal was awarded to SSG Aaron T. Flottum for over 17 years of exceptional service to the Engineers of Wisconsin Army National Guard.

On January 25 the Rice Lake Police Department served a search warrant resulting in the seizure of the following items: 13 1/2 pounds of suspected marijuana; \$28,243.75 US currency; and numerous high value clothing and shoes. Two people were taken into custody.

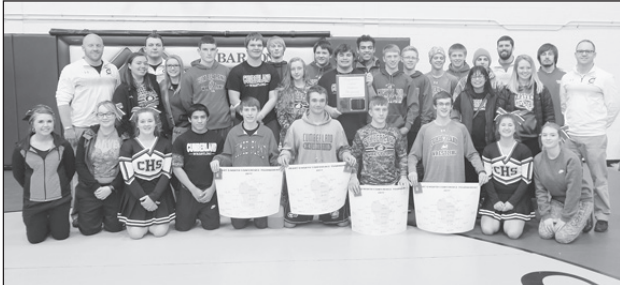
Roy Green of Cumberland competed in Nimes France in the Jr. Mens Compound Division of the Indoor World Cup. Roy placed 7th in the qualifying round and moved on to head to head competition. Roy won four matches to advance to the gold medal match where he fell just short losing to Manuel Festi of Italy.

February

Tragedy continued to plague the area as an unusual warm spell caused uneven ice conditions which resulted in another loss of life.

Amber (Mathison) Swanson, daughter of Gary and Louise Mathison of Rice Lake and Sue and Shaun Anderson of Eau Claire, was awarded the 2017 State of Minnesota Airman of the Year Award. Amber is Assistant to the Wing Commander of the 133rd Airlift, US Air Force Base in Minneapolis, MN. Amber was also part of the team that won the 2017 National Suicide Prevention Award.

The Cumberland Wrestling Team finished second at the HON Tournament held last weekend in Barron to grab a share of their fifth straight Conference Wrestling Title with the Barron Bears.



February: The Cumberland Wrestling team took home a share of the HON Conference Title for the 5th year in a row. Pictured above are the wrestlers, cheerleaders and coaching staff for the 2016-17 season. Congratulations to all on an outstanding season.

A beautiful day greeted the large crowd attending the 2017 Wisconsin State Ice Fishing Contest held on Sunday, February 12th on Beaver Dam Lake. The \$1,000 Grand Prize money went to Chris Dahl for his winning 6.07 lb. northern

At the February City Council meeting, the Council approved changes to the Campground regulations at Eagle Point. For this season, people staying at Eagle Point will no longer be able to operate golf carts, ATVs, dirt bikes, etc. on the campgrounds. Also, Police Chief Rick Rieper announced that they have hired Tyler Blair as a new part-time officer. Tyler begins ride-alongs this week.

Police officers, school district staff and teachers, as well as business leaders from as far away as Portage came to Cumberland to participate in the Advanced ALICE (Alert Lockdown Inform Counter Evacuate) active shooter training program, hosted by the Cumberland Police Department. The ALICE Instructor Joe Chavalia is the only Senior National Trainer in the US.

Cumberland Wrestlers Logan Steglich and Gio Torres qualified to compete in the State Wrestling Tournament being held in Madison.

Cumberland High School Sophomore, Zach Hulanter was recognized for his literary accomplishments at a reception given by the Psi Chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma at the Cumberland Public Library. Zach has competed every year in the DKG sponsored State Literary & Illustrator Competition. This past year, a collection of his stories was published professionally.

Erickson Excavation began to remove sediment on Tuesday, Feb. 14th from the inlet channel that parallels 3rd Ave off the east side of Rabbit Bay of Beaver Dam Lake. Several residents requested advice from the BDLMD as to how to permit the dredging of the channel. Through the cooperation of the WDNR, the City of Cumberland, the BDLMD and the residents the project was completed on Feb. 16th.

March

Traffic accidents once again led the news in March, with a rollover causing life threatening injuries to one Cumberland resident and "inattentive driving" causing a three vehicle crash.

After days of unseasonable weather, rain, and a predicted snow storm from missing the Hayward and Cable areas, the American Birkebeiner Ski Foundation regret-

fully announced the cancellation of the 2017 American Birkebeiner, Kortelopet, and Prince Haakon cross-country ski races

The Roger and Darice Riebe Family received the 2017 Distinguished Service Award from the Gopher Dairy Club.

The Beavers began tournament play with a 72-65



March: Clay Melgaard, a special needs student and wrestler from Barron, got to wrestle Braxton Engstrand from Cumberland. In a show of outstanding sportsmanship, Engstrand wrestled Clay for a full six minutes.

victory over Ladysmith on their home court. This was the first win in WIAA Tournament play since the 2011 team that ended up with a 14-10 record. The Boys then dropped a 73-58 decision to Phillips in the second round of the WIAA Tournament, ending their 2016-2017 season. The team concluded the year with a final record of 10 and 13.

The Cumberland-Spooner Bantam Hockey Team finished as the Consolation Champs at the Bantam State Hockey Tournament held in Manitowoc March 3rd through 5th.

Braden and Dawson Johnson finished up a busy stretch of wrestling competing in the Midwest Nationals Wrestling Tournament. The tournament consists of four legs. A prized belt is earned by placing in the top four at three of the tournaments. Both Braden and Dawson reached their goal earning a belt.

The Cumberland Area Senior Citizen Center was visited by the Cumberland Volunteer Fire Department. The firefighters brought new smoke alarms and installed them throughout the Center. Some of the old alarms they replaced were dated 1981.

Cumberland High School performed the play *Dracula*. The cast included John Harker: Kevin Johnson, Ethan Snowbank, Emilie Springsteen, Damien Capuzzi, Hunter Gehrman, Larsen Gruber, Nik Burling and Amanda Williams.

The Washburn County Humane Society suffered an overnight blaze on Thursday, March 16th. The cause of the fire has been determined to be a plastic cigarette butt receptacle just outside the building. The building has "major structural damage by the back entryway and the roof is partially caved in."

"The Clunk" went down late afternoon on Tuesday, March 21st.

There was not a dry eye in the house last Thursday night in Barron during a youth wrestling match. Clay Melgaard, a special needs student and wrestler from Barron, got to wrestle Braxton Engstrand from Cumberland. In a show of outstanding sportsmanship, Engstrand wrestled Clay for a full six minutes. Braxton allowed Clay to "take him down" and fulfil a dream. The pair received a rousing standing ovation from both communities. Congratulations to both Barron and Cumberland wrestling teams for an evening that won't soon be forgotten.

Firemen from Almena, Turtle Lake and Cumberland Fire Departments were called out on Wednesday, March 22nd a property owned by Albin Peterson on 5th Street in Turtle Lake for a fully engulfed structure fire. The home was vacant at the time of the blaze. The home and several belongings were a complete loss. There were no injuries and the cause of the fire was unknown.

Crews tore down the old Harley Davidson shop on Hwy 63 Monday, March 27. The building had sat vacant for many, many years. The property possibly will be used for a retention pond for Beaver Dam lake.

April

The Cumberland School District donated a stuffed beaver mount to Wolf Ridge Environmental Learning Center as a permanent memorial to late science teacher and Wolf Ridge leader, David Frye. Island City Acad-



April: Island City Academy Students Gavin Fountaine, Tyler Linder and Ethan Snowbank show off the beaver mount they created. The Cumberland School District is donating the beaver to Wolf Ridge Environmental Learning Center as a permanent memorial to late science teacher and Wolf Ridge leader, David Frye.

emy Students Gavin Fountaine, Tyler Linder and Ethan Snowbank constructed the mount.

On Friday, April 7th the old Curnow General Store building at the corner of Hwy. 48 and County Rd. E in McKinley, was totally engulfed in flames. The property, now owned by Jim Briese, was a total loss. No injuries were reported, though the heat of the blaze melted the siding on a building across the street. Cumberland and Lorain Fire Departments responded to the fire

On Friday, April 7th students from the Island City Academy Charter School participated in the Wisconsin Envirothon. The High School team, consisting of Gavin Fountaine, Tyler Linder, Dwight Griffith, Eathan Snowbank and Kela Vicich, took first place overall and qualified them to compete at the National competition to be

held in Maryland in July

Big winds in the night of Sunday April 9th caused severe damage throughout Cumberland. Wayne and Robin Hanson's house on 6 1/4 St. sustained extensive damage. The storm blew the two car attached garage off the house and into the back yard. Seneca Foods lost a portion of their roof, pontoons were over turned at Don Johnson Motors and many trees were uprooted throughout the area.

Crews began work on Monday, April 17th to reconstruct the outlet under Hwy. P on the South end of Cemetery Bay. The outlet regulates water levels on Beaver Dam Lake. The work is expected to take approximately four weeks.

The Cumberland Golf Course celebrated the opening of its 90th season of golfing.

May

Paul Nelson received the Cumberland Citizen of the Year award from Chamber of Commerce President Jon Hile at the Chamber of Commerce Dinner held at the 5



May: Paul Nelson (left) received the Cumberland Citizen of the Year award from Chamber of Commerce President Jon Hile at last Tuesday's Chamber of Commerce Dinner held at the 5 O'Clock Club. Paul has been active in the City for many years in multiple facets but is most well known for his work with the Rutabaga Festival. Paul has been instrumental in growing Northwest Wisconsin's best festival. Paul has been on Main St. for nearly 30 years, but his family has been there since his grandfather opened a hardware store in 1933. Paul is a past president of the Chamber of Commerce, and has been on the Chamber Board for over 30 years. He was also a member of the Jaycees as well as the Cumberland Development Corporation. Paul is a graduate of Cumberland High School and UW-LaCrosse. Paul is married to his wonderful wife Deb. Congratulations "Mr. Cumberland" you truly are Cumberland's biggest ambassador.

O'Clock Club.

Cumberland High School held their annual Junior Prom on Saturday, April 29th. This years court consists of 2017 Queen & King Kaylee Roeschlein and Skyler Fox, Kate Stone, Nik Burling, Kobe Berghammer, Hannah Delzer, Ali Stevens, Logan Steglich, Rylee Riewestahl, Steven Hanson, Elaina Bruno, Max Narges and 2016 King & Queen Dylan Feiertag and Joey Carlson.

National recording artist Kat Perkins, who was as semi-finalist on season 6 of the hit NBC television show "The Voice" made a special appearance at the Cumberland Middles School.

Louis E. Muench, of Louie's Finer Meats in Cumberland, recently received the Wisconsin Distinguished Agriculturalist Award presented by the College of Agriculture, Food and Environmental Sciences from the University of Wisconsin, River Falls.

At the Cumberland High School's 2017 Commencement ceremonies, Faith Erickson was named as Valedictorian. Faith is the daughter of Mary and Cory Erickson. Aspen Hatzenbeller was named as Salutatorian. Aspen is the daughter of Raymond and Rhoda Hatzenbeller; and Eric Ness, CHS Class of 1979, and Dr. Duane A. Lundervold, CHS Class of 1974 were honored as the 2017 Graduates of Achievement.

On Tuesday May 16, 2017 at 5:33 pm a tornado touched down in Chetek at the Prairie Lake Estate Mobile Home Park, causing one fatality. There was widespread damage throughout the Cameron/Chetek area.

At the baseball game versus Chetek/Weyerhaeuser on Monday, May 22nd, The Cumberland School District donated over \$1,200 dollars to the Chetek District and the Barron County Disaster Relief Fund to aid in recovery efforts after last week's storms. The money was given by students, staff, and administration and was collected in homerooms. The Senior Class gave \$500 towards the effort. Pictured

On Wednesday, May 24th, the Barron County Sheriff's Department received several calls of a plane crash south of Chetek. The plane wreckage was located in the Red Cedar River south of Chetek Two subjects were pulled from the water. Hunter Gilbert, 18, of Cameron, was taken by Bloomer Ambulance to an Eau Claire Hospital and later flown to Rochester, where he is in serious condition. Owen Knutson, 17, of Chetek, was pronounced deceased at the scene.

June

The Cumberland Beavers Baseball Team is headed to State for the first time since 1998. The Cumberland Beavers advanced to the State Baseball Tournament with a 3-0 win over Chetek-Weyerhaeuser and an 8-3 win over Durand on Tuesday night. The team plays on Wednesday, June 14th in Appleton.

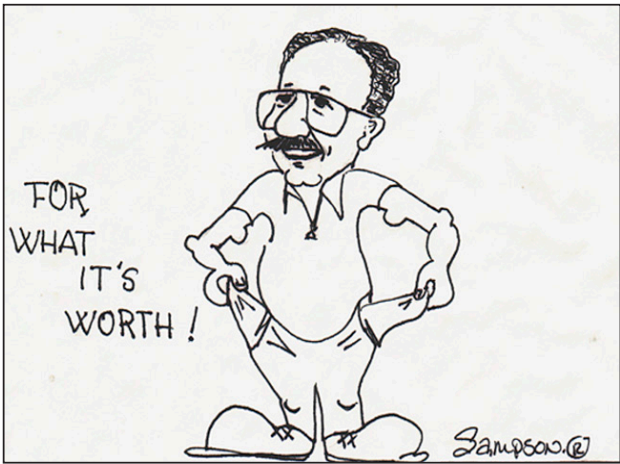


June: The Cumberland Beavers advanced to the State Baseball Tournament with a 3-0 win over Chetek-Weyerhaeuser and an 8-3 win over Durand.

Eight Cumberland High School juniors were each awarded an \$8,000 Endeavor Foundation Scholarship on Tuesday, June 6th, during an end of the year awards ceremony at Cumberland High School. This year's recipient's are: Alisyn Stevens, Colten Wilson, Alex Ricci, Damien Capuzzi, Gavin Fountaine, Konur Pasko, MyKayla Anderson and Elaina Bruno.

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Opinion



By Craig Bucher

As the New Year approaches it is time to once again, think of New Year’s resolutions. I think there are two kinds of resolutions - the first is the personal types, you know, such as resolving to lose weight, or quit smoking or to pay more attention to building better relations with our families or our friends. I resolve every year, I must admit with limited success, to try to be more thoughtful to my wife. She puts up with an awful lot from me. I must have had some success as she has stuck with me for 57 years. The other type of resolution is a societal one, a resolution where all of us, collectively resolve to work toward a specific goal that improves our society. There are plenty of examples available. The one I think about, as 2018 comes closer, is “firearm deaths.” You can read examples in the newspaper every day, someone shot after bar closing time, someone shot in a domestic dispute, someone shot in a road rage incident, someone shot in a “drug deal” gone wrong or someone shot in an accident or perhaps a child killed while playing with a parent’s gun. Our firearm deaths are so numerous that the Center for Disease Control and Prevention reported that between 1968 and 2015 some 1.5 million Americans died from gun related incidents. During the period between 1775 to 2017 a total of 1.2 million Americans were killed fighting in American wars. During a 50 year period more Americans died from firearms than have lost their lives fighting in wars for almost 250 years. I know that we are not going to get rid of the Second Amendment. However, there must be something we can do to cut down on the violence in our streets and in our homes. Surely reasonable people can come to reasonable solutions so that our children will be safe. That will be my resolution for 2018. I will urge our legislators at both the state and the federal levels to move past the “talking points” to search for legislation to make our streets safer for our children and for those yet to come. If enough of us pressure our legislators, just maybe 2018 will see the beginnings of a safer America.

SEE YOU NEXT WEEK!

A Look Back

10 Years Ago
December 26, 2007

Phil Flottum, of Cumberland, has been selected as one of ten recipients of the Green Bay Packer Community Quarterback Award. The award, designed to honor volunteers who exemplify leadership, dedication, creativity and a commitment to improving the communities in which they live through volunteerism, will be presented on January 9th.

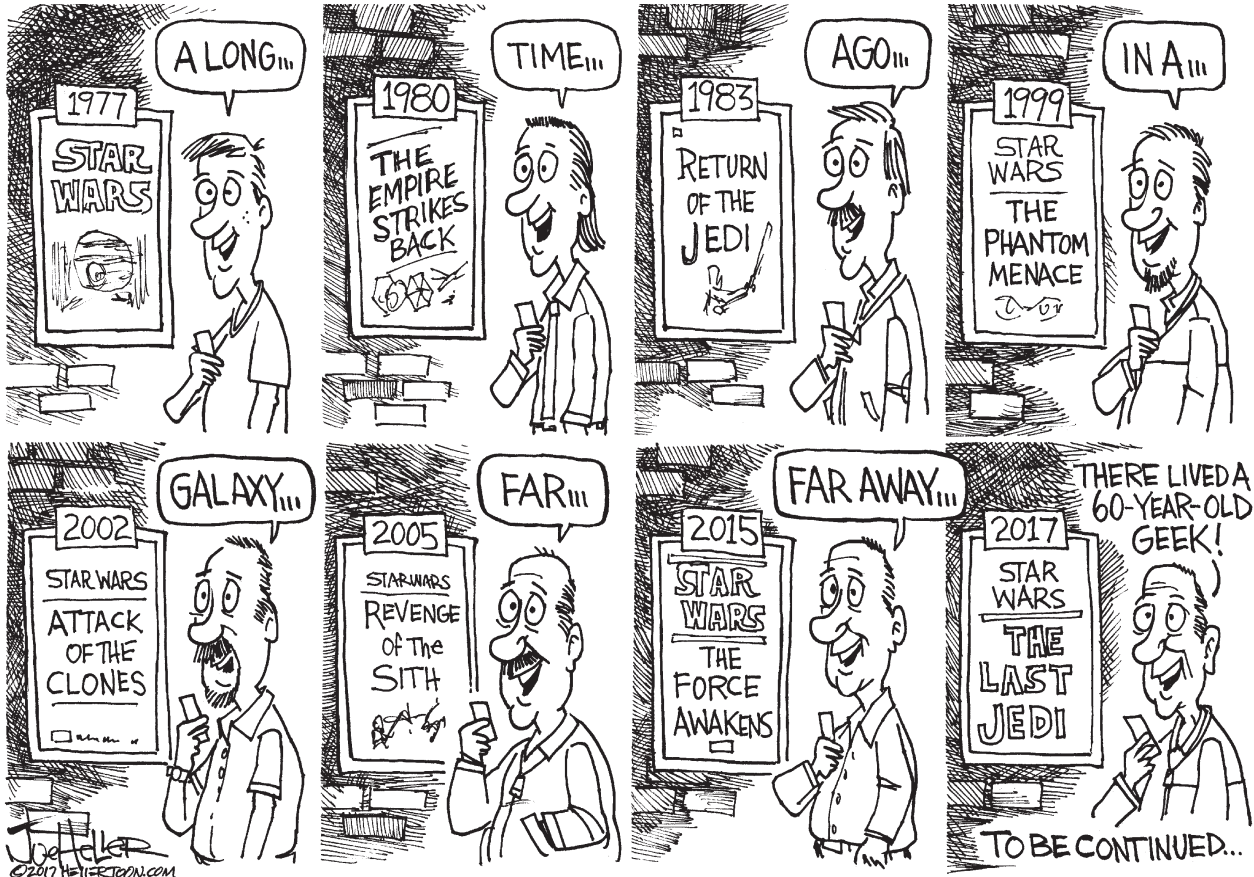
20 Years Ago
December 31, 1997

According to the Cumberland Police Department they have made progress in solving the burglary which occurred at Cain’s Jewelry shortly before Christmas. On

Tuesday, December 23, a call came into the Police Department about a possible break in at Cain’s Jewelry. Officer Rick Henck was on duty and only two blocks away when the call came in and he responded immediately. Entry was made through a side window, which the burglar broke to gain admittance.

30 Years Ago
December 30, 1987

Members of the Cumberland Volunteer Fire Department and their years of service were: C. S. Ranallo (18), Jerry Chartraw (15), Pete Bergmann (12), Ron Rye (9), Mark Erickson (10), Assistant Chief Len Mayner (55), Ron Pearson (18), Richard Sebens (12), Dennis



Inside Wisconsin
by Tom Still

Holiday perks includes naughty and nice in Wisconsin politics

MADISON, Wis. – A source close to the toy industry has leaked a copy of Santa’s perks list for Wisconsin politicians and newsmakers. Here’s what the good boys and girls in Madison and Washington will reportedly find in their stockings this Christmas. But they better not pout and they better not cry if an alert district attorney asks why gifts were delivered down chimneys after midnight.

Gov. Scott Walker: It’s hard to shop for the guy who has everything. Major Asian company to call Wisconsin home? Got that. State budget with a decent reserve? Got that, too. Strong majorities in both houses of the Wisconsin Legislature? Under control ... for now. Santa will give Walker an autonomous vehicle lane on I-94 to transport workers to and from the new Foxconn plant ... and a few toll booths to pay for it.

Lt. Gov. Rebecca Kleefisch: Wisconsin’s high-energy lieutenant governor is becoming a favorite on some national talk circuits, so much so that her boss joked the other day to a

crowd: “People sometimes say, ‘Scott, you’re OK, but when is Rebecca coming back?’” Santa’s gift for Kleefisch is more frequent flier miles.

U.S. Sen. Tammy Baldwin: The 2018 election holds both peril and promise for Democrat Baldwin. Peril because she and other Senate Democrats are running for re-election in a state carried by President Trump in 2016; promise because Trump’s approval ratings aren’t great and Democrats have notched a few victories of late. The senator’s gift is for Trump to keep tweeting straight through Election Day.

Assembly Speaker Robin Vos: Amid rumors of major retirements in the Republican caucus, Vos may be hoping for a fresh crop of Wisconsin legislators who aren’t single-issue or single-wing candidates. Santa’s gift to Vos is a short “naughty list” of GOP lawmakers who wouldn’t necessarily be missed.

House Speaker Paul Ryan: Wisconsin’s Ryan got his gift just before the holiday when the House ap-

proved the \$1.5 trillion tax reform bill he had championed for years. Ryan triumphantly banged his gavel in announcing the final vote totals, so Santa’s gift is a new gavel to replace the mallet he likely cracked.

The Wisconsin Government Accountability Board: Already dubbed “The Cheesehead Stassi” by critics, this body may have some explaining to do over allegations it spied on citizens for their political activity. The real gift here is for taxpayers and voters who deserve a functional, bipartisan board in time for the 2018 election cycle.

Wisconsin cabinet officials Scott Neitzel and Mark Hogan: The secretaries of the state’s Department of Administration and its Economic Development Corporation quarterbacked the effort to lure Foxconn to Wisconsin, fielding 4 a.m. calls, fly-specking proposals and managing everyone’s expectations. Unfortunately, their gift won’t be fully unwrapped for years: The satisfaction of seeing 13,000 workers on the job in Racine County.

Former Assembly Minority Leader Peter Barca:

The gift of no longer having to be the floor leader for outnumbered Assembly Democrats.

Reince Priebus: Christmas came early for UW-Whitewater graduate Priebus when the White House Chief of Staff returned to the private sector after six months on the job. Priebus is practicing law, writing a book and regaining his sanity. He still deserves a gift: Russian nesting dolls to remind him of when he asked Trump to accept intelligence agency findings and to put the election tampering issue behind him.

For Wisconsin’s rising political stars: In an era when sharp personal attacks and partisanship drive more good people away from politics than it attracts, it’s reassuring to know that some quality office-holders continue to be attracted to public service. That’s a gift to Wisconsin citizens. Happy holidays, everyone!

Still is president of the Wisconsin Technology Council. He is the former associate editor of the Wisconsin State Journal.

Kraft (5), Ric Chartraw (12), Gary Bergmann (12), Assistant Chief Lloyd Stoll (33), Chief Bob Mack (25), Craig Friess (1), Larry Severson (1), Shawn Warwick (2), Alex Friess (12), Paul Landstrom (7), Rich Rydberg (5), Mike Peterson (2), Barry Kuenkel (6), Jim Kreuger (18), Bob Paffel (12), John Benjamin (13), Craig Greener (2), Curt Johnson (2), and Tim Rye (2).

40 Years Ago
December 29, 1977

David F. Larson was sentenced last week to life in a federal prison for his part in the million dollar kidnapping of Virginia Piper more than five years ago. His federal sentence is to run consecutively to a life term. Kenneth J. Callahan, now of Cumberland, who was convicted along with Larson will be sentenced January 3rd. Callahan is free on bail.

Another new apartment complex is going up in Cumberland-this one on 2nd Avenue next to Rye Heating and Plumbing. It will feature eight 2-bedroom units. The owner of the apartment building is Marvin Torgeson of Comstock.

50 Years Ago
December 28, 1967

Cumberland firemen were called to the home of Nancy Bentz at 4:45 p.m. Saturday evening, where flames caused heavy damage. According to Fire Chief Charles Sale, there was no one home at the time and the flames gained considerable headway. The fire started at the side, near the back door and the interior suffered heavy damage. As yet no cause for the fire has been determined.

The Cumberland Beaver matmen ran their record to nine wins, one loss and one

tie as they blitzed Spooner 41-10. Milton Ricci, Richard Spanish, Dan Peterson, Charles Ladd, Ben Peterson and Ric Chartraw earned falls for the Beavers. Cumberland Wrestlers almost earning falls were Gary Matthews who won 20-0 and Fred Capra 16-2.

60 Years Ago
December 26, 1957

At a special meeting on Sunday, the administrative board of the Cumberland Memorial Hospital, appointed Paul Markgren to the post of administrator.

Roy E. Riebe Jr., seaman USN, returned to Long Beach, Calif., aboard the radar picket destroyer USS Dennis J. Buckley after a six month tour of duty with the U. S. 7th Fleet in the Far East.

Lyle H. Butrick of Comstock, a student at the U. of Wisconsin, has been awarded sophomore honors for excellence of work in the University’s College of Letters and Science.

Howard Hunt, CHS agriculture instructor, has been named to the six-man board of the county’s Conservation Committee.

Eleven cars of a North western freight train were derailed at Turtle Lake south of the depot Thursday afternoon.

65 Years Ago
December 25, 1952

J. Allen Strickland, 18, son of Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Strickland of Barronett, is completing his AF basic airman indoctrination course at Lackland Air Force Base.

Sgt. Harry F. Hobschied, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Hobschied of Barronett, is now serving in Japan with the 1st Cavalry Division.

Fred Pearson is spending a 14 day leave with friends

and relatives here before returning to Jacksonville, Florida, where he is stationed with the Naval Air Corps.

Mr. and Mrs. William Talbot returned Saturday from a two-weeks vacation in New Orleans where they viewed the new Buick.

75 Years Ago
December 24, 1942

Fire of undetermined origin gutted the Cotone Barber Shop and burned the living quarters in the rear last Friday evening. Mrs. Frank Zaccardi, who occupied the living quarters, lost most of her belongings. The barber shop equipment was totally destroyed.

Philip Sorensen, newly enlisted in the Army Air Corps, came home for a short visit. He left Wednesday for Fort Snelling.

Authorization for the raising of the capital from \$10,000 to \$40,000 was voted at a meeting of stockholders of the Co-op Oil Association held Saturday. The expansion was to provide for the purchase and operation of the Cumberland Milling Co.

100 Years Ago
December 27, 1917

John Corcoran, Walter Collingwood, John Paulson, Harry Haugen, Alfred C. Poulter and Gust H. Olson were among the soldiers from Camp Grant who spent Christmas with their relatives here.

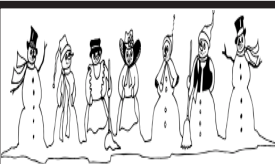
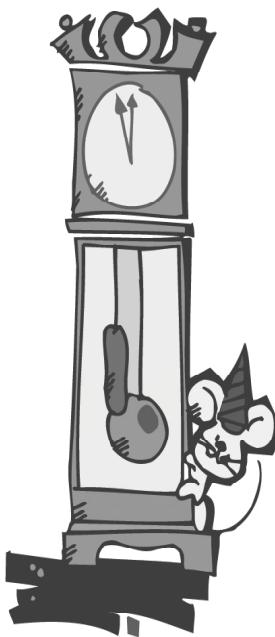
John Stoll, who has spent the past two months with a construction crew of the Wisconsin Telephone Co., is home once more, the crew having been laid off.

The Bert Waterman family of Menomonie spent their Christmas with relatives here. Miss Eleanor is planning on entering the

Red Cross service.

Last Thursday evening in the H. S. auditorium, Clarence E. Moullette of the U. S. Marines, gave an interesting talk on the life of a marine, and some of his experiences in the service.

HAPPY NEW YEAR!



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WEATHER

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12/25	18	-8	0.1"
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Sports

Wrestlers Fall to Barron; Prepare for Northern Badger

The Cumberland Beavers Wrestling Team dropped a 40 to 33 HON Dual to the Barron Bears last Thursday night to drop their Conference record to 2 and 1 and their overall dual mark to 9 and 8. The Beavers are now off until December 28 and 29, when they travel to River Falls for the the Northern Badger Tournament.

It was expected to be a close contest and it was, going down to the last match of the night. It would eventually be the Bears, however, who would get the most victories to take the win.

Boys Win Twice; Even Record at 4-4

The Cumberland Boys Basketball won a pair of HON contest last week to run their overall record to 4 and 4 as they enter the Christmas break. The Beavers defeated Ladysmith 56-18 on Tuesday and then entertained a home crowd with a 54-39 win over Chetek-Weyerhaeuser on Friday. The teams next game is a contest at Unity on January 2.

Cumberland won easily on Tuesday at Ladysmith. The Beavers rolled to a 30-11 first half bulge and were never challenged.

Freshman Jack Martens continued his recent excellent play with a team-leading 20 points, including four of six from three-point land. Kobe Berghammer added a nice all-around game with 11 points, nine rebounds, and five assists, while Noah Schradle ended the contest with nine points.



Andrew Barnes and the rest of the Beavers played tough defense Friday night vs the Bulldogs. Photo by Isaac Bucher

Girls Basketball Team Drops Game at Northwestern

The Cumberland Girls Basketball Team dropped their final game before the Christmas break with a 61-23 loss at Northwestern last Thursday night. The team will now be off until January 2, when they travel to Unity for a contest against the Eagles.

“The girls worked hard, but their overall size and strength was too much for us,” said Coach Corey Chilson.

Cora Grunseth and Hannah Delzer led Cumberland with six points each. Maddy Pease added five points and did some nice things off the bench. “The score doesn’t reflect how hard we’re working and improving,” concluded Chilson.

Sports Calendar

Thursday, Dec. 28

Wrestling @ Northern Badger 8:00am

Friday, Dec. 29

Girls Hockey @ Somerset 1:00

Boys Hockey Holiday Invite @ Barron TBA

Wrestling @ Northern Badger 8:00am

Saturday, Dec 30

Girls Hockey vs BRF @ Hayward 1:00

Boys Hockey Holiday Invite @ Barron TBA

Sunday, Dec. 31

Boys Hockey Holiday Invite @ Barron TBA

Tuesday, Jan. 2

Boys BB @ Unity 7:15

Girls BB @ Unity 5:45

Boys Hockey vs Somerset @ Barron 7:00

Looking For The Back Of The Net!



RJ Gunderson #5 tries to jam home a loose puck last week vs Altoona at the Barron rink. The Icemen came up short. Photo by Bob Nugent



Carson Kurtz, Dalton Anderson and Ethan Johnson clear the puck from in front of net minder Jonah Becker vs Altoona. Photo by Bob Nugent

Icemen Still Looking For First Win

The Northwest Icemen hosted Regis/McDonell/Altoona last week, where they dropped an 11-1 decision. The team is now off until Friday, December 29, when the team hosts West Bend at 6:00 pm in the Barron rink as part of the Barron Holiday Tournament.

Girls Beat Superior 7-1

The Hayward Co-Op Girls Hockey Team won their fourth in a row last Thursday with a 7-1 victory over Superior at the Superior rink. The girls played Hudson last weekend and are now off until Friday, December 29, when they travel to Somerset to play the host school in a 1:00 pm start.

Cumberlands Mackenzie Johnson scored one of the Hayward Co-Op goals, her third of the season.





Freshman Jack Martens moves around a C/W defender during the Beavers easy win over the Bulldogs Friday night in Cumberland. Photo by Isaac Bucher



Football All-Star Coaches Named

Cumberland will be well represented on the North Shrine Bowl Small School Staff for next July as former Cumberland athlete and Cumberland Hall of Fame Athlete Tony DiSalvo was named the Head Coach and current Cumberland Head Coach Corey Berghammer was chosen by DiSalvo as an assistant. His twin brother Chris, who served as a volunteer on Cumberlands own staff this past fall, was also named as an assistant.

The game will be played on July 21st



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12/29 Fri	1:06	7:19	1:33	7:47	07:45	04:27	2:01p	3:21a	9:13p	8:45a	
12/30 Sat	1:54	8:09	2:23	8:38	07:45	04:28	2:43p	4:35a	10:12p	9:42a	
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The Joe 2017

Hello friends,

I am a couple of weeks ahead with my field work so that I can be home for the holidays, as I have done for the last 28 years. I hope each and every one of you have a great Christmas and a healthy new year.

This week's column will be told a bit different than usual, but I feel I can tell the most by piece mealing a very incredible weekend.

Friday, December 8th

High 34, low 17

His name is Jason Day, and is a 6th grader at New Lisbon Elementary School. Jason's mom is Jasmin Denter. Jasmin is a single mother who is doing her very best to make sure her son has the option of becoming a young outdoorsman.

Jasmin works at Leer Inc in New Lisbon which has been very good to the Meadow Valley Chapter of KAMO (Kids and Mentors Outdoors).

I am Jason's mentor for "The Joe" which is a unique 48-hour experience where 24 kids, 24 mentors and at least ten helpers spend the weekend at the MacKenzie Education Center in Poynette, "The State Game Farm" and they all hunt deer with most of the hunting taking place on private property with their mentor.

Rick Miotke is the long time President of The Baraboo River Chapter of KAMO and the original host of this hunt which is now in its 9th year. Rick is the heart and soul of this hunt. The person that runs all the meetings, does the never-ending paperwork, and also holds a mandatory 3 hour "Learn to Hunt" class where each kid has to prove that they can comfortably shoot their firearm.

There were three young hunters who I had a chance to get to know, and will not name, their ages ranging from 10-13. Each of them lost a father or

grandfather in the last year that was going to take them hunting this fall. I give you my word that each of these young adventurers and the parent that set them up were wonderfully happy for this experience when we all said goodbye on Sunday afternoon.

Bob Brodeur has been a friend of mine ever since high school. Bob is the President of The Lake Wisconsin Chapter "Poynette/Lodi" of KAMO. No one can match Bob's work ethic and his ability to find land to hunt and good people to give donations. Thank you to every landowner and everyone that helped with a gift of some sort.

Luke Anderson is a KAMO Kid whose older brothers, Jack and Joe, have both hunted in The Joe. The kids play bingo on Saturday night and the final game is called blackout and is for a 243. I captured the look on Luke's face when he won the 243. The average person would be amazed at the gifts these kids gets over the course of this very fun night.

Jeff and Patti Rouse are two of my best friends. Patti and I sat next to each other from 7th grade through our senior year, as we were in the same homeroom. The Rouse's, along with Patti's sister, Pam Seiple order food and cook for 60, twice on Friday, three times on Saturday and twice on Sunday.

They have done this task for 9 years, and if you see them while you are out and about please thank them for their service.

I have never missed a Joe, this experience borders on epic for everyone involved.

If you want to witness kids playing outside. If you want to see kids from all over the state become a pack of 24 good friends. If you want to see hunting taught with respect and kids freely getting up at 4:45 hoping to put a deer on the pole while observing nature, that is why at least 50 adults worked so hard for



KAMO kids after a great night of bingo!



Most of the participants in this years "The Joe" deer hunt!

the last 4 months to make sure it happened.

All seven chapters of KAMO could use mentors and if you do not want to mentor there are other things you could do to help. We can use kids to mentor, and your donations always help. To the best of my knowledge this event was 100 percent free to each young hunter, and there is not a one of us on the payroll.

I wrote ten years ago that if we stick with it, KAMO will become a solid way of getting our kids BACK in the outdoors. Sunset

P.S. The kids harvested 11 deer!

Sunset

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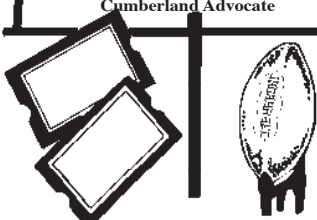
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12 tiebreaker

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12 tiebreaker

3. Don Gray
11 tiebreaker

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Correspondents

Barronett News By Judy Pieper

Happy New Year! I hope 2018 will be one of your best years so far. Every year I ask you to let me know if you made any New Year's resolutions, and if you did, if you would share them with us. So far I haven't gotten any response to that. But, I'll ask again anyway. We would all like to hear what your plans are to make your life, or this planet, better this year.

Kelli Orth flew up from Goodyear, Arizona on Monday to be with her mom, Dorothy Orth. While she was here, Shirley Overvig drove up from River Falls, so a bunch of us got together for lunch at the Red Brick Cafe. Geri Pittman, Ruth Grover, Pat Sweet, and I were the rest of the "lunch bunch" and we joined Dorothy, Kelli and Shirley at the cafe, sat and talked for a long time, and enjoyed the delicious food Sharai prepared. (Deb was off for the day). We were so glad that Kelli could be with her mom this week to help her through the initial grief of Leroy's passing. They have planned a memorial service for Leroy in June.

We received a Christmas card from our friends, Bill and Sally Evans, and Bill had written a short note in the card. He casually mentioned that he and Sally would like to come up and visit again this summer, but that it wouldn't be during the month of June. The month is busy for them-one of the things they will be doing is traveling to New York City to attend a performance at Carnegie Hall, where their daughter will be playing the oboe. Can you just image how proud they must be? The only thing I can say is , "Wow."

As you probably know, the Hilltop has been closed since the weekend after Thanksgiving. Justin and Casey Olson, who also own Rolling Oaks Restaurant in Barron, are the new owners of Hilltop. There are a few things they want to do up there before they re-open-remodel the kitchen slightly and add some new equipment, but they're looking forward to opening as soon as possible. When I have a definite date I will let you know and we can all go up there and welcome them to the community.

Cassie Renslow, who had been running the Hilltop for the past six or seven years (and doing a magnificent job, I must say) is now going to concentrate on raising her three adorable children, Aubrey, Brooks and Cora, and selling Lula Roe clothing. We know that she will be enjoying both jobs, and that we will still be seeing a lot of her because her mom and step-dad, Denyse and John Olson, live just down the hill from Hilltop.

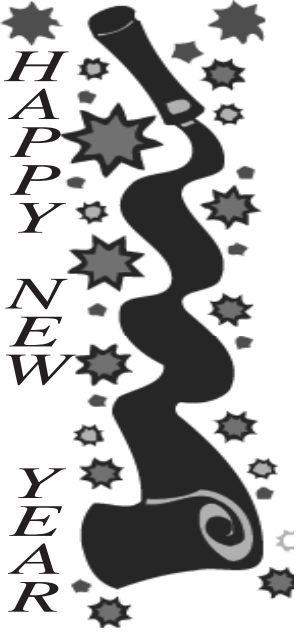
I don't know if I told you or not, but one day last week I lost my purse. I don't even know which day it was because I usually just leave it in the car so that I have my driver's license with me when I go anywhere. Anyway, I looked in all the places that I thought it might be, called the stores that I had been to, and there was no sign of it. Lots of times I don't lock the car, so I finally decided that someone must have grabbed it when I wasn't looking. I called the credit card companies right away and cancelled the cards. On Mon-

day I was going to go to the DMV in Rice Lake to get a new license, and it struck me that maybe I should call WalMart one more time before I got too carried away. The first time I called them, I think on Saturday, the woman who answered said, "Well, I was working yesterday and I don't remember anyone bringing anything in." You have to admit that's a little wishy-washy. So, when I called on Monday, the woman who answered said that she would look through the log of the past few days to see if it mentioned anything that I described. She called back in a few minutes and told me that it was there. I was so glad! For one thing, I really hate to think that anyone in this area would take something that doesn't belong to them, and for another I really didn't want to have to get another picture taken at DMV. The older I get the less those pictures look like I would like to look. Oh, everything was still in my purse, and I asked if the person who turned it in left a note so I could thank him or her, but they just said that it was turned in from aisle 23. So, if the person who turned it in is reading this, thank you. You restored my faith in my fellow man.

Did you mark January 23rd on your calendar for the Shallow Lake Ice Fishing Contest? It's coming up fast. I'll get the details for you from Bonnie Fogelberg and let you know next week when it starts and all that stuff.

Because of Christmas Day falling on Monday, I'm writing this on Friday, so I can't tell you about how Christmas was yet. Next week I should have all the details.

That's about all I know from Barronett this week. Hope Santa was good to you. See you in 2018!



Senior Dining

THURSDAY, DEC. 28

Homemade meatloaf, mashed potatoes with gravy, stewed tomatoes, three cheese bread, ice cream.

FRIDAY, DEC. 29

Baked cod with lemon, buttered baby reds, broccoli salad, peppercorn dill bread, mandarin oranges.

**MONDAY, JAN 1
NO MEALS**



TUES., JAN 2

Chili with onions, sour cream, and shredded cheese, corn bread muffin, Mandarin oranges.

WEDNESDAY, JAN. 3

Lemongrass chicken stir fry, brown rice, steamed broccoli, egg roll pineapple tidbits.

"All meals include milk, coffee and butter. Persons who dine at the Senior Center and those who receive Meals on Wheels are reminded they can use their QUEST Card (Food Share) for their meal donation. For more information call Joanne at 715-537-6225."



Last week, Diane Stone took her student String Ensemble to Woodstone Senior Living to bring some Christmas Cheer to the residents.

Library hosts New Year's Sock Hop

On Saturday, December 30, from 11:00 AM – 12:30 PM, the Thomas St. Angelo Public Library of Cumberland will host a New Year Sock Hop and Dance Party!

There will be music and fun for all ages! The countdown begins at noon with noisemakers, streamers and bubbles. Wear your fun colorful and silly socks.

Party snacks will be provided. This event is free and open to youth of all ages.

Sponsored by The Friends of the Library.

ADRC hosts Demetia 101

Education for All Community Members

The Aging and Disability Resource Center welcomes you to attend Dementia 101: Education for All Community Members.

Many of us come in contact with community members with dementia. Whether you help a loved one, neighbor or friend, work with the public, or would just like to know more, this information will help you. At this free presentation you'll learn about dementia, a general term used to describe a decline in brain function.

The session will cover:

- Differences between Alzheimer's and dementia
- Signs and symptoms of dementia
- An overview of the most common types of dementia
- How dementia affects the various parts of the brain.

Presented by Trisha Witham, Dementia Care Specialist, this is a free event.

You can even get your own baseline memory screen. This free, confidential service will be available after the presentation. It can serve as a tool to manage your own brain health.

Dementia 101 will be offered on the following dates and times: January 24, 1-2:30 p.m., ADRC Conference Room, 850 W Beaverbrook Ave., Spooner.

March 14, 1-2:30 p.m., Barron County Government Center, Room 110, 335 E Monroe Ave., Barron.

April 19, 1-2:30 p.m. & again at 5:30-7:00 p.m., Rice Lake City Hall, 30 E Eau Claire St., Rice Lake

April 25, 1-2:30 p.m. & again at 5:30-7:00 p.m., ADRC Conference Room, 850 W Beaverbrook Ave., Spooner.

June 13, 1-2:30 p.m. & again at 5:30-7:00 p.m., Barron County Government Center, Room 110, 335 E Monroe Ave., Barron

For more information call the ADRC at (888) 538-3031 or email Trisha Witham at trisha.witham@co.barron.wi.us.



Comfort & Joy

FFA SAE Grant Winner



Dallas Bazewicz, President of the Cumberland FFA Chapter was recently announced as one of 48 students in our state selected as a recipient of a Wisconsin FFA Foundation SAE (Supervised Agricultural Experience) Grant. The \$450 Livestock Grant will be used to expand his Beef SAE and was sponsored by Andis Foundation of Brookfield, Wisconsin. Dallas is in 11th grade and is the son of Dustin and Diana Bazewicz.

English as a Second Language offered at UW-BC

English as a Second Language (ESL) will be offered at UW-Barron County on Fridays, January 19 through March 2 from 1:30-3:30 p.m. This non-credit course aims to teach basic English vocabulary, grammar, literacy, and conversation skills to individuals with little or no knowledge of the English language. Instructor Lee Friederich is a Senior Lecturer at UW-BC. She holds a graduate certificate of Teaching English as a Second Language (ESL), as well as an MA and MFA in English and a PhD in Japanese Language/Literature and Comparative Literature.

Cost to enroll is \$99 until January 10, \$109 afterwards. For more information or to register, contact Barb Ritzinger at 715-234-8176 X 5503 or visit <http://ce.uwc.edu/barron>.

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EARLY DEADLINE

Due to New Year's Day falling on Monday, we request that ALL advertisements and news articles be in our office NO LATER THAN NOON on FRIDAY, DECEMBER 29th, Thank you very much for your help.

Have a Safe & Happy New Year!



Sandra DeGidio

Sister Sandra DeGidio, OSM, 74, died on Wednesday, Dec. 20, 2017, at her home in Oak Creek. She was born in Cumberland, on February 12, 1943, to Nick and Jovina (Zappa) DeGidio. She joined the Ladysmith Servite Sisters in 1959 as a high school junior and made her first profession of vows in 1962.

She held a bachelor's in English from Mount Senario College and a master's in English from Marquette University. She studied liturgy at the University of Notre Dame and received a certificate in spiritual guidance from Siena Center in Racine.

She authored ten books, two videos, and over 100 articles in various theological, liturgical, and educa-

tional publications. Her most recent book, "In God's Embrace," is a collection of prayers for health and healing.

She taught courses in family religious education, the sacraments, and liturgy at the University of St. Catherine, St. Paul; Regis College, Denver; St. Norbert College, DePere; Creighton University, Omaha; and Sacred Heart School of Theology, Hales Corners. She also taught in Catholic elementary schools in Hillside, Ill., and Deephaven and Roseville, Mn.

She served as director of family catechesis, adult education, and liturgy at St. Joseph Parish, New Hope, Mn.; pastoral associate and director of religious education at Webster Area Catholic Churches; director of marketing services at Revere Healthcare, Cary, Ill.; and development director at Catholic Charities, Diocese of Rockford.

Sister Sandra served three terms on the Servants of Mary leadership team, with two of those terms as president. She also served as the order's director of communications and development and chair of its ministry

fund.

She is survived by her sister Florann (Bill) Phillips of Alamogordo, N.M., nephews Peter (Tari) Phillips of Alamogordo, N.M., Marc (Jennifer) Phillips of Asunción, Paraguay, and Joel (Kelly) Phillips of Orlando, Fla., and the Servite Sisters, with whom she shared life for 58 years.

She was preceded in death by her parents.

A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated on Wednesday, December 27th at Our Lady of Sorrows Church in Ladysmith with Father Scott Wallenfelsz, SDS and Deacon Craig Voldberg officiating. Burial will be in the Convent Cemetery.

The Prasser-Klecza Funeral Home of Milwaukee and the Nash-Jackan Funeral Home of Ladysmith are assisting with arrangements.



Kathleen A. DeNucci

Kathleen Ann (Strickland) DeNucci, 69, of Cumberland passed away peacefully surrounded by family on Wednesday, December 20th, 2017, at Regions Hospital in St. Paul. Born December 21st, 1947.

Kathy worked at 3M in Cumberland for 37 years before retiring. She enjoyed traveling with her husband, craft work, playing the organ and was a member of the St. Anthony Catholic Church Circles and Catholic Council of Women President. Kathy had a passion to volunteer and help others. She, along with her husband, volunteered with St. Vincent DePaul doing home visits to help the needy. She also was part of a local homemakers club that raised money for the

poor and was a member of the hospital auxiliary, volunteering at the gift shop at Cumberland Health Care. Kathy was recognized by her church as a Pax Christi nominee for her Parish Cluster, acknowledging her many service contributions to the church and the community.

Kathy's greatest joy was caring for children. She will be greatly missed by friends and family of the multiple generations that she cared for. She was a great "auntie" to so many, and was normally found with a child on her lap.

She is proceeded in death by her father DuWayne Strickland, along with her grandparents. She is survived by her husband Michael of Cumberland, her mother Esther Strickland of Cumberland, and four

brothers including Robert (Judy) of Cumberland, Roland (Robin) of Cumberland, Arnie (Diana) of Chipewa Falls, and Tom (Pam) of Cottage Grove, MN, along with numerous nieces and nephews, and grand nieces and grand nephews.

A Memorial Mass will be held at St. Anthony Catholic Church on Saturday, January 6, 2018 at 10:30 AM with Father Tom Thompson officiating. Burial will be St. Anthony Cemetery. Visitation will be held at Skinner Funeral Home-Cumberland on Friday from 4-7:00 PM and one hour visitation prior to the Memorial Mass on Saturday.

Memorials are preferred to be directed to St. Vincent De Paul-Rice Lake at 2811 Pioneer Ave, Rice Lake, WI 54868.

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The Nativity

Immanuel-God with us

By: Pastor Gary Dorn
Cumberland Baptist Church

As I write this article, it is only a few days before Christmas, and when this article appears in the Advocate, we will be approaching New Years Eve. I love the holidays and look forward to time with friends and family! But this year, as I prepare to officiate a funeral, just days before Christmas, and having just comforted a congregant whose spouse died one Christmas Eve, I am very sensitized to how difficult the holidays can be. We live in a world filled with pain and suffering and loneliness. The loss of loved ones is part of our experience in this world. During the holidays, the loneliness and pain can be far more acute than most other days. In a way, we really can't separate sorrow and loss from the joy of the Christmas Story!

It wasn't simply a man born Christmas Day; a Savior was born! Behind that word "Savior" looms the pain and sorrow of the cross...and the joy and promise of the empty tomb. Perhaps the most significant truth found in the Christmas story is in the name given to Jesus in Matthew 1:23-"Immanuel-God with us." Jesus didn't simply teach us from a distance. He did more than pay for sins in an aloof act of grace. Jesus entered into our world to be "God with us." He is with us in our sufferings. He is with us in our loneliness and in our losses. God is never distant or disinterested because, through Jesus Christ, God is with us.

I encourage my Brothers and Sisters in Christ, particularly during the holiday season, to be aware of those who are hurting and lonely. We are called to be the presence of Jesus Christ in a physical way. It may be that you or I will help someone experience the Immanuel simply by being present with them so they can know that God is with us!

Merry Christmas and a blessed New Year!

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OBITUARIES




Jeffrey Lynn Effertz
Jeffrey Lynn Effertz, 59, of Cumberland joined his Lord and Savior on Sunday, December 24, 2017 after a long and courageous battle with cancer. Even during his long fight, Jeff never lost his trust or faith in the Lord. He was born December 5, 1958 in Rice Lake to John and Gloria (Hedke) Effertz. He married Becky Miller of Rice Lake on October 8, 1983 and was blessed with four children. They divorced after 22 years. Jeff married Sherry Fremstad of Chippewa Falls on August 22, 2009. Sherry remained by Jeff's side through sickness and health until death parted them.
Jeff was employed at 3M in Cumberland until his retirement in 2015. He spent many years volunteering his time at the Cumberland Elementary School where he touched the lives of many teachers and students. Jeff loved his family and friends and cherished every moment he was able to spend with his children, grandchildren, wife and beloved dog, Tripod.
There were many things that brought joy to Jeffrey's life, including reading the Bible daily, attending worship service at Red Cedar, watching and cheering on the Green Bay Packers and watching birds at his feeder. Jeff, Sherry and Tripod enjoyed going on drives together and photographing the scenery. Jeffrey had a passion for scrapbooking news out of the newspaper. He was very pleased to help neighbors and friends by running errands and driving them to their appointments. Jeff enjoyed spending time at the Cumberland Senior Citizen Center drinking coffee and visiting with friends.
Jeffrey wanted everyone to know that "I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me." *Philippians 4:13*
He is survived by his wife, Sherry of Cumber-

land; children: Ashley Vanderhoof of Shell Lake, Eric Effertz of Rice Lake, Jessica (Shane) Bates of Turtle Lake and Sarah Effertz of Rice Lake; stepchildren: April (Chad) Luehne of Delavan and Billy Fremstad of Melrose; grandchildren: Makenna, Conner and Jaxson; step grandchildren: Tea, Quinten and Bella; parents, John and Gloria Effertz of Cumberland; siblings: Doug (Judy) Effertz of Cumberland, Bill (Shelley) Effertz of Cumberland, Laurie (Jerry) Helmueller of Little Canada, MN and Scott Effertz of McKinley; many nieces, nephews, other relatives and his special companion, Tripod. He was preceded in death by grandparents: William and Katharine Effertz and Theodore and Mildred Hedke
Funeral services will be held at Thursday, December 28, 2017; 11:00 AM at Red Cedar Community Church - Rice Lake with Pastor Todd Arneson officiating. Burial will be in Lakeside Cemetery - Cumberland. Visitation will be from 4:00 to 7:00 PM Wednesday at the Skinner Funeral Home in Cumberland, and for one hour prior to the service on Thursday at the church.
Skinner Funeral Home of Cumberland is serving the family.

Robert I. Talbot
Robert I. Talbot, 96 died at his home in Cumberland on December 24, 2017. Funeral services will be held Saturday, January 6, 2018 at Skinner Funeral Home in Cumberland, with visitation prior to the service. Burial will follow at Lakeside Cemetery. A full obituary will be published in next weeks Cumberland Advocate.



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First Day Hikes are part of a nationwide initiative led by America's State Parks to encourage people to get outdoors. On New Year's Day, hundreds of free, guided hikes will be organized in all 50 states. Kids and adults all across America will be participating in First Day Hikes, getting their hearts pumping and enjoying the beauty of a state park. Last year nearly 28,000 people rang in the New Year, collectively hiking over 66,000 miles throughout the country!
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PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT BARRON COUNTY NOTICE TO CREDITORS (INFORMAL ADMINISTRATION) CASE NO. 17PR90
In the Matter of the Estate of Maxine L. Johnson, Deceased, Case No. 17PR90.
An application for informal administration was filed. The decedent, with date of birth July 14, 1941 and date of death October 7, 2017, was domiciled in Barron County, State of Wisconsin, with a mailing address of 1525 Second Ave., Cumberland, WI 5481329.
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The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate is March 23, 2018.
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Gina D. Nugent Koeck, Kirk & Graves, Ltd. PO Box 9 Prairie du Sac, WI 53578 608-643-2456 Bar #: 1103438
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Request to rezone Plat 6-3, the west 264 feet of the north 165 feet of NW-NW, consisting of 1.0 acre, located in Section 25, T35N, R14W, Town of Crystal Lake from the Business district to the Agricultural-2 district.
Property owned by Rex W. & Miranda S. Brenizer.
The Zoning Committee reserves the right to view the property and convene in executive session prior to rendering a decision.
All persons interested are invited to attend said hearing.
Dated at Barron, Wisconsin, this 20th day of December, 2017.
Barron County Zoning Committee Andrew Mommsen, Chairman
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NOTICE
There will be a regular meeting of the Common Council of the City of Cumberland on Tuesday, January 2, 2018, 7:00 P.M., at the Cumberland City Hall, 950 1st Avenue Ave. to consider the following agenda:
1. Call to order
2. Roll Call
3. Pledge of Allegiance
4. Approval of the agenda
5. Approve payment of expenses
6. Approval of minutes of the December 5, 2017 Council meetings
7. Public Comment period
8. Consider approval of applications for Operators, Picnic and Transient Merchant Licenses
9. Consider approval of loader bid for the street department
10. Consider letters and petitions presented or referred, new or unfinished business and future proposed agenda items
11. Committee reports
Consider going into closed session pursuant to WI Stat 19.85 (1)(c) for the purpose of considering employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility – review interviews for the Public Works/ Zoning Director position
12. Reconvene into open session and act upon any closed session items
13. Adjourn
Julie Kessler Clerk-Treasurer City of Cumberland
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING TO ADOPT THE UPDATE TO THE CITY OF CUMBERLAND COMPREHENSIVE PLAN
As per Chapter 66.1001(4) (d) of the Wisconsin Statutes, a Public Hearing will be conducted by the Cumberland Plan Commission on January 31, 2018 at 4:00 P.M. at Cumberland City Hall, 950 1st Avenue in Cumberland, WI. The purpose of the Public Hearing is to receive comments regarding the possible approval of a draft update to the City of Cumberland Comprehensive Plan 2017-2037 prepared by the City Plan Commission. The updated plan will guide the future growth and development in the City of Cumberland over the next 20 years. The update included public discussion meetings and a housing survey, and contains the nine required elements required by Wisconsin State Statute 66.1001 including:


- Issues & Opportunities Element
- Housing Element
- Transportation Element
- Utilities & Community Facilities Element
- Agricultural, Natural, & Cultural Resources Element
- Economic Development Element
- Intergovernmental Cooperation Element
- Land Use Element
- Implementation Element

Copies of the plan can be reviewed at the City of Cumberland City Hall and the Cumberland Public Library during normal business hours and is available online at: www.cityofcumberland.net. If you need additional information, please contact Julie Kessler, Clerk-Treasurer at 715-822-2752.
For those unable to attend the public hearing, written comments should be sent to Cumberland City Council c/o Julie Kessler, City Clerk-Treasurer, City of Cumberland City Hall, 950 1st Avenue, Cumberland, WI 54829 and must be received before January 26, 2018. The City Council will consider and respond to any written comments regarding the draft plan update at a duly called Council meeting prior to action on the plan.
Julie Kessler Clerk-Treasurer City of Cumberland
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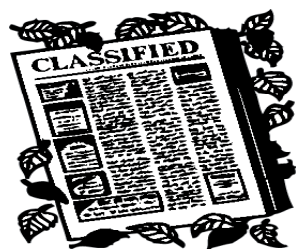
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In the Matter of the Estate of Betty Anne Jordan, Deceased, Case No. 17PR92.
An application for informal administration was filed. The decedent, with date of birth August 12, 1923 and date of death September 22, 2017, was domiciled in Barron County, State of Wisconsin, with a mailing address of 2467 3 1/4 Street, Cumberland, WI 54829.
All interested persons waived notice.
The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate is March 21, 2018.
A claim may be filed at the Barron County Justice Center, 1420 State Hwy. 25 North, Barron, Wisconsin, Room 2700.
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A Look into 2018

Sports prognosticator Mark Fuller has once again taken a look into his crystal ball and come up with some predictions in the world of sports for the upcoming year. We hope you enjoy this look at what could happen as we begin our venture into 2018.

January

The football playoffs begin as touchdown celebrations enter the news when a seven-player Steelers touchdown dance causes a sinkhole to open in one of the Heintz Field end zones. The game is delayed for over two hours, while firemen rescue the players and several trucks fill in the 40x60 hole.

The Badgers put a cap on a great season by defeating Miami 32-16 in the Orange Bowl. Freshman Jonathon Taylor concludes a great freshman season with 144 yards and two touchdowns.

The Packers end their season with two losses and fire Defensive Coordinator Dom Capers after the defense misses six tackles in the season finale on a fan who runs across the field in the third quarter.

February

The Super Bowl comes to Minneapolis, where the Vikings take on the New England Patriots. Bill Belichick breaks out a sweatshirt with flashing lights for the contest. The game is marred only, when two Patriot receivers collide on their routes while texting. The Patriots win 27-20. (Sorry Viking fans)

With viewership down for the year, Commissioner Roger Goodell announces at the Super Bowl that the league will try to spice things up and increase scoring by allowing the team behind to put two additional players on the field for games in the 2018 season. “We think 13 on 11 will lead to great games,” he adds.

The attendance in Minneapolis is so large for the game that motels even in the Cumberland area fill up with visitors. Troy Aikman and Joe Buck are seen in Louie’s, where they are booed for their partiality towards Packer opponents.

March

Awards are numerous following the NFL season and Packer fans are shocked when GM Ted Thompson wins the “Sexiest Man in the NFL Award.” He follows up the announcement by telling the Wisconsin press that he’s retiring from his family to spend more time rebuilding the team for next fall.

President Donald Trump, meanwhile, buys the Cleveland Browns with the Billion dollars he made from the “Middle Class” tax cut. He announces he will make, “The Browns great again.” Son-in-law Jared Kushner is named new Head Coach and daughter Ivanka the GM.

The Cumberland wrestlers send two competitors to the State Tournament, where both place in their weight classes.

April

The opening Brewers game of the season is delayed, when the two teams run out of baseballs. “We

never anticipated so many foul balls,” said Manager Craig Counsell. The Sausage Race, meanwhile, has only three competitors instead of the usual five, because the Brat and Chorizo are suspended for PED use, apparently intended to make them faster.

Higher baseball salaries move even into the grounds crew, when the Yankees announce they have locked up their head groundskeeper to a 10-year, \$2.5 million dollar, no-trade contract. Several Universities quickly make Field Preparation a new college major.

Cumberland’s Mary Miller and Jill Ranallo are selected to do the clock and scoreboard at the Final-4 Basketball Tournament in San Antonio. “We chose them from over 5,000 applicants for their A-Team effort,” said NCAA President Mark Emmert.

May

With Danica Patrick retiring following the Indianapolis 500, the Hendrick Motorsports Team announces that Cumberlands Anna Weaver will be driving for the team the rest of the summer.

The new Dancing with the Stars cast is chosen and local resident John Benjamin will be part of the new season, dancing with Cheryl Burke.

New Cleveland Browns owner Donald Trump announces he will build a wall between Ohio and Pennsylvania and Pennsylvania will pay for it.

June

ESPN layoffs lead them to look at other some options and they decide to hire local resident and Cumberland Principal Ritchie Narges for their football coverage next fall. He is quickly named as Lee Corsos replacement on game day, where he will now spend his Saturday mornings.

The rebuilding Miami Marlins have such a tough time scoring runs, their manager Don Mattingly makes them stay after a Sunday afternoon game to run the bases with the fans. “I’m just making sure they know what we’re trying to do,” said Mattingly.

July

The All-Star game in Washington DC is called by President Trump, “The largest attended event in the history of sports.” He later blames the previous Administration for the American Leagues 6-4 loss.

Lavar Ball, media personality and businessman, uses the game to show off his new “Big Baller Brand Sports Shoes,” which are selling for \$450.00 a pair. Ironically, several pair are shoplifted during the All-Star Fan Fest.

The Yankees are currently in first place in the AL East standings and they are on a pace to set a new record for home runs hit in a season.

August

Tiger Woods finally makes his comeback complete by winning the Bridgestone Invitational Golf Tournament at the Firestone Country Club.

The Miami Marlins must activate owner Derek Jeter for a game after they have



Local artist and woodcarver, Ron Helstern and his wife, Sue, gifted Barronett Lutheran Church with a beautiful hand-carved statue of the Risen Christ.

traded all but eight players off their current roster.

Bret Bielema, former Badger football coach and recently fired Arkansas Coach, resurfaces as the Philly Phanatic for the Philadelphia Phillies. “We needed someone to fill the uniform and he certainly can do that,” said owner John Middleton.

September

Two former Cumberland football players, Kobe Berghammer and Peyton Rose help their college teams win games to start their seasons.

Struggling to score in their early games, the Browns have their players take a field trip to the end zone, “So they know where to go,” says Coach Jared Kushner. Owner President Trump calls their current 0-4 record, “Fake standings.”

October

Concussions and helmet to helmet contact are points for discussion in the NFL. To help avoid injuries, inflatable body suits are required for all players starting with the 2019 season.

Thursday night games will also no longer be played. “The players were having a tough time recovering, but having an even tougher time recovering are the fans,” said Goodell.

The Packers have a new look after cutting Clay Mathews, Randall Cobb, and Brian Bulaga last summer. The one constant, Aaron Rodgers, remains and keeps them competitive. New Defensive Coordinator, Jim Leonhard and his brand-new staff, have the defense playing much better than last year.

November

Still struggling at quarterback, the Denver Broncos resign Tim Tebow.

With Wisconsin deer kill continuing to decline, a hunter in Cable wins a buck board with the only deer registered.

Packers GM Ted Thompson delivers a pep talk to the team at a Thursday practice only to see eight players fall asleep during his six-minute speech.

December

Brothers Jack and Josh Martens combine to score 37-points as the Beavers basketball team handles Barron.

President Trump tweets that he’s moving his Cleveland Browns Team to his golf course in Florida.

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Meanwhile, the Browns quarterback has complained that the language coming into his headset on many plays is not English. The NFL hires a Special Counsel to investigate.

Have Happy New Year everyone!



20 Years of Cumberland Marching Band on the Big Screen

The Cumberland Band Boosters are hosting a Marching Band Extravaganza on Friday, December 29th at Nezzys Theatre in Cumberland. The event recognizes 20 years of field show marching in Cumberland. Attendees will have the opportunity to view every field show of the Cumberland High School Marching Band from the years 1997 to 2017. Food, drinks, and raffle items will also be available for purchase. The schedule is as follows:

4:00-5:00: Band Shows 1997- 2001; 5:15-6:15: Band Shows 2002-2006; 6:30-7:30: Band Shows 2007-; 7:45-9:00: Band Shows 2012-2017.

Admission is \$5 students (HS or College); \$10 adults; \$20 family pass (three or more members of same family).

A one of a kind, special commemorative program, is included with each paid admission. Audience members may come and go as they please and are not required to view all shows.

Come watch your favorite show, or stay all night long! Mark your calendar and enjoy a fun evening of marching band on the big screen!

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Wizarding Academy returns to UW-BC

Harry Potter fans in grades 4-9 are invited to a one-day *Wizarding Academy: A Day at Hogsbreath* at the University of Wisconsin-Barron County (UW-BC). Apprenticing wizards will be sorted into Houses, play muggle Quidditch, test their Harry Potter knowledge with trivia and quizzes, receive OWL post from favorite Harry Potter characters, and compete for the House Cup when they earn points by completing tasks that will test their wits, creativity, teamwork and skill.

Wizarding Academy is led by Holly Hassel, Ph.D., Professor of English at UW-Marathon County and co-author of the book *Critical Companion to J.K. Rowling*. Hassel developed and has been leading Wizarding Academy at UW-Mar-

athon County since 2008. Co-leader is Troy Kozma, Ph.D., Professor of Philosophy at UW-Barron County.

Wizarding Academy: A Day at Hogsbreath will be held Monday, January 22 (a RLASD no-school day) from 9 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. The registration fee is \$49 and includes lunch and snacks, t-shirt and wizarding supplies. Space is limited to the first 36 registrations, so early enrollment is encouraged.

For more information or to register, call Barb Ritzinger at 715-234-8176 Ext. 5503, email barbara.ritzinger@uwbc.edu or visit <http://ce.uwbc.edu/barron>.


Note: This event is not sponsored by nor endorsed by J.K. Rowling, Scholastic or Warner Brothers.



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