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Rutabaga Cancelled!



Chamber of Commerce Cancels Rutabaga Fest

After hearing from various community members involved with the Rutabaga Fest the Cumberland Chamber of Commerce Board voted Tuesday night, July 14th, to cancel the 88th Annual Rutabaga Festival slated to run August 27th thru August 30th with the exception of the Golden Baga Hunt, a virtual Rutabaga Run and a modified Farmers Market slash socially distant craft fair. More details on those events to come. The board

wanted to wait as long as possible to make a decision hoping the Covid-19 Pandemic would have taken a turn for the better. That doesn't seem to be happening. The Chamber thanks you for your patience and hope you understand why we waited to make this decision. Rutabaga Fest will be back and better than ever in 2021. Until then, stay safe, be well, and see you at "Baga Fest 2021."

Seventeen new COVID cases in Barron County since last week.

Barron County saw a significant jump in COVID cases with 17 new cases in the last week. The total case count now stands at 52, with 34 cases having recovered, and 17 current positive cases isolating at home.

On Wednesday, July 8, there was one new case to report. The new case was in close contact with a positive case.

On Thursday, July 9, there were two new cases to report. One of the cases traveled outside the area, and the other case was at gatherings over the 4th of July weekend.

On Friday July 10, there were two new cases to report. Both cases are isolating at home. One individual had recently traveled and the source of the infection for the other individual is unknown.

On Monday July 13, there were eight new cases. Six cases were over the weekend, and two were Monday morning. All cases are isolating at home. Five of the cases had been in close contact with a known case(s), and the other three have no known source of infection.

On Tuesday July 14, there were four new cases

to report. All are isolating at home. All cases are sick and exhibiting symptoms. One case was in close contact with a positive case, another case had recently traveled to an area with high community spread, and two do not know how they got sick.

Barron County Public Health will continue to monitor conditions and provide resources to the community, and will take steps, as appropriate should conditions worsen.

As of press time, the COVID numbers for Wisconsin were:

Negative Test Results:	659,479
Positive Test Results:	41,177
Hospitalized:	3,850
Deaths	828

For more information on COVID-19 call 211 or visit:

- WI DHS COVID-19: <https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/disease/covid-19.htm>
- CDC COVID-19: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html>

You can also follow Barron County Public Health or Wisconsin Department of Health Services on Facebook.

Cool To The Touch on Library Lake July 21st

Cool To The Touch, a rock band led by Jeremy Westin and Ben Peichel, will be on the Library Lake state at 6 p.m. Tuesday, July 21, as part of the Island City Music series. Sponsor of the third concert in Cumberland's summer series is Enrichment Through Culture (ETC), the arts council celebrating its 30th anniversary this year.

The concerts are free, but goodwill offerings to ETC, which is running a deficit this year because of cancellations of revenue events, are appreciated.

For safety reasons, those attending are asked to keep six feet away from other individuals and families. There is no food service at this year's concerts, as there has been in previous years. Hand sanitizer will be available and face masks are encouraged.

Questions? Call Larry Werner at 612-743-5117 or email lhwner47@gmail.com. **SEATING WILL BE LIMITED TO THE FIRST 50 PEOPLE DUE TO NEW RESTRICTIONS.**

SOLD!



The city of Cumberland has purchased the old Kwik Trip building located at the four corners. The City purchased the building for future DOT expansion of the Hwy 48 and 63 intersection. The city purchased the property for \$125,000 dollars.

Council approves purchase of old Kwik Trip property; Amends number of fermented beverage licenses available and more in busy meeting

For the first time since the COVID shut down, the Cumberland City Council met in the council chambers on Tuesday, July 7th, at Cumberland City Hall.

After dispensing with the normal business items and transient merchant licenses, the council approved an initial Resolution (20-07A) for the City of Cumberland, Wisconsin relating to the Issuance of General Obligation Bonds in an Amount Not to exceed \$1,775,000 for the City's 2020 Street Improvement Program; as well as a Resolution (20-07B) Providing for the Redemption and prepayment of State Trust Fund Loans; and a third relating to the approval of a Resolution (20-07C) Providing for the Issuance and Sale of General Obligation Corporate Purpose Bonds, for the City of Cumberland.

The mayor then Conducted a public hearing on

a conditional use request for 1775 Western Avenue for a Tourist Rooming House. With no one wishing to speak, the hearing was closed and the conditional use permit approved.

Next up for approval was a change to Municipal Code 12.03.13, changing the number of class A Fermented Malt Beverage Licenses to unlimited instead of 3. Anyone that applies still has to be approved by the board.

As part of the final approval of a Comprehensive Site Map for the Utility property, a Discontinuance of a portion of 14th Avenue was granted. The CSM was then approved. The CSM, as well as copies of the resolutions and other supporting documents can be found on the City's website, Cityof-cumberland.net.

As required by the Wisconsin Statutes, the City must maintain and regularly update an Emergency Op-

erations Plan. The council approved this year's update.

Dealing next with various street projects, the council approved an increase in the CBS Squared contract for the Arcade/Water Street project; awarded the bid for the 14th Avenue and Carlone Street Phase I project to James Peterson Sons Inc. in the amount of \$1,509,955.37.

Also awarded was the bid for the 2020 Wastewater Infrastructure Improvements - CDBG to McCabe Construction, Inc. in the amount of \$1,114,942.50.

Other approvals included

- a resolution increasing the Airport Budget for CARES Grant;
- TID 9 Utility property development expenses;
- A change to Municipal Code 13.02 relating to Municipal Utilities, specifically sewer fees and payments;
- the purchase of a Police Squad.

the extension of the Building Inspectors Contract.

• Pay Application #1 for the Arcade Avenue and Water Street Reconstruction;

After years of being vacant, the Council finally came to terms with Kwik Trip for the purchase of property at 1200 2nd Avenue for potential future expansion of the 4-corners intersection. Plans for the site are still in the early discussion phase and will be announced when finalized.

The council closed the session after Sean Lentz, of Ehlers had a presentation of the 2020 Funding needs. Managing of the city's long term debt.

The meeting adjourned at 7:53 pm. Next regular meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, August 4th at 7 pm, at City Hall.

New Update on Recommendations on Gatherings

Barron County is now recommending that gatherings be limited to 25 people or less indoors and 50 people or less outdoors. This is a decrease from the previous recommendation of

50 indoors, 100 outdoors. These numbers are recommended as long as physical distancing can be followed. These updated recommendations are effective immediately and come after

reviewing local, regional, state and nationwide data.

"From July 10-14, we saw our largest spike in cases yet, said Barron County Health Officer, Laura Sauve. "Eleven new posi-

tives have come in over the past four days. With the rapid increase in cases in Barron County, our neighboring counties, the state and the nation, Barron County

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Coming Along!



Work continues to progress on the new addition at First Lutheran Church in Cumberland. Ground was broken April 19th and completion is scheduled for later this Fall.

CARD OF THANKS
I would like to give a big shout out to Deanna Snow. Thank you for all the time and effort you put into the Cumberland Farmers Market for the past 12 + years.
I've waited a couple of months for the Chamber to acknowledge and thank you. I'm so sorry that didn't happen.
So as a previous vendor, "THANK YOU!" You made my years at the market a fun & positive experience.
You are appreciated!
Shannon Bents



CARD OF THANKS
Thank you to the library staff for the surprise send off, the fire department for the salute and ride home in the fire truck and everyone who came to the library to send me off to the next chapter in my life, and sent cards.
Diana Ostness

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CUMBERLAND SCHOOL DISTRICT NEWS

Kayaks & Music on Beaver Dam Lake
Cumberland Community Education is proud to announce for the 4th year that Cumberland School District kayaks and lifejackets will be available on Tuesday evenings on the shores of Beaver Dam Lake, Tuesday Evenings from 6-8 p.m.
****Begins Tuesday, July 7th****
*** Launch from Eagle Point**
Cost: Free So come on down and bring the whole family!
So that we are prepared and know you are interested please reserve your kayaks by Monday of the week you wish to use them by calling the following number: Susan Bridger CCE Director, 715-822-5121 ext. 403 / sbbrid@csdmail.com
*** Directions:** North on Cumberland's Main Street (2nd Avenue). Slight left continue on 2nd Avenue. Turn left on Island Avenue and follow it to the Eagle Point boat launch and dock and parking area.

Community Ed Offerings
CHOOSE FIT
Pat Chuchwar, Instructor
Mondays & Wednesdays • 4:30 pm
Come check out the "new" location
Outside on the Endeavor Patio!
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(National Exercise Trainer Association) **certified instructor: Tirezah Zipperer** for a 45-minute TRX sweat session
Needed: Your own water bottle, yoga mat and a get sweaty and fit attitude.)
Class Time: 7:00-7:45 am
Location: Back of the High School, below the Endeavor Field
Date range: **Second Cycle**-Tuesdays and Thursdays beginning July 14 until August 20 (6 weeks)
Cost: \$42 for one day a week or \$72 for two days a week
To register for this class or for more information contact:
Susan Bridger CCE Director
HS 715-822-5121 ext. 403 / sbbrid@csdmail.com

Summer Yoga Outside
Instructor Pam Baker of Wildheart Yoga
Beginning June 18th • Thursdays 5:15 p.m. at Eagle Point Campground
****Social Distancing will be observed****
\$10 per session • FREE with monthly membership!
All Levels of Experience Welcome! (Male/Female All Ages)
Directions: North on Cumberland's main street (2nd Avenue). Slight left continue on 2nd Avenue. Turn left on Island Avenue and follow it to the Eagle Point boat launch, dock and parking area. (In case of inclement weather, Outdoor Yoga will be cancelled until the next week)
Please check on Pam's website pam@yoga-wildheart.com as to any changes or cancellations.



Library Happenings

Thank you to everyone who has stopped into the library to check out materials and use the public computers, and the printer/copier/scanning/fax machine. The library staff and I are grateful for the public's understanding of the library's limited hours and services. For the safety of patrons and library staff, the public is requested to limit their time to 30 minutes or less when browsing for books and other materials, and limit their time on the public computers to 60 minutes. Please place returned library materials in the stainless steel outdoor drop box receptacles, the staff will retrieve them several times a day and immediately place them in a 72 hour quarantine. For the safety of everyone during this challenging time, we are closely monitoring the maximum capacity of 25 people in the library. Again, thank you to everyone for wearing face masks and using the hand sanitizer. If you forget your face mask upon entering the building, a mask will be offered to you.
Even though the library cannot offer in-person programming at this time, the library staff and I continue to organize on-line programs for both youth and adults. The Traveling Lantern's "Sherlock Holmes Takes the Case" program is running July 12th – 18th. The Patricia Skalka author visit will take place on July 30th. Ms. Skalka is a well-known Door County mystery author. This online program is generously sponsored by Dr. Bruce Jungerberg and



Family in memory of his beloved wife, Susan. Please contact the library to register and receive the needed information to participate in these free interactive on-line programs.
Many youth and adults have earned the library's free "Imagine Your Story" themed t-shirt. To earn this creative t-shirt, the young youth are encouraged to check out 20 library items and fill out a log sheet. Middle school and high

school students and adults who read books which have more text are required to check out fewer books. The goal is to encourage novice and experienced readers alike to surround themselves with many genres of literature. Once the patrons earn their t-shirts, they can continue to check out additional library items to win new prizes. The free t-shirts and prizes are sponsored by the Cumberland TSAP Library Foundation.
Have you spied the elusive red dragon on Main Street this week? This dragon has earned the name "Blaze" by the local youth. Blaze continues to fly off to a new business each Friday. Once you have found Blaze, scavenger hunt slips in this mailbox. (Additional information on the Summer Scavenger Hunt entry form can be found on the library's website or Facebook page.)
All of us at the TSAPL thank you for your continued patience as we work to serve you in this COVID-19 challenging time. While the environment in which we live is ever-changing, our commitment to the community remains the same.

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Island City Music by the Lake!
The 2020 Island City Music summer concert series is on!
(SEATING WILL BE LIMITED TO THE FIRST 50 PEOPLE DUE TO NEW RESTRICTIONS.)
Bring your lawn chair to Library Lake for music by local bands.
Concerts begin at 6 pm
July 21 — Cool To The Touch
(Sponsor: ETC)
July 28 — Higher Vision
(Sponsor: Dairy State Bank)
August 4 — Jazz Alley
(Sponsor: Thomas St. Angelo Library)
Information regarding ETC events can be seen at www.cumberlandetc.com or you can "like" ETC on Facebook or watch the Advocate



The Cumberland Farmers' Market Returns!

Every Saturday (except Rutabaga Weekend)
June 20th - October 3rd
8:00 am - Noon
Cumberland Municipal Parking Lot
New Vendors Always Welcome!
If you are interested in becoming a vendor, please contact Lucas West at (715) 419-1446



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Thursday's
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Cajun
or
Butter Garlic

Tuesday's
Sliders

Friday's
Fish:
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Broiled,
or
Deepfried

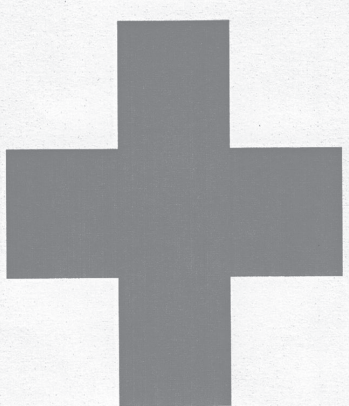
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Ribeye dinner
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Fix'ins

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday • 3 pm-2 am
Friday • 3 pm-2:30 am
Saturday • 11 am-2:30 am
Sunday • 11 am-2 am

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Northwoods Notebook: Capturing dollars from those passing through

By Larry Werner

It happens every Friday and Sunday in summer. Several thousand cars, mostly with Minnesota plates, pass through Cumberland on their way north and east on Friday afternoons and south and west on Sundays.

They back up at the four-way stop at the start of a weekend, then continue on Hwy. 63 to their Cumberland-area cabins or to places like Spooner, Hayward, Cable, Ashland and Bayfield in the north, or on Hwy. 48 to Rice Lake, Birchwood and the lake country east of here.

On Sunday, they travel in the opposite direction through our town.

We call them cabin people or tourists. You can also call them customers for Island City businesses that could capture dollars from those passing through.

This is an odd time, I suppose, to be talking about business opportunities for downtown merchants. The Schneider Drug building has been empty for a few years now, and Vickie Komarek will be closing Peter & Annie's on July 18 after more than a dozen years as our downtown anchor store. Mainstream Boutique has been closed since winter, and the Tower House restaurant remains closed for its fourth summer.

The old Kwik Trip sits empty at the four-way behind the For Sale sign that's been there for years now, and, because of the pandemic, a new restaurant, Island City Provisions, hasn't opened. The sudden death of Cas Miloszewicz means Cas' Menswear is closed for the time being.

With the crumbling Opera House sitting next to a burned-out former dental office, our Main Street has probably never looked more forlorn.

But my optimist spouse keeps saying Cumberland has the opportunity to be the Tobie's of Wisconsin.

Tobie's, as Minnesotans know, is halfway between the Twin Cities and Duluth

in a town called Hinckley that is actually smaller than Cumberland. It's where you stop when you're headed to the North Shore on Friday or returning to the Cities on Sunday. Its bakery is known for cinnamon rolls and pies, the restaurant for home-cooked meals, and there's also an ice cream parlor and gift shop.

Ann keeps saying if we had those kind of merchants in our downtown and design standards that give the street an attractive look, people might stop rather than just passing through. Perhaps the city could do a design study and seek funding so building owners can redo their facades. Maybe we can erect signage that directs people to the free parking that exists on the east bank of Library Lake.

And, as I have written many times, we need a downtown park with benches and picnic tables where these folks who stop can spend some time

Ann and I used to live in Lakeville, Minn., which is about 25 miles south of Minneapolis. When we lived there, the historic downtown was dead. The city did a design study, provided some loans for redoing building fronts to give them a classic, historic look, and a local developer bought up the buildings and leased them to entrepreneurs who started restaurants, gift shops, hair salons and professional services.

Today, 12 years after we left Lakeville, the downtown is booming. True, it's a lot bigger than Cumberland, but downtown Lakeville doesn't have what Cumberland has — a major highway passing through it. In fact, the downtown is a bit hard to find.

Ann sees Hwy. 63 as an opportunity for entrepreneurs to sell their wares to the folks passing through, as I-35 in Minnesota is an opportunity for the family that owns the Tobie's complex.

Here's what Ann had to

say:

"I think we have a great opportunity to take advantage of a significant asset that Cumberland has and is not found in most small towns that are struggling to stay viable with so many stores closing due to the increased dependance of online purchasing. Our asset is the highway that runs directly through our Main Street. With hundreds of cars of individuals and families driving through town to get to their lake homes and resorts, let's find a way to promote the assets we have so that people plan to stop in Cumberland for a meal, or snack on the great bakery items found in the Co-Op, or ice cream, or to check to see what they can find in the children's clothing store, including their brands and affordable prices, the women's clothes or antique store. All our current options plus those we can seek to support as additional interesting places to stop can give the traveler a chance to stretch their legs, fill their stomachs, pique their interests and spend money to put back into Cumberland's economy. But, like Tobie's in Hinckley, Minn., which is the half-way mark between the Twin Cities and Duluth, and the stopping oasis for hundreds daily, we must build the image and practices of travelers as their place to stop on the way to their up-north homes and a few days of get-away. We have the opportunity to be much more than a pass-through town; we can be a destination as so many have already found with Louie's, because of its international reputation as a meat market. Analyzing our current businesses, seeking additional store fronts to support and creating a promotional plan are all essential to reaping the benefits of Cumberland's traffic-flow asset."

Pretty smart woman, that wife of mine.

Larry Werner's email is lhwner47@gmail.com.

DMV reminder: Extension on driver license renewal ends July 25, 2020

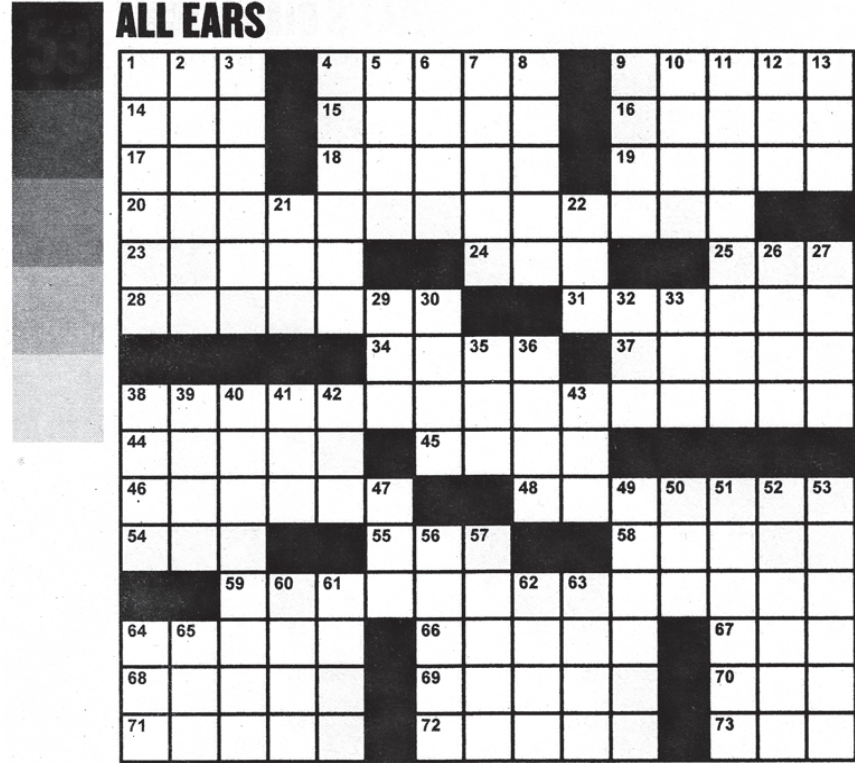
The deadline for drivers under age 60, who received extensions to renew their license due to COVID-19, is Saturday, July 25, 2020. The Wisconsin Department of Transportation Division of Motor Vehicles (DMV) reminds drivers to renew their licenses online (wisconsin.dmv.gov/renewDL) to avoid a late fee.

DMV recently added an online license renewal op-

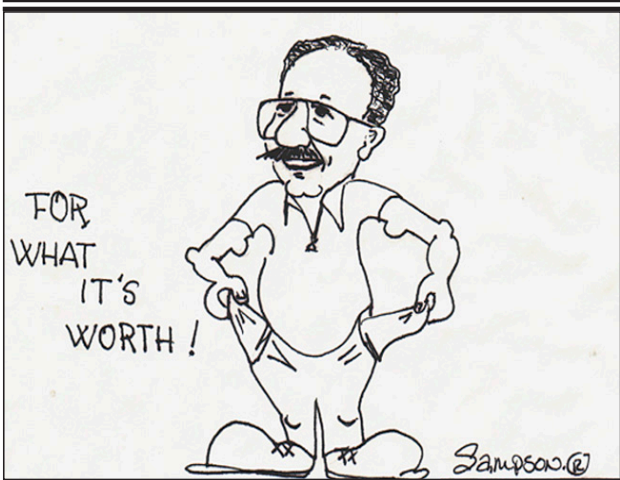
tion to offer greater convenience and help keep customers safe during the health emergency. Most drivers between ages 18 and 64 are now able to go online, confirm they have no new changes in their health that impact their ability to safely drive, and complete the renewal process. Online renewals take effect immediately and are viewable to law enforcement. Driv-

ers can also go to a DMV customer service center to renew — go online to make an appointment (wisconsin.dmv.gov/DLGuide).

DMV recognizes the elevated health risk to drivers over age 60 during this pandemic and has granted them an additional 60 days to renew their driver license. They have until September 24, 2020 to renew with no late fee.



Opinion



By Craig Bucher

We have all watched the television set and the almost continuous coverage of the Coronavirus that has struck people all across the globe. The effects of the virus have caused damage to all our lives. One impact is what has happened to our print media. The New York Times has reported steady gains in readership while reporting advertising revenue decreases. The latest figures released by the newspaper shows a subscriber base of over six million. That is right - six million readers. While readership increases, the paper reports advertising revenue decreases. In Wisconsin, the Eau Claire Leader is making a significant change in dropping their Saturday and Sunday weekend edition. In last Saturday's newspaper they write that the weekend edition will be discontinued beginning the week of August 10. "The change is necessary to preserve the long-term health of our community newspaper." "While our readership remains steady advertising revenue . . . has dropped significantly," says publisher Randy Rickman. At the local level the Cumberland Advocate is facing the same problems caused by the virus. "Readership of the Advocate remains strong, subscription numbers are nearly the same as 10 years ago, but the advertising revenue has declined," says Publisher Paul Bucher. At this time of crisis facing Cumberland and the rest of the world we have to be patient and above all we have to work together. We are in the same boat and it will only go forward if we all help with the oars. Thank you for reading the Advocate. We urge your support of all our local merchants. They need our support.

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I woke up the other night and turned on the radio to PBS. I heard an interview with American author Tim O'Brien and his book Dad's Maybe Book. I listened and it was so interesting that I never did go back to sleep. He writes letters to his sons with the hope that they will find them useful when they reach maturity. I am going to get the book. I'll let you know if it lives up to the interview.

SEE YOU NEXT WEEK!

LETTERS Editor

Correction

Correction in last week's letter from James Coil. It should have read "of course in our Region"

Not, of course in our region as we published. We apologize for the error.

Awareness

To the Editor:

When we are asked to "look in the mirror" it is to reflect on our unconscious biases - stereotypes and assumptions deep within our minds that affect our actions. These are biases we are not aware of, and they may not be the same as our declared, conscious, beliefs. In other words, thoughts about people you didn't know you had.

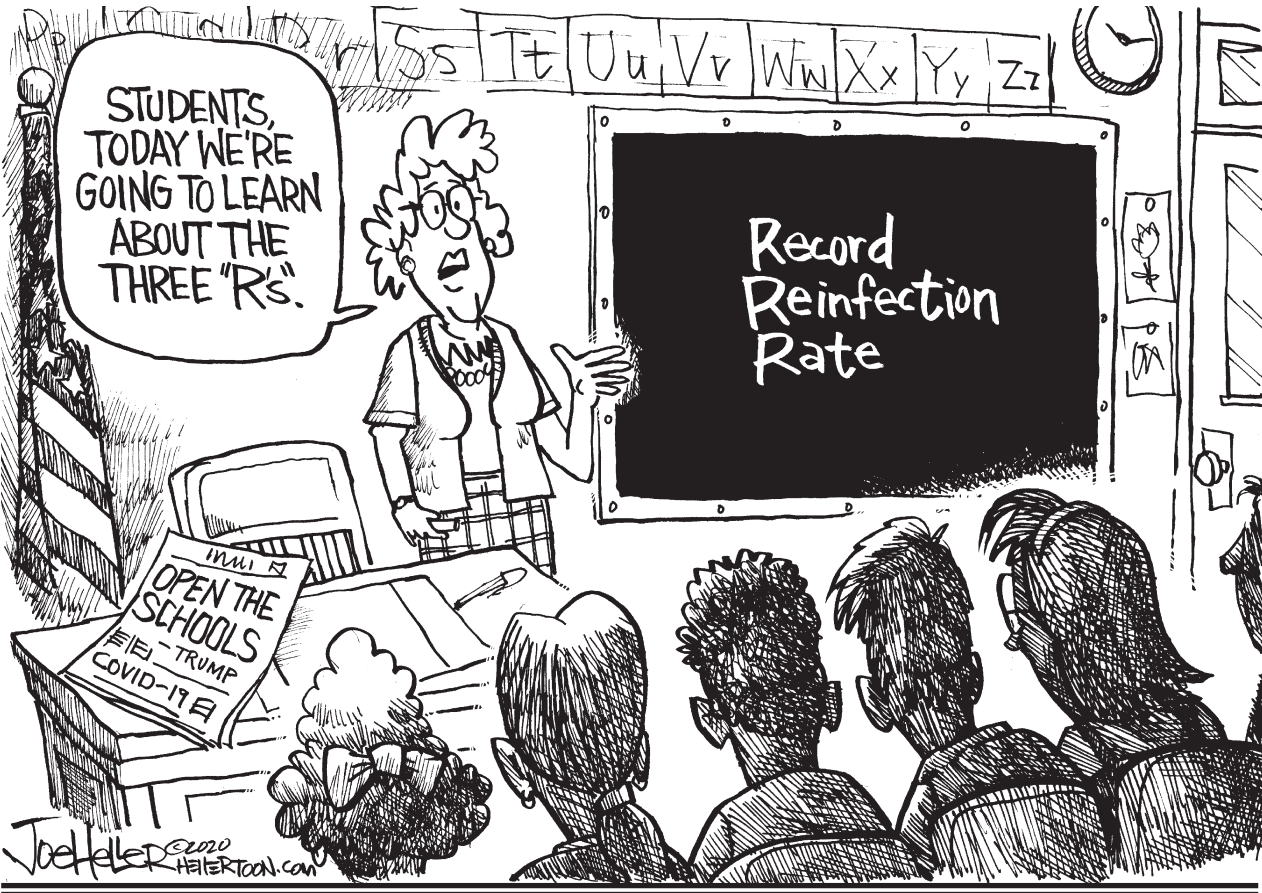
Most everyone has some implicit, or unconscious, bias as explained in the book, "Blindspot: Hidden Biases of Good People", written by Mahzarin R. Banaji and Anthony Greenwald. There is a test we can take to gain a better understanding of where we stand <https://www.projectimplicit.net/>

We also need to "look out

our windows" and see that systemic racism does exist. To say that it doesn't, illustrates ignorance regarding the struggle of African-Americans throughout history.

Racist policies and racist ideas have worked together to create an acceptance of racial inequalities in our systems/institutions of everyday life. Examples of these inequalities include - home ownership: 71.9% white to 41.8% black. Average incomes: white households earning \$71,000 to black households earning \$41,000. Lack of health insurance: 5.4% white to 9.7% black. Poverty rate: 8.1% white to 20.7% black.

It's not a matter of being "a" racist. It's about policies



Inside Wisconsin

by Tom Still

"Safe reopening of schools good for students, communities and the economy"

By Tom Still

MADISON, Wis. - An enduring strength of the American education system is local control. While President Trump may fume about cutting off federal support for schools if they don't open this fall, he cannot unilaterally deny such aid and it wouldn't necessarily be catastrophic if he could.

Federal aid to public elementary and secondary schools amounts to \$1 for every \$12 spent by those schools, with the rest coming largely from state and local taxpayers. Congress, not the president, has the biggest say in how those federal dollars are spent across a host of programs.

Local control has been hard-wired into public education from the earliest days of the republic. That decentralized approach to education control and how it is financed - which extends to parts of higher education, as well - will help schools and the economy as the COVID-19 response evolves in coming weeks.

While the federal Centers for Disease Control have issued guidelines for the safe reopening of schools, the responsibility for doing so will fall to states and communities, where the details of doing so may vary widely. What

should be beyond argument is that reopening schools and colleges safely is essential to the U.S. economy as well as students.

The rush to close schools in March made amateur teachers out of millions of parents, who collectively learned how hard it is to be an educator. Those same parents also needed to carve out time in their workdays to help Johnny and Jane with their school assignments.

It was a tough transition for students, parents, teachers and businesses alike. While the lockdown meant many parents were working from home, the role of "substitute teacher" complicated how efficient they could be on the job. Businesses will welcome the reopening of schools, even with a hybrid mix of live and virtual instruction, because so many employees were scrambling to find childcare or supervising kids at home during normal work hours.

Reopening schools need not be a threat to students. The American Academy of Pediatrics has concluded the harm to children from not having in-person education is greater than the risk posed by COVID-19. Poor children may be missing meals, child abuse instances may have gone underground, special needs students aren't getting as much

help, and further disruption in learning will have lasting effects on a whole cohort of students.

As two Johns Hopkins physicians and researchers noted recently, school-aged children make up a small percentage of COVID-19 cases and an even smaller percentage of hospitalizations and deaths. Research in Australia and France has shown the same thing. Austria, Denmark, Germany and Norway have reopened schools without major outbreaks, the Johns Hopkins experts wrote recently. So why not reopen U.S. schools in ways that are safe for all?

That includes teachers and other staff, of course, who are at greater risk of coronavirus infection and suffering from more extreme consequences. Like other employers, however, very few schools would put one of their greatest assets at risk with a reopening plan that doesn't take staff safety into account.

With or without CDC guidance, and with or without federal threats, that is precisely what school districts across the country are doing this summer. They are refining how online education (not a panacea) will be delivered, rethinking transportation strategies to and from school, adjusting space needs, con-

sidering school "shifts" and more.

The idea of school shifts is not a new one, as many "baby boomers" can testify from their years growing up when the number of classrooms did not keep pace with the number of bright young faces.

Colleges and universities, especially those with student housing, are also working through the challenges posed by a safe reopening. The economic effects of a college campus on the community around it is significant, and it ranges from producing the talent needed by businesses to direct spending on supplies and materials to investment in research projects.

Many policymakers are concerned about reopening bars, restaurants and health clubs. They should be at least as worried about restarting America's education engine, which will best serve the economy over time. Decisions may vary from one school district to the next, but the history of public education in America suggests trusting those choices will lead to innovation over time.

Still is president of the Wisconsin Technology Council. He can be reached at tstill@wisconsintechnologycouncil.com.

A Look Back

Cumberland Boy Scout Troop 24 has announced Matthew Warwick has achieved the rank of Eagle Scout. Warwick is the 76th member of Troop patrol leader with Troop 24, and has successfully completed the BSA National Youth Leadership Training.

20 Years Ago July 19, 2000

Fifty four junior golfers participated in the 18-hole event at the Ashland Elks Golf course. Again, Cumberland golfers fared well in the competition. In the 14-15 year old competition, Zach Lindfors finished second with a score of 81. In the 12-13 year old bracket, Cumberland's Kyle Miller finished third with a score of 92.

Rebecca J. Donatelle, formerly of Cumberland, now living in Oregon, and her research team, have been awarded nearly one million dollars over the next four years. The Robert Wood Johnson Foundation grant is part of a 15 million dollar allocation for "Smoke Free Families" Innovations to stop smoking during pregnancy and beyond initiative.

30 Years Ago July 18, 1990

The Cumberland Stella Cheese plant has earned the Governor's Sweepstakes award at the Wisconsin State Fair for Asiago Aged Cheese. Lester Johnson, the cheese maker of Asiago, has been employed at the plant since 1984. Stella Cheese also won 2nd place in the same category for Romano 11. This cheese was entered by Joe Clark, factory supervisor, cheese maker for four years, and employee of

the plant for six years.

40 Years Ago July 16, 1980

A new law changes fees and some requirements for registering boats in Wisconsin and responding signals from law enforcement officers while on the water. Boats will now be registered for a \$5.00 fee for two years rather than the present \$4.50 for three years. All motor driven boats and sailboats over 12 feet long must be registered by the Department of Natural Resources.

50 Years Ago July 16, 1970

The Northwestern State Bank Softball Team were the winners of the invitational tournament in Cumberland recently. Team members were: Tom Benjamin, Pat Ricci, John Stouffer, Jerry Diesterhaft, Corky Capra, Gary Hoff, Jim Sparish, Roger Mireau, Ken Nickell, Gene Hoff, Dave Stouffer, Ken Diesterhaft, and Rick Stetler.

60 Years Ago July 21, 1960

The world famous Kansas City Monarchs will play the Cumberland Islanders and the Tri-County All-Stars at Moser Field next month. The Monarchs have contributed more players to the National and American Leagues than any other baseball team in history. The outstanding ability of owner Ted Raspberry to scout and sign young ballplayers has made the Monarch a top ball club, which has won more than 80 percent of all games played. They are managed by Willie Washington who led the league last year with home

runs. The spectacular playing of the entire club is backed by their pitching staff, Abury Grisby and Ben Adams.

70 Years Ago July 20, 1950

Ken Legacy was named president of the Cumberland 3M Club, organization of local Minnesota Mining and Manufacturing Co. John Alphonse was named vice-president, LaVore Dahlby was elected secretary, and Connie Carlson was elected treasurer.

In last week's golf stag at the Cumberland Country Club, the team of Nilo Nelli and "Triggie" Vettori and the team of Hank Miller and John Engesether tied for first place. Herb Christensen and O.B. Strand won second place. Three teams tied for third place, Bill Quinn-Jim Bresette, Bill Hansen-Dick Neurer, and Clarence Burton-Bert Hines.

90 years Ago July 17, 1930

The local Stokely Brothers plant finished the pack of Alaskan peas on Monday after a continuous 10-day run. About 55,000 cases were packed.

The Cumberland Baseball Team added another victory to its long string by defeating Hertel 11-7.

100 Years Ago July 15, 1920

According to County Treasurer S. R. Pollack, Grover Jacobson, town clerk of the Town of Cumberland, was the first official to make remittance on account of the new dog law. He has issued over 80 licenses to date.

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An Outdoorsman’s Journal

by Mark Walters

Farm Living is the Life for Me!

Hello friends,

In the morning I am leaving for a 7-day fishing trip to Lake Gogebic with The Canada Gang, who this year anyways will be the Yoooper Gang! I am crazy busy as I am doing the final touches in my three gardens, it’s my birthday and I have to meet the guys at the Coloma exit early in the morning.

As many of you may know I grow, catch, or shoot much of my food and I do just as much canning and freezing as growing and harvesting.

I put in four crops of sweet corn and just planted the last one yesterday, I also do this with green beans, broccoli, zucchini, and summer squash. I will have fresh sweet corn from mid-July until the first frost. All my adult life I have frozen corn and pretty much hated the job because I did not like blanching corn and then having to cut it off the cob when it is still warm.

Here is the simplest and best tasting frozen corn recipe I can give you and it comes from Jeff Moll’s ma, Elaine Podell.

Fifteen cups of corn that you simply cut off the ear (no blanching), 1.25 cups of sugar, 4 cups of ice water, and 2 teaspoons of salt. Mix it together and bag, I try to remember to double bag it in 1 quart bags and my goal is always to have 70-days of fresh corn and 50-quart bags of frozen.

I did not buy any calves last year, so I am temporarily out of the cattle business and have put a new garden in what was a small pasture that now has very healthy soil. In that garden I have 300 hills of Yukon Golds and Pontiac Reds. Enough Butternut Squash to give me 150 to 200 squash and enough Acorn Squash to give me maybe 50.

On the outside edge of this 90-yard long garden is three rows of planted field corn. I did this because I like the look in the fall and winter, and it will give my chickens something to do by eating the kernels off the corn all winter and then making manure in my garden.

In that same garden I have 36 tomato plants that simply could not look better and they will make

70-quarts of salsa starting about August 1st. Until I learned the following trick, I always had problems with my tomato plants falling over. Due to good gardening practices my tomatoes get from 5-8 feet tall.

Some farm friends of mine use 54-inch woven wire, they cut it so that when rolled up it is maybe 30-inches across. This is put over the young tomato plant, and then it is staked with a steel fencing post that you pound into the ground. As the plant grows you raise the wire and retie it onto the steel pole.

You absolutely will not believe the results, much taller and wider plants that can handle more and larger tomatoes that get much better sun.

A farm term for this wire would be hog fencing. I purchased my first chicks when I was 21-years old, and have had laying hens much of my life. I currently have about 15 Rhode Island Reds, that are three years old and will not lay much this winter but give me about 9 eggs a day right now. On June 4th I picked up a dozen one day old chicks from Integrity Feeds in Mauston. The chicks will start laying at about five months of age and will put out plenty of eggs this winter when the, old girls, take a winter break.

I also make applesauce the years that I have apples and on a good year I make about 40-quarts. This year my ten-trees had plenty of blossoms, but it appears I will only have half the apples that I had last year.

I am as I said at the start of this column crazy busy. If there was a drone over my head filming me it would show a skinny, white guy that is always bare-foot, gets pretty tan by the end of the summer, and unless it’s campfire or swimming pool time is always moving.

My easy season starts after deer gun season and I actually find sleeping in a snow bank as a time to rest and not feel like something needs to be planted, watered, hoed or harvested.

Gogebic here we come! Sunset



Growing in the cattle pasture makes for some excellent fertilized plants.



These baby “reds” are super friendly!

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Cumberland Athletic Hall of Fame Class of 2020

By Mark R Fuller

The Cumberland Athletic Hall of Fame Committee has named its Induction Class for 2020. Each has played a significant role in the history of the school as either an athlete, coach, or contributor.

“As always, the selection process was very difficult. Each nomination came from community members and each individual was found by us to be a worthy addition for this distinct honor,” said Committee member Chad Olson.

Recognition will come to three former athletes, Rochelle Rydberg Olson, Jeb Burke, and John Peterson. Each was a three-sport athlete with multiple conference, school and state recognition.



Rochelle Rydberg Olson

Rydberg Olson, from the class of 1994, earned 10-letters in High School in volleyball, basketball and softball. She was a team MVP and Captain in all three sports, while gathering First Team All-Conference honors in volleyball and softball and Second Team honors in basketball.

She would be the teams leading scorer on a Regional Championship basketball team and would be a WIAA Scholar Athlete. She has gone on to coach and teach at Boyceville High School, where she has spent the last 19 years.



Jeb Burke

Jeb Burke graduated in 1991 with 10-letters in football, basketball, and track. An outstanding all-around athlete, Burke was good enough in baseball to make it to the second day of a Minnesota Twins tryout camp after his senior year.

Burke was a team MVP and First Team All-Conference selection in all three sports. Still the School record holder in the 400-meter dash, Burke won First Team HON honors in Football both his junior and senior years and in basketball his senior year, when he finished 5th in scoring, 4th in rebounding, and 7th in conference assists.



John Peterson

Peterson had an equally impressive career, also earning First Team All-Conference honors in football, wrestling, and baseball. Graduating in 2000, Peterson would be an important link on an 8 and 3 football team, be Cumberland’s first four-time State Wrestling participant, and play on multiple HON Champion Baseball teams and on the State runner-up squad in 1998. He would finish in third in three different seasons at State Wrestling.

After participating in both wrestling and baseball at Augsburg College, he would come back to coach

both sports in his hometown.



Don Clark

Don Clark joins past Inductees, Carl Bents and Clarence Capra, in the Contributor category. Coming to town in 1962, after becoming a major name in US and International Hockey, Clark would become instrumental in helping to build hockey in the “Island City.” He would create and coach the PeeWee and Bantam programs and within a year had over 70 participants in Cumberland’s youth programs.

A member of several Hockey Hall of Fames, Clark was a behind the scenes financial contributor to the Cumberland Youth Baseball program and gave a \$10,000 donation to the building of the Cumberland Indoor rink, after playing a major role in the building of Indoor rinks in Rice Lake and Hayward.



Nancy Scharhag

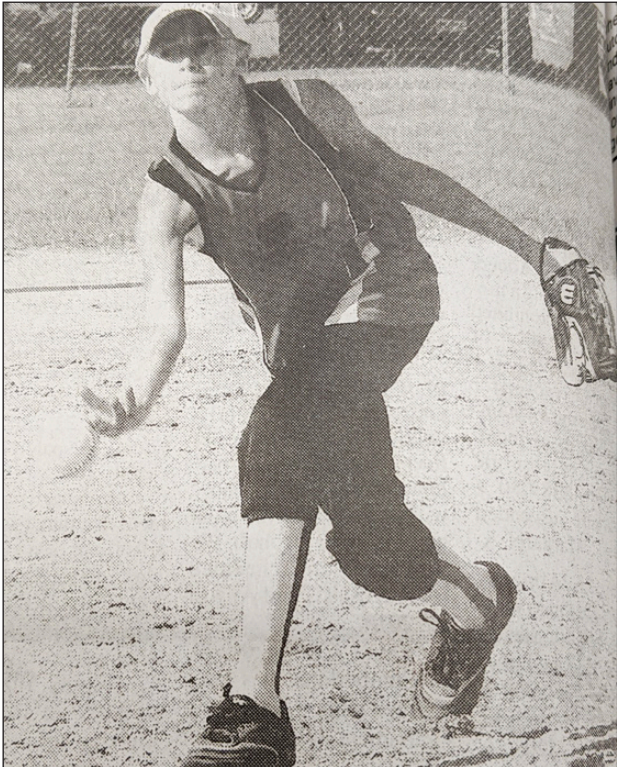
With the growth of WIAA Woman’s sports in the 1970’s, coaches would play an instrumental role in their development. The final 2020 Inductee, Nancy Scharhag, would step into that role for 28 years of her teaching career.

She would serve as Head Volleyball Coach for eight years and the Head Women’s Track Coach for 18

years. Scharhag was also involved at many other levels of participation, including serving two years as the JV Volleyball Coach, 15 years as the Middle School Volleyball Coach, three years as a Track Assistant, and two years as the JV Basketball Coach.

She was the Head Volleyball Coach for Cumberland’s only two HON Championships and as Track Coach, took the school’s first State Track participant, Karen Waite, to La Crosse.

“We feel this is a strong group to represent the many outstanding individuals who have been part of Cumberland’s excellent athletic history. We’re looking forward to honoring them this year as well as other individuals in the future. We’re hoping the community will continue to bring their names to our attention,” said Committee member Mark Maurer.



This week ten years ago 5th grader Miriah Capra delivers a pitch at Islander Park vs Shell Lake.

THANKS FOR READING THE ADVOCATE

Tournament Champs!



Ten years ago this week Cumberland’s 12 and under softball team won the annual Amery Tournament. The girls went 3-0 on the day defeating Shell Lake 15-0, Glenwood City 14-9 and Ellsworth 8-3. Pictured back row from left are Coach Dean Bergstrom, Shawnee Merrill, Breanna Johnson, Kelsa Landsworth, Kalley Bergstrom, Morgan Weaver, Elie Hart and Coach Greg Weaver. Front row from left are Kyla Bergstrom, Katie Balko, Shyyanne Mattson and Alanis VanErp.

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Barronett News

By Judy Pieper

Good morning – Hope you have had a wonderful week. It was so nice to see the rain coming down a couple days, wasn’t it? We didn’t even have to water our garden, and after the rain the weeds were so easy to pull.

Our garden is in a little plot that we have right outside of Barronett – the same place as the tree house – and the electric service does not go out there. We have a gas-powered generator to pump water. Anyway, we decided to check with the electric company to see how much it would cost to get power run out there so we wouldn’t have to run that noisy generator anymore. Well . . . the man from X-cel came over and checked everything out and said that it would be between \$6,000 and \$7,000 to get power to the garden area. Hmm. We decided we could buy a lot of gas for the generator for that amount of money. I think maybe we will check the cost of solar panels too, but they will probably be about the same price. We shouldn’t complain, I guess – when I was a kid on the farm, we had one of those old pumps with the handle that you had to prime and then pump water by hand. We’ve gotten way to accustomed to modern conveniences.

Miriah Lehmann and Jeremy Olson had a get-together at their home Sunday morning for Ryan Lehmann’s birthday. Miriah prepared a fantastic breakfast – biscuits and gravy, sausage, fried potatoes, French toast and lots of different kinds of fresh fruit. Guests were Ryan and Suzy Lehmann, of course, Tinille Lehmann, Brent, Jack and Stella Merrick, Jerry and Savanna Marsh and Duane and me. We had a wonderful time visiting, letting Ryan know he’s getting older than dirt, and enjoying the delicious food. The only thing that could have possibly made the party better would have been to have Anita Lehmann with us. Anita is at Cumberland Care and Rehab at this time, getting in lots of physical therapy, and hoping to be back in her apartment soon. We all miss having her with us at special events – and of course we miss her baked goodies.

Jerry and Savanna stopped by our house after the birthday breakfast and

picked up a loaf of home-made bread and a pint of red currant jelly that I had made the day before. It was so nice to see Savanna – she goes to school in Oshkosh, you know, and rarely gets back here. She will be going back to Oshkosh on Friday, so, hopefully, we will be able to visit with her again before she leaves.

We were in Campia Sunday afternoon, watering plants, and happened to see an extra car at Roger Hefty’s house. Well, I knew that both Roger and Jerry had birthdays in July, but I couldn’t remember exactly which days, so we stopped by there. It wasn’t either birthday, but Roger’s is on Friday, the 17th, so we wished him an early “happy birthday.” Jerry and Carol were there too, so we sat around visiting with the Hefty family for a while. – The visit was outside of course, and we did practice social distancing.

And speaking of birthdays – Duane was visiting with Gordy Haseleu early Sunday morning, and in the course of conversation it came out that it was Gordy’s birthday that day. He invited Duane to Red Brick for breakfast with him, but, of course, we were going to Miriah’s that morning. We hope he and Phyllis had a great day celebrating his birthday.

We are finally harvesting some of the things in the garden. I picked peas one day, only got a few, but was so happy to be harvesting that I canned them anyway. There were only two pints, and it took 40 minutes to pressure can them, but at least we have two pints in case of a famine. Some of the yellow squash are ready to pick, and the raspberries are getting there. Oh, we also picked a few kohlrabi and ate them. I love fresh veggies.

Jamie Lombard and Kurt Anderson will be married on October 17th, and Jamie has her wedding dress already. Lynn and Kandice Thon and I sneaked over to their home when Kurt was going to be gone so that we could have Jamie model it for us. It is beautiful and Jamie looks absolutely lovely in it. Just to be sure that Kurt doesn’t see it before the wedding, Kandice is storing it at her house. We are all so excited about the wedding because we love Kurt. Well, and

Jamie too, but you know, it’s so nice when a granddaughter is engaged to a man who is so well liked. We’re happy, you can probably tell.

I guess that’s about all I know from Barronett this week. Please remember to social distance and stay safe. It’s been such a long time and so annoying, but, hopefully, there will be a vaccine soon.

“Mom is doing a great job of taking care of Dad. I wish she would let us help. What can we do to make things easier for her?”

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Senior Dining

Weekday Breakfast, dining at 5, & the Sunday Community Breakfasts suspended until further notice. Grab and Go only until further notice.

Thurs, July 16th
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Fri, July 17th
Country Baked Ham and Scalloped Potatoes, Buttered Beets, Sourdough Bread, Summer Melon Dessert w/ Coconut Topping.

Mon, July 20th
Sloppy Joe (Beef) on a Whole Wheat Bun, Potato Salad, Oriental Coleslaw, Mixed Berry Cobbler.

Tues, July 21st
Liver & Onions, Mashed Potatoes w/Gravy, Steamed Asparagus, Garvest Grain Bread, Chilled Peaches

Wed, July 22nd
Chicken & Dumpling Soup, Turkey & Cheddar on Whole Wheat Bread, Fruit Juice, Blonde Brownie.

“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.”

The Bookworm Sez...

By Terri Schlichenmeyer

This week: “55, Underemployed, and Faking Normal: Your Guide to a Better Life”

by Elizabeth White

c.2020 in paperback, Simon & Schuster \$17.00 / \$23.00

Your last regular paycheck has come and gone.

That was awhile ago, back before you were downsized / laid off / reassigned right out of a job and you’re not sure what to do. Your savings are nearly gone, your retirement funds are next, and you’re too young to get Social Security. In “55, Underemployed, and Faking Normal” by Elizabeth White, you’ll see how to make this new life work.

At thirty-five years old, Elizabeth White had a solid job at the World Bank, she owned a house, and she was heading to Harvard to get a PhD. There, she “caught the entrepreneurial bug” and, in partnership with her mother, she became a business owner; when the business failed, she was resilient and landed some consulting gigs that put her finances back to where they were before.

And then the Great Recession hit. Suddenly, White was exactly where the title of this book indicates: too young, too old, and suddenly “totally out of the loop.” Shortly afterward, when an essay she penned went surprisingly viral, she learned

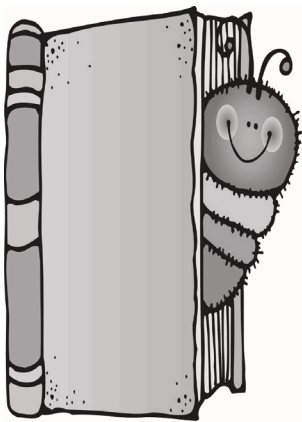
that she wasn’t alone.

Experts say that, to retire successfully, Americans need “fifteen to twenty times their annual salaries” in some sort of savings or program but White points out the realism: very few new retirees have achieved that. The vast majority haven’t. What’s more, rosy retirement pictures are painted of island getaways, long walks in Paris, and palatial homes, when the reality is that a very high percentage of Americans age 55+ don’t know where they’ll be living this fall. Some of America’s seniors are trying to get by on less than \$500 per month.

If this is your new reality, there are things you can do.

First, know that “the cavalry ain’t coming” and you’re more-or-less on your own. Learn to “small up” in your housing and your possessions by knowing exactly what’s important to you. Re-think your priorities. Ignore your pride away and take the dang food stamps. Take care of your home. Take care of your relationships. Take care of yourself.

So, here’s what you need



to know about “55, Underemployed, and Faking Normal”: what you get out of this book will depend on how old you are now.

Regardless of what the title indicates, this book is absolutely for new college grads or those entering the workforce this year and are serious about their futures. Younger readers, throw away those horror novels that line your shelves; for you, this book is a cautionary, real-life, terror-filled memoir that doubles as a hardcover warning for your elderhood.

For anyone who’s facing a retirement that’s not necessarily on their terms, author Elizabeth White has frights for you, too, but they’re tamer. You’ve met those terrors already, and the advice she offers helps make them less scary, more attackable, more survivable.

“55, Underemployed, and Faking Normal” is useful, even enjoyable, but it’s serious stuff with no fluff. For readers who are facing a new reality for their Golden Years, reluctantly or otherwise, reading it might pay off.

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News From Cumberland Community Education

Just as so many other activities in the area were cancelled, so were the activities and offerings of CCE. We're so happy to say with a bit of creativeness and special thought we have some classes and opportunities offered with safety in mind.

For the last three summers, there has been Island City Music offered by ETC on Library Lake in Cumberland. This year, with social distancing a priority, it is once again being offered as FREE use of KAYAKS by CCE. There is no charge to reserve a kayak for you and your family from 6-8 p.m every Tuesday, weather permitting. The launch site has changed to Eagle Point. We do suggest that in order for us to guarantee a kayak please email or give me a call so one will be reserved for you.

Pam Baker is once again offering Thursday night YOGA outside at the Eagle Point Campground at 5:15 p.m. All levels of experience, as well as beginners, are encouraged to come and not only enjoy the Yoga, but the scenery. Cost is \$10 per session unless you have a monthly membership with

Wildheart Yoga, then the cost is free.

OUTDOOR PICKLE-BALL continues each day, every day, on the beautiful new courts located at Islander Park (end of 8th Avenue by the hockey arena.) Please bring your own equipment and play at your own risk.

Pat Chuchwar is once again offering her CHOOSE FIT exercise classes each Monday and Wednesday at 4:30 p.m outside on Endeavor Football Stadium patio. She promises you a great overall body workout. Some of the benefits of this offering are: Improve strength and balance, great aerobic workout, work your core, high/low intensity-great for all ages! \$25 for 10 classes or a three month pass for \$40. The first class is free, come and try it out.

Are you a gardening enthusiast? Well then I think we might have just the offering for you! On Monday, August 10, Master Gardener Marilyn Saffert has graciously agreed to host a tour for us of her beautiful gardens near Rice Lake. A few of the numerous things you will see are: many perennial

and annual beds, a rock garden that is the home for over 40 Mother Goose Rhymes, countless varieties of trees and shrubs, a giant classical 7-labyrinth cut into the meadow grass, numerous welding creations designed by Paul Saffert including a life-size horse and cowboy, huge in-ground sundial and so much more. Call/email to reserve a spot and I will provide directions. Limited to the first 10 people.

As always if you have an interest in any of these mentioned opportunities or a question or an idea for a class keeping safety in mind that you may wish to present, please call or email me at anytime. Please check the CCE's offerings each week in the Cumberland Advocate under CSD News and be sure to listen to WJMC every M-W-Fri. with Island City News at approximately 8:10 a.m. Also, check out our CSD website, click on Community and Community Ed. CSD also has a Facebook page, be sure to sign up by simply typing in Cumberland Community Education. I look forward to hearing from you!

Susan Bridger

Shell Lake Arts Center Receives Emergency Support Grant From Wisconsin Arts Board

The Shell Lake Arts Center has been awarded a Wisconsin Arts Board (WAB) CARES Act emergency grant in the amount of \$5,000, which will provide further funding to the organization. This comes in a great time of need, and is an additional financial contribution to their initial WAB grant they received earlier this year.

Instead of typical programming this year, the contributions of the Wisconsin Arts Board will support the Shell Lake Arts Center in two ways: First, through the COVID-19 pandemic as they try to recover from the loss of our camp season and many of their events, helping provide the necessary support needed for their future programming, and second, by contributing to their online arts programming that has been occurring throughout the month of June and will continue through mid-August.

In a normal year, the Shell Lake Arts Center serves an estimated 630 youth in arts programs ranging from instrumental and vocal music to theater and visual arts. Throughout its 53 year history, the Arts Center has served more than 40,000 youth and adult learners, many of whom have gone on to become professional performers, directors, recording artists, and college and university professors.

The Wisconsin Arts Board receives just pennies from taxpayers each year. These funds then

pass to communities throughout the state, fostering educational, cultural, creative and commercial vitality. The Arts Center is deeply grateful for their additional contribution.

If you would like more information about programs at the Shell Lake Arts Center, or how you can donate, please call the office at 715-468-2414, or visit their website at www.shelllakeartscenter.org.

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by *Pastor Shane Anderson*

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Did you know that there is no law forbidding a pastor from drinking a twelve pack of Leinenkugel in the pulpit on Sunday morning? I know right? Shocking but true. There is also no law on the books that says a pastor can’t swear like a sailor while giving their sermon. In Colorado, where marijuana is legal, there is no law forbidding a pastor from lighting up a doobie in the church parking lot after services. I mean we live in a free country, and apparently, we are free to do whatever we want...as long as there is no law to the contrary.

But just because something is lawful doesn’t mean its beneficial. This has come to the fore with the issue of wearing masks in public. Just because there is no law requiring masks doesn’t mean we should flaunt our freedom by not wearing one. As a civil society, we do not base our decisions solely on their lawfulness, but also on whether or not our decisions and actions are beneficial to the society of which we are a part.

If you want to see an example of what happens when freedom reigns without charity, where licentiousness exists with no regard for neighbor, just read First and Second Corinthians. *Here is a church who completely lost their way living out the hedonistic excesses of lawful freedom. That is why St. Paul in his letter says, “All things are lawful, but not all things are beneficial. Let no one seek his own good, but the good of his neighbor.” 1 Cor. 10:23.*

In the midst of a global pandemic, this is good advice for everyone to follow. The wearing of a mask in public is for the benefit of the public as well as yourself. There is no law requiring you to do so, other than the conscience of your neighbor. Taking others into consideration when making choices is not only the mark of good citizenship, but also demonstrates love for neighbor alongside and equal to our love for personal liberty.

The Rev. Shane M. Anderson

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Missouri Synod (LCMS)
483 7th Avenue, Clayton
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PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE TO ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF CUMBERLAND, WI
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the following Initial Resolution has been adopted at the meeting of the Common Council of the City of Cumberland, Wisconsin, held on July 7, 2020:

RESOLUTION NO. 20-07A

INITIAL RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF CUMBERLAND, WISCONSIN RELATING TO THE ISSUANCE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$1,775,000 FOR THE CITY'S 2020 STREET IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of Cumberland, Barron County, Wisconsin, borrow an amount not to exceed \$1,775,000 by issuing its general obligation bonds pursuant to Chapter 67, Wisconsin Statutes, for the public purpose of financing the City's 2020 street improvement program for various street improvements throughout the City including, but not limited to, Water Street from State Highway 63 to Arcade Avenue; Arcade Avenue from Grove Street to Marshall Street; and Marshall Street from Western Avenue to Arcade Street and related storm sewer improvements.

Wisconsin Statutes, Section 67.05(7)(b), provides that the Initial Resolution need not be submitted to the electors unless, within 30 days after adoption and recording of the Initial Resolution, a petition conforming to the requirements of Section 8.40 is filed in the City Administrator's office requesting a referendum. This petition must be signed by electors numbering at least 10% of the votes cast for governor in the City at the last general election.

Dated: July 7, 2020.
BY ORDER OF THE COMMON COUNCIL
Julie Kessler
Clerk-Treasurer
City of Cumberland
Published in the Cumberland Advocate on July 15, 2020 WNAXLP

LICENSE APPLICATION
We, We, Kwik Trip, Incorporated, with address at 1626 Oak St, La Crosse, WI, in the City of La Crosse, La Crosse County, Wisconsin, do hereby respectfully apply for a Class A Fermented Malt Beverage and a Class A Cider only License under Chapter 125 of the Wisconsin Statutes, located at 1530 Elm St, of the City of Cumberland, Barron County, Wisconsin.

Kwik Trip, Inc.
Office of the City Clerk
Dated: July 7, 2020
Published in the Cumberland Advocate July 15, 2020 WNAXLP

Ordinance 745
An Ordinance Amending Municipal Code 12.03 Intoxicating Liquor and Fermented Malt Beverages
The Common Council of the City of Cumberland does ordain as follows:
12.03 INTOXICATING LIQUOR AND FERMENTED MALT BEVERAGES (only the part changed has been published to save costs, please see the full ordinance on-line)
(11) LICENSES LIMITED.
(a) Class B licenses for on-sale of fermented malt beverages issued with respect to premises which do not also hold a "Class B" intoxicating liquor license shall be limited to 3. (Am. #614)
(b) Class A licenses for off-sale of fermented malt beverages shall be unlimited, and Class A licenses for off-sale of intoxicating liquors shall be limited to 2; however, if the Class A licensee for off-sale fermented malt beverages wishes to have a Cider Only license as well, one shall be issued at no additional cost. (Am. #513; #535; #600; #601; #603; #607)
Section Two. Effective Date. This ordinance shall take effect immediately upon passage by the Common Council and publication as provided by law.

Adopted this 7th day of July, 2020.
CITY OF CUMBERLAND:
By: ___Albert B. Skinner, Jr._____
Albert B. Skinner Jr., Mayor
ATTEST:
By: ___Julie A. Kessler_____
Julie A. Kessler, Clerk-Treasurer

Date Adopted: July 7, 2020
Date Published: July 15, 2020
Effective Date: July 16, 2020
Published in the Cumberland Advocate July 15, 2020 WNAXLP

Ordinance 746
An Ordinance Amending Ordinance 699 and Chapter 13 of the Municipal Code Relating to Municipal Utilities
The City Council of the City of Cumberland, Barron County, Wisconsin does ordain that Chapter 13 – Municipal Utilities be Amended to read as follows:(only the part changed has been published to save costs, please see the full ordinance on-line)
SECTION ONE.
13.02 - SANITARY SEWER USE AND SERVICE CHARGES.

(11) ANNUAL BUDGET BILLING PROCEDURES AND METHOD OF PAYMENT OF SEWER SERVICE CHARGES.
(i) Sewer service charges shall be billed monthly and shall be payable at any officially designated location, or by mail, to the City Utility. Statements for such charges and assessments levied and assessed in accordance with this paragraph shall become due and payable on the last day of each month. Late payment charges shall be applied no sooner than 20 days after the date of issuance of the bill. The amount of the late payment charge shall be 3% of the bill, except a minimum charge of \$.50 shall apply. A late payment charge shall be applied only once to any given amount outstanding.

(j) Users will be notified on the monthly billing for December of each year the sewer use charge for the following year.
(k) The residential sewer bills for May, June, July, August and September shall be based upon the average water usage for January, February and March, except in cases where no person occupies the property for a substantial part of January, February and March, in which case the user shall be assigned an average water volume by the municipal utility.

Section Two. Effective Date. This ordinance shall take effect immediately upon passage by the Common Council and publication as provided by law.

Adopted this 7th day of July, 2020.
CITY OF CUMBERLAND:
By: ___Albert B. Skinner, Jr._____
Albert B. Skinner Jr., Mayor
ATTEST:
By: ___Julie A. Kessler_____
Julie A. Kessler, Clerk-Treasurer

Date Adopted: July 7, 2020
Date Published: July 15, 2020
Effective Date: July 16, 2020
Published in the Cumberland Advocate July 15, 2020 WNAXLP

NOTICE
There will be a meeting of the Cumberland City Board of Appeals on Monday, August 3, 2020 at 4:00 P.M. at the Cumberland City Hall concerning an application requesting 1 - an area variance per 17.26(5)(e)(2) and 2 - an application requesting an area variance per 17.54(2) (c).

Julie Kessler
Clerk-Treasurer
City of Cumberland
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MEETING NOTICE
STAPLES LAKE 45TH ANNUAL MEETING
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the Staples Lake Rehabilitation & Protection District annual meeting will be held Saturday, July 18, 2020.
(Due to Covid 19, we are holding at County Line picnic Shelter.
The agenda will be posted no later than 24 hours in advance of the meeting.
Time: 11:00 AM
Location: County Line Tavern picnic shelter
President: Chris Ryan
Treasurer: Howard Ketel
Secretary: Dan Fisher
Dan Fisher
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NOTICE
The regular meeting of the Cumberland Municipal Utility Commission will be held on Monday, July 20, 2020, at 4:00 p.m. in the Utility Offices located at 1265 2nd Avenue, Cumberland, WI 54829.

The meeting agenda is as follows:
1. Roll call
2. Public comments
3. Review and approval of the 6/15/20 meeting minutes & the 6/24/20 & 7/1/20 special meeting minutes
4. Review and approval of payment vouchers
5. Review and approval of financial statements and reports
6. Office Staffing
7. Approve Resolution for Utility Property Sales
8. Approve Wastewater Compliance Maintenance Resolution
9. General Manager's Report
10. Adjourn.

Dean Bergstrom
General Manager
Some or All of the Commission Members may attend telephonically or by video conferencing. Persons attending the meeting at the Utility Offices may be able to view and listen to the meeting, unless the meeting is moved to Closed Session, per Wisconsin Statutes. The Utility Commission reserves the right to convene to Closed Session, Wis. §§ 19.85 (C), and reconvene to Open Session, Wis. §§ 19.85 (2).
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New Fellowship Hall!



A look inside the new fellowship hall at Stanfold Lutheran Church. A dedication was held Sunday July 12.

GATHERINGS...

felt it necessary to take this step for the health of our communities.”

Public health would like to remind residents that it is still strongly discouraged to gather with anyone who lives outside of your home and unnecessary gatherings of any kind are not advised.

“The virus is still present in our community,” continued Health Officer Sauve. “Community members need to continue to follow physical distancing guidelines and wear masks when out in public. It’s important to remember that any gathering of any size comes with a risk.”

People who are vulner-

able and at higher risk of complications from COVID-19, should continue to stay home whenever possible. People considered to be at higher risk include; individuals over the age of 65, anyone who live in nursing homes or long-term care facilities, and people with underlying health conditions or compromised immune systems.

If necessary to host a gathering, consider the following recommendations:

- Keep 6 feet between anyone that does not live in the same household. If the space cannot accommodate this safely, reduce the number of people gathering.

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- Screen visitors and prevent those with COVID-19 symptoms from attending.

- Ask individuals to bring their own food, beverages and utensils. Sharing of these items can promote the spread of COVID-19.

- Clean high-touch areas, such as doorknobs and counter tops often.

- Provide hand washing or sanitizing.

Barron County Public Health will continue to monitor conditions and provide resources and recommendations to the community.

Nominations Still Sought for Cumberland Athletic Hall of Fame

By Mark Fuller

The committee for the Cumberland Athletic Hall of Fame is still seeking community help in identifying individuals for consideration for Induction into this select group. These individuals must exemplify the highest standards of sportsmanship, ethical conduct, and moral character. All candidates will be judged on their significant and/or long-term contributions to athletic endeavors at Cumberland High School.

These individuals may

be nominated in one of four categories; Athlete, Alumni, Coach, or Contributor. These nominations will stay with the committee permanently and will be updated when appropriate.

Cumberland has had a long line of outstanding individuals who have left their mark on Cumberland’s long athletic history. “These include anywhere from Olympic competitors, to NFL draft picks, to Hall of Fame coaches, to individual like Carl Bents, whose be-

hind the scenes work and contributions were significant,” said Committee member Mark Fuller.

Nominations should be sent to Ritchie Narges, Principal at Cumberland High School, 1000 8th Avenue, Cumberland, Wisconsin 54829. “Your nomination is where the entire process begins. We still have some outstanding names for consideration, but need you to identify others who should also be part of our committee’s review.”

Stanfold Lutheran Church Dedicates New Fellowship Hall

On Sunday, July 12 the congregation of Stanfold Lutheran Church formally dedicated their newly constructed fellowship hall. Pastor John Bergson led a special prayer service to give thanks for God’s blessings that made it possible to build the new hall debt free. The church broke ground on this new project in September 2019. Bill Balts Construction of Barron, WI was the contractor in charge of construction.

The new fellowship hall, which rests above ground and is joined to the original church structure by a connecting door, features a large main hall with a vaulted wood ceiling. The new, modern kitchen has a commercial dishwasher and a large serving counter. The new building also allows for an updated pastor’s office and handicap accessible bathrooms, including a family bathroom with diaper changing station.

The former fellowship

hall in the lower level of the historic main building will be repurposed into a permanent quilting area, a conference room, and Sunday School classrooms.

An open house and celebration dinner will be planned for the public to view the addition when it is safer to do so. Guests are welcome to attend Sunday worship services at any time.

Sunday services have resumed with indoor classic worship at 8:30 AM and an outdoor contemporary pavilion service at 10:30 AM, weather permitting. Measures have been put in place to keep attendees as safe as possible.

Stanfold Lutheran Church is located 5 miles west of Rice Lake on Highway 48. If you have questions about the church or worship services, please call Pastor John Bergson at 262-354-4537. More information can be found at stanfoldlutheran.org.

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