



Cumberland Man reaches plea agreement in 2020 road rage killing

On December 28, 2020, Clayton Lauritsen of Cumberland was charged with Class A Felony 1st Degree Intentional Homicide, following a road rage incident.



Clayton Lauritsen

A criminal complaint was filed in Barron County Circuit Court stating that Lauritsen had pursued a vehicle from the city of Rice Lake

to the City of Barron, reaching speeds of approximately 140 mph during the pursuit. Once in the city of Barron, Lauritsen engaged in a confrontation with the other vehicle and discharged a firearm.

The medical examiner's report confirmed a gunshot wound to be the cause of Robertson's death.

Charges were filed against Lauritsen for Class A Felony Intentional Homicide which has a maximum penalty of life imprisonment.

On February 9, 2022, Lauritsen appeared for a court hearing, and the court accepted his plea of Guilty to an amended charge of Felony Murder.

Shell Lake man fined for poaching trophy buck

Scott Schutta of Shell Lake has been fined after being accused of illegally killing a trophy buck in northwestern Wisconsin.



Warden displays confiscated buck

Hunters and residents around Hertel were very familiar with the 20-point-buck, which had also been

captured on trail cameras. DNR wardens were tipped off after Schutta shot the deer, then sent pics to his friends, who forwarded them to others.

The DNR reports that he shot the big buck with a crossbow, during the December antler-less only gun hunt. They stated that when Schutta realized that it (the buck) was illegal, he tried to register the deer as being shot before the doe season. They say he also illegally used corn to bait the deer.

Schutta received three citations, and paid \$1,166 in fines.

The DNR seized the trophy deer, and plans to use it in their traveling 'wall of shame' used for public education and outreach.

Ardisam helps out!



Ardisam donated \$7,140.00 to the Cumberland Firefighters Association for their Storm Shelter Project. Half of the money was raised by employee donations and the other half was an Ardisam corporate match. Pictured from L to R. Erin Miller, Todd Roeschlein, Graham Ruppel, John Holt, Fire Chief Barry Kuenkel and Jen Goodlet.

ERT called to domestic incident near Clayton

Barron County Sheriff Chris Fitzgerald reported that on Monday, February 7, 2022, at about 8:00 a.m., the Barron County Sheriff Department was requested by the Polk County Sheriff's Department to check an address on 6th Ave near Clayton. This was in regards to a domestic type incident where a firearm was used and fired at a car and residence.

Deputies from the Sheriff's Department arrived at this residence and no one would come to the door and the suspect and possible victim's vehicle were both at the scene. There

was movement in the house but no one would answer the door. The Barron/Rusk Emergency Response Team responded to the scene and negotiations took place for over four hours before one male subject exited the residence. This was the owner, who stated no one else was in the house.

Based on information obtained and observed, we believed there to be at least two additional people in the residence. While Polk County obtained a search warrant, negotiations continued, a male subject exited the house (the suspect that Polk County was searching for

and was taken into custody without incident. Again we were informed no one else was in the house.

The Barron/Rusk Entry Team along with Rusk County K-9 Boone made entry into the house.

Several announcements were made both outside and inside the house for anyone inside to come out. No one responded. K-9 Boone located a female, later identified as Ruby Edwards, 37, of Clayton, hiding in an attic crawl space and apprehended this person. She was treated for a minor bite wound on her leg and was taken into custody on three felony war-

rants for her arrest.

This case is being handled by the Polk County Sheriff's Department and the warrants are being taken care of by the Barron County District Attorney's Office.

On February 9th the Polk County Sheriff's Office booked Todd Hillman of Clayton into the Polk County Jail on a charge of "endangering safety with a firearm." Hillman is being held on a \$25,000 cash bond.

The Barron/Rusk Emergency Response Team was assisted in this seven-hour call out by the WI State Patrol, WI DNR and the Polk County Sheriff's Department.

Fatal Snowmobile accident in Polk County

On Saturday, February 12, 2022, at 11:16 AM the Polk County Sheriff's Office was notified of a fatal snowmobile crash near 170th Ave and 200th street in St Croix Falls Township. Preliminary

investigation shows that 71 year old Lynn Johnson of rural Centuria was snowmobiling and lost control along a marked snowmobile trail. He was ejected from his snowmobile and

succumbed to injuries from the crash. Alcohol may have been a factor in this crash.

The Wisconsin DNR is leading the investigation in this case. Assisting the Wisconsin DNR were the

Polk County Sheriff's Department, Centuria Fire Department, Centuria First Responders, Lakes Area EMS, and the Polk County Medical Examiner.

2022 WI State Ice Fishing Contest



Vickie Holzman (left) accepts a check for \$1,000 from Cumberland Chamber of Commerce President Stacy Rischette after catching a 5.85 lb. Northern Pike and winning first place at the WI State Ice Fishing Contest sponsored by the Cumberland Chamber of Commerce last Saturday on Beaver Dam Lake. Congratulations Vickie!

WI STATE ICE FISHING CONTEST RESULTS

Side-by-Side UTV Winner - Michael Kunop

1st Place	Vickie Holzman	5.85 lb. Northern
2nd Place	Marvin Straw	4.17 lb. Northern
3rd Place	Matt Hanson	3.97 lb. SM Bass
4th Place	Blake Thill	3.41 lb. Northern
5th Place	Kurt Kadinger	3.25 lb. Northern
6th Place	Derrick Brunclik	3.01 lb. Northern
7th Place	Mitchell Olson	2.99 lb. SM Bass
8th Place	Mike Nesgoda	2.93 lb. Trout
9th Place	Dennis Root	2.89 lb. Northern
10th Place	Jerry Organ	2.77 lb. Northern
11th Place	Dean Bergstrom	2.68 lb. SM Bass
12th Place	Bayli Christorf	2.65 lb. Northern
13th Place	Stacy Goossens	2.61 lb. Northern
14th Place	Eli Brunclik	2.51 lb. Northern
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The Salvation Army receives Equitable Recovery Grant

Governor Evers announced the recipients of the Equitable Recovery Grant Program on Tuesday, February 8, 2022. The Salvation Army of New Richmond has been awarded \$487,560. Funds will be used for sheltering, rent, utility and transportation assistance. Individuals and families struggling with ongoing self-sufficiency issues will be offered case

management.

Services will be offered to residents of Barron, Burnett, Polk, Rusk, Sawyer, St. Croix, and Washburn Counties. Duana Bremer, Salvation Army social service director stated “these funds will make a real difference to those in need, we are very grateful.

For further information please call Duana Bremer at 715-338-9413



Happy 60th Birthday
on February 28th to our
beloved Mom/Daughter/Sister
Terry (Egstad) Severson!

Friends are invited to
join us to celebrate
on Sat., Feb. 26th
at the
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starting at 3pm



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Tickets must be picked up from the office before the show dates. The show dates are Tickets \$10.

Tickets are on sale now
at the High School Office

ETC is located at 1595 2nd Avenue • Cumberland, WI
(across from Cumberland Elementary School)

DHS and Wisconsin Pediatricians Say Now is the Time to Catch Kids Up on Vaccines and Well-Child Visits

The Wisconsin Department of Health Services (DHS) has joined the Wisconsin Chapter of the American Academy of Pediatrics (WIAAP) to urge families to make sure their children are up to date on well-child visits and vaccinations.

“In 2020, there was a significant drop in clinic visits. This resulted in delays in vaccinations, screenings, referrals, and general guidance to keep families healthy,” said Dr. Sarah Campbell, WIAAP president.

While many doctors adapted through telehealth and took steps to make sure patients weren’t exposed to COVID-19, the decline in the number of office visits and routine vaccinations is alarming and could have long-ranging impacts on a child’s health and the

health of the community.

Wellness visits for children should be scheduled with a child’s doctor regularly from birth through age three, then yearly after that. Different vaccinations are given at different times as a child grows. Medical providers and local public health departments are encouraged to follow the CDC vaccine schedule(link is external) for optimal protection. Guidance is available in English(link is external) and Spanish(link is external).

Falling behind on vaccinations leaves children vulnerable to preventable diseases like influenza, measles, and whooping cough.

Dr. Stephanie Schauer, DHS Immunization Program Director says, “As a parent, I know firsthand

that families continue to face a lot of challenges during the pandemic. Because so many kids have missed their vaccinations, we need to do all we can to get our children up to date. Even if your child missed a vaccination, they can still catch up.”

You can check your child’s vaccination status on the Wisconsin Immunization Registry or by calling 608-266-9691.

Other resources for families include:

- Health care coverage available through BadgerCare Plus and Wisconsin Medicaid
- Free transportation to medical appointments
- Food pantries and non-profit organizations to assist with food and access to other services

To further encourage families to get their children in

for checkups and vaccines, DHS, WIAAP, and Medicaid Health Maintenance Organizations (HMOs) have launched a social media campaign. The “Keeping Our Children, Our Families, and Our Communities Strong” messages are geared toward rural, Black, and Spanish-speaking families.

The project was funded through a grant from the Georgetown Center for Children and Families and the American Academy of Pediatrics, “Keeping Kids Connected to Care During COVID-19 and Beyond.”

Learn more about what vaccinations your child needs on the DHS Immunization Program webpage. You can also and follow @DHSWI on Facebook(link is external), Twitter(link is external), or dhs.wi on Instagram(link is external).

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School Lunch

Lunch menu includes assorted fresh vegetables, fresh fruit, and 1/2 pt. milk.

Mon, Feb. 21st: No School!

Tues, Feb. 22nd: Taco Hotdish, Corn Chips, Corn, Mandarin Oranges.

Wed, Feb. 23rd: Tator Tot Hotdish, Dinner Roll, Green Beans, Peaches.

Thurs, Feb. 24th: California Burger, Whole Grain Bun, Sweet Potato Fries, Baked Beans, Pears.

Fri, Feb. 25th: Pizza, Broccoli, Pineapple.

CUMBERLAND SCHOOL DISTRICT NEWS

Upcoming Events

Thursday, February 17th
5:45 pm • Boys JV Basketball vs Bloomer • HS Gym
7:15 pm • Boys V Basketball vs Bloomer • HS Gym

Saturday, February 19th
7 am • MS Boys Basketball Tournament • MS Gym
8 pm • Winter Formal • HS Gym

Monday, February 21st

NO SCHOOL DISTRICT WIDE • PRESIDENT’S DAY
6 pm • Monthly School Board Meeting • MS Commons

Community Ed Offerings

Hike/Snowshoe Events 2021-22
Five events left to enjoy! • Start at 10 am each date
Snowshoes available to borrow upon request!

• 2/19/22 Luminary with the Johnsons @ Firefly Fields 6-8 pm
Includes: Hot Chocolate, Bonfire, Luminaries, Variety of cookies to purchase! Bring sleds and pull your kiddos!

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
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Open Friday 1-3 pm

1270 1st Ave. • Cumberland

Current operating procedures will continue throughout the fall and winter per The Emergency Food Assistance Program guidelines. This means continued outdoor distribution of prepackaged food boxes.

We cannot accept food donations other than garden produce - we will accept produce through this harvest season.

Financial donations are appreciated and can be sent to Cumberland Food Pantry, P.O. Box 741, Cumberland WI 54829 or dropped off at the Pantry on Fridays from 1-3 pm.

Thank you to those coming to the Pantry for wearing masks if not vaccinated, remaining in your cars during food distribution and for continuing to practice social distancing, frequent hand washing, masking when in public places and confined areas and for all the healthy habits that keep you and our volunteers safe.

For further information or emergency food assistance, please call 715-822-2004 or 715-822-8609. Find us on Facebook at Cumberland Area Food Pantry

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Sunday - Soup and Sandwich (All Day)
(\$7.00 - Sm., \$8.50 - Lg.)

Northwoods Notebook: My valentine to a small, but real, town

By Larry Werner

A couple weeks ago, Ann and I were chatting with a friend about whether we should stay in Cumberland as we age or move closer to the kids and grandkids.

The friend, whose husband died a few years back, is – like Ann and I – a transplant, she from Green Bay and we from the Cities. Our kids and grandkids are in places like Eagan, Minn., and Eau Claire. The kids have said we should consider moving closer, perhaps into one of those senior homes that are filling up with Baby Boomers.

In that conversation, our friend said two things that stick with me. She said she has a support system here, and she said something else: “What I like about Cumberland is it’s a real town.”

We, too, have made good friends here in the eight years since Wendy Phermetton, then a real estate agent, showed us a condo at Serenity Shores. And we have found this place to be a “real” place, with a real history and opportunities to get involved.

We looked at a number of homes on lakes after I retired in 2013. It had long been a dream of mine to live somewhere near water. But many of those kind of places in northern Minnesota and northwestern Wisconsin weren’t real, the way Cumberland is.

We liked a place on a big lake near a town called

McGregor, about an hour west of Duluth. The lake was lovely, as were the condos we looked at. But the town was a dreary little village. And we looked at condos in Birchwood, about 45 minutes from here. Again, a lovely lake, but a town of empty storefronts that looked like a scene from the movie “Fargo.”

We were ready to buy a place in Birchwood when we heard there was a lawsuit by the homeowners’ association against the developer over mold and rot behind the stucco siding. On our way back to the Cities, we stopped at Louie’s and saw a For Sale sign at the Asgard condos on Hwy 63.

We called the number on the sign, and Wendy met us there. We said these places were too small, since we plan on having the kids and grandkids visit us “at the lake.” So she showed us one of the roomy homes built by Craig Turcott on Grove Street. Despite the deep snow in that winter of 2014, we fell in love with a home where we could envision entertaining the gang on summer weekends.

What we didn’t realize was this condo on Beaver Dam would be much more than a lake place. It would become a home place where we could get involved and make more friends than we had in the Cities, where we lived for decades. I got involved

with ETC, and writing for the newspaper, and Ann with the Cumberland Women’s Club. We love our morning walks to the coffee shop, poking around in the main street gift shops, bumping into friends at Louie’s or Nilsen’s, listening to local talent at the arts center or, in the summer, on Library Lake.

We have a variety of restaurants to choose from, a hardware store where, if they don’t have it, you don’t need it, and, as I mentioned a couple weeks ago, a wonderful hospital and clinic. Heck, we even have three dollar stores.

We also have several friends who came for the lake, and stayed for the people, the churches, the culture, and everything else that makes Cumberland much more than a north woods getaway.

A few years ago, I was kayaking near Eagle Point, and a woman on the shore waved hello and wanted to know if I was the guy writing all those nice things about Cumberland. She said I should stop it because she didn’t want lots of people coming from other places to this lovely secret we discovered on our way back from Birchwood.

Sorry, Lady. I tell everyone I know about an old town built on an island that, if you’re not careful, will steal your heart.

Larry Werner’s email is lwerner47@gmail.com.



Jaimie Shaffer warming up by the fire at the Moonlight Snowshoe/Ski/Fat Tire Event held on Beaver Dam Lake on Thursday, February 10th.



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Dr. Jennifer

An action step that's common for those with age-related eye health concerns is nutritional intervention. Nutrition can benefit eye health and keep age-related eye health concerns from getting worse. Though getting older is something that cannot be controlled, your risk of developing age-related eye health concerns can be. Lifestyle changes and proactive care are two ways you can start to mitigate the risk. Talk to Dr. Jennier about proactive care and what next steps to take.

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Two small business owners came together to give local high schoolers some real world entrepreneurship experience. Chana Wood presented her employees and social media influencers with a unique business opportunity. Develop, present, merchandise, and promote an exclusive collection for her Cumberland clothing store Sugar Wear. According to Wood, “they did it all, from brainstorming ideas, voting on final designs, selecting brands, styles, colors, taking photos, and creating a marketing strategy to promote it.” While her influencers have mastered TikTok and Instagram Reels, she wanted them to experience a professional photoshoot so connected with local photographer Missa Laursen from The Rafter JM Ranch & Photography to do just that. “I’ve been looking for ways to connect with local boutiques to do photos so this was the perfect chance to work with Chana, Sugar Wear, and this group of young designers,” explained Missa. The final “Luv Yourself Collection” is now available and customizable on the Sugar Wear website www.sugarwearshop.com Photo Credit: The Rafter JM Ranch & Photography



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Opinion

Out My Window

by Paul Bucher, Editor

The 39th annual Wisconsin State Ice Fishing Contest has come and gone. The annual event, was again, a cold one but attendance was good! It never seems to fail, it is always very cold. It was minus 13 degrees on my way in on Saturday morning to work at the contest. Kudos to the Chamber of Commerce for braving the temps and putting on the annual event. People come from far and wide in hopes of winning some of the fantastic prizes. Thanks to all who donate to the contest. We could not do it without you.

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I see baseball is at it again. Another lockout seems to be inevitable. It’s hard to imagine the players union and owners can’t get together and get this thing resolved. There is obviously plenty of money to go around. I know there is more to it than money, but that’s basically what it boils down to. Pitchers and catchers were supposed to report to camp this week. Not gonna happen-UGH! I love baseball, and hate to see this happen again!

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The Super Bowl was a fun game to watch. A couple of “new” teams battled right to the end. In the end, the Rams Superstars came through. Matthew Stafford was excellent on the winning drive, and Cooper Kupp was just as good. How about Aaron Donald. Those two plays on 3rd and 4th down were as good as it gets for a defensive player. There is a reason many say he is the best defensive player in the league. He refused to let the Rams lose.

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I see gas prices have climbed to \$3.50 a gallon. Prices are way up on just about everything. It is tough on everyone. Hang in there! Shop local when you can. Every little bit helps. Think Spring!

LETTERS

Editor 

It has been my Privilege and honor to serve

To the people of Wisconsin:

I ran for office because I love Wisconsin. Every day I wake up and get to have the best job in the world; serving the citizens of Northern Wisconsin.

Wisconsin wasn’t my first home, but it took me in and filled my heart and soul. I’ve come a long way from just performing at Big Top Chautauqua.

I get to experience the best of what Wisconsin has to offer. The greatest lakes, the kindest people, and the most scenic drives from Delta down to Madison.

Sometimes I even get to read some fan mail:

It has been a privilege and an honor to serve the citizens of our district and of Wisconsin these past 10 years. I am proud to have been part of our state’s rich history and to have had the ability to shape it. With this privilege comes recognition of when it is time to let go of something you love.

During my time in the legislature, I am proud of what we have been able to accomplish, often against the headwinds of a gerrymandered legislature.

We’ve brought in hundreds of millions of dollars in critical

grants and federal funding for Northern Wisconsin to help revitalize our communities, and we fought back against a conservative agenda that so often has hurt our schools, our hospitals, and our small town governments.

This past Tuesday, I announced my intention not to run for re-election. Even with my departure, I pledge to continue my commitment to a progressive vision and a better future for this great state.

Representing the people of Wisconsin in the state Senate is not an easy task, nor is running for office. That’s why I promise to do everything I can to help ensure a progressive successor for the 25th and to continue working around the clock to elect more Democrats to the Wisconsin State Senate.

The fight so goes on. There’s still work to do and Wisconsin needs all of us. We have so many critical races all across the state next year. I hope I count you to follow along on my next journey.

Thank you, from the bottom of my heart.

Senator Janet Bewley

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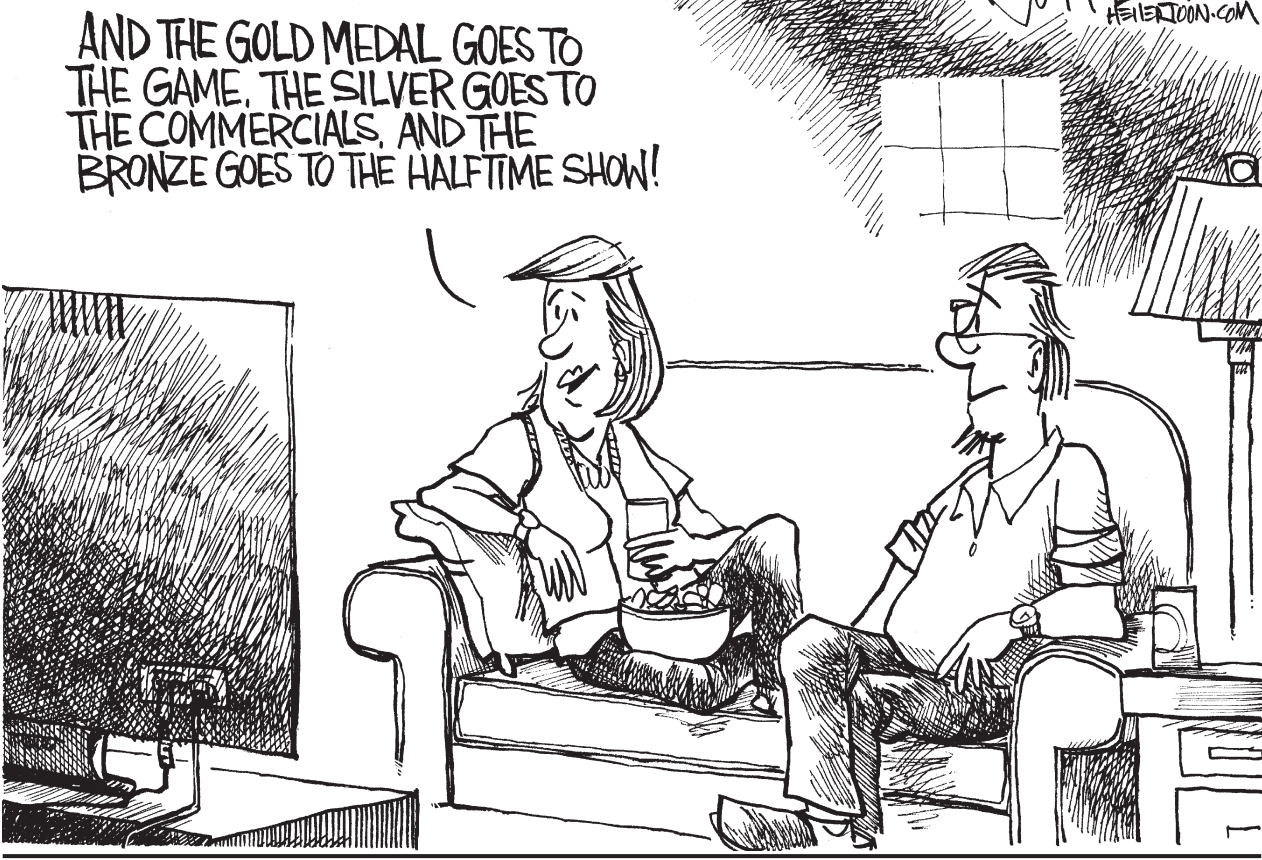
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Inside Wisconsin

by Tom Still

Burst of Wisconsin early stage financing in 2021 has many roots

By Tom Still

MADISON, WI: There’s no single reason why early stage financing in Wisconsin soared to new heights in 2021. Instead, a combination of factors led to a record year for angel and venture capital investment in some of the state’s promising young companies.

Here are trends that pushed angel, venture and venture debt financing from a record \$483.6 million in 2020 to \$810.8 million spread over 111 reported deals in 2021, a total that will only climb higher a total that will only climb higher as additional data is collected, such as state tax-credit information to be recorded.

Wisconsin wasn’t alone. Much of the U.S. economy was awash in cash in 2021, interest rates were at historic lows and money was looking for potentially profitable places to land. Venture and angel capital were one such asset class, and many states and regions have reported banner years.

The Midwest, in general, is overcoming its historic “flyover” status. Venture capital has been primarily a coastal state sport for decades, with California, New York and Massachusetts alone accounting for \$3 out of every \$4 invested. Those are still the nation’s venture hubs, but investors are

increasingly finding strong deals in the Heartland.

“The Wisconsin deal and dollar numbers are consistent with a 2021 surge in such investments nationwide, and representative of the rise in early stage investing in the Midwest, in particular,” said Bobby Franklin, president and CEO of the National Venture Capital Association. “With its great research base, diverse technology and company leadership, the NVCA is not surprised that Wisconsin continues to make progress.”

As young companies mature, they tend to raise more money. Sixteen deals out of 111 charted by the Wisconsin Technology Council accounted for \$655 million of the \$810.8 million, ranging from \$210.7 million raised by Fetch Rewards and \$150 million by SHINE Medical Technologies through a handful of deals in the \$10 million to \$15 million range. Not so long ago, a big Wisconsin deal was in the \$5 million to \$10 million range. The 2021 average was \$7.3 million, up sharply from \$4.2 million in 2020 and \$1.6 million in 2015.

Even with more big deals, there were no shortage of smaller raises. The

median, or frequency midpoint, for all 2021 deals remained at \$1 million – the same as 2020. The means there were significant numbers of young companies raising angel and venture capital in smaller amounts, often for the first time. Half of all deals were \$1 million or more; the other half were less than \$1 million.

It’s not just a Madison phenomenon anymore. While Dane County companies still see more angel and venture investments than any other place in the state, southeast Wisconsin and the Fox Valley and Green Bay regions are on the rise. Fifty of the 111 deals involved companies based in those regions.

Investors outside Wisconsin have “discovered” the state. There was a time when Silicon Valley investors never ventured more than a few miles, even blocks, from their offices. Plenty of potential deals were within easy grasp. Not that most VCs don’t still stick close to home, but many are looking farther afield when the technology, management and valuation are right. Seventy-three investors from outside Wisconsin were involved in 37 Wisconsin deals in 2021.

Meanwhile, there are

more Wisconsin investors, some with “repeat” funds. Twenty years ago, Wisconsin angels and VCs were almost as rare as hodags in Rhinelander, with just a half-dozen organized groups or funds. Today, there are about 40 such groups, including some corporate investors.

The overall infrastructure keeps getting stronger. Along with more investors, there are more support paths for entrepreneurs and young companies. They come in the form of accelerators, co-working spaces, regional economic development groups, statewide efforts and more. Bipartisan public policy led to the enactment of investor tax credits to reduce risk exposure (enacted in 2005 and modified several times since) and efforts such as the Badger Fund of Funds. The latest proposed changes to the tax credits law are awaiting action in the Wisconsin Legislature.

It’s often said that success has many fathers and mothers. In 2021, multiple parents helped finance a vintage brood of deals.

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A Look Back

10 Years Ago February 22, 2012

The Shell Lake basketball players, who played on teams starting in 1977, honored the late Nancy Erickson of Cumberland with a plaque in her honor at halftime of the Shell Lake vs Clayton girls basketball game on Friday, February 17. Nancy was the first girls basketball coach at Shell Lake, beginning in 1977, and also a dedicated teacher at Shell Lake School District. The plaque will forever be on display in the trophy case at Shell Lake High School. A scholarship was also started in Nancy’s name.

20 Years Ago February 20, 2002

Mary and Jon Gislason, from Cumberland, were very fortunate to be working at the 2002 Olympic Games. Jon and Mary both worked at the Soldier Hollow, the cross country ski venue. Mary’s job was called Ski Marking. She is to mark each competitor’s skis before each race to ensure each skier used those skis throughout the race. Jon’s job was called Access Control. His team was responsible for the general security and integrity along the perimeter of the stadium.

Lori Nyhus was the lucky winner of the Sweetheart Raffle sponsored by Kinship of Cumberland. Lori won two dinners at the Five O’ Clock Club (\$100) value. Other winners included Cheryl

Hargrove, April Rohl, Carol Wallin and Vicki Robertson.

30 Years Ago February 19, 1992

The Cumberland High School Quiz Bowl team ended the regular season with two wins last Sunday. They have qualified for the playoffs with a 6-0 record. Representing Cumberland will be Liz Evenson, Ben Cleveland, Dave Olson, Bob Stumpf, Charles Peterson and Madge Path.

Darol Nevin of Cumberland was recently named to the Product and Nutrition Research Committee of the Beef Promotion and Research Board. Nevin is involved in overseeing programs conducted with beef checkoff dollars.

40 Years Ago February 17, 1982

Mary Hegenbarth, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Hegenbarth of Cumberland, was named the 1982 Barron County 4-H Queen on Saturday in Rice Lake at the UW-BC.

Lindi Momchilovich, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Momchilovich of Cumberland, was one of 157 students named to the Ripon College Dean’s List. To qualify for the Dean’s List, students must earn a 3.40 grade point average or better and complete a minimum of 12 hours of regular course work for the semester.

50 Years Ago February 17, 1972

Ed Fahlbeck of Cumberland was named as “New Salesman of the Year” by Mid-America Mutual Life Insurance Company of Minneapolis, MN. He is vice-president of the Gold Key Club, line leader in health and combined volume, and has qualified for the Million Dollar Club and the 1001 Club.

The official announcement of the sale of Ranallo Chevrolet-Oldsmobile was made this week with the effective date of February 2. Harold and Sheldon Beise are the new owners and the business now goes under the name of Beise Bros. Chevrolet & Oldsmobile. The garage will continue with the Chevrolet and Oldsmobile lines and they are going to stress service.

60 Years Ago February 22, 1962

A new curfew has been installed by Chief Glenn Stoll. The local curfew requires all youngsters under the age of 17 to be off the street by 10 pm, Sunday through Thursday nights and by 11 pm Fridays and Saturdays, except for school activities.

Good Citizen of Cumberland High School is Donna Grimstedt. She is now eligible for consideration for state and national honors and possible scholarship awards.

80 Years Ago February 19, 1942

Over a month of mild weather, came to an abrupt end last Monday, when sub-zero temperatures drove the mercury to a low of 16 degrees below zero that night. It was a drop of 48 degrees from the high of 31 for the day. The cold came in the wake of a six inch snowfall that fell Sunday afternoon through Sunday evening.

90 Years Ago February 18, 1932

The large dairy farm on the former Hunter farm on Highway B, just north of the city limits, was burned to the ground Wednesday night together with the silo and machine shed. The fire was discovered at 2 am and apparently originated in the empty hay mow. The cause of the fire is unknown.

2022 WEATHER

Date	Hi	Lo	Pre	Snow
2/08	16	-6	0.0	0.00
2/09	33	10	trace	0.1
2/10	32	13	trace	trace
2/11	35	12	0.23	1.2
2/12	29	-15	trace	trace
2/13	0	-18	0.00	0.00
2/14	6	-14	0.04	0.6

Temperature and precipitation readings are taken at 7 a.m. for the previous 24 hours and are provided by the Cumberland Utility Office.

Sports

Cumberland Wrestlers Send Three to Sectionals

The Cumberland Wrestling Team will send three wrestlers to the St. Croix Falls Sectional this Saturday after Regional Wrestling last weekend in Cameron. Dawson Johnson will go as a Regional Champion, while Josh Simon and Jack Chafer move on as second place finishers. Wrestling begins on Saturday at 10:00 am.

Johnson continues as an undefeated 120-pound defending State Champion as he ran his record to 42 and 0 with two pins in Cameron. He took his Regional Title with a bye and two quick six-pointers, wrestling a total of three minutes on the day.

Senior Josh Simon ran his record to 27 and 14 with his runner-up position. Although he was pinned by Kole Marko of St. Croix

Falls in the title match, he earned his position with a bye and a pin of Lukas Paulson of Clear Lake.

The final Cumberland Sectional participant will be Sophomore Jack Chafer. He earned his position with a pin of St. Croix Falls Kasey Johnson to take second place. Chafer was 2 and 1 on the day with a first round bye.

St. Croix Falls easily won the Regional Title with 283 team points, while Cumberland finished third with 146 points.

Finishing third at Cameron and just missing a trip to Sectionals were Freshmen Cooper Schramski (26-17), Jack Owens (21-19), and Gabe Erickson (16-15). Only two Cumberland wrestlers are older than tenth grade.

Girl’s Basketball Team Wins Seventh in Last Eight Games

The Cumberland Girl’s Basketball Team ran their season’s record to 14 and 7 with a 39-30 victory over Ashland last week. The team was back in action against HON leader Ladysmith on Tuesday and then finish up the regular season this week with road games on Thursday in Hayward and Friday in St. Croix Falls.

“The girls did what they had to on defense to pull out the win on a night we really struggled shooting as a team. That’s a long drive to play a conference game and I was happy to get out of there with a victory,” said Coach Brian Dutton about the trip to Ashland.

Maisen Gores continued

her fine year with a team-high 16 points to lead the Cumberland offense. Mecina Garibaldi and Orion Thompson added seven each. On defense, Gores was dominant in the post area, while Reyna Bertelsen gave her typically strong performance.

The WIAA Tournaments begin for the third-seeded Beavers on Friday, February 25, when they will host the winner of a Grantsburg vs. Chequamegon first round match-up. A victory that Friday would put the Beavers in a Regional Championship match-up the following day, likely in Ladysmith.

Northwest Icemen Complete Regular Season

The Northwest Icemen Co-op Hockey Team completed their regular season last week by dropping a 12-2 decision to the Amery Warriors. The team finishes the season at 5-15-1.

Regular goalie Connor Morrison sat out the contest to rest for WIAA Tournament play. His absence was

missed as Amery scored 12 goals on 54 shots.

The Icemen traveled to Stevens Point on Tuesday, where they opened up the WIAA Tournaments with a game against the Panthers. A victory there will send them against number one seeded Hudson this Thursday at 7:00 pm.

Girls BB Standings

TEAM	TEAM	W	L	STK	OVERALL
Ladysmith	LADYS	16	1	W1	20-3-0
St. Croix Falls	SCF	14	2	W3	18-4-0
Northwestern	NWERN	12	4	W4	15-7-0
Cumberland	CUMB	10	5	W1	14-7-0
Barron	BARRON	8	8	L4	11-11-0
Cameron	CAMER	7	9	W1	9-13-0
Ashland	ASHL	6	10	L3	9-13-0
Hayward	HAY	5	11	L2	6-16-0
Spooner	SPOON	2	14	W1	2-16-0
Chetek-Weyerhaeuser	CH-WY	0	16	L16	2-19-0

Boys BB Standings

TEAM	TEAM	W	L	T	PCT	GB	GP
Northwestern	NWERN	15	0	0	1.000	-	15
Cameron	CAMER	12	4	0	.750	3.5	16
Ladysmith	LADYS	11	5	0	.688	4.5	16
Saint Croix Falls	SCF	10	6	0	.625	5.5	16
Barron	BARRON	8	7	0	.533	7.0	15
Spooner	SPOON	7	7	0	.500	7.5	14
Chetek-Weyerhaeuser	CH-WY	5	11	0	.313	10.5	16
Cumberland	CUMB	4	11	0	.267	11.0	15
Ashland	ASHL	3	13	0	.188	12.5	16
Hayward	HAY	2	13	0	.133	13.0	15

Regional Champ!



Dawson Johnson continued his undefeated sophomore season claiming the 120 pound Regional Title last Saturday in Cameron. Johnson moved his record to 42-0. Photo by Sydney Mathison



Josh Simon moved his season record to 27-14 and a runner-up finish at 170 pounds at last weekend’s Regional to move on to the St. Croix Falls Sectional this weekend. Photo by Sydney Mathison



Jack Chafer earned a trip to Sectionals with a runner-up finish at the Cameron Regional last weekend. Chafer will wrestle at 285 pounds. His season record moved to 25-12. Photo by Sydney Mathison



Cumberland Area Fishing & Hunting Table

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2/17 Thu >	5:28	11:39	5:51	-----	07:07	05:36	6:49p	8:02a	12:57a	1:20p		
2/18 Fri >	6:16	12:05	6:39	12:28	07:06	05:37	7:59p	8:22a	1:43a	2:05p		
2/19 Sat	7:06	12:55	7:28	1:17	07:04	05:38	9:10p	8:42a	2:27a	2:50p		
2/20 Sun	7:57	1:45	8:20	2:08	07:02	05:40	10:23p	9:02a	3:12a	3:35p		
2/21 Mon	8:50	2:37	9:14	3:02	07:01	05:41	11:38p	9:24a	3:59a	4:23p		
2/22 Tue	9:44	3:31	10:10	3:57	06:59	05:43	No Moon	9:49a	4:49a	5:15p		

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

Volunteers!

Hello friends,
This week's column is going to be a bit different but is a very real type of story in the form of a very successful, annual, kids fisheree that is held by Jim and Deb Bires; owners of Bires Northside Mobile in Mauston, Wisconsin. The point of this story is to tell about volunteers and how without them, this world would be a very different place.

**Saturday, February 5th
High 22, low minus 6**

Many people and organizations will be left out of this column due to space, so please don't be offended. This kids fisheree is held on a private pond on Jim and Deb Bires land. This would roughly be the 15th year and at days end 120 kids signed in and I am confident a few did not.

I was a helper in that and put out tip ups that kids could take. I arrived at 7:30 a.m. and the start time was 8:00 but there were some eager beavers. Every kid was given a free ice fishing pole and reel as well as a bag of tackle.

Gary Snyder of Snyder Tackle, and the good folks at Ryba Tackle, had given over \$2,500.00 worth of jigs to the kids and I have to admit, it was all impressive.

I was in awe as I watched this pond literally become a small city with kids, parents and shacks and it reminded me that there is hope for the youth of this region to thoroughly enjoy the outdoors. Pretty much the entire fisheree, I just mingled with people on the ice and the first fish that I saw caught was a 13.25 inch crappie caught by Brooklyn Sharp of Mauston who I am guessing was around ten. She was with her dad Derrick and had high hopes of winning the largest crappie contest which in the end would get her a free mount from Todd's Taxidermy.

I have known Todd Krueger for many years and this gift of his art and labor are just another example of what I am writing about.

I really enjoyed watching the kids that actually know what they are doing and told me ice fishing story after story. One of them was Beau Barreau who is ten, from Mauston and was with his dad Mike Bar-

reau. Beau had the gear and the stories. I get my cattle feed from Mike and Integrity Feeds and many moons ago I took his son Mike Jr. to Canada where he harvested his first bear.

Ivan Ledvina is just a regular Joe from Necedah but is well known as 'Mr Smore.' Ivan probably makes the best smore on the planet with fruit as well as peanut butter and the standard chocolate and marshmallow. The thing about Ivan is that he goes to these events and all he asks for is help with his expenses. Ivan told me that he did this at eight Brewers games in the past.

Outdoors groups that made this event possible were Outdoors Forever with Dave Pahl being a huge help as well as Gill Fenski with Walleyes Forever and Jeff Richart with Whitetails Unlimited. The point I am making is that two of these organizations are spread throughout the Midwest, and like Outdoors Forever which is local they donated money and volunteers.

My new buddies, besides Jim Bires, are all former Alliant Energy employees who retired a number of years ago but live in the neighborhood. They are the backbone for much of the labor and they are Dan Rux, Randy Kissick and Rick Short. I saw these guys working throughout the day and did not have much time to spend with them until a "Post Fisheree Meeting" was held. There was a lot of joking around and for everyone I have mentioned a complete feeling of "we did it."

Today I felt like I was living in 1975 again. Kids were outside and enjoyed it, some of them did not even care about the fishing, my guess is that some of them will be very good at fishing in no time at all.

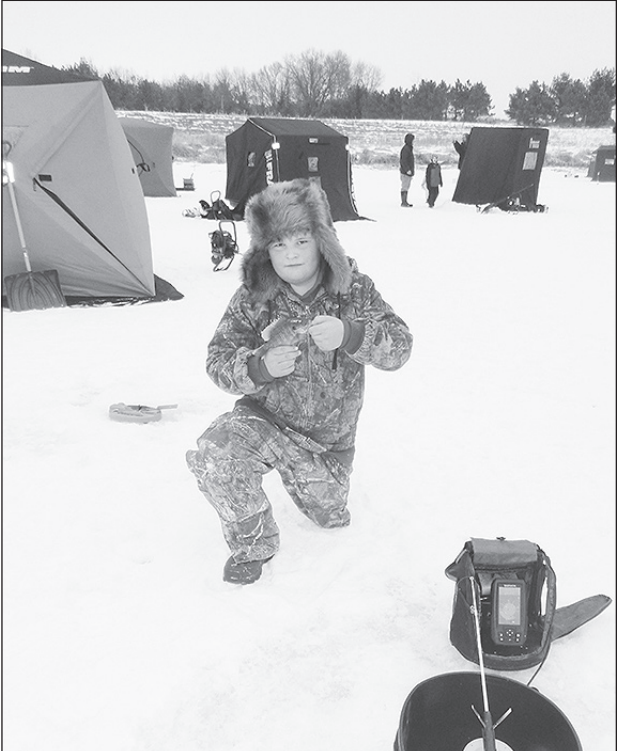
I watched and learned and once again I realized that if you have a good leader and lots of brains and brawn as helpers you can do things like this; whether it is summer or winter or anywhere you have water and fish.

Priarie du Chien, Florence, Ashland and everywhere in between! No matter what they are doing, always respect the volunteer

Sunset



Jim Bires with Brooklyn Sharp who caught the biggest crappie and biggest fish at Bires kids Fisheree!



Ten year old Beau Barreau of Mauston loves to fish!

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Saturday Night Contest!



David Olson dribbles between his legs Saturday night vs Ashland. The Beavers grabbed a nice win. Photo by Victoria Gonzales



Monty Peterson goes to the basket Saturday night vs Ashland. Cumberland outlasted the Oredockers 70-61. Photo by Victoria Gonzales

Cumberland Basketball Hosts Bloomer on Thursday; Record 7 and 13

The Cumberland Boys Basketball Team went 1 and 2 last week as they move towards the end of the regular season. The Beavers are 7 and 13 on the year entering play this week, with only four games remaining on the schedule before the start of the WIAA Tournaments.

The Beavers dropped a 71-67 contest to the Cameron Comets last Monday and were then beaten by St. Croix Falls 68-61, before downing the Ashland Oredockers 70-61 in front of a home crowd last Saturday night.

"We showed some life in the second half, but like most of our season, we couldn't find a way to get a big stop on defense or hit a big shot," said Coach Berghammer about the team's loss to Cameron.

Jax Effertz led the Beavers with 23 points in the contest, while David Olson had 15 and Vaughn Johnson 14. Ed Chafer led the team with eight rebounds. The Beavers shot 50 percent from the free throw stripe, but had more turnovers than the Comets and gave up 14 offensive rebounds in the game.

Unfortunately, the Beavers dropped another close decision to the Saints last Thursday.

"It was another game with a similar ending. We made too many mental mistakes and poor decisions to allow ourselves a chance to win. Hopefully we can make cor-

rections in these areas before the season comes to an end," added Coach Berghammer.

Effertz led the Beavers again with 18 points, while Gavin Gores added 15 and Vaughn Johnson 12. Ed Chafer again led the team with 10 rebounds, while David Olson had a team-high four assists.

Things ended much better on Saturday, when Cumberland picked up a nine-point win over Ashland. "It was nice to get a win at home. I thought we started off very well and kept that energy up for most of the night. We did a great job of attacking their zone early and not settling for three-point shots," said Berghammer about the victory.

Effertz finished up his big scoring week with 25, while Vaughn Johnson added 18 and Gavin Gores 12. David Olson had a nice passing game, while Cumberland outrebounded the Oredockers by 12 in the victory.

Cumberland hosted Spooner on Monday and then have another home game this Thursday night against the Bloomer Blackhawks. Next Monday, the Beavers travel to Ladysmith and then finish up the regular season on Thursday, February 25, when they host the Hayward Hurricanes at Elmer Beran Gymnasium.

This week with road games on Thursday in Hayward and Friday in St. Croix Falls.

Sports Calendar Thursday, Feb. 17

Hockey Regional TBD

Girls BB @ Hayward 7:15

Boys BB home vs Bloomer 7:30

Friday, Feb. 18

Hockey Regional TBD

Girls BB @ St.Croix Falls 7:45

Saturday, Feb. 19

Wrestling Sectional @ St. Croix Falls 9:00

Monday, Feb. 21

Boys BB @ Ladysmith 7:15

Tuesday, Feb. 22

Girls BB Regional TBD

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7th Grade Basketball!



Congratulations to the seventh grade girls traveling basketball team for taking home the second place trophy at last Saturday's tournament held at St. Joe's Catholic School in Rice Lake. Pictured Back Row (L to R): Willow Franc, Brooke Pittman, Presli Butzler, Raegan Beecroft, Kaylee Jackson, MaKenzie Tahtinen, Addison Shaffer. Front Row (L to R): Olivia Villarreal, Coach Tim Butzler, Greta Weaver.

Sports Look Back, February 17, 1982

The Cumberland High School wrestlers swept seven weight classes Saturday and qualified eight men for the Glenwood City Sectional this Saturday on the way to winning the regional tournament.

The Beavers racked up 193 1/2 points, easily outdistancing runner-up Chetek. Cumberland would likely have taken the 200 point barrier had not the wrestlers drawn first-round byes.

Bob Ranallo, Jim Waite, Carey Strenke, Loren Kuhl, Dan Haley, Doug Ricci, and Matt Gunderson each won their weight class and will advance to the sectional. Joel Schullo, who took second at 185 pounds, will also advance.

Jim Holmes and Tom Zappa both wrestled well during the tournament but failed to qualify. Holmes made it to the championship round at 119 pounds where he lost to Ed Beckman of Chetek. Holmes then lost a match to Kevin Crotteau of Cameron and was eliminated.

Bob Ranallo had no trouble in the 105-pound division. He pinned his opponent, Scott Schierkolk of Prairie Farm, in the first period of the championship

bout.

Jim Waite, at 112 pounds, was a relatively easy winner, 14-6 over Jerry Brock of Cameron. Waite nearly got himself pinned in the last few seconds of the match, following a lapse of concentration.

Carey Strenke and Irv Gordon of Bruce, were tied up with 40 seconds left to go in their 138-pound championship match when Strenke made a move to win it, 6-3. Gordon had used the entire two minutes allowed for injury time-outs earlier in the match.

Steve Miller of Bayfield was champion at 138, and Shell Lake's Bruce Dahlstrom was second. Cumberland's 138-pounder, Jeff Bergstrom, won his match 9-3 and posted 12 team points. At 145 pounds, Loren Kuhl racked up five second-period points before pinning Jerry Johnson of Bruce at 3:01 of the championship match.

Dan Haley managed an escape in the second-period and hung on for a 1-0 win at 155 pounds. Haley's Prairie Farm opponent, Tom Schierkolk, was 17-7 coming into the bout.

Doug Ricci and Shell Lake's Matt Ailport battled

scoreless through the first period. Ricci later gained control and cruised to an 8-1 victory.

Joel Schullo dropped a 3-1 heartbreaker to Chetek's Tom Schaaf in the championship bout. Schullo had defeated Schaaf for the Heart O' North title the week before, 6-5.

The match was tied at 1-1 when Schullo appeared to register a take-down, but the official ruled that Schaaf had landed off the mat and no points were awarded. Moments later, with less than a minute remaining, Schaaf put Schullo to the ground in almost the same spot. The partisan crowd booed as the official awarded Schaaf two points for the takedown.

Matt Gunderson looked impressive on his way to the heavyweight title. The senior grappler had a tie the first round, but pinned his remaining two opponents. Gunderson pinned Paul Larson of Cameron in 2:45 of the championship match.

Cumberland's eight qualifiers were tops for the regional. Second place Chetek at 141 1/2 qualified four for sectionals. Cameron at 87 1/2 also sends four.

Barronett News

By Judy Pieper

I'm sure you already have heard this a couple times, but I have the world's most wonderful husband. I woke up Valentine's Day morning, stumbled downstairs to get a cup of coffee, and found a beautiful bouquet of roses on the dining room table. I don't know how he sneaked away to get them – after 30 years he still surprises me. I am so lucky.

Our coffee hour after worship service at Barronett Lutheran was fun. We have decided to get together once a month to relax and visit. There was a lot of laughing going on when Geri Pittman told us stories about shopping with her son and adult grandsons. And, speaking of Barronett Lutheran, please remember that, if you would like to attend but feel that it might be difficult with small children, I would be so happy to visit with them in the church basement while you are at worship service. We have all kinds of coloring books, Sunday school supplies and toys to keep them busy.

Marvin and Marshall Straw had a great day at the ice fishing contest in Cumberland on Saturday. Marvin won a 12-gauge shotgun on a raffle ticket, and an Ardisam Escape clam style fish house as second place winner in the biggest fish contest with a 4.17 pound northern.

Terry Goodrich and Maria were talking with a woman who had been at the ice fishing contest. As you can imagine, Terry was able to turn the conversation into a "comedy" routine. He called and told me about it and it was so funny – but just a tad off-color, so, if you want to hear about the

ice shack, give Terry a call.

Alyse and Miriah Lehmann both celebrated birthdays this month – Alyse on the 5th, and Miriah on the 11th. On Saturday they, along with Jamie Anderson, Jeremy Olson, Lynn Thon, Duane and I met for breakfast at Lona's Café in Haugen. Alyse and Jamie were going to spend the rest of the day playing Bingo and doing other girl stuff, and Miriah and Jeremy were going to spend the day working on stuff at the arena.

Jamie and Kurt Anderson have Easter-egger chickens, so Jamie brought a dozen green eggs for us. I used six of them to make an orange chiffon cake, cut it into fourths, kept a fourth and gave the rest of it to Suzy and Ryan Lehmann, Lynn Thon, and Miriah and Jeremy. I think the last time I made a chiffon cake was when I lived in Town of Maple Plain and had chickens of my own.

Did you watch the Super Bowl? I was hoping the Bengals would win, and it was so close, but maybe next time. Actually, if the Packers or Vikings are not in the Super Bowl, I just watch it for the commercials but even those were disappointing this year. You would think that the people who bought Budweiser would have continued the commercials with those beautiful horses. I hope everyone switches to Pabst just to teach them a lesson.

Geri Pittman told about something she had seen on Face Book that might or might not have been true but was funny. A woman said that she had bought her mother a copy of the book

"Exorcist," and that, after reading just a few pages, it frightened her mother so much that she threw it in the ocean. Well --- The woman bought another copy, soaked it in water and, in the middle of the night sneaked over to her mother's house and left the wet copy on her porch. Can you imagine the mom's reaction?

We are halfway through February – Isn't that great!! Ash Wednesday seems to be early this year, on March 2nd. Ash Wednesday service at Barronett Lutheran will be at 7:00 p.m., and, before the service, we will be having a pot-luck dinner in the basement at 5:30. And then, of course, all during lent we will be having suppers on Wednesdays at 6:00 before Lenten service at 7:00.

Kane and Pierce Thon spent a fun-filled weekend with Grandma Lynn. Duane and I went over to visit them after church on Sunday and six-year-old Kane was scribbling on a piece of paper, pretending he was writing in cursive. I asked him if he would like me to show him how to write his name correctly, and he said yes, so I did. I'll tell you what, kids now are so quick to catch on to everything. He immediately wrote his name and then learned to write his mom's, dad's and little brother's names. At six I was still struggling with learning to print the alphabet.

I guess that's about all I know from Barronett this week. I hope you had a wonderful Valentine's Day with your sweetheart. See you next time.

Senior Dining

- **Thurs, Feb. 17th:** Beef Tips & Mushrooms w/ Gravy, served over Egg Noodles, Mixed Vegetable Blend, Assorted Bread, Chilled Pears.
- **Fri, Feb. 18th:** Chicken Dumpling Soup, Egg Salad & Lettuce Sandwich, Fresh Banana, Cook's Choice Cookie.
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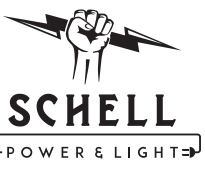
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John Cifaldi
John "Mopar" Cifaldi, 61, of Rice Lake, died Monday, February 14, 2022 at his home.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 11:00 AM Saturday, February 19, 2022 at St. Anthony Parish Center in Cumberland with Father Tom Thompson officiating.

Visitation will be held from 4:00 to 7:00 PM on Friday at the Skinner Funeral Home in Cumberland and for one hour prior to services at the Center. A full obituary will be printed next week.



Leona E. Bowen
Leona Evelyn Bowen, 85, of Cumberland died Monday, February 14, 2022 at Cum-

berland Healthcare. She was born September 6, 1936 in Palmer, AK to James and Lillian (Bjorman) Johnston. She was married in Cumberland on February 5, 1955 to Robert Bowen at the First United Methodist Church. Leona worked for the U.S. Post Office for 25 years and served as clerk for the Town of Crystal Lake for several years, and volunteered for the hospital auxiliary and with the United Methodist Women for many years.

Leona was graced with a servant's spirit, and was known for her caring and hospitality. Her faith guided her life, and she shared her many gifts with those she loved. She was an adoring wife, loving mother, grandmother and great grandmother. Leona filled the room with her smile and warmth. She enjoyed playing Scrabble and card games (especially cribbage), bowling, completing puzzles, embroidering, and baking.

She is survived by three sons: Kenneth (Flor) Bowen, Steven Bowen and Craig (Nancy) Bowen, all of Cumberland; daughter, Diane

(Mike) Wenrich of East Berlin, PA; seven grandchildren: Shawna, B. J., Shannon, Jordan, Ashley, Dana and Morgan; 12 great grandchildren: Gavyn, Greenlee, Camden, Quinn, Kenslee, Lyam, Katie, Sahara, Neil, Jack, Vivyan, and Henry; three sisters: LaVonne Grams of Skyesville, MD, Jean (Gene Demars) Wendt of Minneapolis, MN, and Roberta (Brian) Houston of Zumbrota, MN; many nieces, nephews, other relatives and many friends. Leona was preceded in death by her husband, Bob on November 13, 2012 and her sister, Joyce Anderson.

Funeral services will be held at 1:00 PM on Monday, February 21, 2022 at First United Methodist Church with Pastor Mike Brubaker officiating. Burial will be in Lakeside Cemetery. Pallbearers are B.J. Bowen, Jordan Bowen, Nick Demes, Mike Wylie, Andrew Klinkner, and Mike Wenrich. Visitation will be from 10:00 to 1:00 on Monday at the Church.

Skinner Funeral Home of Cumberland is serving the family.



Mary J. Warwick
Mary Jean Warwick (Beran) was born in Turtle Lake on July 22, 1933 to Charles Bradley Beran and Ruth Beran (Anderson). Mary was raised on the family farm until her father became ill. The family then ran the Beran Co-op Store in Comstock. Mary graduated from Cumberland High School in 1951.

On September 24, 1955 she married Donald Eugene Warwick. In 1957, the family moved to Medford, Oregon. Mary worked in the Medford office of the U.S. Department of the Interior - Geological Survey as a Hydrologic Technician until her retirement in 1992. After raising their

family in Medford, Mary and Don moved back to Cumberland in 1995. Mary was an active member of Augustana Lutheran Church, helping with the weekly church bulletin and participating in church fundraisers such as the annual apple pie baking.

She enjoyed many artistic hobbies over her lifetime that included ceramics, tole painting, sewing and wallpapering. Her life centered around her family and friends. Gatherings often included great food and a competitive game of "Stress."

After her husband's death, Mary moved back to Oregon in 2010 to be near her children. She was an active resident at The Springs at Tanasbourne in Hillsboro, OR until her peaceful passing on February 2, 2022.

Mary is survived by her children: Mark (Cindy) Warwick of Gold Hill, Oregon, Kathleen (Doug) Whitney of Wilsonville, OR and Lisa (Brad) Stark of Hillsboro, OR; Grandchildren: Alexander Whitney, Kenneth Howell, Trenton Stark and Mia Stark. Mary was preceded

in death by her husband, parents, and brothers Roger Beran and Donald Beran.

The family is planning a service in Wisconsin at a later date. Donations in Mary's memory can be made to Augustana Lutheran Church in Cumberland, Wisconsin.



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"Search me, O God, and know my heart"
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A while back I was experiencing tooth pain while chewing, which made it necessary to visit my fine dentist. After explaining my problem, he proceeded to examine the teeth around concern. Finding no visible problem, he had me chewing on a chew stick. No pain. Then he tapped on my teeth to check for a hairline crack. Every tooth sounded fine just like the ones next to it. Next, extreme cold was placed upon each tooth to make sure the roots were alive. No problems were found this way either. No hidden abscesses were found. Even the x-ray was clear. The whole experience caused me to question whether I had really felt pain or not!

It reminds me of David's prayer in **Psalm 139:23-24**: *"Search me, O God, and know my heart; test me and know my anxious thoughts. See if there is any wicked way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting."*

Sin is usually preceded by temptation or secret desires within our hearts that make us vulnerable to evil. We can go through life thinking that everything is fine, when all the while a healthy examination by the Holy Spirit is in order. Spending time reading Scripture, studying the Bible, and hearing a good sermon can all be used by God to work preventative maintenance and save us from untold misery and regret. God's word can expose hidden thoughts that need to be dealt with before they turn into sinful words and deeds.

My tooth was put under security level yellow. I watched it very closely. If left to itself, a day would come when I would regret it. So, too, the soul needs watching. Have you had a soul checkup today? Visit your local church and let God check you over. You are welcome to visit Timberland, 11 miles north of Cumberland on County H. Our Sunday morning services begin at 9:30 followed by coffee fellowship each Sunday. On Wednesdays during Lent we will be studying the Old Testament tabernacle. These services will be held at 7 pm beginning March 2. Find our sermons on Facebook @Timberland Free Lutheran Church.

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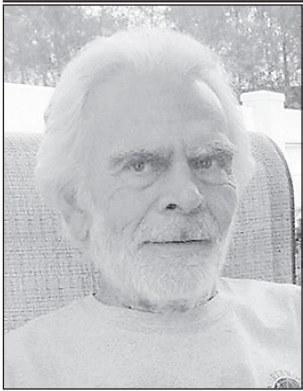
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OBITUARIES



Steven H. Ranallo

Steven H. Ranallo, 69, born July, 14th 1952 in Cumberland, the son of Angelo L. Ranallo and Louise R. Ranallo (nee-Curella). He graduated with the Class of 1970, Cumberland, High School.

Steve passed peacefully at home to be with The Lord God on Monday, February 7th in the morning hours, with his loving family at his side.

Steve was married to Helen Ranallo (nee-Sawka) on July 13th. His best friend and constant companion for 25 loving years.

Steve was a confirmed Catholic through St. Anthony's Parish. He was persistent in his growth and wisdom with Our Lord God and his personal relationship with Jesus Christ.

Steve served in many vocations and callings, and continued higher education throughout his lifetime. He was passionate about life, learning, his time, knowledge, love, and in everything he did. Always looking for the positive perspective and growth in situations. He found passionate enjoyment and mental vacations riding motorcycle with his wife and friends, which he continued till this past fall, putting on only 4600 miles. He was passionately vested in all he did. From running a Catholic Family Group Home in Washington State, to driving trucks, to having a daycare for children, owning a fitness gym and training others in their personal pursuits of health, fitness, and the body building circuit. Steve remained a dedicated body builder his whole life until his battle with bone cancer. He respected and honored his Temple of the Holy Spirit he had been entrusted with, through clean living, healthful foods, and free of markings. For Lord God Said in **Leviticus 19:28** "You shall not make any cuttings in your flesh for the dead, nor make any marks upon you: I am The Lord"

Steve was known as, and was always a man of integrity and principal. With a right heart, he's been a blessing in many ways, to many. He was always consistent, kind, loyal, and considerate. Always morally fair and honest, sometimes solid as oak. His words were bonded. Steve was Very Particular in all he did. He'd say "There's a right way and a wrong way." From putting a washer on a bolt, his haircut, or words and tone as he spoke. His 'Yes was Yes, and his No was No.' When it came to morality, there was no gray area. Things were either Black or White. Good or Evil. He was always open to listen, discuss philosophies, politics and be flexible but would not compromise his principle beliefs.

When asked of a friend for advice or direction, Steve would sometimes do research for several weeks to return with only advice that was not short of what was good enough for he himself. If You Knew Steve, You Loved Him. If you didn't, you didn't

know Him.

He was preceded in death by both his parents, along with countless family members, and dear friends. The life culmination of Steve's moral compass was instilled and nurtured in this small town of Cumberland. By his loving parents, friends, community and upbringing in the Catholic Church.

Steve is survived by his dedicated older brother Ronald Ranallo of Blaine MN, nephew James Ranallo of Blaine MN, and wife Helen Ranallo. Steve was blessed with one child from his first marriage, Angela R. Ranallo (Daniels) and two grandchildren Tavis and Cash Daniels.

Steve was a fighter as he battled for almost two years with the strength of Our Lord, his loved ones, and amazing doctors. He was determined to still live his life to the fullest each day and without medications as he did his whole life, while continuing to share his sincere laughter and twisted sense of humor. He possessed a profound understanding of people's needs, and met them. Accepting everyone for who they are, and where they're at. Knowing that how we acted and lived our lives impacted and forever impressed upon those who he met and knew him.

Steve's wishes are to be cremated and placed at St. Anthony's Cemetery at our Ranallo family plot, beside his parents.

Mass and Services will be held through St. Anthony's Catholic Church in Cumberland, and will be held later this spring at the start of motorcycle season.

Cremation and arrangements have been entrusted to Skinner Funeral Home of Cumberland.

DNR Seeking Nominations For 2021 Ethical Hunter Award

The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR) is accepting applications for its annual Wisconsin Ethical Hunter Award, which honors hunter's actions of exceptional moral actions and character while in the field.

The Wisconsin Ethical Hunter Award was established in 1997 to recognize a person whose action represents Wisconsin's heritage of responsible, respectful and safe hunting.

"Ethical behavior demonstrates the moral character of the hunting public and illustrates how people can assist one another while recreating together in the outdoors," said DNR Chief Conservation Warden Casey Krueger.

Any hunter or non-hunter can nominate a licensed Wisconsin hunter for the Wisconsin Ethical Hunter Award for their actions during the 2021 calendar year. Although many nominations come from the gun-deer season, ethical actions can occur during a squirrel hunt, turkey hunt, water-

fowl hunt or other Wisconsin hunting seasons.

"Ethical actions come in many forms; examples could include helping another person during a hunt or taking steps to protect our natural resources," Krueger said. "Over the years, award recipients have returned lost gear, helped others find lost game or assisted another hunter facing a challenge of some kind."

A four-person committee reviews the nominations and selects the recipient. The creators of this award are Bob Lamb, retired editor of the La Crosse Tribune; Steve Dewald, retired DNR Conservation Warden Supervisor and Jerry Davis, a retired University of Wisconsin-La Crosse biology professor and outdoors writer.

The nomination committee focuses on a singular action or event rather than individuals with long-term conservation-related programs.

Submit nominations by email or letter explaining the ethical act and send to April

Dombrowski, DNR Recreational Safety Outdoor Skills Section Chief, at April.Dombrowski@wisconsin.gov or by standard U.S. mail to: Department of Natural Resources, Attn: April Dombrowski, 101 S. Webster St., P.O. Box 7921, Madison, WI 53707-7921.

The deadline to submit a nomination is Feb. 26, 2022.

To become eligible for the 2021 award:

- The nominee must be a licensed (resident or non-resident) Wisconsin hunter.
- The ethical hunting act must have occurred in Wisconsin during the 2021 calendar year.
- Nominations are considered for any DNR-regulated hunting activity in Wisconsin.

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Church; Wednesdays at 7 p.m., Senior Citizen Center. Women's inspiration AA meeting: 6 pm Tuesdays at the Thomas St. Angelo Public Library Community Meeting Room 715-529-9592. tfn

Weekly Al-Anon Meetings: Mondays, 6:30 p.m. at Cumberland Baptist Church, Hwy 48, Cumberland. tfn

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PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE

The regular meeting of the Cumberland Municipal Utility Commission will be held on **Monday, February 21, 2022** 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 January 17th meeting minutes
4. Review and approval of payment vouchers
5. Review 2020 Audit-Amanda Mboga
6. Review and approval of financial statements and reports
7. Review and consider approval of Resolution of the City of Cumberland Municipal Utility Commission Regarding the Issuance, Sale and Delivery of \$6,124,000 Taxable Sewer System Mortgage Revenue Bonds and Related Bond Anticipation Notes, of the City of Cumberland, Wisconsin
8. Review and consider approval of Resolution of the City of Cumberland Municipal Utility Commission Regarding the Issuance, Sale and Delivery of \$1,598,000 Taxable Water System Mortgage Revenue Bonds and Related Bond Anticipation Notes, of the City of Cumberland, Wisconsin
9. Review and approve purchase of new UTV for Sewer Dept.
10. General Manager's Report
11. Set Next Meeting Date: Monday, March 21, 2022
12. 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). Published in the Cumberland Advocate on February 16, 2022 WNAXLP

Beaver Dam Lake Management District

Thurs., Feb. 17, 2022 • 7 PM City Hall Conference Rm Cumberland, Wisconsin 54829

1. Call meeting to order
2. Approve minutes from last meeting
3. Approve treasurers report
4. Recognition of visitors and visitor's comments.
5. Update on 2022 EWM Treatment plan
6. Approve funding for Library Lake dredging bid specification
7. Approve stipend for drone pictures taken of Library Lake and Beaver Dam Lake
8. Discuss and approve funding for dredging permit application for riparian property owners along the Grove St.
9. Update on concert on the Lake band
10. Open discussion – no action to be taken by Board
11. Set next meeting date and time.
12. Adjourn.

Note; additional agenda items may be added and will be posted at City Hall and the Library no later than 24 hours in advance of the meeting.

Tom Schroeder, President
Alan Carlson MD, Treasurer
John Bavier, Secretary
Don Phernetton & Mike Werner, Commissioners
Dan Shoemaker, City of Cumberland Rep., Don Horstman, Barron County Rep.
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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 Protection Association
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NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the Regular Monthly Meeting of the Cumberland School District Board of Education shall be held at 6:00 p.m. for open session on Monday, February 21, 2022, in the middle school commons.

The following is the proposed agenda:

1. PUBLIC HEARING for the Cumberland School District Board of Education on the Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Fund (ESSER III) grant program.
2. Approve vouchers, receipts and invoices.
3. Recognize delegates, visitors and donations.
4. Consider approval of the 2022 – 2023 School District Calendar.
5. Consider approval of John Peterson's resignation as Middle School Assistant Football Coach.
6. Consider approval of Teri Lesnar-Schwartz's resignation as Head Volleyball Coach.
7. Consider approval of Karen Whitman's resignation as Benefit and Payroll Manager due to retirement.
8. Consider approval of Brent Sellent as High School Assistant Girls' Soccer Coach.
9. Hear discussion items and administrator reports.
10. Set meeting dates and events.

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

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING STATE OF WISCONSIN

SS COUNTY OF BARRON TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given to all persons in the County of Barron, Wisconsin, that the Barron County Zoning Committee will consider at public hearing on **Wednesday, March 2, 2022 at 1:30 p.m.** in Room 2106 of the Barron County Government Center, 335 E. Monroe Ave., Barron, Wisconsin, the following request relative to rezoning amendments of the official zoning maps:

Request to rezone Govt Lot 3, consisting of 32.17 acres, located in Section 30, T35N, R14W, Town of Crystal Lake, from the Residential-1 to the Recreational-Residential district (16.18 acres) and to the Agricultural-2 district (15.99 acres).

Property owned by DBM Partners, LLC.

The Zoning Committee reserves the right to view the property and convene in executive session prior to rendering a decision.

All persons interested are invited to attend said hearing.

Dated at Barron, Wisconsin, this 16th day of February, 2022.

Barron County Zoning Committee
Bob Rogers, Chairman
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The Cumberland FFA hosted the District One FFA Leadership Development Events on Thursday, January 27th at Cumberland High School. Ten Cumberland FFA members competed and several additional students served as volunteers to help make the event a success. Many community members shared their time and talent as contest judges. A highlight include Allison Zarr placing 2nd in Employment Skills. Zarr will advance to sectional competition in March. Pictured above: Mya Hagen (Quiz Bowl), Mika Hanson (Quiz Bowl), and Cullen Schreiber (Quiz Bowl) Pictured below: R-L: Charlotte Odden (Creed Contest), Allison Zarr (Employment Skills Contest), Katie Zimmer (State FFA Officer), Mercedes Ladd (Volunteer), Ivy Sweeney (Discussion Meet Contest), Max Odden (Quiz Bowl Contest), Brigitta Maas (Employment Skills Contest), Brook Colburn (Quiz Bowl), and Cash Rouzer (Quiz Bowl).



WisDNR: Three Snowmobile Related Fatalities Over Weekend

Think Smart Before You Start: Make Safety A Part Of Your Ride

Following a deadly weekend of snowmobiling, the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR) urges the public to be safe while out on the trails.

Since the start of the new year, there have been 10 snowmobile fatalities with one additional pending investigation. There were 13 fatalities in 2021.

While this weekend's crashes are still under investigation, the overall leading causes of snowmobile fatalities are alcohol, excess speed, driver inexperience and operator error.

"Conditions can change, and what was at first a smooth trail could be hazardous by the end of the day. Take your time and slow down, especially at night," said Lt. Martin Stone, DNR Off-Highway Vehicle Administrator. "Safety is an important part of the ride. We want everyone who goes out to enjoy this long-standing tradition in Wisconsin to make it back home safely."

If your adventure includes riding over frozen lakes or ponds, be aware that ice is never 100% safe. Snow-

mobilers cannot judge ice strength by factors like appearance, age, thickness or temperature, especially when the ice is snow-covered.

Before heading out with friends or family, please review Wisconsin's snowmobile safety rules and regulations.

Any person who is at least 12-years-old, born on or after Jan. 1, 1985, must have a valid Snowmobile Safety Certificate in order to operate a snowmobile in most areas. Operators must carry the certificate while riding and display it to a law enforcement officer when requested. Visit the DNR Safety Education webpage for details and to locate a class or take an online course.

Think smart before you start this season by following these tips for a safe ride:

Snowmobile Safety Tips:

- Don't drink and ride.
- Stay on marked trails—riding off-trail or cutting corners is trespassing.
- Always wear your helmet and safety gear.
- Slow down and use extra caution at night.
- Travel with a friend, carry a cell phone and let people know where you are go-

ing and when you'll return home.

- Dress appropriately, carry a first aid kit and navigation tools.
- Take a snowmobile safety course.
- Check trail conditions using the Travel Wisconsin Snowmobile Snow Report.

Ice Safety:

• Remember that ice is never completely safe under any conditions.

• Contact local sport shops to ask about ice conditions locally on the lake or river you want to traverse.

• Wear proper clothing and equipment, including a life jacket or float coat should you fall through the ice and to help retain body heat.

• Do not travel in unfamiliar areas.

• Slow down when traveling at night.

• Know if the lake has inlets, outlets or narrows that have currents that can thin the ice.

• Watch for pressure ridges or ice buckling. These can be dangerous due to thin ice and open water.

For additional information on snowmobile safety classes, regulations, safety tips or to register your snowmobile got to: dnr.wisconsin.gov.



The Cumberland Chamber of Commerce hosted a Moonlight Snowshoe/Ski event last Thursday, Feb. 10th. There were 51 participants - a great turn out for a small blizzard day! Thanks to all that came!

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Across

1. Top four
5. Great expectations
10. Cover in the woods
14. Its business is picking up
15. Rugged mountain crest
16. Lust for life
17. Dinner discards
18. Ranch in "Giant"
19. Abate
20. Spray graffiti on, e.g.
21. Panhandler's request
23. Like some decks
25. Galley propeller
26. Modest hand
27. Inert medications
32. Show disdain for
34. Drinker's vessel
35. Kimono closer
36. Touched down
37. Harass
38. Author Bagnold
39. Sports buff
40. It's similar to a rush
41. Savage
42. Ennobles
44. Turns bronze
45. "Norma ____" (Sally Field role)
46. Perplexing situation
49. Need for those running on empty
54. Ca++ or Cl-, e.g.
55. Thor's father
56. Niblick and mashie
57. Choir voice
58. Bugbear
59. As of
60. Kind of money
61. Doctor's pal
62. MTM's pal Georgia
63. Tropical getaway

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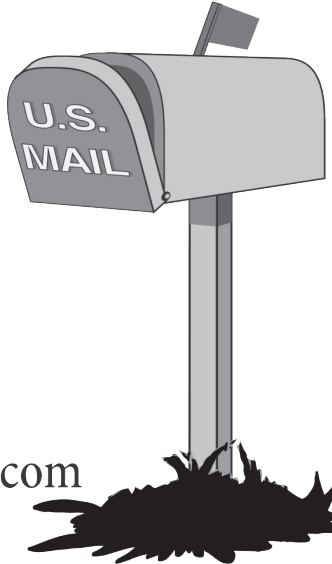
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9. Popular settings for paintings
10. Watch your step!
11. Arkin or Ladd
12. Emulated Quasimodo
13. Child seat, sometimes
21. Word with deep or dive
22. Disdained writer
24. Apple carrier
27. Tune-up needs
28. Scene of many strikes
29. Airline's offering, sometimes
30. Sad news, in brief
31. Start for bar or car
32. Container that can be cracked
33. The Kennedys, e.g.
34. Do poorly in the stretch
37. Air
38. Piscivorous bird
40. Box office draw
41. Put up a fuss
43. Cara and Dunne
44. Yule decoration
46. Trip the light fantastic
47. Salesman's stop, sometimes
48. "+" site
49. It might have the shakes
50. Add fringe
51. Part of an equine pedigree
52. "Joanie Loves Chachi" co-star Moran
53. Chinese political party
57. "____ was saying . . ."

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Another lucky winner!

BARRON COUNTY
COVID-19

Public Health COVID-19 Response

Public Health plays an important role in stopping the spread of COVID-19 by following up with positive cases and tracing their contacts. Individuals that could spread the disease are quarantined and monitored by public health.

Current Risk Level

On Track for Containment

Community Spread

Accelerated Spread

Tipping Point

25+ CASES PER 100,000 people

Stay-at-home measures necessary

02-07-22

https://globalepidemics.org/key-metrics-for-covid-suppression/

New Cases:

109

Since last report

Total Cases:

12,606

Positive Cases

91%

Recovered

127

Deaths

Barron County Vaccination Numbers

Vaccinated

24,887

55%

*Number of residents who have received at least one dose of the COVID-19 vaccine

Illness after Vaccination

COVID-19 Cases, Hospitalizations, and Deaths among fully vaccinated/not fully vaccinated people in Wisconsin in December 2021

Per 100,000 Fully Vaccinated People

1573.2

18.5

3.6

Per 100,000 Not Fully Vaccinated People

4746.4

176.4

50.8

For the latest information on those who have gotten sick after being vaccinated please visit:

<https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/covid-19/vaccine-status.htm>

New Cases Age Breakdown

Weekly cases broken down by age

20

30

31

22

6

18 and Under

19-39

40-59

60-79

80+

New Cases by Week

Weekly cases broken down by week

275

464

617

583

444

167

109

1/3

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1/17

1/24

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