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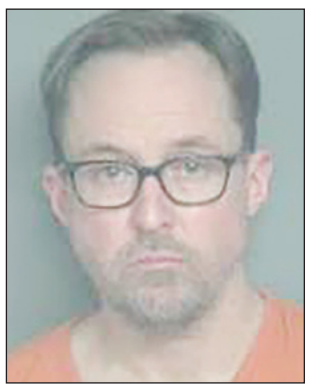
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Rice Lake Man Convicted In Fatal Barron Co. Crash Charged With OWI Again

Lee R. Namtvedt, 44 of Rice Lake, who spent a decade in prison for killing a Clayton man in 2010 while driving drunk was arrested again for OWI in Eau Claire in late January.



Lee R. Namtvedt

According to the criminal complaint issued by the Eau Claire Police Department, an Eau Claire Police Officer was monitoring vehicles and pedestrians on Galloway Street at 1:45 am on Saturday, January 29, when she noticed a vehicle come to a stop, drastically protruding into traffic in an odd fashion.

When the officer pulled her squad car up behind the vehicle, she noticed a man exit the vehicle. The officer found the driver, who was eventually identified as Namtvedt, standing in a secluded corner hidden from the street by fence.

Namtvedt stood in the snow, and braced himself up against a fence as he was swaying heavily. The officer could smell a strong odor of intoxicants as she stood next to him. He appeared to be completely in a daze. His speech was also slurred and delayed and he repeated himself frequently.

Namtvedt said multiple times he had not been drinking. He told the officer that he came from Rice Lake to Eau Claire but refused to say where he had been throughout the evening.

Namtvedt refused field sobriety testing.

A check of records show Namtvedt had four prior drunken driving convictions and was currently on extended supervision for his 2011 conviction in Barron County for homicide by intoxicated use of a vehicle.

Namtvedt was taken to a hospital in Eau Claire for a blood draw. A breath test showed his blood alcohol content was .307, nearly four times the legal limit for driving.

Records from Barron County show Namtvedt was sentenced by Judge James Babbit to 10 years in prison and 10 years of extended supervision on April 5, 2011 for vehicular homicide.

According to the criminal complaint back in 2010: Namtvedt was driving north on 19th Street, near the Rice Lake Regional Airport, when he started to pass a vehicle at about 10:15 pm on March 17, 2010. He never passed the car, but stayed in the passing lane for about a half-mile before colliding nearly head-on with a car driving by Michael Near, 22, of Clayton.

Near was pronounced deceased at the scene. Namtvedt received serious injuries and was taken to Regions Hospital in St. Paul, MN., where a blood test indicated he had a blood alcohol level of .27, more than three times the legal limit for driving.

When questioned at the scene, Namtvedt told authorities he was 85 years old, did not drink and he had not been in an accident.

Namtvedt returns to court on March 17, 2022.

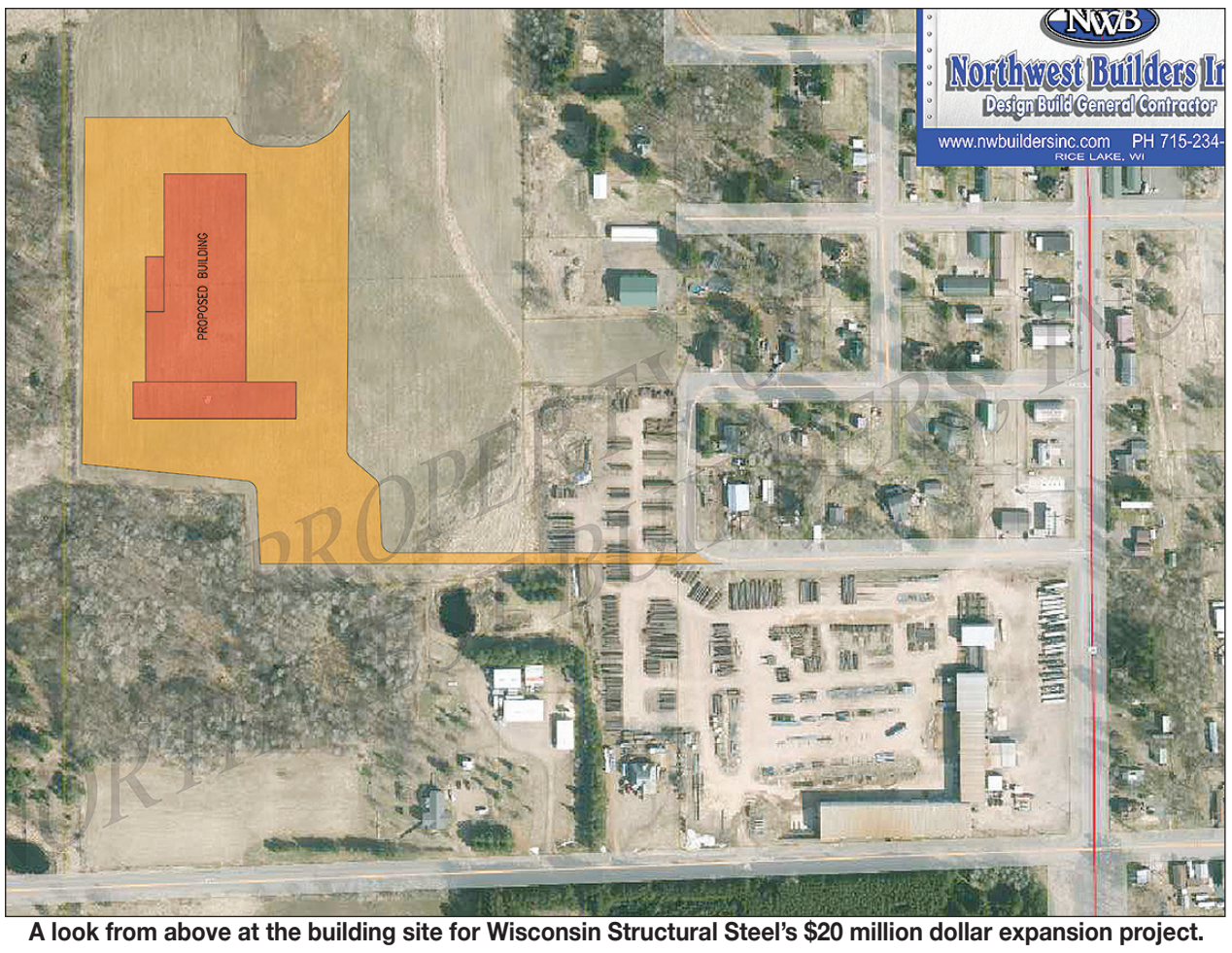
Chamber of Commerce Hosts Moonlight Ski/ Snowshoe Event

The Cumberland Chamber of Commerce invites winter enthusiasts to join in a moonlight ski, snowshoe or fat tire bike ride on Beaver Dam Lake on Thursday, February 10th from 5:30-7:30 pm.

The 1.5 mile loop will begin at the east boat landing near Louie's on the Lake and traverse the perimeter of the north and south shore of lake. Louie's on the Lake will be serving complimentary hot chocolate and cookies.

For more information contact the Cumberland Chamber at 715-822-3378 or Jennifer Turcott at 715-671-5248.

Wisconsin Structural Steel Expansion!



A look from above at the building site for Wisconsin Structural Steel's $20 million dollar expansion project.

Wisconsin Structural Steel Announces $20 million Dollar Expansion

"Wisconsin Structural Steel, located in small Barronett, has some big news! The steel fabrication company has announced a new $20 million dollar expansion project. The company recently purchased 36 acres of land connected to the existing 18 acre site. The new land sits to the north and west of the existing site. Dirt work is well under way. According to Plant Manager John Peterson, "Concrete footings will begin being poured in February." Peterson was happy to say several local companies will be utilized in the construction phase, including Northwest Builders and Erickson Excavating to name a couple. Peterson also stated, "we are planning to add roughly 30 new employees. We will employee around 100 people when we are up and running."

The new state of the art, 120,000 square foot building will house a parts processing facility, two new fabrication bays, cold storage, two high speed processing centers, indoor semi-truck unloading with new cranes and more. The new facility will allow for automated processing lines, consolidated parts processing, the ability to fabricate even bigger trusses and more. When completed, Wisconsin Structural Steel will be one of the most technology advanced Steel Fabricators in the country. Peterson said we are also hoping to expand to other locations across the United

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New City Law Firm Named, Property Buy-Back And Payment Orders Approved At February City Council Meeting

The February meeting of the Cumberland City Council was held on Tuesday, February 1st at City Hall.

The meeting began with a change to the agenda. The item dealing with the requested rate increase from R Local Sanitation was removed. The council is seeking additional information from R Local regarding the reasons for the increase.

During the Public Comment period, Tom Schroeder, President of the Beaver Dam Lake Management District, took the opportunity to thank Mayor Skinner, on behalf of the BDLMD, for all his and the council's support for the Lake District and commended Mayor Skinner for the excellent job he has done during his tenure as Mayor. Mayor Skinner responded that "It's been a team effort. The Council thanks the Lake District for all that it does, too."

Next, the council approved payment #6 for Carlone Street West-Phase 2 to DeSantis Excavating & Un-

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Barron County EMS Donation!



Thank you to Cumberland American Legion, Foxxfire Band, Santa Chuck and Bourbons Bar employees, friends and families for helping to raise $2,442 dollars to be donated to Barron County EMS. Pictured from left are Bourbons owner Kris Zappa, Barron County EMS members Ron Helstern, Rick Sebens and Julie Skinner and Bourbons employee Jasmine Cutsforth. Great job by all!

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People

Drafall wins 4-H Key Award



Reid Drafall

Reid Drafall of Cumberland (Vermillion Cruisers 4-H Club), has been selected as a winner of the Barron County Wisconsin 4-H Key Award.

The prestigious Key Award, one of the highest recognitions a 4-H member can receive, honors a select group of 4-H participants annually. The youth receiving this award are ones who have demonstrated consistent growth in their 4-H involvement, developed and applied their leadership skills, and actively participated in their club and community.

According to Sara Waldron, Barron County 4-H Program Educator, this year's winners exemplify the goals and values of the Wisconsin 4-H Program and Barron County 4-H.

Reid is an 11-year member of the 4-H program. He is the son of Doug and Emily Drafall and is a current member of the Vermillion Cruisers 4-H Club. Reid has consistently strived to make the best better with accomplishments that include being a club officer, junior leader, and youth representative. Some projects he has excelled in include swine and photography. He also dedicates hours of service helping to lead the Cloverbud youth in the Vermillion Cruisers 4-H Club, among numerous other service learning opportunities. Some of Reid's highlighted 4-H activities include sharing his talent in the arts by participating in Talent Explosion and the Barron County Performance Arts Festivals. Others describe Reid as a very talented, generous, and kindful young man. He also does an excellent job of making younger members feel welcome. Reid is joined in the Award by Ashlynn Harmon, Dallas (Country Siders 4-H Club), and Erin Lancaster, Chetek (Kids from Cameron 4-H Club).

Congratulations to Reid for being a recipient of the 2021 4-H Key Award.

New Arrivals

A Son, Henry Dean Avery-Patz, weighing 10 lbs 9 oz., to Tabitha Foss and Jordan Avery-Patz of Chetek on February 2, 2022.

A Daughter, Reese Marie, weighing 7 lbs 6 oz., to Nikki and Kyle Tempesta of Luck on December 20, 2021.

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Show only is $15.
RSVP dinner reservations by Friday, February 4th.
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February 12 • 7 pm
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Council Meeting...

derground Utilities in the amount of $91,239.87, and payment #3 for CDBG Lift Station No. 5 Modifications to Haas Sons, Inc. in the amount of $89,578.73.

The council also approved the buyback of a 5.6 acre parcel on the Utility Development Property from Nil Enterprises Real Estate LLC for $35,000 to be paid by Cumberland Municipal Utility.

Since his intent to retire was announced, the Council has been looking into replacing City Attorney Peter Van Sickle. After much due diligence, the Finance Committee determined that the City's interests would be best served by hiring a firm to represent the City rather than a single individual. Therefore, the Council voted to approve the firm of Weld, Riley, S.C. of Eau Claire to represent the City of Cumberland as the City Attorney, billable by the hour as needed. Hourly rate of $180 for 2022 for shareholders and associates, paralegals at a lower rate, and legal assistant work is not billable.

Due to the large amount of wetland involved in TID #9, the property was required to perform a Practicable Alternatives Analysis. This analysis will help utilize the space most effectively to gain the most buildable lots possible while still protecting the wetlands.

The Mayor also announced the creation of an Ad Hoc Committee to review City Ordinances. Many ordinances remain on the books from over 100 years ago and some are outdated or obsolete. The members of the committee will be appointed by the new Mayor after the election in April. The Mayor did say that the Police Chief would be involved in the process, and Councilman Butch O'Dell suggested getting High School students involved on the committee, in hopes that they can learn something about how government functions.

After voting to approve the license applications on file with the Clerk's Office, the meeting was adjourned at 7:22 p.m. The next regular meeting of the Council is scheduled for Tuesday, March 1st at 7:00 p.m. at City Hall.

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School Lunch

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Mon, Feb. 14th: Lasagna, Bread Sticks, Broccoli, Strawberry Cups.

Tues, Feb. 15th: Walking Tacos, Refried Beans, Corn, Mandarin Oranges.

Wed, Feb. 16th: Chicken Teriyaki Stir Fry, Brown Rice, Apple Sauce.

Thurs, Feb. 17th: Turkey Wraps, Chips, Carrots, Pineapple.

Fri, Feb. 18th: Chicken Nuggets, Fries, Green Beans, Peaches.

CUMBERLAND SCHOOL DISTRICT NEWS

Upcoming Events

Saturday, February 12th
5:45 pm • Boys JV Basketball vs Ashland • HS Gym
7:15 pm • Boys V Basketball vs Ashland • HS Gym

Monday, February 14th
5:45 pm • Boys C Basketball vs Spooner • MS Gym
5:45 pm • Boys JV Basketball vs Spooner • HS Gym
7:15 pm • Boys Basketball vs Spooner • HS Gym

Tuesday, February 15th
5 pm • MS Girls Basketball vs Bloomer • HS Gym

Community Ed Offerings

Hike/Snowshoe Events 2021-22

Five events left to enjoy! • Start at 10 am each date
Snowshoes avilable to borrow upon request!

• 2/12/22 Hike with Lisa Janty
Timberland Hills Lighted Trail • 2992 3rd Street (Cty Hwy H) Barronett, Wisconsin

• 2/19/22 Luminary with the Johnsons @ Firefly Fields **6-8 pm**
Scott and Colleen Johnson • 2553 10th Street, Cumberland WI
This is between Cumberland and Rice Lake (Signs will be posted at Hwy 48 and 10th also B and 10th)

• 2/26/22 Timberland Hills with Sue Greenway

• 3/12/22 Public Land near Little Sand -- Clare Janty
(Watch and listen for more exact information and directions as the date draws near)

Social Distancing - Good Exercise - Fun for all
No charge, but a free-will offering will be taken and donated to the host-site if applicable. Questions or concerns? Please contact: Susan Bridger CCE Director, sbrid@csdmail.com / 715-822-5121 ext. 403

DIY Elderberry Syrup

On-line Instructor: Sheila Beecroft
Pick up kits @ the Cumberland HS on February 14-16
ZOOM Invite and Instruction:
Thursday, February 17 @ 6:30 pm • FEE: $18 (Kit included)
Why Elderberry? Elderberry syrup has been used as an effective natural remedy for treating and preventing colds, coughs, & flu; High in antioxidants to help boost your immune system; and Easy to make and best of all affordable! In this Zoom offering you will make one batch-12 oz. of healthful elderberry syrup in your own home by following along and using kit ingredients in your Instant Pot. You may watch the demo and make your own syrup later Recipe, stovetop instructions & elderberry research will be shared as well-Kits are limited so register soon! To register for this fun and "healthy" event please contact: Susan Bridger CCE Director 715-822-5121 ext. 403 or sbrid@csdmail.com.

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William Bixby Hopkins: "A Tribute" *by Mark R. Fuller*

The headline in the February 21, 1918, *Advocate* simply read, "A Tribute." It was a testimonial to the life of Dr. W. B. Hopkins, who had passed away the previous week at the age of 63. The article described Hopkins by saying, "Without doubt, his influence in the community was greater than any other man who claims Cumberland his home and his kindly deeds are a monument which will remain until time blots out remembrance."



Dr. W. B. Hopkins

Born in Maine, Hopkins began his education in his home state at Bowdoin College, before finishing his medical course training at Rush Medical College in Chicago in 1880. He moved to Cumberland that same year. It was said of the doctor, however, "He never saw his training complete and was always seeking the latest contributions of science that he might place at the disposal of those whom he served."

Hopkins became the city's first doctor, setting up a workplace above the post office. This was only a small part of his many contributions to the young community as it was said of him, "He was active in everything that pertained to the social and moral life of the community."

This led him to serve two terms as mayor, several terms on both the school board and city council, becoming a member of the volunteer fire department, serving as a Sunday School Teacher at the Methodist Church for 35 years, and becoming the President of the Carnegie Library Board from the time it was built in 1905 until his death.

Prior to the building of the library, his love of reading led him to start his own personal book collection in his house for the use of young people and anyone interested. He later created a small library and reading room in the Hemmingson Photo building within the city. He paid the rent for his portion of the business from his own personal resources. It was said of Hopkins, "No person took keener interest in the welfare of the Library than he did."

Hopkins married Mary Kirby on Christmas Day 1881 and they had six children. A strong family man, they tried to eat as a full group whenever possible. They often shared their home with numerous members of the community, holding summer picnics for the children and holding an annual gathering for the city's elderly of which he said, "Was one of his happiest days of the year."

It was his job as doctor, however, where he had his biggest impact on the "Island City."

Hopkins attended the birth of over 1700 babies, many of those who would bear his name. It was said of him in his obituary, "He never turned away one single caller that he could help. He never charged an old soldier for his services, while one of his last requests to those in charge of his affairs was that all widow debts be remitted and a receipt given to them in full."

One story telling of his dedication came following a call which came in the middle of the night, requesting his services in Perley, ten miles south of town. He started out on horseback through deep snow drifts and after several hours and with much difficulty, he finally reached the home. He was accompanied by his horse, "Phil," who was his constant companion for 18 years.

Once there, however, he found he did not have the right instruments to treat the individual so he started back home to get them. Phil could carry him no further some three miles from home, so Hopkins led the horse through almost impossible snow to finish the trip back home by foot. Once he arrived there, he gathered his instruments, bid his wife goodbye, and set out on foot back to those who needed him. The *Advocate* said, "This story epitomizes his life service."

Dr. Hopkins was stricken with pneumonia early the winter of 1918. The *Advocate* said, "Although he weathered the crisis, his body enfeabled by years of arduous toil in saving the lives of others, was unable to rally." He passed away the same day as another early pioneer did, Peter Hocum, who arrived in Cumberland in 1877.

Their funerals were held three hours apart on the same day as local businesses were closed from 1-4 pm to help honor the two men. Reverend Harold Gee of the Methodist Church presided over Hopkins 3:00 pm funeral, assisted by five other ministers from the area. Songs were sung by Mrs. H.S. Comstock, something that Hopkins had requested. There was not enough room in the church for those who tried to attend.

The Tribute to Dr. Hopkins in the Advocate, said among other things, "He was a noble soul whose memory so many friends gathered to honor. Their presence was a fitting record of a strenuous life so interwoven with the well-being of the community."

Mrs. Hopkins died a year later. She too was buried in Lakeside Cemetery, beside her husband.

Northwoods Notebook: Two local guys singing love songs Feb. 12th *By Larry Werner*

In the middle of winter, about the time we're getting used to the cold and snow, and maybe getting tired of it, Valentine's Day happens. The board of ETC thought the Saturday before the lovey-dovey holiday would be a good time to warm folks up with a concert of love songs at the Cumberland Arts Center.

As the board discussed the idea, Dave Evenson turned to a couple fellow board members and asked if they'd be willing to perform. Gerard Bents and Jeremy Westin agreed, and at 7 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 12, you can take your sweetheart for a night of music by the Polk-

Barron Street Project.

You're right: The name doesn't sound very romantic. But their music is.

Gerard, who grew up in Comstock, lived in the Twin Cities for many years, then retired to his country place near McKinley. He likes playing guitar and singing. Jeremy, who grew up in Cumberland and never really left, does as well. So about a year ago, the retired guy asked the much younger still-employed technology guy to join him in a duo named after a road near Gerard's home.

They began rehearsing last spring and appeared on the Library Lake stage in the Island City Music summer series. Recently, they've been playing at Cumberland's newest music venue – Peter & Annie's Coffee Shop & Café.

One interesting aspect of the summer appearance was that Marcy Bents, a retired nurse practitioner who now works at Louie's on the Lake, was serving paninis from the food wagon at the concert. So her romantic husband got to sing a love song he had written to his wife as she served Louie's sandwiches. Right there in front of everyone.

I assume you'll be there Saturday, Marcy. Your husband promises to tug at our heartstrings with cover tunes, and a few original songs, maybe including the one he wrote for you.

"Yes, songs will have a 'love' theme, and most will involve romantic love situations: infatuation, unrequited, tragic, remorse, even humorous situations," Gerard said. "Not all will be about romantic love. Release dates span from as early as 1961 to 2021."

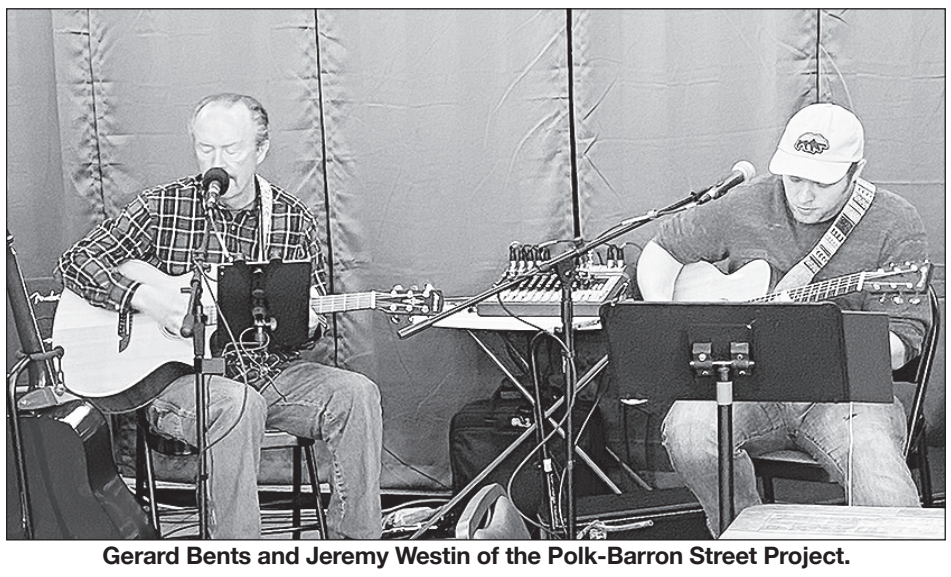
These two guys come from musical families. Gerard's mother was the longtime organist at Zion Lutheran Church. Two sisters played piano and organ, and his brother played keyboard and saxophone in a Cumberland band called Dancer.

Jeremy is the son of John Westin, leader of the Higher Vision quartet and the longtime director of the Community Choir Christmas Concert. Jeremy also plays in a musical group called Cool To The Touch that you've heard around town.

Gerard points out that he and Jeremy are both graduates of UW-Eau Claire – "MANY years apart."

If you want to hear them, tickets will be sold at the door for $10 ($5 for students). Is there a better way to celebrate Valentine's Day than listening to love songs in the old church on main street? Beats the heck out of watching the bobsled competition in Beijing.

Larry Werner's email is lhwerner47@gmail.com.



Gerard Bents and Jeremy Westin of the Polk-Barron Street Project.

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Opinion

Out My Window

by Paul Bucher, Editor

Hey it's warm outside! What a pleasant break from the minus 15 to 20 degree temperatures. I know my wood pile will be happy. Man, it's been going down fast. With LP over $2.00 a gallon, I'm sure most of you are fine with the warmer weather as well!

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Well the big Wisconsin State Ice Fishing Contest is here. Hopefully Mother Nature cooperates and gives us a decent day. Saturday at 10 am is when the gun sounds to start fishing. Good luck to all. Hope you catch a few. Just a reminder to know the regulations. Every year, someone brings undersized fish to be weighed. Not only will we not weigh them, but it is illegal.

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Make sure to venture down to the boat landing near Louie's on the Lake on Thursday, February 10th. There will me a moonlight ski, snowshoe, fat tire bike event from 5:30 to 7:30, complete with a bonfire, hot chocolate and cookies courtesy of Louie's on the Lake.

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A new event sponsored by the Cumberland Chamber of Commerce is the Royal Rutabaga Ball, scheduled for Saturday, February 26 at 7 pm at the Das Lach Haus. Tickets for the fun evening are available at the Cumberland Chamber of Commerce Office, or on the Chamber website, www.cumberlandchamberwi.com. The adult only event is a fundraiser for the Miss Cumberland Scholarship and the Baga Bunnies event. Make plans to get out and enjoy the event.

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As I'm sure you have noticed, my dad has not written a column for a few weeks. He took a pretty nasty fall and broke some ribs and spent some time in the hospital. He is awfully sore, but in good spirits. It's gonna take a few weeks, but I'm sure he will be back at it soon. He's tough to keep down!

Hope to see you out this Saturday on the lake!





Inside Wisconsin

by Tom Still

Just following up: Updates on a few recent columns

By Tom Still

MADISON, Wis. - Some updates on past missives:

• Several columns of late have highlighted cybersecurity challenges to businesses and national defense. A recent development will put the UW-Madison closer to the search for solutions.

Led by the new School of Computer, Data and Information Sciences, the university has been selected to join the U.S. Cyber Command's Academic Engagement Network. The network consists of 70 universities, four military service academies, four military war and staff colleges and other educational institutions spread over 34 states and the District of Columbia.

The goal of the CYBERCOM network is to boost the number of qualified cyber professionals who can help advance critical national information networks, thus strengthening the nation's ability to withstand and respond to cyberattacks.

It's a timely initiative, given the rise in cyberthreats around the world, but the effort didn't materialize overnight.

The Wisconsin Security Research Consortium was launched in the mid-2000s with help from the UW-Madison, the UW System and the Wisconsin Technology Council to prepare what was already a predicted onslaught of cyberattacks. Support waned under then-Chancellor Biddy Martin but was reborn in recent years, in part because CDIS was created with the backing of Chancellor Rebecca Blank and the university hired software entrepreneur Tom Erickson as its first director.

The next round of applications for the CYBERCOM network opens this summer. It should draw interest from other Wisconsin schools with cybersecurity expertise.

• I wrote last year about the Epic Games (no relation to Verona's Epic) anti-trust suit against Apple, which claimed Apple runs its App Store as an illegal monopoly. That is because Apple only allows in-app purchases on iPhones to be processed by Apple's own payment system on its more than 1 billion iPhones around the world – typically adding a 30% commission on every purchase.

Apple countered the fee is necessary to safeguard the privacy and safety of all apps across all Apple devices and platforms and doesn't shut out competitors. It basically prevailed in court, but now an appeal request is gathering support from a formidable list of players.

Attorneys general in 35 states, from ultra-red Utah to blue bastions such as New York, have filed an amici curiae brief on behalf of Epic Games. So have 52 law professors and economists in two separate briefs, as well as Microsoft and some consumer organizations.

Among the law professors who joined in one of the briefs is UW-Madison Professor Emeritus Peter Carstensen, a former U.S Justice Department anti-trust attorney who is a senior fellow of the American Antitrust Institute. Interviewed this week, Carstensen said he thinks Apple "has a real history" of market-bending behavior that can shut out young, innovative companies that can't afford to pay the so-called Apple tax.

The Wisconsin Justice Department is not listed among the 35 states on the amicus brief at this point.

• A January column on the Epic Health Research Network focused on the results of a nationwide study that used digital health records to pinpoint "hotspots" where children are a greater risk of being exposed to high levels of lead. The Epic study helped trigger a community-wide response in Cleveland, Ohio, where 12 of the top 30 lead zones were located.

In response to the column, a spokeswoman for Epic's top competitor – Cerner – wrote to note the Kansas City-based company is doing much the same through its Cerner Learning Health Network, a nationwide network of 81 health systems that contribute de-identified data to help power clinical research and trials.

She said use of the Cerner data is "free for (Cerner) members to use for their research," which is true. However, free use doesn't necessarily extend beyond those members and there are reports that Oracle hopes to help pay for its proposed $28 billion acquisition of Cerner by monetizing such data over time.

• Another recent column explained why the Wisconsin Governor's Business Plan Contest can help young businesses with feedback, advice and contacts. There were scores of entries by the Jan. 31 deadline.

Roughly two-thirds of all entries fell into the Business Services and Information Technology categories, with the other third in entering in either Advanced Manufacturing or Life Sciences. Nearly 30% of the entrants are women. Nearly half of Wisconsin's counties are represented by at least one entry. Nearly 30% of entrants identified themselves as something other than white. About 7% of the entrants are military veterans. Now comes the fun part: Seeing how business plan abstracts submitted by entrants stack up under review by the contests' volunteer judges.

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2022 WEATHER

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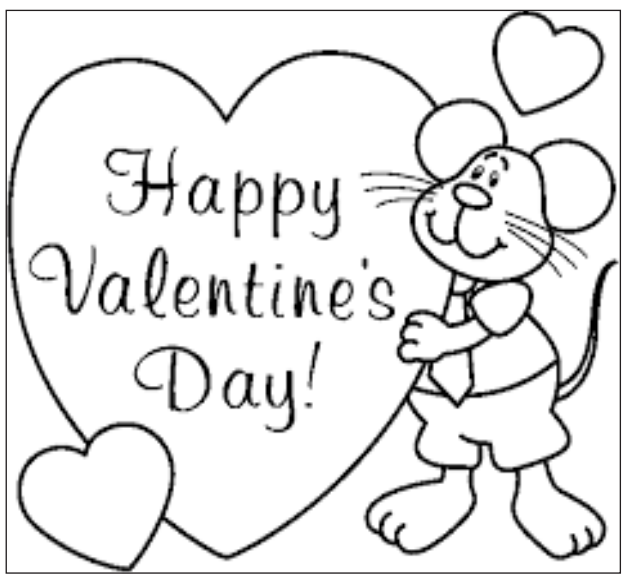
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A Look Back

10 Years Ago
February 15, 2012

The Isle Theater in Cumberland showed their last regular weekly movie on February 9th. Tom Nesvold, an Isle Theater owner, wants the public to know the theater will still be used for various functions such as parties, meetings, seminars or church functions. They will still show football and other games on the big screen. Tom and staff would like to thank everyone for their business.

Kenneth RP Wiseman, of Comstock, graduated from Air Force Base Training on February 3, 2012 at Lackland Air Force Base in San Antonio, TX. Wiseman graduated in the top 90% of flight 135-22nd Squadron.

20 Years Ago
February 13, 2002

The Cumberland Fire Department was called to put out a tractor fire at the Vern Sutton residence located on County Highway P. The cause of the fire is unknown and no one was injured.

February Middle School Students of the Month are: Lindsey Koser, Alyssa Lundquist, Ben Weltzin, Dustin DeGolier, Blake Kolzow, Cassandra Johnson, Tanya Ramirez and B.J. Perry.

30 Years Ago
February 12, 1992

Elizabeth Evenson, daughter of Shirley and Dave Evenson, and a graduating senior at Cumberland High School, has been named one of approximately 2500 semifinalists in the 1992 Presidential Scholars Program. The semifinalists come from the more than 2.5 million students expected to graduate this year from U.S. high schools. Now in its 28th year, the Presidential Scholars Program is the highest federal honor bestowed upon graduating high school seniors. Scholars are selected on the basis of superior academic achievement, leadership qualities, strong character, and involvement in community and school activities.

40 Years Ago
February 10, 1982

Members of the 19821 Red and White Court were: Bill Bay, Jon Miller, David Whitman, Jeff Johnson, Tim Soltau, Pam Rous, Loree Duncan, Trudy Thompson, Dan Capra, Nancy Newhouse, Barb Sparish, Brenda Frie, Jessica Maxwell, Queen Lisa Stoll, King Bob Ranallo and Andy Hamilton.

The Knights of Colombus held their Knowledge Contest on January 30. First place finishes are eligible for District competition to be held the end of February at St. Joseph's in Rice Lake. There were 25 participants in the spelling and math contests, which were run by John Garibaldi, John Anderson and John Schwanke. Math winners were: Jeff Hanson, Will Cordes, Brian Brecka, Roland Frogness, Brent Sirianni, Lou Ann Berglund, Beth Hagen, Jim Beirsdorff and Keith Schlechte.

50 Years Ago
February 10, 1972

Several new teachers have joined the staff at the Cumberland School District for the second semester of the 1971-72 school year. The are: Mrs. Jane Manske, Home Economics; Mrs. Eileen Fowler, Home School Coordinator; Miss Barbara Auth, Physical Education; Miss Pamela Wagner, Speech and Drama; and Mrs. Kathleen Laird, First Grade Teacher.

70 Years Ago
February 15, 1962

Barron County Sheriff John Marcon has named 103 deputy sheriffs in the county to assist him in carrying on the duties of his office for 1962. From Cumberland are Zean Douglas, Arthur Weber, Herman Heldstab, Richard Olson, Clifford Shortner, and Glenn Stoll.

A survey team from the Superior Office of the State Highway Commission is working on a section of Highway 48 this week. The section being surveyed is from the railroad tracks, four-tenths of a mile east, to just beyond the city limits. Future plans call for a widening of the road between those two points and a new bridge to replace the present structure over the "narrows" just east of Stokleys.

80 Years Ago
February 12, 1942

The Cumberland Fire Department was called out to The Apple River Mill in Comstock for a report of a fire. It is thought that the fire started from the stove in the office as it was first discovered there. The flames spread so rapidly that it was possible only to save the ground feed that was left for customers on the platform outside. The loss is partially covered by insurance but there will be a loss to the owners and to the community as this had been a very thriving and a very necessary place of business.

90 Years Ago
February 11, 1932

Plans are going forward for the community sale and dog derby which will be held February 20. The following boys have entered dogs: Hollard Ekenstedt, Lyle Allen, Raymond Rasmussen, Edwin Bergstrom, Carl Erickson, Bob Estes, and Billy Cavanaugh. The race will start at 2 pm and the dogs will run between the Standard Oil and White Eagle Stations. First prize is $5, 2nd prize is $3, and 3rd prize is $1.

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Court News

Barron County Circuit Court

Marriage Licenses

Anthony P. Brunner, Stanley, and Alexis R. Janicki, Stanley. Jacob E. Germain, Turtle Lake, and Kelsey J. Hanson, Lindstrom. Ted L. Matthys, Sioux Creek, and Laurie A. Kahl, Sioux Creek. Elijah D. Peterson, Prairie Lake, and Lorelli J. Kilmer, Hayward.

Traffic Court

Elizabeth J. Baffa, 18, Washington, IL., speeding, $200.50. Robert F. Barker, 20, Rice Lake, speeding, $225.70. Rodolfo, L. Barrera, 29, Palmview, TX., speeding, $225.70, operating a motor vehicle without insurance, $200.50 and operating a motor vehicle without a valid license, $200.50. Gregory J. Spence, 31, Barron, refuse to take test for intoxication after arrest, $50.00. Kendra R. Dennis, 24, Colfax, OWI, $1492.00.

Complaints

Katie R. Eriksen, 38, of Almena, has been charged with disorderly conduct. Her court trial is scheduled for March 7, 2022.

Anthony E. Mattes, 45, of Big Lake, MN., has been charged with obstructing an officer. His court date is scheduled for March 23, 2022.

Amy S. Seeger, 37, of Barron, has been charged with obstructing an officer. Her court date was scheduled for January 31, 2022.

Joseph L. Conoboy, 18, of Barron, has been charged with possession of drug paraphernalia and possession of marijuana. His court date is scheduled for March 9, 2022.

Robyn D. Sobolewski, 28, of Cameron, has been charged with possession of drug paraphernalia and possession of marijuana. Her court date is scheduled for March 9, 2022.

Jeremy A. Young, 34, of Rice Lake, has been charged with disorderly conduct and domestic abuse. His court date was scheduled for February 2, 2022.

Criminal Complaints

Kyle E. Berschneider, 42, of New Auburn, has been charged with violating a harassment restraining order and defamation. He has a warrant issued for his arrest.

Scott F. Falkner, 48, of Rice Lake, has been charged with an OWI. His adjourned initial appearance is scheduled for February 16, 2022.

James G. Hoisington Jr., 33, of Siren, has been charged with methamphetamine, possession of drug paraphernalia and resisting or obstructing an officer. His court appearance was scheduled for February 2, 2022.

Michael R. Guthrie, 38, of Cameron, has been charged with two counts of possession of THC, three counts of possession of drug paraphernalia, disorderly conduct, domestic abuse, possession of methamphetamine, and two counts of violating the provision of the bail/bond in Barron County which prohibits the commission of any new crimes while on bond.

A detective, with the Barron County Sheriff's Department, reports on December 22, 2021, at approximately 2:04 pm, he placed Guthrie under arrest for delivery of methamphetamine from a controlled buy that the detective conducted on August 31, 2021. The detective placed Guthrie under arrest outside of the Barron County Clerk of Court's Office. Guthrie was at the Barron County Clerk of Court's Office to sign a bond in another case.

The detective reports that, when he approached Guthrie, he smelled a strong odor of burnt marijuana coming from Guthrie. Guthrie seemed lethargic, slightly uncoordinated, had lazy speech, and had difficulty putting a sentence together. The detective suspected Guthrie had very recently smoked marijuana due to the strong odor of marijuana coming from Guthrie.

The detective reports he located Guthrie's vehicle in the parking lot of the Barron County Justice Center. The detective reports that, upon opening the doors to Guthrie's vehicle, he smelled the odor of marijuana coming from inside the vehicle.

The detective reports that he and another deputy from the same department, searched the vehicle. The detective reports he located a pair of gloves in the front passenger seat, one of which had a glass marijuana pipe with both green and charred marijuana in the bowl, and a small metal container with a small amount of marijuana in it. The detective reports he field tested a sample of the substance in the container using a Nark II field test kit and obtained a positive result for the presence of THC.

A police officer, with the Rice Lake Police Department, reports on January 28, 2022, at approximately 8:51 pm, a female called 911 stating she was involved in a domestic incident at a residence in Rice Lake.

Upon arrival, the officer reports that she and another officer made contact with the female who stated she moved into the residence with Guthrie two days earlier. The female stated that she and Guthrie lived together for approximately three years before she moved back in with him.

The female stated, that on the night of January 28, 2022, prior to her calling the police, she and Guthrie got into a verbal argument. Guthrie put his hands around her neck in a choke hold, and would not let her go. The female stated she was eventually able to break out of the choke hold and run to the garage. The female stated Guthrie chased her into the garage, spit on her, and began to throw iron rods at her head, saying "I'm going to kill you." The female stated that Guthrie left in his vehicle when she told him that she was going to call the police. The officer reports that attempts to locate Guthrie on the night of January 28, after she spoke with the female were unsuccessful.

The officer reports on January 29, 2022, at approximately 9:53 pm, she was on routine patrol when she observed a vehicle matching the description of Guthrie's vehicle traveling southbound on Main Street in Rice Lake. The officer ran the vehicle's registration and received return information that the vehicle was registered to Guthrie.

The officer reports she observed a male subject exit the vehicle and walk toward the entrance to Marketplace. The officer exited her patrol vehicle and made contact with the male subject who identified himself as Guthrie. The officer reports she placed Guthrie under arrest for the domestic incident the female reported the previous night. The officer requested another Rice Lake Police Officer, who was also on scene, to conduct a search of the Gurthrie's person incident to arrest.

The officer reports he located a jar of green leafy substance in Guthrie's inner coat pocket. The container was labeled "Skord Marijuana." The officer then located two other smoking devices. The officer also located a small bag containing a white crystal-like substance.

The officer reports he field tested the green leafy substance in the container using a Nark II field test kit and obtained a positive result for the presence of THC. The officer reports he also field tested the white crystal-like substance in the bag using a separate Nark II field test kit and obtained a positive result for the presence of methamphetamine. The officer reports the residue in the one of the smoking devices tested positive for the presence of THC and the other smoking device field tested positive for the presence of methamphetamine.

The officer reports she interviewed Guthrie after reading him his Miranda rights. Guthrie stated the marijuana and smoking device were his, and, if anything, the methamphetamine was also his. The officer reports that, as she was exiting the interview room, Guthrie stated if he knew he was going to go to jail for this he would have at least made it worth it.

If convicted for two counts of possession of THC, Guthrie may be fined not more than $10,000 for each count or imprisoned not more than three years and six months or both for each count. For three counts of possession of drug paraphernalia, he may be fined not more than $500 for each count, or imprisoned not more than 30 days or both for each count. For disorderly conduct and domestic abuse he may be fined not more than $1,000 or imprisoned not more than 90 days or both. For possession of methamphetamine he may be fined not more than $10,000 or imprisoned not more than three years and six months or both. For two counts of violating the provision of the bail/bond in Barron County which prohibits the commission of any new crime, he may be fined not more than $10,000 for each count or imprisoned not more than six years or both.

His preliminary hearing was scheduled for February 7, 2022.

Convicted Sex Offender Released and Residing in Washburn County

In February 2018, Mark Dezek of Spooner, was facing charges of possession of child pornography, as well as charges for marijuana.

The criminal complaint filed against Dezek, states that Dezek admitted to investigators that there "may be" images of child pornography on his phone and that he thought the children in the images were between 7-16 years of age.

While executing a search warrant, officers found nearly 600 grams of marijuana, numerous marijuana seeds, over 600 gem bags, two smoking bongs, and numerous other assorted items of drug paraphernalia.

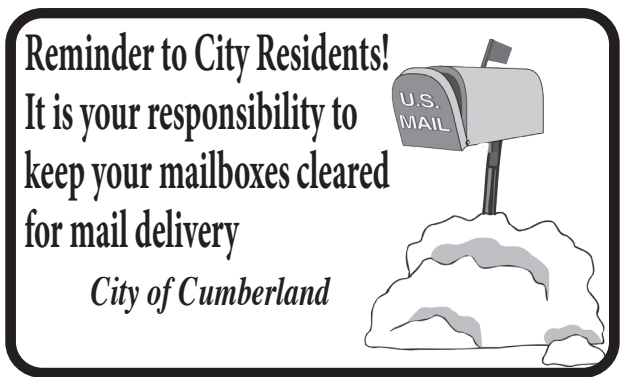
Dezek was charged with 10 counts of Class D Felony Possession of Child Pornography, Class H Felony Manufacture THC, Misdemeanor Possession of THC, and two counts of Misdemeanor Possession of Drug Paraphernalia.

In February 2019, at a hearing, the court accepted pleas of No Contest from Dezek on two counts of Class D Felony Possession of Child Pornography as well as his charge of Class H Felony Manufacture THC.

In April 2019, the court ordered an eight year sentence on each of his convictions. Dezek was to serve three years of initial confinement in state prison, followed by five years of extended supervision. The court ordered Dezek to serve the three sentences concurrently.

On February 1, 2022, the Washburn County Sheriff's Office issued a Sex Offender Release, stating that Dezek would be released from prison on February 8, 2022, and residing at W8957 County Highway E, Spooner.







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.

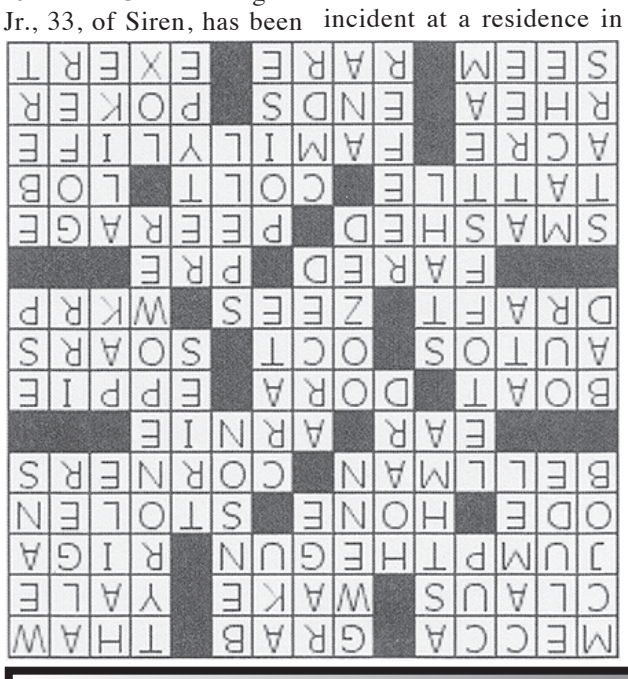
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Sports

Johnson and Chafer Conference Wrestling Champions

Two Cumberland Beavers took home titles at the HON Conference Wrestling Tournament held in the "Island City" last Saturday. The Tournament concludes the regular season as the Beavers now ready for the WIAA D3 Tournaments, beginning this Saturday in Cameron. Wrestling begins at 9:30 am.

St. Croix Falls had four individual champions as they breezed to the Regional team championship with 238 points. The Beavers came in 5th place with 125 points.

Cumberland two champions came from undefeated Sophomore Dawson Johnson at 120 pounds and Sophomore Jack Chafer at 285.

Johnson moved to 37 and 0 on the season in dominating his weight class. He only had to wrestle twice pinning both opponents in just over two minutes of time. He will enter the Tournament structure as the State's top ranked D3 wrestler at 120 pounds and looking to add a second straight State Championship to his resume.

Chafer moved his overall record to 21 and 11 in a strong day on the mat. He received a bye in round one, pinned his second opponent, and then won 7-2 and 5-1 decisions to take home his title.

The final victory came over David Granados from Ashland, who came into the match at 28 and 5. Chafer has continued to improve and will look to secure a spot in the Sectionals with his performance in Cameron this Saturday.

Just missing a third Cumberland Championship was Josh Simon at 160. The senior wrestler received a bye and took two wins before losing to undefeated Kole Marko of St. Croix Falls by a pin in the title bout. Simon is 24-13 on the year.

The Beavers final two wrestlers who made the podium were Freshmen Jack Owens and Harrison Ruppel, who both finished in third place.

Owns went to 18-17 on the year with a pin, a loss to Cameron's Tanner Gerber, and another pin for third place at 132-pounds. Gerber went on to win the title and takes a 40 and 1 record into Regionals.

Harrison Ruppel, wrestling at 138, received a bye, recorded a pin, suffered a loss in a hard-fought 10-8 decision, and rebounded with another pin to take home his third place finish. He is now 14 and 9 on the year.

Another freshman wrestler, Cooper Schramski just missed making it to the podium by finishing fourth. He would finish fourth after losing a sudden death victory to Tommy Baldwin of Northwestern. With five underclassmen making the podium for Coach Justin Peterson, the Beavers show that a very good team is coming to town as early as next year.

In JV action, Peter Montgomery won three straight matches to take first at 106-113, Nelson Vasquez recorded three straight falls to take first at 132-138, and Sloan McCreary went 2 and 1 to take second at 145.

Girl's Basketball Splits Pair; Record at 13-7

The Cumberland Girl's Basketball Team continues to put together the best season in over 15 years as they split a pair of HON contest last week A third game scheduled against St. Croix Falls was cancelled due to Covid and they hoping to make it up later this week. The team's record stands at 13 and 7 as their only contest this week as of Monday was a road game against Ashland on Tuesday night.

Last Monday, the team picked up a nice 46-40 home victory over the Barron Bears. "The girls played a nice second half against Barron, which allowed us to come out with a win against a very good team," said Coach Brian Dutton about the victory.

Cumberland had a balanced attach with Maisen Gores leading the way with 15 points. Mecina Garibaldi and Teagan Monson each added eight points, while Reyna Bertelsen scored six, Anna Ranallo five, and Orion Thompson four. It was a very nice team victory.

Things didn't go as well on Thursday, when the team dropped a 59-48 decision to Cameron, a team they had defeated back in December.

"Unfortunately, we couldn't follow up the Barron win with another in Cameron. They shot the ball extremely well and we just couldn't close the gap in the second half," said Coach Dutton about the contest.

Cameron jumped to a 31-20 half time lead in their victory. Cameron had eight different girls score led by Maddie Wall with 15. Oddly, they hit nine of 18 three-pointers in the contest, but were only six for 15 from the free throw line.

Mecina Garibaldi continued her fine season with a team-leading 16 points, while Gores added 14 and Monson nine.

For the season, Gores is averaging 18.8 ppg, while Garibaldi is scoring at a 9.0 points per contest.

Cumberland finishes up the regular season next week with a home Tuesday date against Conference leading Ladysmith and a road game next Thursday in Hayward. Game time of both contest is 7:15 pm.

Sports Calendar

Thursday, Feb.10

Hockey @ Amery 7:00

Boys BB @ St. Croix Falls 7:15

Saturday, Feb. 12

Wrestling Regional @ Cameron 9:30

Boys BB home vs Ashland 7:15

Monday, Feb. 14

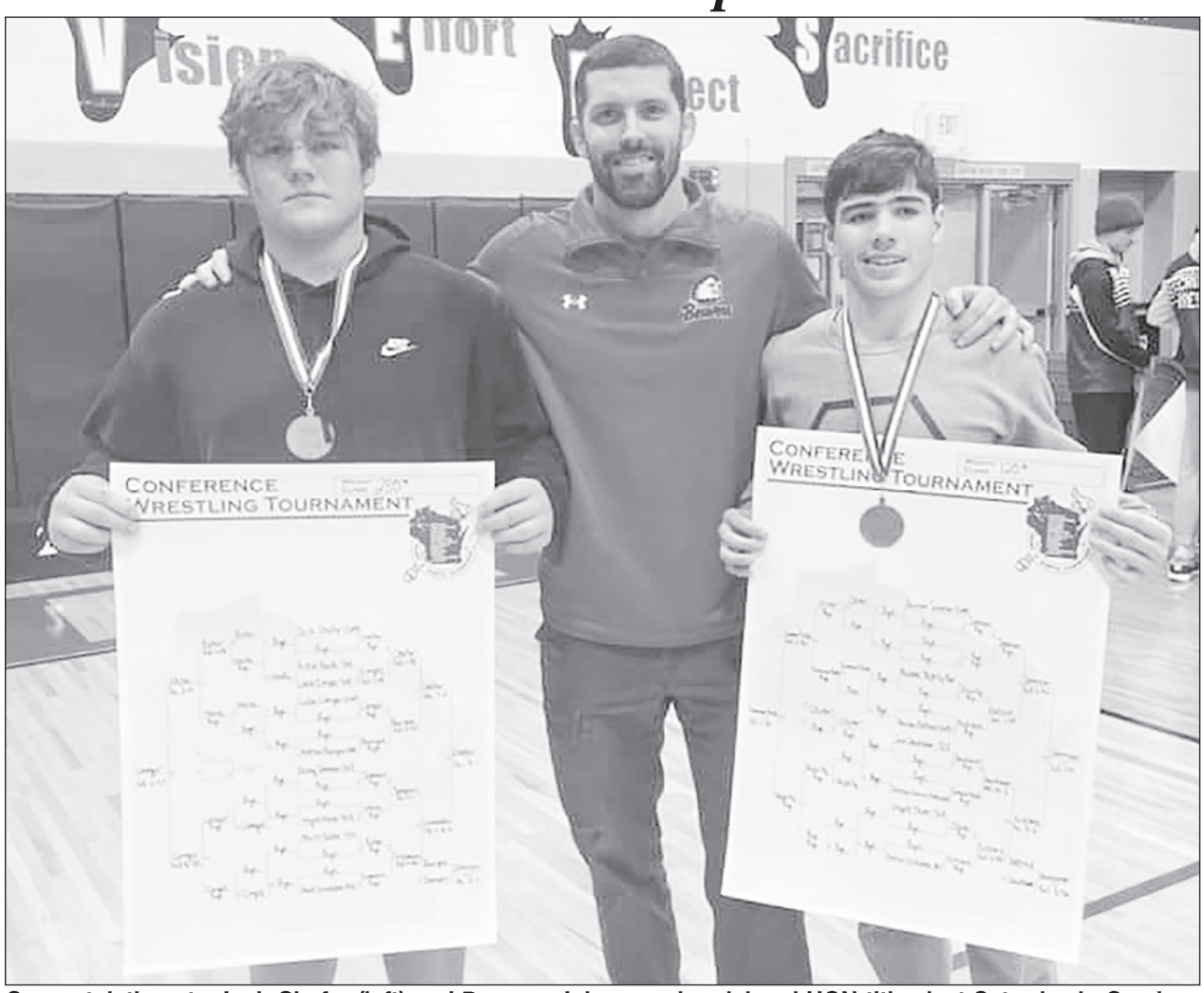
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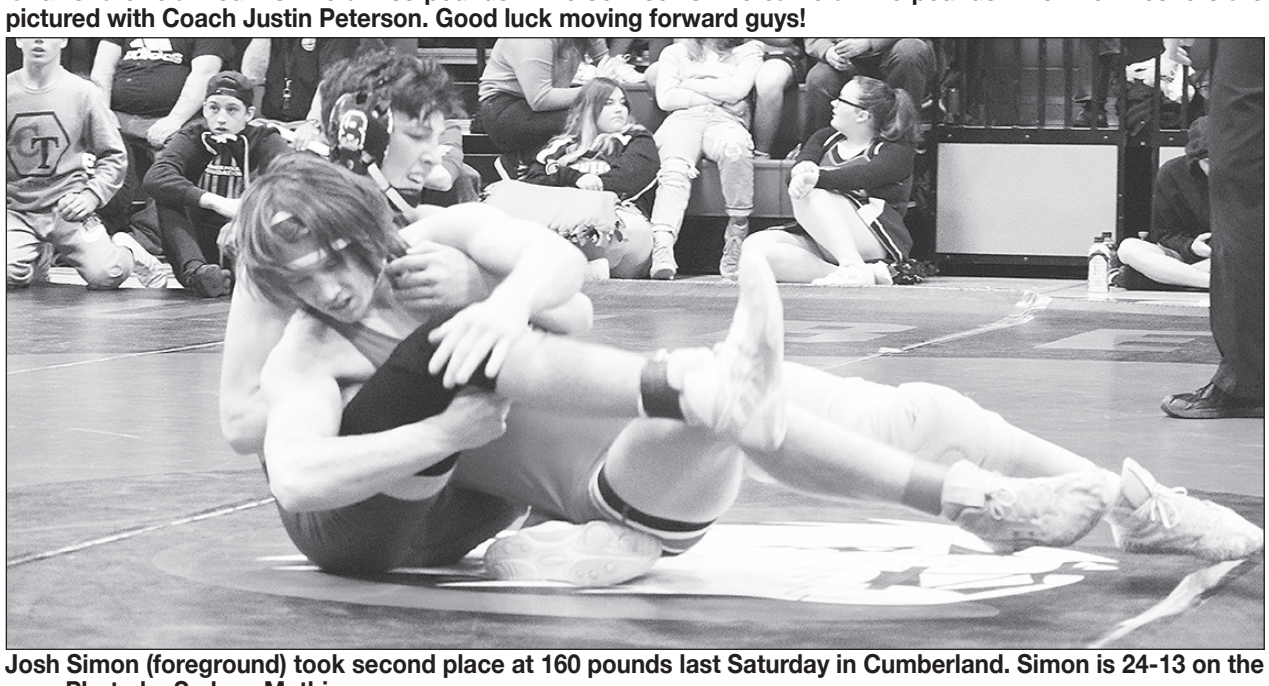
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Girls BB @ Ladysmith 7:15

HON Champs!



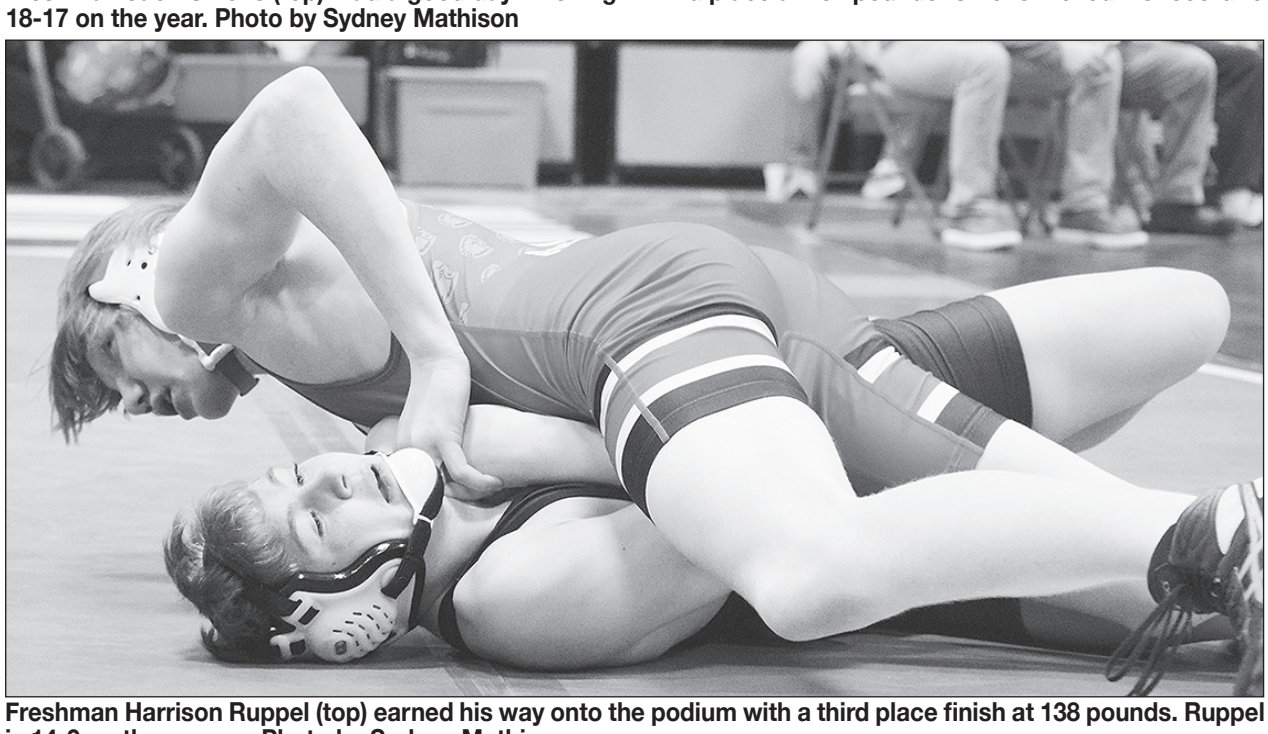
Congratulations to Jack Chafer (left) and Dawson Johnson who claimed HON titles last Saturday in Cumberland. Chafer claimed his title at 285 pounds while Johnson's title came at 120 pounds. The two wrestlers are pictured with Coach Justin Peterson. Good luck moving forward guys!



Josh Simon (foreground) took second place at 160 pounds last Saturday in Cumberland. Simon is 24-13 on the year. Photo by Sydney Mathison



Freshman Jack Owens (top) had a good day finishing in third place at 132 pounds. Owens moved his record to 18-17 on the year. Photo by Sydney Mathison



Freshman Harrison Ruppel (top) earned his way onto the podium with a third place finish at 138 pounds. Ruppel is 14-9 on the season. Photo by Sndney Mathison

Cumberland Area Fishing & Hunting Table

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DATE	AM Minor	AM Major	PM Minor	PM Major	Sunrise	Sunset	Rise	Up	Sets	Down	DST
2/09 Wed	11:44	5:32	-----	5:55	07:19	05:24	11:21a	2:05a	7:10p	6:46a	
2/10 Thu	12:04	6:16	12:28	6:40	07:18	05:25	11:53a	3:09a	7:58p	7:34a	
2/11 Fri	12:48	7:01	1:13	7:26	07:16	05:27	12:32p	4:11a	8:48p	8:23a	
2/12 Sat	1:33	7:46	1:58	8:11	07:15	05:28	1:20p	5:07a	9:39p	9:13a	
2/13 Sun	2:19	8:32	2:44	8:57	07:13	05:30	2:15p	5:56a	10:30p	10:04a	
2/14 Mon >	3:05	9:18	3:31	9:43	07:12	05:31	3:19p	6:37a	11:20p	10:55a	
2/15 Tue >	3:52	10:05	4:17	10:29	07:10	05:33	4:27p	7:11a	No Moon	11:45a	

Major = 2 hours/Minor = 1 hour • Times are centered on the major/minor window

F=Full Moon N=New Moon Q=Quarter Moon > = Peak Activity

DST will have * in it if it is in effect that day Calibrated For Time Zone: 6W



An Outdoorsman's Journal

by Mark Walters

Clark County Squirrel Hunt

Hello friends,

I have often written about the fifty falls in a row that I have hunted deer in northern Juneau County while camping with family and friends and how 4 people evolved from a tent to 25 people putting up a steel pole barn for two weeks on public land and than taking it down.

When it was just my father, the late Robert Walters, and my brothers Tom and Mike and then Jeff Moll we would camp next to some Milwaukee guys that were very tough and a whole heck of a lot of fun. Those guys were Lynn Halboth, Tony Wagner and the late Larry Sowle. All three of my eventual pals are about 14-years older than me and took me under their wing when I turned 18 and would stay at camp after my family left. I cannot write about all of the things they taught me or about all the places that they took me, but exactly fifty years later we are still great friends, RIP Larry!

So what am I getting at here? All three of these guys ended up living in Clark County near Willard and I had not seen them since Covid hit and so we needed an excuse to laugh a lot.

I came up with a dandy and that was that I could hunt squirrel on Lynn's 116 acres of pure paradise and at night we could socialize.

Friday, January 28th

High 22, low 1

In all honesty, Tony, Lynn and I have a great connection. When I arrived today every squirrel in Lynn's woods was safe as the three of us sat in Lynn's kitchen and talked and laughed for a long time.

Next we headed over to JJ's Bar and Grill for a top notch fish fry and then we went over to Willard where my good friend Dean Lesar, "Shoe" long time publisher of The Tribune Record Gleaner had purchased Freddies Bar and we had a great time speaking with a lot of good people about hunting, fishing, farming and everything in between.

Saturday, January 29th

High 19, low 7

I don't know if you are aware of this but squirrel are not very active on cold January days. This morning I would be carrying my Remington 597 "22" and Lynn would be shooting a Winchester single shot 22. We were both in kind of rough shape and right away Lynn got his UTV stuck in a snow drift, then he realized the 4 wheel drive wasn't working. Next we had to walk a very long ways across a field that had some pretty deep snow drifts that my old pole climbing buddy (Lynn was a linemen for AT&T) did not like. Once he fell over in a snow drift and it was pure luck that he got upright. So we hit the woods that is chalk full of deer and squirrel sign but all the squirrel are hiding on us. Eventually we made it back to Lynn's home without firing a shot and after a snooze I hit the woods by myself. No squirrel action and back to camp at dark, zero festivities tonight.

Sunday, January 30th

High 21, low 4

I am a cured man, was wandering the woods at first light and to be perfectly honest, loving it. When I was a young boy I was as good a squirrel hunter as you could find. Five kids living with just a dad made the 22 and the forest my best friend. I kept having those memories this morning and I also loved exploring the winter version of a Wisconsin forest with heavy wildlife sign.

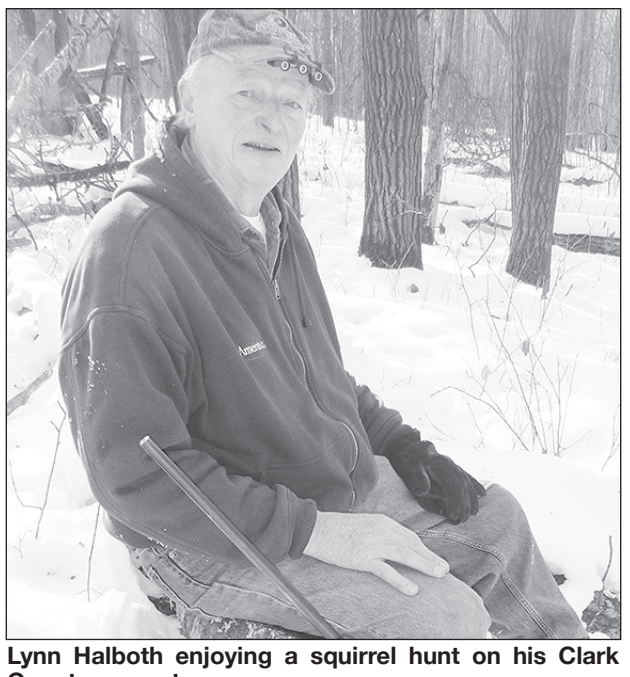
My first real action of this THREE day hunt came with five squirrels in a group of oaks and I am glad I was not being videoed as I was missing. I explored further into the forest and saw gray on white "squirrel on snow" I did my sneak and the dang squirrel kept going on the other side of the oak tree. I was patient, after 15 minutes it stuck it's head out and I sent him to the frying pan. I felt like I just threw a touch down pass for the Packers.

I kept exploring and once again I saw gray on white. I did a sneak, played the same game, took a shot and out of the old oak tree tumbles squirrel number two. At this point I' m thinking who needs Aaron Rogers, I can handle the job.

My last last squirrel was the best yet. I saw it running on the snow a hundred yards away. It climbed a tree. I made a sneak, in all honesty it was a 50-yard shot. I figured what do I have to lose, I am already



The rewards of a successful squirrel hunt.



Lynn Halboth enjoying a squirrel hunt on his Clark County property.

the next quarterback to take the Packers to the Super Bowl. I squeezed the trigger and walla, we just won the Super Bowl.

Lynn still has not recovered from Friday night and told me he will call when I can make my next visit!

Sunset

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Jax Effertz drives to the basket in the boys loss to Chetek. Effertz led the Beavers with 20 points. Photo by Victoria Gonzales



Vaughn Johnson had a great all around night vs Barron. Johnson pumped in a career high 24 points. Photo by Victoria Gonzales

Cumberland Suffers Two Conference Losses; Home Saturday Night

The Cumberland Beavers dropped a pair of contest last week to fall to 6 and 11 on the season. The first was a disappointing 59-58 defeat to the Chetek-Weyerhaeuser Bulldogs on Tuesday and the second a hard fought 76-69 loss to the Barron Bears on Friday night. Cumberland looks to get on the winning track this week, having hosted Cameron on Monday and then traveling to St. Croix Falls this Thursday before hosting the Ashland Oredockers this Saturday night in a contest starting at 7:15 pm.

"We had several paths that would have taken us to a win and only a couple that would have given us a loss. Unfortunately, we went down the wrong path," said Coach Berghammer on the defeat to the Bulldogs on Tuesday night.

The teams were evenly matched as both teams hit the same number of three-pointers in the contest, while the Beavers won the rebound battle 39-38 and C/W made one more free throw than Cumberland. The biggest difference came in shooting percentage, as the Beavers shot only 36 percent in the game.

Jax Effertz led the Beavers with 20 points, while Vaughn Johnson and Gavin Gores added 14 points each. Gores grabbed a team-high 11 rebounds, while David Olson led the team with five assists.

"We are struggling to play together, and when you do not have chemistry it's hard to play well," concluded Coach Berghammer about the contest.

Friday night, the team traveled to Barron, dropping a 76-69 game.

"Barron was just the better team. They won almost every battle on the floor, and when that happens it's hard to win on the scoreboard," said Coach Berghammer about the loss.

Vaughn Johnson had a career high 24-points to lead the Beavers offensive attack, while Jax Effertz added 16 and Monty Peterson 11.

Barron was nine for 20 from the three-point line, while the Beavers hit only seven of their 23 attempts. Barron also made eight more shots from the free throw line to help build their margin of victory.

Northwestern remains undefeated and atop the standings of the HON going into this week's action. St. Croix Falls, the Beavers opponent this Thursday is 6 and 6 in conference play, while Saturday's game against Ashland brings a 2 and 10 Oredocker team into Elmer Beran Gymnasium.

Icemen Lose Home Contest; Open Tournaments Next Tuesday

The Northwest Icemen hosted the team of Regis/Altoona/McDonnel last Tuesday night, dropping the contest by a 3-0 score. A game originally scheduled for Friday night in Black River Falls was cancelled. The Icemen's record moves to 3-11-1 on the year, while the Rams record stands at 4-13-1.

After a scoreless first period, the Rams scored one goal in period two and two more in the game's final period to put the game away. Two of the scores came while the Icemen were short-handed.

The Rams outshot the Icemen 41-34 in the contest with Cumberland's Connor Morrison playing extremely well in the net, despite taking the loss.

The Northwest Icemen have two games left in the regular season, road games in Ashland, which was played Tuesday night, and a game at Amery this Thursday at 7:00 pm. The Icemen then opens WIAA Tournament play as a 12th seed and travel to Stevens Point to play a 7:00 pm contest next Tuesday, February 15. A victory there would send them against number four seeded Wausau West next Thursday.

Boys BB Standings

TEAM	TEAM	W	L	T	PCT	GB	GP
Northwestern	NWERN	13	0	0	1.000	-	13
Ladysmith	LADYS	11	3	0	.786	2.5	14
Cameron	CAMER	10	4	0	.714	3.5	14
Saint Croix Falls	SCF	8	6	0	.571	5.5	14
Spooner	SPOON	7	6	0	.538	6.0	13
Barron	BARRON	7	7	0	.500	6.5	14
Chetek-Weyerhaeuser	CH-WY	5	10	0	.333	9.0	15
Cumberland	CUMB	3	10	0	.231	10.0	13
Ashland	ASHL	3	12	0	.200	11.0	15
Hayward	HAY	2	11	0	.154	11.0	13

Girls BB Standings

TEAM	TEAM	W	L	STK	OVERALL
Ladysmith	LADYS	15	0	W15	19-2-0
St. Croix Falls	SCF	12	2	W1	16-4-0
Northwestern	NWERN	10	4	W2	13-7-0
Cumberland	CUMB	9	5	L1	13-7-0
Barron	BARRON	8	7	L3	11-9-0
Ashland	ASHL	6	8	L1	9-11-0
Cameron	CAMER	6	9	L1	8-13-0
Hayward	HAY	5	9	W3	6-14-0
Spooner	SPOON	1	14	L8	1-16-0
Chetek-Weyerhaeuser	CH-WY	0	14	L14	2-17-0

Hockey Standings

Team	Team	PTS	GP	W	L	T	GF	GA	Overall
Somerset	Smrset	16	10	7	1	2	51	21	13-6-3
Baldwin-Woodville	BWood	15	9	7	1	1	45	20	17-3-1
Hayward	Haywrd	11	9	5	3	1	23	24	9-12-1
Amery	Amery	10	9	5	4	0	42	26	15-7-0
Regis/Altoona/McDonell	RAM	3	10	1	8	1	18	57	4-13-1
Northwest Icemen	NWest	1	9	0	8	1	17	48	5-13-1

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Congratulations!



Cumberland Senior Gavin Jarchow has signed his National Letter of Inent to play football with Minnesota State University Moorhead. Pictured with Gavin is his family.



Cumberland Senior Isaac Runstrom signed his National Letter of Intent to play football with Minnesota State University Moorhead. Pictured with Isaac is his dad.

Two Cumberland Players sign with Moorehead College

Two Cumberland Football Players will be continuing their careers at Moorhead College in Moorhead, Minnesota next fall. Moorhead is a D2 school that plays in the Northern Sun Conference and finished last year with a 5 and 6 record. They signed 45 players on signing day, including Isaac Runstom and Gavin Jarchow of the Beavers.

"I couldn't be more proud of these two guys. They both dreamed of playing college football and they worked hard in the classroom, weightroom, and on the field to achieve their goals."

"It was a real honor to coach Gavin and Isaac for the past four years." Said Coach Corey Berghammer.

Other area players heading to Moorhead are quarterback Jack Strand of Bloomer, lineman Gage Hall of Grantsburg, and defensive back/receiver Kennan Stowers of New Richmond, who attended grade school in Cumberland.

Moorhead Head Coach said of Runstrom, "He has great instincts for the game and made a lot of plays, not just from instincts, but preparation and coaching."

Barronett News

By Judy Pieper

Happy Valentine's Day!! Just wanted to give all you sweethearts a head's up so you have time to buy chocolate, jewels and cards. You're welcome.

This Sunday we will be having a coffee/fellowship hour after worship service at Barronett Lutheran. If you happen to be looking for a church, this would be the perfect time to come to Barronett and get to know us a little better.

Terry Goodrich, aka The Friendly Neighborhood Moocher, called on Sunday. He said that he hadn't gotten his mail on Thursday, picked it up on Friday, but didn't have time to sit down and read the Advocate until Saturday evening when he came home from a dance at Turtle Lake casino. He was tired, but instead of going to bed he settled into his easy chair, started reading the court news, and the next thing he knew he had dozed off and it was 2:00 a.m. He tried reading again and the same thing happened, so he finally gave up and went to bed. He did say that he noticed, in the Barronett news, that I was questioning his title of Friendly Neighborhood Moocher, and that he feels that he still deserves it. He mentioned the pie he got from Roger, which was a strawberry/rhubarb, the fact that his friend, Diane Danielson, has made him lots and lots of pies, that the wife of a man he worked with made him over 50 pounds of pre-cooked, microwave ready, food, that Elmer Anderson made him onion pies, and that Maria baked a ground cherry pie for his birthday. (His birthday is the same day as Tom Selleck's, by the way.) And, the biggest reason that he wants to keep his title is that not all guys have one – including any member of the Vikings football team.

We have had a very busy week, on the road most of the time. Last Monday Pat Olson, Duane and I decided to take a trip to Missouri to visit with Jay and Marcia Olson and to check out Ken and Kathy Adams' new restaurant. First, we traveled to Clinton and had supper with Jay and Marcia and Jessi, Dillon, Cedar, Aspen, Olson and Trevor. It was great to visit with all the kids. Marcia is an elementary school teacher and she asked if we had heard about the kidnapping at her school. We were a little shocked until she told us that they woke him up after about five minutes. (That is one of those "groan" jokes.)

The next morning we left Jay and Marcia's and traveled to Boonville to surprise Ken and Kathy at their restaurant, the Northwoods. Ken has done an amazing job redecorating the old car wash building and turning it into a very nice restaurant with an all stainless steel kitchen. They were very surprised to find that we had driven 500 miles just to have lunch with them. The food was delicious – This is what Ken should have been doing all his adult life. He is a great chef!

And, Ken set aside and remodeled one end of the building to be used as a beauty salon, which his daughter, Kelsey, operates.

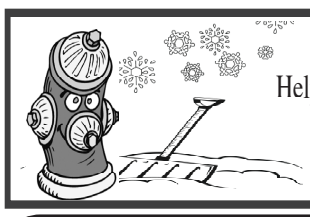
The weather forecast for Missouri that day was dire, freezing rain and snow, so as soon as we finished lunch, we headed north on 63. It was raining when we left, but as we traveled further north, the weather cleared up. When we talked to Ken the next day, he said that they had ice and then eight inches of snow and, at that time, it was still coming down. I was so glad we left when we did. We didn't want to be stuck in a snowstorm when we were miles from home.

Geri Pittman, Lynn, Kane and Pierce Thon and Duane and I had breakfast at Hilltop Retreat on Sunday morning. While the little guys played arcade games, we adults were able to carry on conversations. Geri came up with a joke that I must tell you – it seems that a man was horrible to his wife all their married life, belittling her in front of her friends punching her while in private, just generally a terrible husband. And, he threatened that, if he died before she did, he would climb up out of the grave and haunt her. Hmmm – Well, he died, and she buried him. Her sister came by one day and asked if she wasn't afraid that he would make good on his threat about haunting her. She answered, "Nope – I had him buried face down and he will never stop to ask for directions."

We received tragic news while we were in Missouri. Our 37-year-old nephew, Kendall Copus, chose to end his life on Monday, January 31st. Please keep his parents and brother, Steve, Monique and Jim, in your prayers for comfort.

That's about all I know from Barronett this week. See you next time.

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Tues, Feb. 15th: Baked Chicken, Cheesy Hashbrowns, Peas & Pearl Onions, Assorted Bread, Vanilla Pudding.

Wed, Feb. 16th: Louie's Flavored Brat on a Bun, Butter Beans, Broccoli/Cauliflower Salad, Lemon Bar.

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Patricia B. Nerling

Patricia "Pat" Blanche Nerling, 68, of Comstock passed away February 4, 2022. She was born October 2, 1953 to Rodney and Elsie (Hill)Ogren in Eugene OR, and moved to Hayward as a young girl.

Pat worked at a number of jobs and then trained in food services in Eau Claire before working at the St Croix Casino in Turtle Lake for twenty years. She enjoyed traveling in Wisconsin, spending time with the grandkids, and occasional camping trips. She especially enjoyed trips to Duluth to watch and photograph ships entering and leaving the harbor and visits to the Rose Garden.

Pat is survived by her husband: David Nerling; sons: Allen (Carla) Held, Kerry Held; step-children: Tom (Amber) Nerling, Kristina Nerling; grandchildren: Laura, Anna, Emily, and Ethan Held, David, and Emma Nerling; sisters: Rachel, Jeanette, Stacey, and Laura; brothers: Mark and Larry; life-long friend: Wealthy Stone and many nieces, nephews and friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents: Rodney and Elsie Ogren; brothers: Rodney, Mike, George, Bruce, and Brian; and sister: Cathy.

Funeral Services will be held at Zion Lutheran Church in rural Almena with Pastor William Brassow officiating on Friday, February 11, 2022, at 11 AM with visitation at the church at 10 AM.

Skinner Funeral Home of Cumberland is serving the family.



Sharon L. Woods

Sharon Louise Woods, age 73, of Rice Lake, died Monday, January 31, 2022 in Rochester, MN.

She was born on April 7, 1948 in Cumberland, to Bennie and Blanche (Hergert) Wallin. Sharon graduated from Cumberland High School in 1966 and then she attended UW LaCrosse and UW Eau Claire. She was married to Jerrold "Jerry" Woods on March 21, 1970 in Cumberland.

Sharon was the bookkeeper for Rice Lake Animal Hospital for many years and also worked at JCPenney. She enjoyed playing bridge with her friends, a member of Rice Lake Fortnightly, and enjoyed attending the Fish Trap Open Tournament Golf Outing. Sharon had a faith that helped her develop her love for our Lord and Savior. She was a Sunday School Teacher years ago and loved her canine friends.

She will be remembered for her love for her family, her lake lot in Cumberland, playing and watching her grandchildren, going to sporting events and snowmobiling. Sharon had a beautiful smile and a positive attitude toward life.

She is survived by her husband, Jerrold "Jerry" Woods; three children, Jennie (Steve) Diercks, Brian (Valerie) Woods and Erick (Laura) Woods; eight grandchildren, Paige, Parker and Philip Diercks; Benjamin and Brenden Woods; Emily, Lucas and Eliot Woods;

Funeral Services were held on Tuesday, February 8, 2022 at Bethany Lutheran Church in Rice Lake, Rev. Arthur Bergren officiating, with interment in Orchard Beach Cemetery in Rice Lake.

Appleyard's Home for Funerals is assisting the family.

In lieu of flowers, memorials would be appreciated to the Little Red Barn Dog Rescue in Rice Lake and St. Judes Children's Hospital.



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Candles will illuminate about a mile loop of the Vole Trail in the meadow at Hunt Hill. Registrants will be able to arrive anytime between 6:00 pm and 8:30 pm for a self-guided walk along the serene trail and may walk the loop as many times as they would like. About half-way, they will have the opportunity to rest at the bonfire to warm up and enjoy some hot chocolate. Participants may walk the trail using snowshoes or boots. Snowshoes will be available to borrow if the snow is deep at no extra charge.

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by Rev. John Miels
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"When the Church Goes Silent on issues like abortion, gay marriage, religious liberty, gender madness, and critical theory, it's not because they care more about church doctrine, such as the Trinity, the Virgin Birth, the Incarnation, the Atonement and the Resurrection, it's because they care more about what others will think about them, that is they care more about the world than Christ, more about their safety than the truth. And if they really put the Trinity, the Virgin Birth, the Incarnation, Atonement, and Resurrection first, they'd fight all the harder, and all the more confidently against the secular social issues which constitute the religion of the Woke." (Dr. Peter Scaer)

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Life on the Family Farm Under an Open Heaven



By: Tom Heck

Where Do We Go From Here

Unfortunately, in our society today, we hear so much about depression and suicide affecting so many people. So many people today have so many mental problems, and doctors treat so many of them with drugs, with little success.

The experts tell us, that in the winter time, especially after Christmas, is when this affects most people. Sadly, suicides and attempted ones go way up. They say part of this is from shorter daylight and with the joyous Christmas season past. It is a very sad part of our culture today.

I most certainly can relate. Many years ago, at the very end of December, I nearly committed suicide. If it wouldn't have been for God's grace and good doctors, I most certainly would have died. Why did I do it, you ask? I was raised in a terribly abusive home. While it is true that we as a family went to church every week, it was all dead religion. It was impossible for me to see any hope for myself for the future when I was abused so daily. Many times it looked to me that the easiest way out was for me to kill myself.

But, one thing terrified me about this; I knew I would have to stand before God someday. As a young person, I once heard Billy Graham preach on TV. His sermon was, "The Great White Throne Judgment." Based on **Revelation 20:11-15**, *"And I saw a great white throne, and him that sat on it, from whose face the earth and the heaven fled away; and there was found no place for them. And I saw the dead, small and great, stand before God; and the books were opened: and another book was opened, which is the book of life: and the dead were judged out of those things which were written in the books, according to their works. And the sea gave up the dead which were in it; and death and hell delivered up the dead which were in them: and they were judged every man according to their works. And death and hell were cast into the lake of fire. This is the second death. And whosoever was not found written in the book of life was cast into the lake of fire."* After hearing Billy read these verses that one time, I never forgot them, they stuck with me down through the years and terrified me. I knew beyond the shadow of a doubt, that if I killed myself, I would end up in the lake of fire for eternity.

Things were so bad though, that I nearly did kill myself. But after that I decided I had better not do it again. I was so terrified of God and the lake of fire. So, for the next two years, I just kept on existing not knowing what to do. Totally hopeless.

Then one day I got a letter in the mail advertising a new book for sale, written by Catherine Marshall, called, Meeting God at Every Turn. I read the information through a couple of times trying to comprehend what it was saying. The book's title just didn't make any sense to me. I always thought God was way out there somewhere, totally removed from us, and that He was coming back someday to judge us; and I knew I was in big trouble. I knew I was a very wicked, sinful person and I deserved God's judgment. But this book's title totally shocked me. Meeting God at Every Turn. It sounded like God was in this world today and guiding people. It sounded like He loved and cared for people. I had never heard of God like that before, period.

I stood there thinking for awhile: was this woman crazy or a nut, or was there a real God that was in this world today involved in people's lives? I kept thinking, I nearly killed myself two years ago and my life is totally empty now, what do I have to lose by spending a little money and buying this book? I really think this woman is a nut, but what if she is right? Then there might be hope even for me. I knew the chances of that were very slim, but I wrote out a check and mailed it.

Several weeks later the book came in the mail. It was during the busy fall harvest season, so I laid the book on my desk, and over the following weeks it got buried under other stuff. Winter came and Christmas came and went again, and it was totally empty for me.

January 17th 1982 came, a bright sunny, bitter cold day outside. My family had all left earlier that forenoon,and I was left at home again to finish up all the chores. I got the cattle all fed and taken care of and then I stood outside the barn door looking over the cold, snow-covered fields and the woods standing leafless in the cold. I thought, "Everything is so cold and dead looking, just like I feel inside, but what can I do about it?" After thinking about it a minute I decided to go to the house. In the house, I noticed a lot of mail piled up on my desk and thought I should go through it; I didn't have anything else to do.

As I started going through it, throwing most of it away, I came across Catherine Marshall's book. I had forgotten all about it. I decided right then to go up to my bedroom and read it; I had to find out about this person and her God. I started reading it and I was shocked. She told of growing up during the Great Depression and how as a young girl she walked forward in church one Sunday and repented of her sins and asked Jesus to be her Lord and Saviour. She went on to tell how she and her family would pray and how God would answer their prayers time and again and how He would lead and guide them. I had never heard of such a loving, caring God. Her home, her life, her God, was totally different than mine.

I got down on my knees by my bed that day and prayed, I confessed my sins to the Lord the best that I could. I told Him I was sorry for the wicked, sinful life I had lived and that I was repenting of it; I asked Him to forgive me. I asked Him to be the Lord of my whole life; I was giving it all to Him. If He could use my life in any way at all, but I didn't see how He could use it at all, but if He could, He was free to do with it whatever He would choose.

I got off my knees and down inside I was a different person. I knew Jesus was in me, I knew then if I were to die I would go to heaven to be with Him. For the very first time in my life I felt loved. I was amazed at the love and peace inside of me for the very first time in my life. Later on that day when I went outside to do the evening chores, I was amazed, the cold lifeless fields and woods didn't look dead and lifeless anymore. I had a joy and peace inside of me. And I never once thought about suicide after that. I had Jesus inside of me, I had Life. The Bible says in **2 Corinthians 5:17**, *"Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new."*

And now, forty years later, I can say, God is so good and so loving. He has lead and guided me these many years. I'm so glad that I didn't throw my life away. Living for God and following Him is the greatest life possible. God has met me at every turn, He has never failed me. Catherine Marshall was not crazy or a nut!

If your life is hopeless and empty, like mine was, I can't urge you strongly enough to turn to God. He's waiting for you. *"For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life."* **John 3:16**

Tom Heck and his family have a small dairy farm in WI. To order a copy of Tom's book, "Life on the Family Farm" send a check to: Tom Heck, 21079 80th St., Bloomer WI. 54724. $15 each plus $4 for S&H. Order two or more at $15 each and get free S&H. To view Tom's past articles go to: tomheckfarm.com Email Tom at: lifeonthefamilyfarm@gmail.com *Copyright © 2022 by Tom Heck. All rights reserved.*

PUBLIC NOTICE
Location and Hours of Polling Places

At the Spring Primary to be held on Tuesday, February 15, 2022, in the Town of Lakeland, affecting voters in the Shell Lake School District, the following polling place locations will be used for the wards indicated:

Location	Wards
Lakeland Town Hall 791 29-11/16th Avenue Barronett WI 54813	Ward 1 - Shell Lake School District

THE POLLING PLACES WILL OPEN AT 7:00 A.M. AND WILL CLOSE AT 8:00 P.M.

If you have any questions concerning your polling place, contact the municipal clerk.

Danielle Maxwell-Parker
PO Box 28, Barronett WI 54813
715.529.2741 By Appointment
This polling place is accessible to elderly and disabled voters.

Notice of Meeting of the Local Board of Canvassers

At the close of voting on Election Day, pursuant to the provisions of Wis. Stat. 19.84, the Election Inspectors at each polling place will convene as the Local Canvassing Board for the purpose of conducting the local canvass pursuant to Wis. Stat. 7.51. This meeting will be open to the public pursuant to Wis. Stat.19.81-89.

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PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE
TOWN OF CUMBERLAND

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the regular monthly board meeting for the Town of Cumberland will be held Monday, February 14, 2022, 6:00 p.m. in the Town Hall (902 20th Avenue). The Hall is accessible to all persons. The agenda will be posted at least 24 hours before the meeting.

Holly Nyhus, Clerk
Town of Cumberland

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN the Cumberland School District Board of Education shall hold a public hearing on Monday, February 21, 2022, at 6:00 p.m. in the middle school commons on the Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Fund (ESSER III) grant program.

A copy of the agenda is posted in the Elementary School, Middle School, High School, and administration building.

Jennifer Hyatt,
District Clerk

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NOTICE
STAPLES LAKE COMMUNITY MEETING ON THE LAKE MANAGEMENT PLAN (RESCHEDULED)
FEBRUARY 18, 2022 • 2PM
County Line Tavern
3 220th Avenue
Comstock, WI 54826

The Staples Lake Protection & Rehabilitation District is creating a Lake Management Plan that identifies strategies and resources to address the water quality challenges facing our lake. As a landowner within the Staples Lake watershed, your input on priorities and potential management options is very important.

At the February 18th meeting, we will discuss:

- Water quality and shoreland conditions
- The results of the Staples Lake Landowner survey
- Land use trends within the Staples Lake watershed
- Lake issues, opportunities, goals, and priorities

Dan Fisher
Secretary
Staples Lake
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Wisconsin DMV issues smishing alert

Offers tips for Safer Internet Day, February 8

The Wisconsin Department of Transportation Division of Motor Vehicles (DMV) has received numerous reports of fraudulent text messages sent to Wisconsin individuals purporting to be from DMV in order to scam them to reveal personal information, such as identifying information or credit card numbers. In the world of cybersecurity, this is referred to as "smishing" (SMS phishing).

Clicking the link in these fraudulent text messages will direct the individual to a spoofed DMV website where they will be prompted to enter their identifying information or documents.

"Working with the Wisconsin DMV has never been easier, but customers always need to be vigilant online," DMV Administrator Kristina Boardman said. "Don't reply or call the number from unknown texts. And don't be fooled by panicky wording in the message. To be sure, you can always start at wisconsindmv.gov, give us a call or drop us an email to confirm."

Now that nearly all DMV transactions can be done completely online, start at wisconsindmv.GOV to ensure it's the official state government site. For-profit companies with .com or .org may acquire personal information and add additional charges for services that are free at wisconsindmv.GOV.

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- Request your record: wisconsindmv.gov/ownrecord
- Renew driver license online: wisconsindmv.gov/renewDL
- Renew license plates online: wisconsindmv.gov/renew

On Safer Internet Day, February 8, 2022, wisconsin OMV offers these tips:

- Don't click on links from unexpected sources.
- Begin online at wisconsindmv.gov.
- Always look for .GOV in the URL, even after a search.
- If you receive an unsolicited text message or email from an unknown number or person, do not respond, engage with the caller or click on links.
- Sign up for account activity alerts and renewal reminders by subscribing to DMV's eNotify (wisconsindmv.gov/eNotify). Like most bank accounts, you will receive confirmation of transactions on your account which alerts you of any fraudulent activities.

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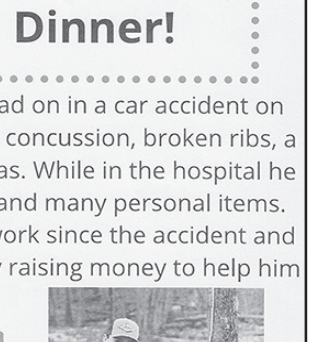
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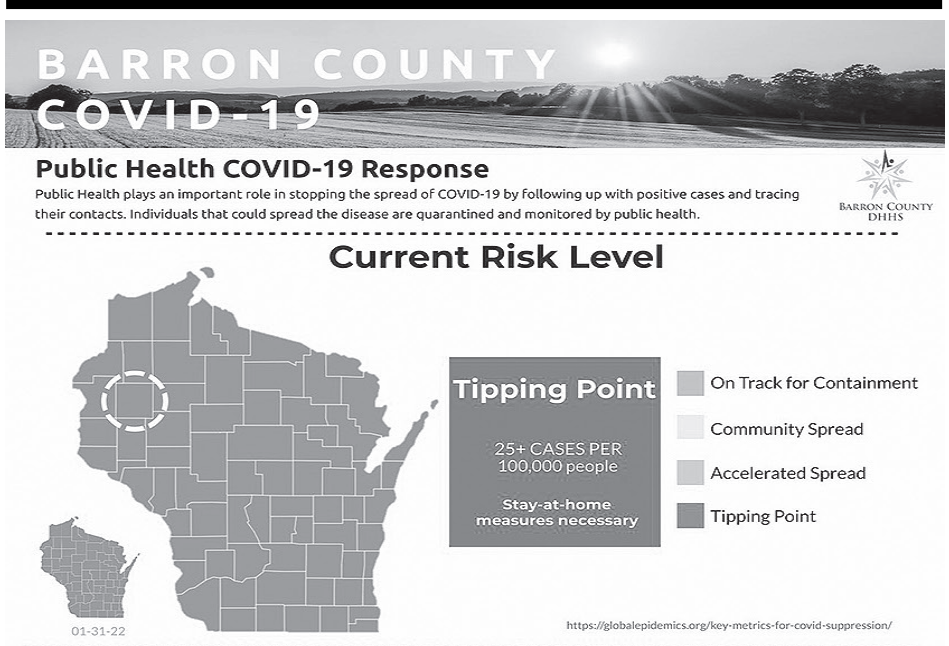
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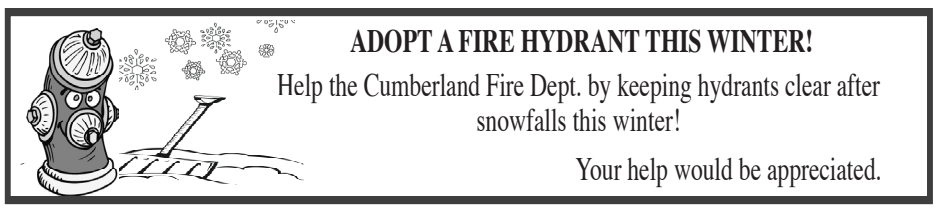
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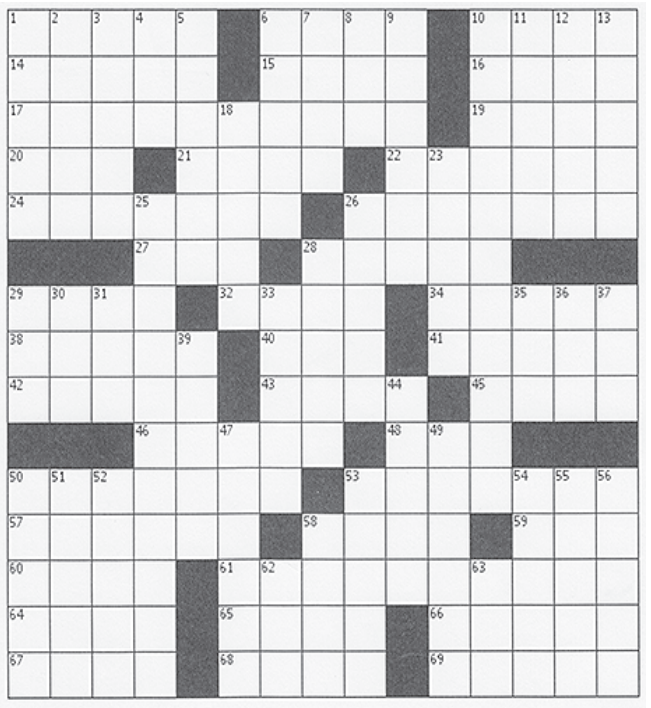


Kris Zappa and Jasmine Cutsforth of Bourbons Bar, along with Bourbons Bar customers, were able to donate roughly $2200.00 in cash and food donations between the Humane Society of Barron County, the Humane Society of Washburn County and Little Dog Barn Rescue. The Tavern League of Wisconsin also donated $500 in matching funds. Five hundred dollars also went to two school families. Top Picture from left to right are Kris Zappa, Megan Amys from the Barron County Humane Society, and Jasmine Cutsforth presenting a check for $200. Middle Picture from left to right are Jerry Zappa, Kris Zappa, Jasmine Cutsforth, and Bruce Cutsforth presenting a check for $500 to The Little Red Dog Barn Rescue. Bottom Picture from left to right are Kris Zappa, Victoria from the Washburn County Humane Society and Jasmine Cutsforth presenting a check to the Washburn County Humane Society for $500. Thank you for all you do!



Across

1. Muslim holy city
6. Snatch
10. Sign of spring
14. Name on seasonal mail
15. Stop snoozing
16. Harvard rival
17. Start too soon
19. Latvia's capital
20. "How Sleep the Brave," for one
21. Polish
22. Hot
24. Hotel employee
26. Rectangle's four
27. Canal site
28. Corbin's "L.A. Law" role
29. Word that follows 17-A, 61-A, 10-D and 25-D
32. "Cannery Row" character
34. Silas Marner's child
38. Gridlock components
40. When Thanksgiving is celebrated in Can.
41. Flies high
42. Not the final copy
43. Snores, comics-style
45. "___ in Cincinnati"
46. Made out
48. Nuptial or natal starter
50. Pulverized
53. Duke, marquis, earl, etc.
57. Divulge a secret
58. Indianapolis athlete
59. Tennis shot
60. Lot of land
61. Magazine for parents
64. Ostrich relative
65. Wraps up
66. Maverick's game
67. "... not always what they ___"
68. Out of the ordinary
69. Wield, as influence



Down

1. Low-pay position, in slang
2. Get away from
3. Sahara animal
4. Stanley or Ryder
5. Breathing problem
6. Edmund of "Miracle on 34th Street"
7. Infuriation
8. Half a Heyerdahl title
9. Robert Guillaume sitcom
10. "The Razor's Edge" star
11. Selassie of Ethopia
12. Rags-to-riches author
13. Withdraws gradually
18. Stockpile
23. Takes a stab at
25. Celebrate, in a way
26. Wholesale quantity, often
28. Rainbowlike
29. Like Leroy Brown
30. Lord's Prayer opener
31. One-time bridge
33. Seeped
35. Se Ri of the LPGA
36. Discount tag abbreviation
37. Clairvoyant's claim
39. Lesley of "60 Minutes"
44. Brief period
47. Pot, in the past
49. How to confirm a password
50. Celestial bodies
51. Papier-___ (art material)
52. "___ Grows in Brooklyn"
53. Grace under pressure
54. Similar
55. Office errand-boy
56. Movie critic Roger
58. USN officer
62. Collection of stories
63. Brine-cured salmon

Wisconsin Structural Steel...

States at some point.

Wisconsin Structural Steel first moved to Barronett in 1983 from Baker Welding, which is now Lakeland Company right down Highway 63. There have been six additions in the past 39 years to help house the ever growing small town giant. In fact, Wisconsin Structural Steel has been responsible for such projects as the Vikings Stadium, Target Field, home of the Minnesota Twins, The Minnesota Gophers Football Stadium, the new major league soccer stadium in Nashville, Tennessee, Climate Pledge Arena, the new home of the NHL expansion team, the Seattle Kraken and more.

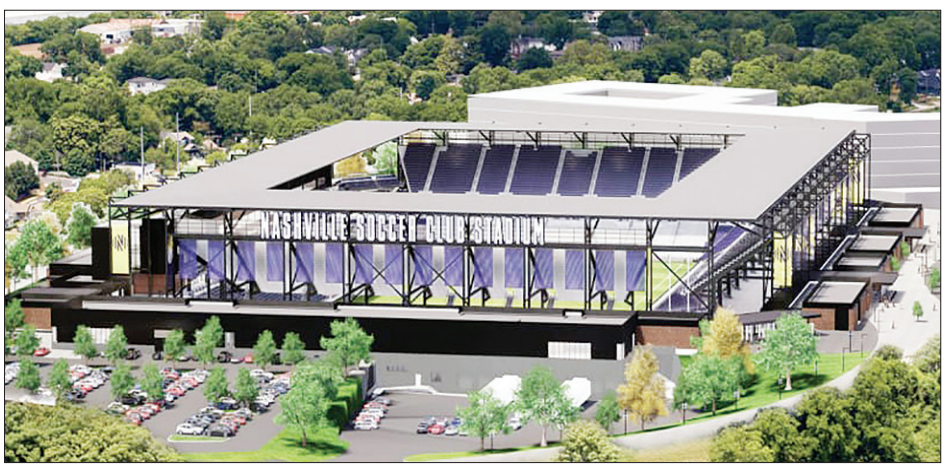
Currently, they are busy with the new Essentia Hospital project in Duluth and the new Cumberland Healthcare facility. As the old saying goes, "Great things come from small places" or something like that."



The site of the new Wisconsin Structural Steel expansion



Inside the production facility at Wisconsin Structural Steel



One of Wisconsin Structural Steel's latest projects - The new major league soccer stadium in Nashville, Tennessee. All the structural steel work is prominently exposed.









