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Cumberland Tree Lighting Ceremony



Hundreds of people were on hand last Tuesday, November 21st for the 8th annual Cumberland Chamber of Commerce Tree Lighting Ceremony. Hot Chocolate and snacks were available at several businesses downtown. It was a fun night for all who attended the annual event.



Santa Claus made a stop in town at the Tree Lighting Ceremony last Tuesday night to the delight of many kiddos including this youngster. A cup of hot chocolate was also a big hit.





2023 Gun Deer Hunt License Sales And Harvest Totals

The 2023 gun deer hunt in Wisconsin kicked off the holiday season with plenty of opportunities to enjoy the great outdoors, put delicious, wild-harvested protein on the table and make memories with family and friends. Preliminary license sales, harvest registration and hunting incident numbers are now available.

Preliminary License Sales Data

As of 11:59 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 26, sales for gun, bow, crossbow, sports and conservation patron licenses reached 788,697. Of that total, 434,817 were for gun privileges only. Year-to-date sales for all deer licenses are down 0.8% compared to last year.

This year, hunters from all 50 states and 27 countries purchased a Wisconsin hunting license.

Of the licenses sold to date, 66% were purchased online. The remaining 34% were sold in person through transactions at DNR license sale locations. Deer hunting license and harvest authorization sales will continue through the remaining deer hunting seasons.

Preliminary Harvest Totals

Preliminary figures show hunters registered 173,942 deer during the 2023 gun deer season, including 85,390 antlered and 88,552 antlerless deer. Compared to 2022, the total firearm deer harvest was down 17.6% statewide, with the antlered harvest down 14.7% and the antlerless harvest down 20.3%.

Since the opening of the bow and crossbow seasons, hunters have registered 266,132 statewide so far this year.

Adams County in the Central Farmland Zone led the state with 9.7 deer registered per square mile. Adams County also led the Central Forest Zone with 3.5 deer per square mile. Vernon County led the Southern Farmland Zone with 6.7 deer registered per square mile. Taylor County registered the most deer per square mile, 2.7, in the Northern Forest Zone.

For the 2023 gun deer season, the regional harvest breakdown by deer management zone as compared to the 5-year average was as follows:

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A Memory To Last A Lifetime!



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Barron Spotlighters Announce Next Interactive Murder Mystery Dinner

The Barron Spotlighters theater group is holding their next interactive murder mystery dinner at the Barron VFW: Murder at the Cherry Creek Saloon. There are two dates for this event: Saturday, December 9 and Sunday, December 10. The December 9 event begins at 6pm and the December 10 event begins at 11:30am. This interactive murder mystery is set in the 1850s during the California gold rush and is centered on a small town in Colorado. Tickets are $40 per person and include a full meal with available cash bar. Tickets can only be purchased through the Barron Spotlighters website: www.barronspotlighters.org/current-season.

The year is 1857 and the Wild West of legend is in full swing. Lively piano music sets the scene for an evening of fun, beer, and a tense card game at a table near the piano. With the pot growing and players on edge, all seems fine. But then, an accusation of cheating against one of the players causes Jeb Lyman to overturn the table in his fury, and an all-out saloon brawl ensues! When the dust settles, a body is found beneath the rubble – the body of Jeb Lyman, one of the players at the cards table.

Attendees are encouraged to dress up in their old west costumes. Prizes will drawn for the best man and woman in costume, as well as for those who guess the murderer correctly. All tickets can only be purchased through the Barron Spotlighters website: www.barronspotlighters.org/current-season.

8th Annual Christmas Tree Lighting!



There was a great turn out for the 8th Annual Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony held on Tuesday, November 22nd on Main Street.

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Thanks for reading The Advocate

Augustana Cookie Walk and St. Lucia Celebration coming up!

Augustana Lutheran Church cordially invites you to the Annual Cookie Walk this Saturday, Dec. 2nd from 8:30-11:30am. The church members have been busy baking Scandinavian specialties this past week including: rosettes, sandbakkels,krumkake and lefse. There will also be a large variety of traditional Christmas cookies, breads and candies. The sale will be held in The Great Hall at 1025 2nd Ave., Cumberland.

Then, the annual Saint Lucia Festival will be held at Augustana on Friday, December 8th at 7am. Lucia was a Christian maiden martyred during the time of the Roman Emperor Diocletian, about

304 A.D. This traditional celebration opens the Christmas season all over Sweden. It has been celebrated at Augustana for over four decades. The program will start with a short candlelit service in the sanctuary featuring Lucia and her attendants, followed by a light Swedish breakfast in the Great Hall.

All area women and girls are invited to attend this celebration of light in the winter darkness and the birth of Jesus, the Light of the World.

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Friday, Dec. 1
Pizza, broccoli, applesauce.
MS/HS: Chicken nuggets, chips.
Monday, Dec. 4
Turkey and cheese sandwich, fries, carrots, pears. MS/HS: Garlic cheese bread.
Tuesday, Dec. 5
ES: Chicken nuggets, fries, corn, pineapple.
MS/HS: Tacos, brown rice. MS/HS: Pizza
Wednesday, Dec. 6
Diced chicken with mashed potatoes and gravy, peas, peaches. MS/HS: Walking tacos.

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Upcoming Events

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 30: 6:30-7:30 am CCE: Pickle Ball • 5-7:30 pm • MS Boys BB home vs Chetek-Weyerhaeuser • 5:45-9:15 pm HS Boys BB home vs Spooner •
FRIDAY, DECEMBER 1: • 6:30-7:30 am CCE: Pickle Ball • 5:45-9:15 pm HS Girls BB home vs Ashland •
SATURDAY, DECEMBER 2 : • 9 am-3 pm HS Wrestling invite at Coon Rapids • 1:00 - 3:00 pm CCE: Pickle Ball •
MONDAY, DECEMBER 4: • 6:30-7:30 am CCE: Pickle Ball • 7:30-9 pm HS Choir Concert •
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 5: • 6:30-7:30 am CCE: Pickle Ball • 5-7:30 pm MS Boys BB at Ladysmith • 5:45-9:15 pm HS Boys BB at Ashland • 6-8 pm HS Girls BB home vs Webster • 8-10 pm CCE: Adult Co-Ed Volleyball •
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 6: • 6:30-7:30 am CCE: Pickleball • 6-8 pm CCE: Pickle Ball •

COMMUNITY ED OFFERINGS

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Information: Contact: Mary Kay Burmesch at mkbskis@gmail.com
Susan Bridger CCE Director, sbrid@csdmail.com, 715-822-5121 ext. 403

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Museum Hosts Christmas in the Village

From sleigh rides with big beautiful black horses to Santa to Christmas carols being sung from every corner of the Museum, Christmas in the Village is THE Christmas place to go for your family Christmas event. Friday, December 8 from 4:00 – 8:00 p.m. and Saturday, December 9 from 2:00 – 6:00 p.m. Pioneer Village Museum at 1866 13 ½ - 14th Ave., Cameron will host Christmas in the Village.

Gate entrance is free. As you enter the Museum grounds, you will have the opportunity to purchase tickets for various activities such as a sleigh ride, decorating Christmas cookies, or making a Christmas craft. Santa and Mrs. Santa will greet the children as they enter the grounds and hand out goody bags. Children can write letters to Santa at the Museum Post Office and Santa's elves will be working hard to get these letters to Santa. When the children include their addresses, they will receive letters back from Santa.

For your Christmas shopping the Museum Gift Shoppe will be open, and 29 tables of crafts and baked goods from local venders will be for sale at the Christmas Market. The blacksmith will be demonstrating and making items for sale.

Come hungry as there will be food at the Pioneer Grill in the Cultural Arts building, the Tavern, and the outdoor kitchen. You can even roast your own hot dog over an outdoor fire. Chili, hot chocolate and cider, coffee, sloppy joes, brats, and popcorn will be among the items for sale.

Ebenezer Church at the Museum will have music programs during all hours of both days of the event. Carolers from various local Church groups will be found singing as they stroll the grounds. Storytelling in the Children's Cabin will entertain the little ones.

Northwoods Notebook: A new director for the community choir *by Larry Werner*

Another Christmas season is upon us, and that means another concert by the Cumberland Community Choir. At 2 p.m. and again at 4 p.m. on Dec. 10, about 60 of our friends and neighbors will be performing the 56th annual Community Choir Christmas Concert.

It'll be at the new St. Anthony the Abbot Catholic Church building.

Something else new this year is the director of the mixed choir, after John Westin retired from that position, having directed the concert for 24 years. The new person up front is a relative newcomer to the area, a music educator who retired five years ago from a town in Minnesota called Grand Meadow that is half the size of Cumberland, a singer and pianist who lives with her husband on a lake near Frederic.

Lori Petzel said she applied for the position that was occupied by Westin for as long as most choir members can remember. Before he directed the mixed chorus, Westin directed the men's chorus and sang in the choir. There were big shoes to fill.

Petzel was chosen by the board of ETC, which presents the annual event each year, rotating it among local churches.

"I threw my name in the hat," she said over coffee last week. "At the time, I didn't think I would get it. It kind of boiled down to different people saying no. I said yes. I love to teach. I think it's going pretty well."

Unlike her predecessor, who grew up in Cumberland, the new director grew up in Minnesota. But she, like Westin, grew up with music. She always loved to sing as a child, took music lessons, and returned to her hometown after going to college in St. Paul, where she met her husband.

Back in Grand Meadow, she taught in the elementary school, directed the church choir, and raised three children with husband, Curt, who is from a farm near St. Croix Falls. The Petzels had a cabin on Ward Lake between Luck and Frederic. When they retired in 2018, they bought a large house next door, and she got involved with music in Cumberland.

You might have seen her in the group Rise Up at First Lutheran Church. She has worked as a substitute teacher at Cumberland Elementary and is currently a long-term sub at the middle school in Rice Lake, where she directs the middle-school choir.

She has been a member of the community choir since moving to the area, and now she gets to direct it. The men's chorus is directed by Jeremy Westin, John's son, and Beth McClain leads the women's chorus. Laura Lindquist and Summer Fountaine play piano.

When the men and women come together as the mixed chorus, Lori Petzel takes over. She has been directing rehearsals since early October.

"I love to see the music come together," Petzel said. "I love to teach and I'm not afraid to lead. Each week it gets better and better and better."

Anything new this year?

She is trying to convince a flute player to accompany one of the solos, and the audience will be invited to join in on a few Christmas favorites.

"There are a couple songs that just send shivers down my spine," she said, including one by her predecessor, who is no longer directing, but will be singing, including with his group Higher Vision.

"John Westin is doing a solo as the last song," she said. "It starts with a solo and it finishes so powerful. Music moves me."

It may move you, as well, on Dec. 10, at St. Anthony. Free-will donations, which go for music scholarships, will be collected at this new venue, with a new director named Petzel.

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



Lori Petzel is the new director of the Cumberland Community Choir mixed chorus, succeeding John Westin, who retired from that position after 24 years. The 56th annual Community Choir Christmas Concert will be held on December 10, at St. Anthony the Abbot Catholic Church, with performances at 2 pm and 4 pm.



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Out My Window

by Paul Bucher, Editor

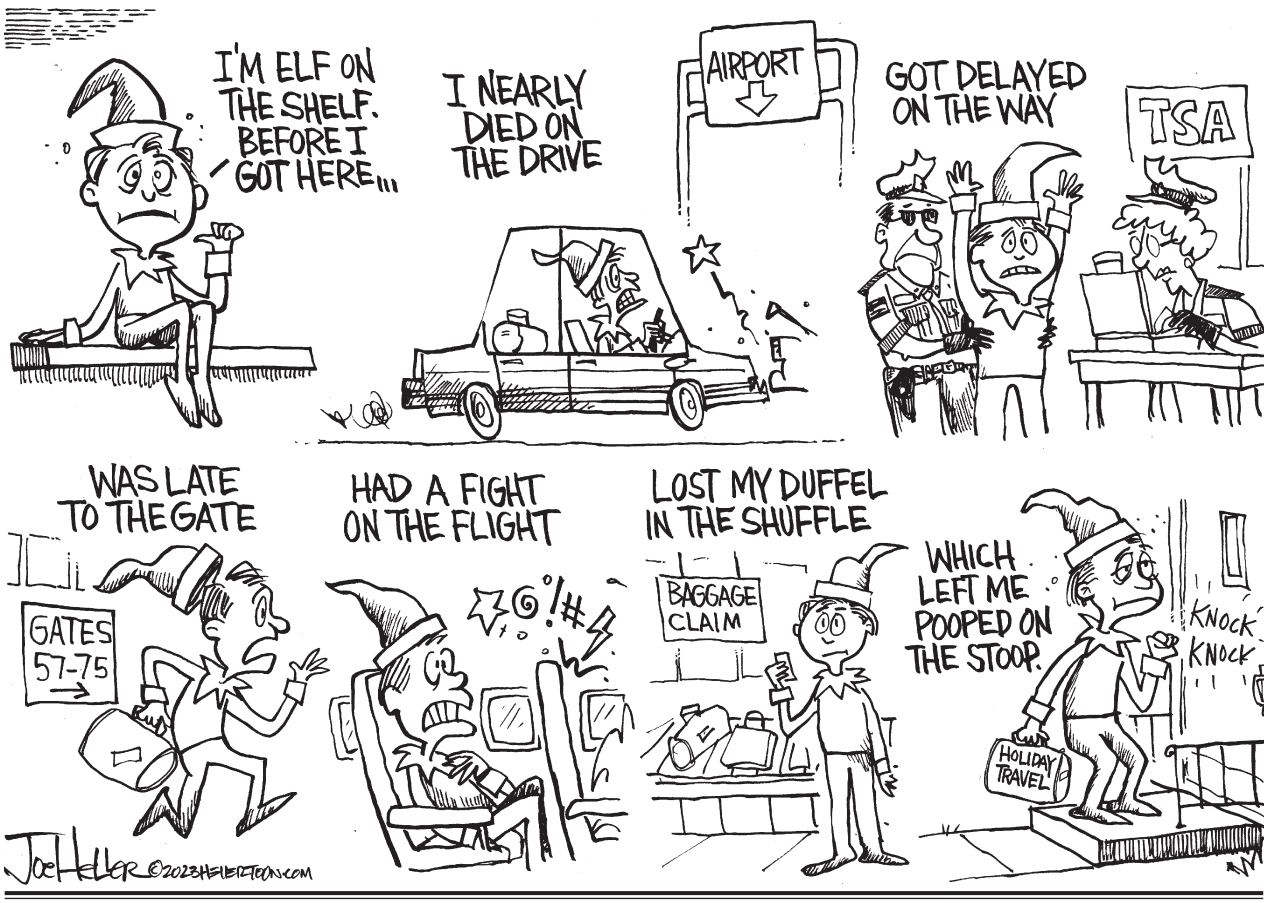
Well I hope everyone had a chance to get together with family for Thanksgiving. With our son Isaac having to go to his girlfriend's parents for dinner, we had a big breakfast Thursday morning. I love breakfast and it is my favorite meal of the day. The only downer is that we had no leftovers to munch on. It's hard to beat leftover turkey and gravy. Especially because Thanksgiving falls during deer season when a quick hot meal hits the spot. Speaking of deer season, I hope everyone enjoyed this year's hunt.

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There are a couple of fun events taking place this weekend. Augustana Lutheran Church is hosting the annual Cookie Walk from 8:30 am to 11:30 am on Saturday. There will be tons of delicious food. Pick up your Christmas cookies and all sorts of other delicious goodies. At noon on Saturday, the Cumberland Chamber of Commerce is again sponsoring the Movie with Santa held at the Isle Theater. Plan to bring the kids to see Elemental and enjoy some free popcorn. Also it is a great opportunity to get a photo with Santa! On Sunday the 3rd, the Corner Bar is hosting a fundraiser for Sean Schullo who lost his home to a fire. The benefit runs from 11 am to 7 pm. There will be a free will donation spaghetti feed. Carry out's will be available for $10. There will also be a meat raffle and silent auction. Make plans to attend and help Sean and his daughter out.

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Well after a little snowfall on Sunday, and a chilly Monday, it looks like it's going to be pretty mild for a stretch again. I'll take it. The only downfall is it's a slow start to winter activities. Speaking of winter activities, there is some ice forming on bays and small lakes. I like to ice fish as much as anyone but please use some caution when venturing out. I kid you not, I saw two people ice skating on Saturday afternoon on a pond just down the road from our house. I couldn't believe it. No way there was more than two inches of ice. I know in my "old age" I will give the ice an extra day or two before I head out. Have a great week everyone!





Inside Wisconsin

by Tom Still

"Expert on AI jitters: Calm down, learn to use it, keep people at its center"

MADISON, Wis. – The world of artificial intelligence seems to involve more drama today than a daytime soap opera. The unexpected ouster of OpenAI executive Sam Altman by the company's board of directors – followed by Altman's equally surprising return – is one such example. Global worries about autonomous drones being able to carry out military strikes absent a final human order, which is technically already possible, is another.

Enter the steadying voice of Charles Isbell Jr., a nationally recognized expert in computing and AI who started work this summer at the UW-Madison as its latest provost.

If the UW-Madison was a private company, the role of provost might best be described as "Chief Academic Officer." It is historically the No. 2 position on campus behind the chancellor. Isbell is settling into that role across UW-Madison's many colleges and schools, but he also brings a wealth of experience in what is one of the defining technological moments in a generation.

The former dean of computing at the Georgia Institute of Technology in Atlanta, Isbell is also a prominent figure in the Association for the Advancement of Artificial Intelligence, the Association for Computing Machinery and the American Academy of Arts and Sciences. He met Nov. 21 with a tech-savvy luncheon crowd in Madison to talk about computing, computing education and the intersection with social sciences, but the discussion quickly turned to the pros and possible cons of AI.

In essence, Isbell said, AI has been a concept in computing since the 1940s and it is now a powerful tool that is with us to stay. It's how people use the tool that matters.

"If you ask the question about how AI is going to shape the future and whether it's going to put us into some kind of doomsday spiral, what you're really asking is whether computers will do that," Isbell said. "The answer is sure: They could. They are wonderful tools, like fire. You wouldn't worry about fire. It's necessary. It keeps us warm through long winter nights. But it can also burn you. Computers are like that. What computers let you do is whatever you were going to do anyway, just a whole lot faster and with a whole lot more efficiency."

Artificial intelligence is possible today because it's "married with data, which we didn't have 50 or 60 years ago and scalable computing, which we didn't have access to 50 or 60 years ago," he continued. "Once you have the data and the computing and the people together, you can do amazing things."

It's the "people" part that has some observers worried, simply because not everyone sets out to do good in the world. Isbell said he believes a system of checks and balances is evolving. In fact, he outlined some principles more than five years ago in testimony to the House of Representatives Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

Isbell advocated then for more "transparency" in the development of AI, which includes being able to inspect algorithms and create "long-lived" systems – not just single-use systems that are "transactional" and capable of being used for unintended purposes when released "into the wild."

So, who should be thinking about using AI in their everyday work or lives? Just about everyone, Isbell told the Tech Council Innovation Network luncheon.

"It's like asking the question, 'Maybe computers can help me? 'Maybe I should be thinking about networking and data?' Of course, you should be," he said. "The people who are going to be in trouble are (those who) don't think carefully about who their audiences and who their customers are and bring them into the design process."

Artificial intelligence is changing industries ranging from medicine to manufacturing, and from financial services to logistics. As those business sectors across Wisconsin adapt, it's good to know Isbell comes with the background to help point the university's many programs in a direction that will help.

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

LETTERS Editor

Armstrong Responds to Evers Veto

To the Editor:

The Legislature recently passed Special Session Senate Bill 1, historic workforce legislation that cuts taxes for Wisconsin's middle class, expands the child-care tax credit, streamlines the occupational licensure system, and makes important reforms to unemployment insurance (UI). However, Gov. Tony Ever has now vetoed that proposal.

State Rep. Dave Armstrong (R-Rice Lake) had the following response to the Governor's action:

I am very disappointed to learn of Governor Evers' veto of the $2 billion middle-class tax cut passed by the Legislature. This reinforces the fact that the Governor is fully committed to and revels in the chance to spend other people's money. This further shows the difference between the two parties. Republicans believe you are, in fact, the best qualified to spend your money, while the Democrats believe they know better than you.

Anyone who has been to the grocery store feels the impact of Bidenomics, but Governors Evers has once again shown he has drunk that Kool-Aid and wants more of your money to spend recklessly.

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A Look Back

10 Years Ago
December 4, 2013

Longtime Cumberland Baseball Coach Mark Fuller has been named the State of Wisconsin's 2013 Baseball "Man of the Year", announced by the Wisconsin Baseball Coaches Association last week. The award honors an individual that has made significant contributions to the sport of baseball in the state.

The Cumberland Fire Department was called to a house fire on Wednesday, November 27, at 4:38 pm in Polk County. Upon arrival at 5:03 pm, firefighters found the home of Oliver Chartraw heavily engulfed in flames. The fire was declared under control at 5:45 pm. Upon investigation, the fire was found to have started in the area of the exhaust vent for a pellet burning stove. No one was injured during the fire.

20 Years Ago
December 3, 2003

Hunters had increased success in our four county area as the totals were up over 2002. In Barron County, in 2001, hunters registered 5,634 deer. Last year, in 2002, hunters registered 5,406 deer. This year the overall total is 6,515. Hunters tagged 2925 bucks and 3580 anterless deer.

30 Years Ago
December 1, 1993

Cumberland High School was one of 72 schools from across the state that qualified for regional competition in Academic Decathlon. Participating on the Cumberland team were Sarrah Timm, Alia Ricci, Justin Forrester, Allison Held, Sarah Begnaud, Dani Nugent, Bob Stumpf, Jason Schiebel and Brian Strasser. Cumberland scored 12,800 points.

40 Years Ago
November, 30 1983

Cumberland Chamber of Commerce members are ready for Friday's opening of Snowflake Days, their annual Christmas promotion. Store hours are expanded for some area businesses, the Chamber will give away four $20 gift certificates, with the drawing to be held on December 27. There will also be a window display contest and the winning store will receive dinner for two and a movie for two.

Even though it is still officially autumn, the winter of 1983-84 got off to a good start. There were four major snow storms, plenty of wind and cold weather and one new weather record established. A total of 22 1/2 inches was recorded at the Cumberland Municipal Utility and this smashed the old record of 14 inches set in 1957.

50 Years Ago
November 29, 1973

The new Johnson Apothecary and Boutique is now open at its location near the Cumberland Medical Center and Cumberland Memorial Hospital. The Boutique will feature cards, Christmas decorations and gifts.

The Christmas lighting contest sponsored annually by the Cumberland chamber of Commerce and the Cumberland Kiwanis will not be held this year. The decision to discontinue the contest this year was made because of the energy crisis and in line with President Nixon's request to restrict Christmas lighting.

60 Years Ago
November 29, 1963

Cumberland citizens, like those all over the world, found it hard to believe as radio and TV programs were interrupted about 12:45 pm, Friday, November 22, with the news flash that President Kennedy had been struck down by an assassin's bullet as he rode in a motorcade in Dallas, TX.

80 Years Ago
December 2, 1943

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Talbot, have received word that their son. Pfc. John Talbot, has begun training as aerial gunner at the Harlingen, Texas aerial gunner school. He also passed the high altitude flying test in a chamber when atmospheric conditions duplicated that of 38,000 feet elevation.

90 Years Ago
November 30, 1933

A fire of unknown origin destroyed the residence of the old Axel Nystrom farm on Thursday evening. No one was injured during the fire.





WINTERY WEATHER

Date	Hi	Lo	Pre.	Snow
11/21	41	32	Tr.	Tr.
11/22	38	22	-	-
11/23	38	21	-	Tr.
11/24	26	16	-	-
11/25	25	10	-	-
11/26	27	20	.03	.05
11/27	27	10	.01	.02

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

Court News

Barron County Circuit Court

Traffic Court

Felix J. Cardona, 54, Cumberland, operating without a valid license, $516.00. Misty L. Denunzio, 43, Eau Claire, operating while revoked, $516.00. Robert H. Baumbach, 39, Rice Lake, vehicle passenger failure to wear a seat belt, $10.00. Kenneth S. Benson, 45, no address, operating while suspended, $200.50. Clyde Cardoso, 63, Bruce, operating a motor vehicle without insurance, $200.50. Tyler S. Chappelear, 18, Cushing, failure to wear a seat belt, $10.00. Jessica M. Condon, 26, Rice Lake, failure to wear a seat belt, $10.00. Hassan A. Dabar, 27, Barron, failure to wear a seat belt, $10.00. Harley D. Goetsch, 27, Barron, failure to wear a seat belt, $10.00 and operating a motor vehicle without insurance, $200.50. Gregory A. Hartung, 46, Rice Lake, OWI, $1,024.50. Cody W. Jacobs, 30, Cameron, failure to wear a seat belt, $10.00. Stacy L. Knapmiller, 36, Rice Lake, failure to wear a seat belt, $10.00 and operating a motor vehicle without insurance, $200.50. Lukas W. Knudson, 42, Bloomer, operating a motor vehicle without proof of insurance, $10.00. Cheyanne M. Lindemans, 25, Rice Lake, operating a motor vehicle without insurance, $200.50. Federico E. Maldonao-Tepole, 35, Barron, OWI, $1,150.50. Monica M. Martinson, 39, Webster, operating a motor vehicle without insurance, $200.50. James S. Mccabe, 81, Sarona, fail/yield right/way from stop sign, $175.30. Christopher P. Melton, 20, Spooner, operate with restricted controlled substance, $735.00. David E. Miller, 21, Barron, failure to wear a seat belt, $10.00. Michael Z. Miller, 27, Barron, non-registration of vehicle, $175.30 and operating a motor vehicle without proof of insurance, $10.00. Lucas L. Paulson, 36, Almena, OWI, $1,087.50. Addison C. Reed, 19, Boyd, speeding, $250.90. Dylan J. Ronchi, 20, South Range, operating a motor vehicle without proof of insurance, $10.00. Zachary D. Rzeszutek, 33, Chicago, IL., speedometer violations, $175.30. Gary D. Schroeder, 18, Rice Lake, operating a motor vehicle without proof of insurance, $10.00. Darrel H. Sistad, 18, Barron, OWI, $1,087.50. Brian A. Starks, 52, failure to wear a seat belt, $10.00. Mary A. Swanson, 64, Turtle Lake, failure to wear a seat belt, $10.00. Eric J. Thompson, 27, Rice Lake, operating while suspended, $200.50, operating a motor vehicle without proof of insurance, $10.00, and failure to wear a seat belt, $10.00.

Complaints

Timothy C. Fleming, JR., 30, of New Richmond, has been charged with possession of marijuana. His court date is scheduled for January 24, 2024.

Savannah J. Sande, 28, of Balsam Lake, has been charged with possession of drug paraphernalia. Her court date is scheduled for January 24, 2024.

Louanne M. L'Heureux, 46, of Barron, has been charged with disorderly conduct and domestic abuse. Her court date was scheduled for November 20, 2023.

Ryan J. Klobertanz, 17, of Chetek, has been charged with disorderly conduct. His court appearance was scheduled for November 21, 2023.

Jesse L. Odash, 44, of Barron, has been charged with possession of drug paraphernalia and possession of marijuana. His court date is scheduled for December 27, 2023.

Daniel R. Watts, 33, of Cumberland, has been charged with disorderly conduct and domestic abuse. His court date was scheduled for November 22, 2023.

Criminal Complaints

Chad M. Schullo, 39, of Cumberland, has been charged with disorderly conduct, possession of methamphetamine and domestic abuse. His adjourned initial appearance is scheduled for December 27, 2023.

Dustin J. Ahlers, 45, of Chetek, has been charged with disorderly conduct, domestic abuse and resisting or obstructing an officer. His adjourned initial appearance is scheduled for November 29, 2023.

Michele L. Miller, 40, of Turtle Lake, has been charged with disorderly conduct, domestic abuse, criminal damage to property and resisting or obstructing an officer. Her adjourned initial appearance is scheduled for December 27, 2023.

Aaron J. Siebert, 43, of Prairie Farm, has been charged with disorderly conduct, domestic abuse and attempt battery. His adjourned initial appearance is scheduled for December 27, 2023.

Jason D. Heitman, 47, of St. Paul, MN., has been charged with possession of methamphetamine and possession of drug paraphernalia. His adjourned initial appearance was scheduled for November 22, 2023.

Misti J. Homme, 47, of Winter, has been charged with operating while revoked. Her arraignment is scheduled for January 5, 2024.

Amanda M. Eyman, 37, of Cameron, has been charged with possession of methamphetamine. Her adjourned initial appearance is scheduled for December 27, 2023.

Alexander L. Griffin, 48, of Barron, has been charged with possession of methamphetamine. His adjourned initial appearance is scheduled for December 27, 2023.

Jordan M. Rarick, 23, of Barron, has been charged with battery or threat to judge, prosecutor or law enforcement officer. His adjourned initial appearance is scheduled for November 29, 2023.

Stephanie D. Wyatt, 37, of Rice Lake, has been charged with possession of methamphetamine and OWI. Her preliminary hearing is scheduled for December 29, 2023.

Jordan M. Rarick, 23, of Barron, has been charged with threat to a law enforcement officer, violating the bond condition to not use alcohol in Barron County, and violating the bond condition to not commit a new crime in Barron County.

An officer with the Barron Police Department, reports on November 19, 2023, at approximately 1:07 am, he was on duty and conducted a traffic stop on a vehicle with a loud exhaust. The officer stopped the vehicle on South 2nd Street, near LaSalle Avenue in Barron.

The officer reports he made contact with the driver, who he identified as the defendant, Rarick. The officer reports that Rarick had glossy eyes and slurred speech.

The officer reports he administered standardized field sobriety tests to Rarick. On the two field tests Rarick performed, which were the HGN and one-leg stand tests, the officer observed clues that Rarick was intoxicated. The officer reports that, during the instructions for the HGN, he smelled the odor of intoxicants coming from Rarick. Rarick refused to submit to a preliminary breath test.

At a hospital where the officer transported Rarick for a blood draw, Rarick stated he was drunk. Rarick's blood sample has been sent to the Wisconsin State Lab of Hygiene for analysis.

Rarick was booked into the Barron County Jail. At the jail, a Correctional Officer, with the Barron County Sheriff's Department, reports Rarick asked to make a phone call. Rarick was allowed to do so.

The Correctional Officer reports on November 19, 2023, at approximately 6:45 pm, he let Rarick out of his cell to make a phone call. The Correctional Officer reports the phone call started out as a normal phone call with Rarick talking to the subject on the phone. However, Rarick began to make comments that prompted two Correctional Officers to begin recording on their body cameras what Rarick was saying during the phone call.

Rarick made several remarks about police officers being shot in Barron County.

Rarick then directed a threat at a specific oficer, with the Barron Police Department, who was present at the scene of the traffic stop. Rarick told the subject he was speaking with on the phone that, "the officer is a punk that I busted his face. I'm about to bust it again if I ever see him."

If convicted for threat to a law enforcement officer, Rarick may be fined not more than $10,000 or imprisoned not more than six years or both. For violating the bond condition to not use alcohol in Barron County, he may be fined not more than $10,000 or imprisoned not more than six years or both. For violating the bond condition to not commit a new crime in Barron County, he may be fined not more than $10,000 or imprisoned not more than six years or both. His adjourned initial appearance is scheduled for November 29, 2023.

Couple Who Had Drug House in Barron Found Guilty

In December 2022, law enforcement received information stating that Chase McCarty, 28, and Hannah Rhodes, 26, were residing in Barron with a young child (age 6) and that the child was endangered due to drug an alcohol use in the home.

Law enforcement got additional information that indicated McCarty and Rhodes had provided drugs and alcohol to several individuals under the age of 18 on multiple occasions over a six month period. This information was corroborated when investigating officers conducted interviews with numerous underage individuals identified during the investigation. Some of the individuals were as young as 14.

Officers were told that McCarty would pressure the juveniles to consume marijuana, calling names if they did not. McCarty also allegedly sold marijuana to juveniles, purchased alcohol for them and also tattooed multiple individuals under the age of 18 with a tattoo gun.

According to the criminal complaint filed, when McCarty was interviewed regarding the allegations against him, he admitted tattooing at least one minor person and that both McCarty and Rhodes admitted to allowing minors to consume alcohol and marijuana while at their house.

Rhodes stated that she felt their house was a "safe spot for kids to hang out and smoke marijuana." McCarty also stated that the six year old child had taken a "puff of a cart," and when he went to school he talked about it.

McCarty was charged with two counts of Class I Felony Deliver THC, Class I Felony Maintain Drug Trafficking Place, Misdemeanor Neglecting a Child, seven counts of misdemeanor Intentionally Contribute to the Delinquency of a Child, and two Forfeiture charges of tattooing children. The penalty enhancer for being a party to a crime is attached to several of his charges.

In September 2023, McCarty appeared for a plea hearing in Barron County Circuit Court. The Honorable Judge Maureen Boyle accepted McCarty's plea of Guilty to one count of Class I felony Deliver THC, Class I Felony Maintain a Drug Trafficking Place, and Misdemeanor Disorderly Conduct. He is scheduled to appear again in December.

Rhodes was charged with Class I Felony Maintain a Drug Trafficking Place, Misdemeanor Neglecting a Child, and seven counts of Misdemeanor Intentionally Contributing to the Delinquency of a Child. The penalty enhancer for being a party to a crime is also attached to several other charges.

On November 17, 2023, Rhodes appeared in Barron County Circuit Court regarding her charges. The Honorable Maureen Boyle accepted Rhodes' plea of Guilty to her charges of Class I Felony Maintain a Drug Trafficking Place, and Party to a Crime.

WisDOT, WCHA recognize Snowplow Driver Appreciation Day in Wisconsin; *Slow down and give space to snowplow drivers*

Governor Tony Evers has proclaimed Monday, November 27 as Snowplow Driver Appreciation Day in Wisconsin to remind motorists to give snowplow drivers plenty of space to complete their jobs safely. In partnership with the Wisconsin County Highway Association (WCHA), the Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WisDOT) urges drivers to slow down and be alert on Wisconsin roads this winter.

"Wisconsin's snowplow drivers work long hours in tough conditions to keep roads clear and safe every winter season," WisDOT Secretary Craig Thompson said. "We applaud them for their dedication to safety and service, and also ask that drivers do their part to keep our roadways safe. Eliminate distractions when driving, always give snowplows room to work and, when possible, avoid travel during major storms."

For more than 100 years, Wisconsin has maintained a unique partnership with the state's 72 county highway departments. During the winter, county highway workers help keep interstate, U.S. and state highways safe by providing snow plowing, salting and liquid brine applications. WisDOT works with Wisconsin counties year-round to establish best practices and test new tools for safety and efficiency.

"Wisconsin winter weather can wreak havoc on travel plans," WCHA Executive Director Patrick Vander Sanden said. "Snowplow drivers take their work very seriously including overnight, weekends and holidays so that we can all continue to get to work, school and all the places we need to be. Please be attentive and patient whenever driving in the winter and give plows room to work – it's the best way to say thank you."

Wisconsin allows flashing green warning lights on county or municipal maintenance vehicles – in addition to red or amber lights. The green warning lights are meant to increase safety, enhance driver awareness and improve visibility of maintenance vehicles.

Motorists can thank Wisconsin snowplow drivers by staying safe on the road this winter.

Before traveling, visit 511wi.gov to check road conditions, live video from traffic cameras and possible incidents. Download the 511 Wisconsin mobile app to "know before you go."

Buckle up, phone down. Every trip, every time.

Watch the road ahead and allow plenty of following distance.

Most traffic crashes in winter are caused by drivers going too fast for conditions. Posted speed limits apply when travel conditions are ideal. Drivers are advised to slow down when roads are slick or visibility is reduced.

Stay at least 200 feet behind a working snowplow. Make sure that you can see the plow's mirrors to ensure the driver can see you.

If you must pass, be careful. Snowplows often create a cloud of snow that can obscure vision. Remember that road conditions in front of the plow will likely be worse.

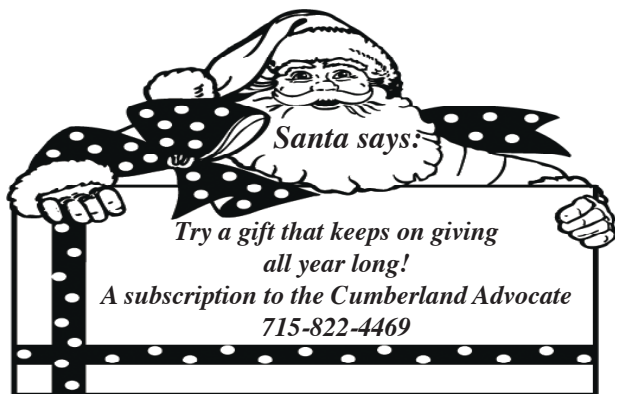
Don't be over-confident if you operate a four-wheel or all-wheel-drive vehicle. They still require a considerable distance to stop on slick roadways.

During major winter storms, postpone or cancel your trip. Stranded motorists and vehicles become hazards that interfere with snow removal efforts.

WisDOT recently produced two radio Public Service Announcements to emphasize safe driving around snowplows. The 15-second and 30-second spots will be shared on radio stations across the state.

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.



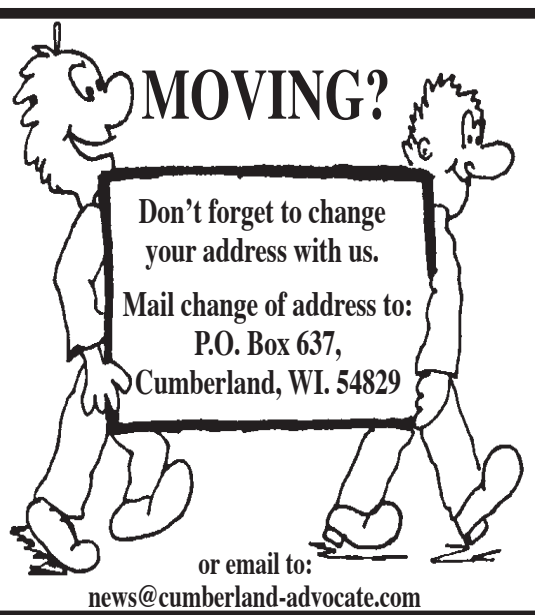
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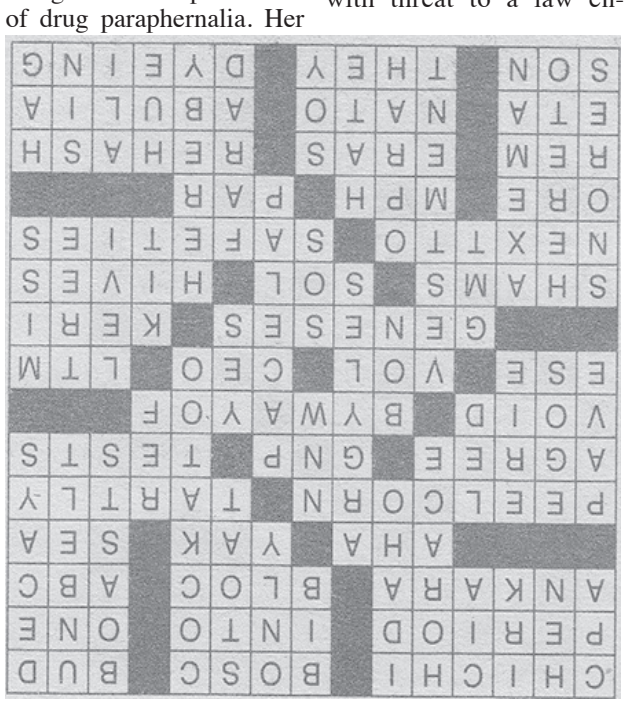
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Sudoku Solution #4153-M

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1	5	7	2	4	8	6	3	9
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3	6	8	4	1	9	2	7	5
2	7	5	8	3	6	9	1	4
6	8	3	9	2	4	7	5	1
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Sports

The Sport of Basketball Runs Deep in the City of Cumberland

by Mark Fuller

Although boys and girls certainly shot at baskets before it was a school sponsored sport, one can first find mention of basketballs involvement in our schools in 1904, with the completion of a new school on Second Avenue.

With elementary through high school attendance reaching 531, a new four-story building was erected complete with a gymnasium/auditorium. Basketball teams were immediately organized with two games scheduled against Hayward for both the boys and girls that winter. Bert Hines, Delmar Ostrum, and Ralph Hopkins were among the boy players who helped lead Cumberland to a pair of victories.

Local residents would be able to walk to those games on the cities first block cement sidewalks built that September. The Article in the Advocate said they were made of the "best grade cement."

Earlier that year, Mayor Waterman had hoped to clean things up in town by issuing a sweeping order instructing all Saloons in the city to "stop card playing, dice shaking, and gambling of any form." He said if caught, one would need to appear before the City Council, to argue "why their license should not be immediately suspended." One wonders how that turned out?

By 1914, Cumberland's High School Team had developed to the point, that it would qualify for what was then the State Tournament in Appleton. Although not recognized by today's WIAA, it was big for the city and the sport. The team traveled to road games at times by train or others by bobsled. They would head to Appleton complete with new team sweaters, purchased from a collection of money donated by the people of the community.

Besides the flexibility needed for travel, other adjustments were sometimes needed to play the game in those early years. In 1921, the Beavers played in Spooner, where the game was played on nine-foot baskets. The paper described Spooner as, "Having a large floor, but low ceilings." The paper also added that, "The team was entertained at Principal Fred Moser's home after the game, where they had a delightful dinner."

A second game against Spooner the winter of 1921 was postponed, because both teams had "Touches of the epidemic." Another contest had a public exhibition before the Boys Varsity

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DEER...

The DNR's Wisconsin Deer Harvest Summary webpage has more information regarding preliminary harvest registration totals, including county-level numbers. Harvest totals on page 7.

The regular gun deer season ran from Nov. 18 through Nov. 26 and is followed by the statewide muzzleloader season (Nov. 27-Dec. 6), the statewide antlerless-only four-day hunt (Dec. 7-Dec. 10) and the antlerless-only holiday hunt in select farmland zone counties (Dec. 24-Jan. 1, 2024).

First Harvest Certificates Available

Hunters of all ages who harvested their first deer are encouraged to highlight this significant occasion with a first harvest certificate.

2023 Gun Deer Season Hunting Incidents

At the publication time of this news release, the DNR reports three firearm-involved hunting incidents during the 2023 gun deer season.

Forest County, Argonne Township: On Nov. 18, 2023, in the morning hours, a 53-year-old male suffered a self-inflicted gunshot to the foot. The victim was walking to his tree stand on public property and adjusted his rifle sling when he accidentally pulled the trigger. The victim was transported to the hospital for non-life-threatening injuries.

Adams County, Big Flatts Township: On Nov. 19, 2023, in the morning hours, a 62-year-old male shot once at a dog, which he believed was an antlerless deer, on private property. A 47-year-old female victim was walking that dog and was shot in her thigh. The victim was taken to the hospital via MedFlight for her injuries.

Taylor County, Rib Lake Township: On Nov. 24, 2023, near midday, a 30-year-old male was the victim of a gunshot to his upper thigh. During the end of a deer drive, a 35-year-old male shooter shot at a deer, striking the victim. The victim received medical treatment at a hospital.

Comparatively, during the 2022 gun deer season, the DNR reported eight firearm-involved hunting incidents. Of those incidents, four were self-inflicted gunshots.

The average hunting incidents per year for the last 10 gun deer seasons (2014-2023) is 5.9. In addition, there were no fatalities in 6 of those 10 years.

With various hunting seasons continuing through December, the DNR reminds hunters to always follow and practice the four primary rules of firearm safety, otherwise known as TAB-K:

T - Treat every firearm as if it is loaded.

A - Always point the muzzle in a safe direction.

B - Be certain of your target, what's before it and what's beyond it.

K - Keep your finger outside your trigger guard until you are safe to shoot.

Sports Look Back, November 30, 1983

The Island City Girls opened the 1983-84 season by traveling to St. Croix Falls on an icy highway November 22. The opener proved to be highly successful for the local five, which crushed St. Croix 60-20.

The Island City Girls showed poise, maturity and confidence in their easy opening season victory. The attack was led by Shannon Lowe with 14 points and Kay Anderson with 13. Anderson led the team in rebounding, followed by Barb Behling and Tina Lepak. Colleen Heffernan and Kim Eckert led the team in assists.

Cumberland opened the game with a full court press. The press forced St. Croix to numerous turnovers. Before the first quarter was over, the Island City Girls had built a 17-12 lead and Coach Bruce Gonzales had emptied the bench.

The Island City Girls continued to build their lead throughout the second quarter and second half. Both coaches went to their benches early in the second half and, as a result, all players saw considerable action. Ten of the 12 Cumberland varsity players scored in the game, hitting 48 percent for a new school record in scoring percentage.

Gonzales said he was very pleased with the victory. He also said that this team is by far further ahead than any team he has ever coached so far.

Sports Calendar

Thursday, November 30

Hockey @ Chequamegon 6:00

Boys Basketball home vs Spooner 7:00

Friday, December 1

Girls Basketball home vs Ashland 6:00

Saturday, December 2

Wrestling @ Coon Rapids MN 6:15 AM

Monday, December 4

Hockey vs Tomahawk @ Barron 7:00

Tuesday, December 5

Girls Basketball home vs Webster 6:00

Boys Basketball @ Ashland 7:00

Hockey vs Luck/Frederic @ Siren 7:00

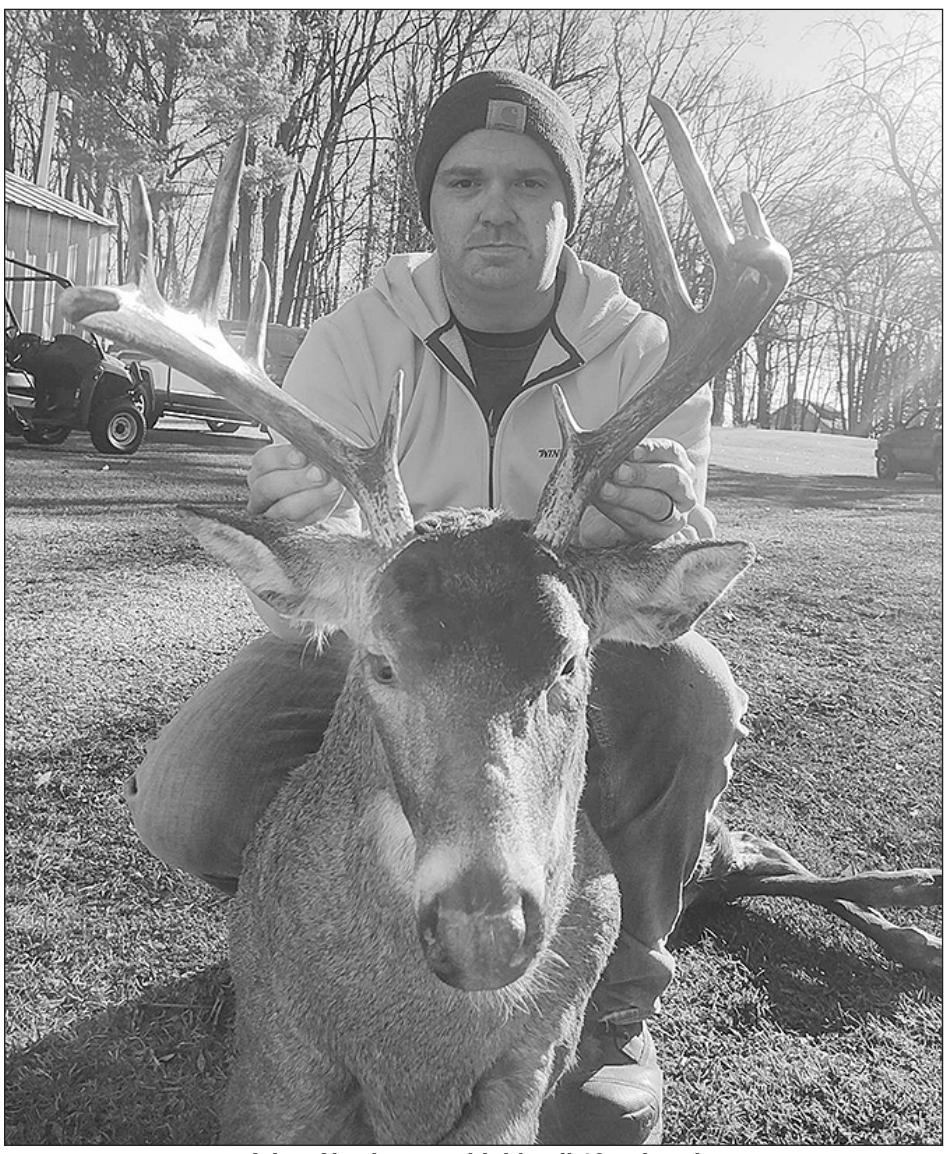
Nice Bucks!



13 year old Jack Manor with a beautiful 10 point buck!



14 year old Jared Willcox with a dandy 11 point buck!



Adam Newhouse with big ol' 10 pointer!



An Outdoorsman's Journal

by Mark Walters

The Red Brush Gang/Deer Camp!

Hello friends,

It is Thanksgiving, and I am home from deer camp until tomorrow. This past Saturday was the 52nd year in a row that I have hunted deer with a rifle in the Necedah National Wildlife and or the adjoining Meadow Valley Wildlife Area, which if you look on a map is part of Wisconsin's Central Forest. Our deer camp is called The Red Brush Gang, and my father, the late Robert Walters started it back in 1955 when he was attending UW Madison. To me deer camp is probably the funnest place on earth and by the end of the 9-day gun season about 25 people will have stayed there.

When I first started hunting here, there were no bear, fisher, turkey or wolf in the area. Whitetail deer populations were literally exploding, and it was a given that you would see 25 to 45 deer on opening weekend. The size of the racks were very small and our average camp contest winner was a fork horn, but it was a lot of fun to see so many deer and so much sign while in the forests and marshes of this beautiful part of the world.

Saturday, November 18th
High 46, low 34

Seventeen of us slept at camp last night and as you can imagine there are a lot of individual stories. My main story and it was a stresser, is that the afternoon before both my daughter Selina and I became ill. Selina vomited at least 40 times, I felt disoriented and extremely tired. At 4:00 this morning Selina told me she was good enough to hunt, which in her case includes a walk that is just over 2 miles, and we hunt from dark to dark. Selina's brother Joey Dushek would also be in our neck of the woods. We were in the part of the refuge that has thousands of sandhill cranes, geese, swans, and ducks. If you ever wanted to see an example of a refuge that is dedicated to waterfowl that really works, come here in the fall or spring. Long story short, the first 2 days our background music and view were of the above birds.

Concern came into my world when 2 hours after daylight I had not hardly heard a shot, seen a hunter or a deer. About 10:00 I started getting texts from Red Brush Hunters and many local friends, all with the same theme. None the less, beautiful weather conditions and the view are what I thrive on. I was watching a marsh with a 500-yard view, and well aware of how cool it is to be immersed 2 miles from my truck with 2 kids that are a huge part of my life was all I needed.

My buddy Jeff Moll who has never missed a deer camp in his 49 years had the real theme when about 2:00 pm he sent a text that he just saw a huge doe, his first deer of the day and right behind it was a wolf. Text after text was wolf stories and very few deer being spotted.

I mean the following, the attitude in our camp is excellent and no matter what the health issue, every one of us gives our hunt 100-percent. Tonight, at camp, not one of us out of 17 had a deer on the pole.

Sunday, November 19th
High 51, low 28

I have been running hard for 8 months and this morning I arrived at my stand 35 minutes before first light, I laid on the ground and took a beautiful nap, my daughter is kind of getting her health back and tonight is what the camp calls "The Sunday Night Party." The Sunday night party had good energy because today Tim Rittmeyer who is one of the kids in this gang "about 35" had harvested a buck. It was a fork horn, but we had a deer on the pole. Our deer camp buck contest ends on Monday night even though everyone is at camp the following weekend. Tim's fork horn would be the only buck harvested and the smallest contest winner in 30-years.

I respect the wolf; I also respect common sense management of all forms of wildlife!

Sunset



A beautiful sunrise in the Necedah National Wildlife Refuge.



Tim Rittmeyer with a buck that he harvested in the Necedah National Wildlife Refuge.

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Preliminary 9-Day Comparison, 5 Year Ave & 2022 vs. 2023 BY DMZ and County

Year

Deer Management Zone	County	Ave 2018-2022 Antlered	Ave 2018-2022 Antlerless	Ave 2018-2022 Total	2022 Antlered	2022 Antlerless	2022 Total	2023 Antlered	2023 Antlerless	2023 Total	Percent Change in Harvest From 5-Year Average Antlered	Percent Change in Harvest From 5-Year Average Antlerless	Percent Change in Harvest From 5-Year Average Total	Percent Change in Harvest From 2022 Antlered	Percent Change in Harvest From 2022 Antlerless	Percent Change in Harvest From 2022 Total
DMZ																
Central Farmland	ADAMS	433	653	1,086	535	777	1,312	395	607	1,002	-8.8%	-7.1%	-7.8%	-26.2%	-21.9%	-23.6%
	BARRON	1,649	2,558	4,208	1,820	2,655	4,475	1,436	2,065	3,501	-12.9%	-19.3%	-16.8%	-21.1%	-22.2%	-21.8%
	BROWN	584	733	1,317	584	763	1,347	628	586	1,214	7.6%	-20.1%	-7.8%	7.5%	-23.2%	-9.9%
	BUFFALO	1,318	2,107	3,424	1,291	2,111	3,402	1,099	1,734	2,833	-16.6%	-17.7%	-17.3%	-14.9%	-17.9%	-16.7%
	CALUMET	309	407	716	322	373	695	374	334	708	21.2%	-17.9%	-1.1%	16.1%	-10.5%	1.9%
	CHIPPEWA	1,196	1,598	2,794	1,378	1,840	3,218	1,069	1,623	2,692	-10.6%	1.5%	-3.7%	-22.4%	-11.8%	-16.3%
	CLARK	1,903	2,953	4,857	2,282	3,669	5,951	1,746	2,927	4,673	-8.3%	-0.9%	-3.8%	-23.5%	-20.2%	-21.5%
	DOOR	1,098	1,359	2,457	1,142	1,304	2,446	1,100	1,103	2,203	0.2%	-18.8%	-10.3%	-3.7%	-15.4%	-9.9%
	DUNN	1,956	2,853	4,809	2,173	3,180	5,353	1,785	2,576	4,361	-8.8%	-9.7%	-9.3%	-17.9%	-19.0%	-18.5%
	EAU CLAIRE	760	990	1,751	847	1,054	1,901	694	876	1,570	-8.7%	-11.6%	-10.3%	-18.1%	-16.9%	-17.4%
	FOND DU LAC	1,081	1,302	2,383	1,144	1,227	2,371	1,174	1,083	2,257	8.6%	-16.8%	-5.3%	2.6%	-11.7%	-4.8%
	GREEN LAKE	997	1,479	2,476	1,007	1,473	2,480	992	1,127	2,119	-0.5%	-23.8%	-14.4%	-1.5%	-23.5%	-14.6%
	JACKSON	1,258	1,418	2,676	1,431	1,512	2,943	1,109	1,130	2,239	-11.9%	-20.3%	-16.3%	-22.5%	-25.3%	-23.9%
	JUNEAU	922	1,066	1,987	1,004	1,115	2,119	853	951	1,804	-7.5%	-10.8%	-9.2%	-15.0%	-14.7%	-14.9%
	KEWAUNEE	768	1,230	1,998	739	1,092	1,831	786	947	1,733	2.4%	-23.0%	-13.3%	6.4%	-13.3%	-5.4%
	LA CROSSE	998	1,280	2,277	1,074	1,346	2,420	1,028	1,203	2,231	3.0%	-6.0%	-2.0%	-4.3%	-10.6%	-7.8%
	MANITOWOC	1,012	1,521	2,533	1,078	1,548	2,626	1,069	1,215	2,284	5.7%	-20.1%	-9.8%	-0.8%	-21.5%	-13.0%
	MARATHON	3,203	3,794	6,997	3,604	4,067	7,671	2,884	3,157	6,041	-9.9%	-16.8%	-13.7%	-20.0%	-22.4%	-21.2%
	MARINETTE	1,837	1,871	3,708	2,158	2,054	4,212	1,909	1,435	3,344	3.9%	-23.3%	-9.8%	-11.5%	-30.1%	-20.6%
	MARQUETTE	1,618	2,340	3,958	1,667	2,602	4,269	1,496	1,906	3,402	-7.6%	-18.5%	-14.0%	-10.3%	-26.7%	-20.3%
	MONROE	2,122	2,645	4,767	2,432	3,165	5,597	1,796	2,317	4,113	-15.4%	-12.4%	-13.7%	-26.2%	-26.8%	-26.5%
	OCONTO	1,896	2,060	3,956	2,110	2,198	4,308	1,921	1,701	3,622	1.3%	-17.4%	-8.4%	-9.0%	-22.6%	-15.9%
	OUTAGAMIE	859	1,141	2,000	871	1,076	1,947	916	962	1,878	6.7%	-15.7%	-6.1%	5.2%	-10.6%	-3.5%
	PEPIN	540	853	1,393	580	841	1,421	442	717	1,159	-18.2%	-15.9%	-16.8%	-23.8%	-14.7%	-18.4%
	PIERCE	1,021	1,531	2,552	1,081	1,591	2,672	851	1,441	2,292	-16.6%	-5.9%	-10.2%	-21.3%	-9.4%	-14.2%
	POLK	2,216	3,047	5,263	2,375	3,255	5,630	1,959	2,554	4,513	-11.6%	-16.2%	-14.3%	-17.5%	-21.5%	-19.8%
	PORTAGE	1,880	2,413	4,293	2,118	2,650	4,768	1,781	2,098	3,879	-5.3%	-13.1%	-9.6%	-15.9%	-20.8%	-18.6%
	SHAWANO	2,594	3,530	6,124	2,833	3,544	6,377	2,444	2,590	5,034	-5.8%	-26.6%	-17.8%	-13.7%	-26.9%	-21.1%
	SHEBOYGAN	778	1,069	1,847	855	1,169	2,024	862	934	1,796	10.8%	-12.6%	-2.8%	0.8%	-20.1%	-11.3%
	ST CROIX	949	1,313	2,262	1,047	1,472	2,519	919	1,247	2,166	-3.2%	-5.0%	-4.2%	-12.2%	-15.3%	-14.0%
	TREMPEALEAU	1,722	2,662	4,383	1,824	2,952	4,776	1,494	2,400	3,894	-13.2%	-9.8%	-11.2%	-18.1%	-18.7%	-18.5%
	WAUPACA	2,466	3,290	5,756	2,638	3,406	6,044	2,360	2,657	5,017	-4.3%	-19.2%	-12.8%	-10.5%	-22.0%	-17.0%
	WAUSHARA	1,629	2,028	3,657	1,849	2,248	4,097	1,695	1,774	3,469	4.0%	-12.5%	-5.1%	-8.3%	-21.1%	-15.3%
	WINNEBAGO	511	533	1,044	535	562	1,097	617	474	1,091	20.8%	-11.0%	4.5%	15.3%	-15.7%	-0.5%
	WOOD	965	1,311	2,276	1,126	1,408	2,534	904	1,245	2,149	-6.3%	-5.0%	-5.6%	-19.7%	-11.6%	-15.2%
	Total (ALL)	47,047	62,939	109,987	51,554	67,299	118,853	44,587	53,696	98,283	-5.2%	-14.7%	-10.6%	-13.5%	-20.2%	-17.3%
Central Forest	ADAMS	1,042	1,089	2,131	1,216	1,205	2,421	1,068	1,002	2,070	2.5%	-8.0%	-2.9%	-12.2%	-16.8%	-14.5%
	CLARK	618	457	1,075	763	533	1,296	596	429	1,025	-3.6%	-6.1%	-4.7%	-21.9%	-19.5%	-20.9%
	EAU CLAIRE	308	220	528	399	369	768	303	249	552	-1.7%	13.2%	4.5%	-24.1%	-32.5%	-28.1%
	JACKSON	485	263	748	586	379	965	470	275	745	-3.1%	4.7%	-0.3%	-19.8%	-27.4%	-22.8%
	JUNEAU	581	319	899	643	424	1,067	513	346	859	-11.6%	8.6%	-4.5%	-20.2%	-18.4%	-19.5%
	MONROE	217	140	357	219	183	402	196	126	322	-9.5%	-10.1%	-9.8%	-10.5%	-31.1%	-19.9%
	WOOD	470	275	744	550	358	908	441	276	717	-6.1%	0.5%	-3.7%	-19.8%	-22.9%	-21.0%
	Total (ALL)	3,721	2,762	6,482	4,376	3,451	7,827	3,587	2,703	6,290	-3.6%	-2.1%	-3.0%	-18.0%	-21.7%	-19.6%
Northern Forest	ASHLAND	602	208	810	784	204	988	566	135	701	-6.0%	-35.2%	-13.5%	-27.8%	-33.8%	-29.0%
	BAYFIELD	1,604	1,175	2,779	1,748	1,088	2,836	1,367	754	2,121	-14.8%	-35.8%	-23.7%	-21.8%	-30.7%	-25.2%
	BURNETT	1,536	1,455	2,990	1,658	1,567	3,225	1,188	997	2,185	-22.6%	-31.5%	-26.9%	-28.3%	-36.4%	-32.2%
	CHIPPEWA	479	358	836	546	503	1,049	405	335	740	-15.4%	-6.4%	-11.5%	-25.8%	-33.4%	-29.5%
	DOUGLAS	1,622	647	2,268	1,670	749	2,419	1,215	497	1,712	-25.1%	-23.1%	-24.5%	-27.2%	-33.6%	-29.2%
	FLORENCE	800	431	1,231	1,040	367	1,407	734	490	1,224	-8.2%	13.6%	-0.6%	-29.4%	33.5%	-13.0%
	FOREST	788	215	1,003	994	291	1,285	748	271	1,019	-5.1%	26.2%	1.6%	-24.7%	-6.9%	-20.7%
	IRON	299	64	364	338	105	443	188	10	198	-37.2%	-84.4%	-45.5%	-44.4%	-90.5%	-55.3%
	LANGLADE	1,261	900	2,161	1,621	1,107	2,728	1,307	899	2,206	3.7%	-0.2%	2.1%	-19.4%	-18.8%	-19.1%
	LINCOLN	1,124	835	1,959	1,349	856	2,205	1,038	631	1,669	-7.7%	-24.4%	-14.8%	-23.1%	-26.3%	-24.3%
	MARINETTE	1,326	461	1,787	1,749	553	2,302	1,188	430	1,618	-10.4%	-6.7%	-9.4%	-32.1%	-22.2%	-29.7%
	MENOMINEE	1	0	2	2	0	2	4	0	4	566.7%	#DIV/0!	100.0%	100.0%	#DIV/0!	100.0%
	OCONTO	522	168	690	654	254	908	475	119	594	-9.0%	-29.3%	-13.9%	-27.4%	-53.1%	-34.6%
	ONEIDA	1,094	716	1,810	1,192	762	1,954	1,040	429	1,469	-4.9%	-40.1%	-18.9%	-12.8%	-43.7%	-24.8%
	PRICE	1,272	864	2,135	1,467	894	2,361	1,054	405	1,459	-17.1%	-53.1%	-31.7%	-28.2%	-54.7%	-38.2%
	RUSK	1,506	1,441	2,947	1,696	1,700	3,396	1,189	918	2,107	-21.0%	-36.3%	-28.5%	-29.9%	-46.0%	-38.0%
	SAWYER	1,121	768	1,889	1,262	733	1,995	925	431	1,356	-17.5%	-43.9%	-28.2%	-26.7%	-41.2%	-32.0%
	TAYLOR	1,643	1,724	3,367	1,995	1,991	3,986	1,383	1,267	2,650	-15.8%	-26.5%	-21.3%	-30.7%	-36.4%	-33.5%
	VILAS	768	372	1,140	831	561	1,392	681	377	1,058	-11.4%	1.4%	-7.2%	-18.1%	-32.8%	-24.0%
	WASHBURN	1,400	1,362	2,761	1,654	1,504	3,158	1,020	910	1,930	-27.1%	-33.2%	-30.1%	-38.3%	-39.5%	-38.9%
	Total (ALL)	20,766	14,164	34,931	24,250	15,789	40,039	17,715	10,305	28,020	-14.7%	-27.2%	-19.8%	-26.9%	-34.7%	-30.0%
Southern Farmland	COLUMBIA	1,851	1,978	3,829	1,963	1,993	3,956	1,747	1,706	3,453	-5.6%	-13.8%	-9.8%	-11.0%	-14.4%	-12.7%
	CRAWFORD	1,317	1,859	3,176	1,418	1,910	3,328	1,425	1,870	3,295	8.2%	0.6%	3.8%	0.5%	-2.1%	-1.0%
	DANE	1,186	1,249	2,435	1,234	1,343	2,577	1,219	1,175	2,394	2.8%	-6.0%	-1.7%	-1.2%	-12.5%	-7.1%
	DODGE	1,174	1,422	2,596	1,275	1,387	2,662	1,321	1,302	2,623	12.5%	-8.4%	1.0%	3.6%	-6.1%	-1.5%
	GRANT	2,065	2,756	4,821	1,905	2,507	4,412	1,960	2,385	4,345	-5.1%	-13.5%	-9.9%	2.9%	-4.9%	-1.5%
	GREEN	778	1,008	1,785	770	1,129	1,899	757	1,051	1,808	-2.6%	4.3%	1.3%	-1.7%	-6.9%	-4.8%
	IOWA	1,335	1,584	2,920	1,086	1,262	2,348	1,154	981	2,135	-13.6%	-38.1%	-26.9%	6.3%	-22.3%	-9.1%
	JEFFERSON	769	1,042	1,811	829	1,123	1,952	855	1,077	1,932	11.1%	3.4%	6.7%	3.1%	-4.1%	-1.0%
	KENOSHA	93	63	156	108	86	194	111	63	174	19.6%	-0.6%	11.4%	2.8%	-26.7%	-10.3%
	LAFAYETTE	744	975	1,719	686	961	1,647	721	920	1,641	-3.1%	-5.6%	-4.5%	5.1%	-4.3%	-0.4%
	MILWAUKEE	31	37	67	27	23	50	1	0	1	-96.8%	-100.0%	-98.5%	-96.3%	-100.0%	-98.0%
	OZAUKEE	206	272	477	226	260	486	267	262	529	29.9%	-3.5%	10.9%	18.1%	0.8%	8.8%
	RACINE	138	103	241	186	113	299	187	113	300	35.5%	10.1%	24.7%	0.5%	0.0%	0.3%
	RICHLAND	1,736	2,106	3,842	1,713	2,035	3,748	1,594	1,741	3,335	-8.2%	-17.3%	-13.2%	-6.9%	-14.4%	-11.0%
	ROCK	563	651	1,214	557	639	1,196	602	697	1,299	7.0%	7.0%	7.0%	8.1%	9.1%	8.6%
	SAUK	2,024	2,375	4,398	2,008	2,384	4,392	1,771	1,825	3,596	-12.5%	-23.1%	-18.2%	-11.8%	-23.4%	-18.1%
	VERNON	2,265	3,275	5,540	2,376	3,484	5,860	2,273	3,155	5,428	0.3%	-3.7%	-2.0%	-4.3%	-9.4%	-7.4%
	WALWORTH	406	363	769	470	398	868	476	419	895	17.2%	15.5%	16.4%	1.3%	5.3%	3.1%
	WASHINGTON	578	901	1,479	661	952	1,613	621	718	1,339	7.5%	-20.3%	-9.4%	-6.1%	-24.6%	-17.0%
	WAUKESHA	414	555	969	467	541	1,008	439	388	827	6.1%	-30.1%	-14.7%	-6.0%	-28.3%	-18.0%
	Total (ALL)	19,671	24,573	44,244	19,965	24,530	44,495	19,501	21,848	41,349	-0.9%	-11.1%	-6.5%	-2.3%	-10.9%	-7.1%
Statewide Total		91,205	104,438	195,645	100,145	111,069	211,214	85,390	88,552	173,942	-6.4%	-15.2%	-11.1%	-14.7%	-20.3%	-17.6%

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Cumberland FFA Attends National FFA Convention



Four Cumberland FFA Officers joined nearly 73,000 members, advisors, and guests to take part in the 96th National FFA Convention in Indianapolis, Indiana. Those attending included Mrs. Meyer (Advisor), Mercedes Ladd (President), Cash Rouzer (Treasurer), Charlotte Odden (Reporter), and Max Odden (Sentinel). Members attended sessions, leadership training, agricultural tours, and more!

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Governor Evers honors Northwood Technical College with 2023 Vets Ready Employer Award

Northwood Technical College was recently named by Gov. Tony Evers as one of 17 employers chosen for the 2023 Vets Ready Employer Initiative award. Northwood Tech's award was listed as Silver Certification for a business designated in the small category and will be conferred at events this year in Milwaukee and Oshkosh. The award recognizes Northwood Tech as a Wisconsin employer that has gone above and beyond for the veteran workforce with efforts to build a dedicated support system within the College's workplace, by actively seeking and retaining veterans, and establishing meaningful connections with veterans in the local community and their families.

"Our nation's heroes have given so much in service to our country and often face unique obstacles when they return home, including in finding family-supporting employment," said Gov. Evers. "Veterans bring invaluable and tremendous assets to the workplace, and I commend these Vets Ready employers for their work to hire and support veterans. This distinction will help elevate the work of these employers and give them the competitive edge in recruiting and retaining veterans."

In response to the College's award, Northwood Tech President Dr. John Will stated, "We recognize the service and sacrifice of all veterans and appreciate the recognition of our efforts to ensure that we are creating a supportive work environment for them."

"I'm proud to work for Northwood Tech, where we go above and beyond just saying thank you for your service. It's important to us that our military-connected employees feel supported, and as a service member myself, I can say that we're meeting our goals," said Stephanie Smith, current member of the National Guard and veteran student advocate/non-traditional occupation grant coordinator for Northwood Tech.

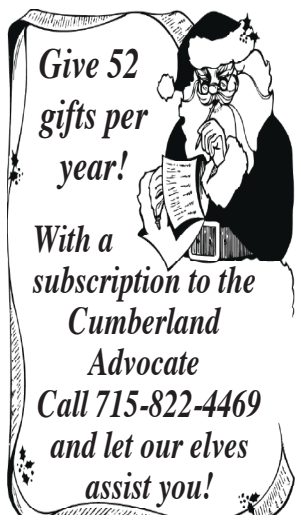
Annually, the Wisconsin Department of Workforce Development (DWD) and its Office of Veteran Employment Services (OVES) commend Wisconsin businesses with outstanding commitment to veteran employment with either a gold or silver certification and are granted within one of three categories: small, medium, and large businesses. Key partners involved in this award program include the Wisconsin Department of Veterans Affairs (DVA), Wisconsin Department of Disabled American Veterans, and the Wisconsin Veterans Chamber of Commerce.

"Employers that demonstrate exemplary support for the veteran community have a winning formula for success for their business and for the community," said DWD Secretary Amy Pechacek. "We are proud to honor these employers through the Vets Ready Employer Initiative."

Additional details about the Vets Ready Employer Initiative, including answers to frequent questions about the program, are available online here.

To learn more about veteran employment at Northwood Tech and to view open positions for employment, visit NorthwoodTech.edu/employment.

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Barronett News

By Judy Pieper

I hope you had a wonderful Thanksgiving and were able to spend the day with family and friends. Our family all (I mean mostly all) got together at Sal's on 63 to watch the Packer game and have a delicious traditional dinner, which was prepared by Lynn Thon, Suzy Lehmann and me. The meal was great, but the best part, of course, was having so many of the family members together.

Imagine a drum roll here – This Sunday, December 3rd, is the (kind of) official start to the Christmas season. That is when the Old-Fashioned Candlelight Service will be held at the Friends of the Wiesner Community Chapel, located at Hungry Hollow on Highway 25 between Highway 48 and Barron, at 7:00 p.m. It is such a beautiful service and everyone is so friendly. Duane and I enjoy it every year – and we hope to see you there.

Bonnie Fogelberg sent an e-mail to let us know that Barronett Civic Club members will be hosting an ice fishing contest on January 27th at Shallow Lake. She said that they are hopeful that the ice conditions will be favorable so that everyone can be out on the ice this year. Please mark your calendars – I'll give you more details as I get them.

Geri Pittman's son, Jerry, traveled up from his home in Iowa to spend Thanksgiving with family. Before he left for home again the whole family, Geri, Jerry, Danny, Jess, Erica and Brooke, went to St. Croix Falls to see Miracle at Big Rock. Geri said that it was absolutely beautiful, they did a lot of walking to see everything, and they all had a wonderful time.

Jamie Anderson and her daughters, Kaitlynn and Jessica, were on the way home from seeing the new Trolls movie when they had an unexpected interruption. A Rice Lake police officer noticed the nondescript vehicle (a Prius) they were traveling in. He radioed another Rice Lake officer, described the vehicle, said that he was unable to read the temporary plate in the back window and asked if he should pull them over. The other officer told him to go ahead and that he would be there as back-up.

Okay, so while the first officer walked up to the driver's door, the second officer, without being observed by the driver or passengers in the car, walked up to the passenger's door and made sure no one was acting suspiciously. (The second officer happened to be Jamie's brother, Garett.) He stood there for a short time while the first officer was questioning Jamie about where they had been and where they were going, when Garett suddenly thought that something about the girl in the passenger's seat looked familiar. He ducked down slightly so he could see her face, she looked toward him, rolled down the window and said, "Hi, Uncle Garett." Pretty funny stuff. Jamie and the girls had been to a movie and were on their way home, but I'm sure that having the police stop and question them will be much more memorable than seeing a movie. By the way, the reason Garett did not recognize Jamie's car is that Jamie and Kurt had only recently received the Prius from Kurt's parents.

I have to say that our police officers in this area are A-OK. Tina Anderson told me about being stopped by a Cumberland officer a while ago because, I think, she was missing a headlight. She said that the officer was very professional and courteous. He asked to see her driver's license, and, even though she has a Wisconsin license, she only had her Florida license with her – and that was marked to indicate that it was no longer valid. He asked if all the information on the Florida license was correct, and she told him that it was – except for the fact that she now has a Wisconsin address, a different last name, and --- By the time they got through looking at the information on that license they discovered that the only thing that was still the same was her birthday. Thank heaven for computers. The officer could see that she does have a valid Wisconsin license by checking the internet or whatever they use these days. Tina said that they had a pretty good laugh about the whole thing and that, if she ever does get stopped in Cumberland again, she hopes it will be by the same officer.

Oh, I have strict orders from Ryan Lehmann to let you know that Duane double skunked me in a cribbage game this past week. No big deal – I don't care. (Good thing because if I did care someone would have to put me in a cage.) I will get even!!

I guess that's about it from Barronett this week. Remember, the place to be this Sunday evening is Wiesner Chapel at 7:00 p.m. – and, even though it's a while away yet, please mark your calendar for January 27th for the ice fishing contest on Shallow Lake. Oh, and if you have already started Christmas shopping, please remember we have lots of local shops to get your one-of-a-kind, hand-crafted gifts. See you next time.

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Robert E. "Bob" Gutsch

Robert Edward "Bob" Gutsch, 92, of Cumberland died on Tuesday, November 21, 2023, at Mayo Clinic System in Barron. He was born November 30, 1930, in Baltimore, Maryland to Henry and Theresa (Thull) Gutsch. Bob joined the United States Army and served in the Korean War.

He was married in Wauwatosa, WI on June 7, 1958, to Kathleen "Kathi" Leverence.

Bob's faith was his guiding light. He loved and cherished the time he spent with his family. Bob had a heart of generosity and a contagious smile.

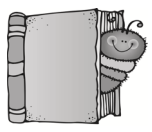
He is survived by wife, Kathi Gutsch; children: David (Heidi) Gutsch, Michael (Holly) Gutsch, Lynda (Richard) Lund, Edward Gutsch, and Vickie (Thomas) Brand; 22 grandchildren; 25 great grandchildren; nieces, nephews, and many other family and friends. Bob was preceded in death by his parents, Henry and Theresa Gutsch; brother, Peter Gutsch; and sister, Helen Herzog.

Funeral services were held at 2:00 PM on Saturday, November 25, 2023, at Skinner Funeral Home in Cumberland with Pastor Bruce Tanner officiating. Burial will be in Northern Wisconsin Veterans Memorial Cemetery at a later date.

Skinner Funeral Home of Cumberland is serving the family.

The Bookworm Sez...

By Terri Schlichenmeyer



This week:

Christmas Books for KIDS

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Your child has already started listening for the sound of jingle bells.

Reindeer hooves on the roof would be okay, too, but here's another idea. Give your kids some fun holiday tales to listen to, starting with these great books...

For the littlest kid, "Latke's First Hanukkah" by Alan Silberberg (Viking, $7.99) is a book meant for ages 6 months to two years. It's a counting book about dreidels and gelt, a Hanukkah party, and eight nights of lights. Kids will love the story; parents will love that this is a sturdy board book that will last.

The kid who loves the Grinch will be so very happy to own its sequel, "Dr. Seuss's How the Grinch Lost Christmas!" (Random House, $19.99). The Grinch has come to looooove the holiday... maybe a little too much. Can he once again learn to share Christmas? Kids of all ages will want to find out.

Next, grab "Little Red" by Will Hillenbrand (Little, Brown, $18.99), the story of a mighty but tiny truck; his best friend, Katie; and a big blizzard. All that snow threatens to postpone Christmas, and that would be a disaster! This book is great for little car or truck lovers ages three to seven, and it's perfect for Dads to read-aloud. Speaking of blizzards, "The Kitten Story: A Mostly True Tale" by Emily Jenkins, illustrated by Brittany Cicchese (Minerva, $18.99) is a winter tale of a family that wanted a kitten but not just any kitty. It had to be the right one and it has to have the perfect name. Be sure your 5-to-8-year-old knows that there's a real cat behind this adorable story of rescue and rejoicing.

And here's some good news: Christmas books don't have to be about Christmas, and you don't have to put them away when the holiday's over. Check out these great books that you can read now and for the next few months to come...

Almost every kid loves to play in the snow, and "The Magical Snowflake" by Bernette Ford & Erin K. Robinson (Boxer Books, $18.99) is perfect for the snow-lover in your house. When there's no snow on the ground but it's cold, you can stomp and beg and wish but it takes a little magic to make things happen. Watch as the people in town become enchanted with a single snowflake and the little girl who hears it. Accompanying the story are gorgeous, brightly-colored illustrations that your child will want to see again and again.

And finally, "The Snow Man" by Jonah Winter, illustrated by Jeanette Winter (Beach Lane, $18.99) is the story of a rugged loner who lives in the mountains of Colorado, so that he can keep track of the snow that surrounds him every winter. He keeps records in piles of notebooks, and he makes his cabin in the woods more comfortable with each passing year. This is a great book for young environmentalists ages six to ten, and for little scientists who are into meteorology. Look for it.

Season's Readings!

If you're in search of something great to take in the car, on vacation, on the tractor, or to the lunchroom, Terri can be reached at bookwormsez@yahoo.com. Happy Reading!



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"Rest in God's Loving Grace"

by Pastor Tim Schmidt
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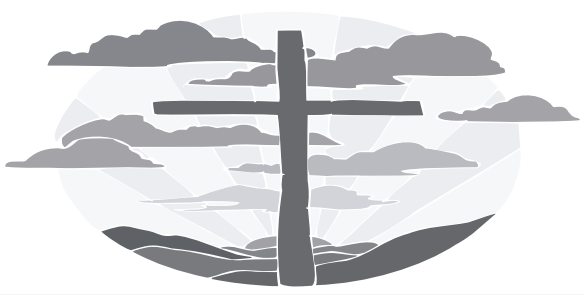
Ho, everyone who thirsts,
come to the waters;
and you that have no money,
come, buy and eat!
Come, buy wine and milk
without money and without price. Isaiah 55:1

These are words from the prophet Isaiah that speak of God's abundance and grace. Are you thirsty? – come to the waters that God provides! Do you not have money for food? Come and eat! Are you burdened with your work and trying to earn and provide? -- God's gifts are given freely – you don't have to earn them!

It is good to start the day with a word of grace. You might have a lot on your mind today and a ton on your plate. You might feel overwhelmed with what is ahead of you. You might be worried or anxious about something that is coming up.

Hear again this Good News. You are loved. Your value and worth and identity don't need to be earned. You are God's child. And what happens today or any day won't ever change that. Rest in his grace.

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PERSONALS

AA-Mondays at 7 p.m., Augustana 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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Looking for In-Home Help?
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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.



Non Emergency Phone Numbers:

Cumberland Police Dept. 822-2754

Barron County Sheriff 537-3106

Tipster Line 1-800 532-9008

Polk County Sheriff 485-8300

Emergency

911

PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE

The Common Council of the City of Cumberland will meet on **Tuesday, December 5, 2023 at 6:00 p.m**. at the Cumberland City Hall, 950 1st Ave., Cumberland, WI for a regular meeting.

City Hall is accessible to all persons. The agenda will be posted 24 hours before the meeting.

Arlene Frisinger
City of Cumberland

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NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Board of Supervisors for the Town of Maple Plain will hold is monthly meeting on **Wednesday, December 6, 2023 at 7:00 pm** at the Town Hall, located at 393 26th Avenue. The hall is accessible to all persons.

The agenda will be posted no later than 24 hours in advance of the meeting and on the Town's website: www.townofmapleplainwi.com

Danielle Maxwell-Parker
Clerk
Town of Maple Plain

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
IN THE MATTER OF STATE AND FEDERAL AID
FOR THE IMPROVEMENTS AT
CUMBERLAND MUNICIPAL AIRPORT (UBE)
CUMBERLAND WISCONSIN

The City of Cumberland, Wisconsin is considering petitioning the State of Wisconsin, Department of Transportation, for state and federal aid to undertake the following development(s) at the Cumberland, WI Airport:

- Construct Hangars
- Install Security Gate
- Purchase snow removal and mowing equipment
- Maintain Airport pavements landside and airside
- Master Plan and ALP update
- Clear and maintain runway approaches
- Any necessary related work
- Construction of a full length paved taxi way for run way 9/27

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City of Cumberland, WI will conduct a public hearing at 6:30 on December 4, 2023, in the Terminal Building at the Cumberland Municipal Airport.

All interested persons are invited to attend and present their views on the need for the proposed airport development.

Paring for people with disabilities and an accessible entrance are available. Please call Richard Brekke at 715-205-4474 at least seven (7) days in advance of the hearing to make specific accessibility requests.

Additional written testimony may be filed with the City of Cumberland if received within ten (10) calendar days after the date of the public hearing. Such testimony should be directed to Richard Brekke, 101 Airport Ave, Cumberland, WI 54829.

Richard Brekke
Airport Manager

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Statewide public notice website
www.wisconsinpublicnotice.org

The Sport of Basketball...

contest, in which the sophomore girls played a team of junior girls. The paper said the score of the contest ended "Nothing to zero."

The girls continued to play and improve in the sport, including a six-game schedule in 1923. Gladys Knutson, Minnie Flottum, and Sarah Kunselman led a squad that went 3 and 3, including a 6-1 victory over Spooner.

In 1938, a name that would become part of Cumberland Basketball for the next 30 years would help the Beavers Boys capture a Conference Title and a trip to State. First year coach Elmer Beran's Beavers squad secured the HON Championship with a 31-30 win over Rice Lake.

The team, complete with seven seniors, would then advance to the Class B State Tournament, with a 27-22 victory over Hurley at the District level. The Beavers were led by the scoring combination of Hodson and Alphonse as local adults payed 60 cents each to attend the contest.

The team left for Madison on Monday, picked up two hitch-hikers along the way, and stopped in Black River Falls for lunch before landing in the Capitol City. In Madison, the Beavers would lose 25-10 to River Falls, defeat New London 25-22, and lose the Consolation to Evansville by a 22-20 score.

A welcome home Banquet for the team was held by the Cumberland Civic Club following the State Tournament. There, they presented an electric razor to Coach Beran in appreciation of his efforts.

The Varsity wasn't the only Cumberland team in action that winter. The 1938 FFA Basketball team won a six-team Tournament in Shell Lake as Mike Zaccardi led the team in scoring. Basketball was enjoying great popularity in town at all levels.

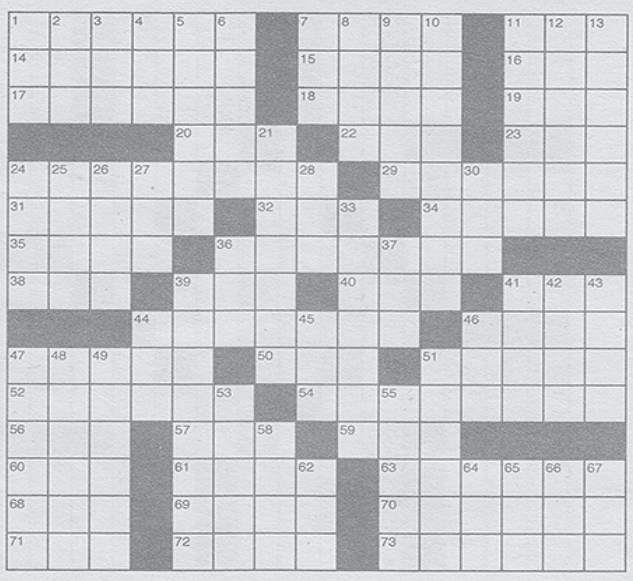
The next 30-years would become the zenith of Boys basketball in the Cumberland. With basketball hoops common place in driveways around the city, names like Conway Thompson, Jim Wallin, Roger Peterson, John Schell, Mark Nelson, Steve King, Carroll Schell, Steve Helbig, Dick Nelson, and many, many others would help lead the Beavers to numerous Conference Titles and State Tournament appearances in 1941, 1965, and 1971.

The WIAA would then finally add Girls Basketball as a sponsored sport in 1975. Led by Mary and Sue Linder, that first Cumberland squad would put together a 11-6 record. That year would be followed by several excellent seasons that included 16 wins in 1990-191 and 17 wins by the 1993-1994 team. Kay Anderson became a 1,000-point scorer and basketball fans had another place to go on Tuesday and Friday nights.

Yes, today, the players travel much differently, get three-points for longer shots, play halves instead of quarters, and spend less time on the block than their predecessors. Basketball is still a great game, however, and its role in the Island City continues.


Thank you for reading The Advocate


PUZZLE



ACROSS

1 Fancy
7 Pear type
11 Pal
14 Punctuation mark
15 Not out of
16 Only
17 Turkish capital
18 Coalition
19 Alphabet
20 Expression of surprise
22 Wild ox
23 Body of water
24 Shuck (2 wds.)
29 Causticly
31 Jibe
32 Gross national product (abbr.)
34 Trials
35 Cancel
36 Via (3 wds.)
38 East southeast
39 Volume (abbr.)
40 Chief executive officer
41 Long-term memory
44 Beginnings
46 Lotion brand
47 Pillow coverings
50 Sun's name
51 Red itchy spots
52 Beside (2 wds.)
54 Firearm locks
56 Miner's goal
57 Miles per hour
59 Standard or average
60 Radioactivity unit
61 Epochs
63 Bring up again
68 Airport abbr.
69 Treaty organization
70 Loss of ability to make decisions
71 Male offspring
72 Those people
73 Tinting

DOWN

1 Accountant
2 Rooster's meat
3 Annoy
4 Central Intelligence Agency
5 Roman poet
6 Western state
7 Shirt protector
8 Merely
9 Ermine
10 Crested parrot of Pacific
11 Vaunts
12 Undo the belt of
13 Rots
21 Socks
24 Surface a road
25 Self-esteems
26 Canal
27 Headed
28 North northwest
30 Game official
33 Warm up lap (2 wds.)
36 __ voyage
37 Affirmation
39 Ritual robe
41 Israel's son
42 Elm
43 Fail
44 Greenwich Mean Time
45 Distress call
46 Fox's offspring
47 What people do in their sleep
48 To this document
49 Critical study
51 By means of this
53 Ms. Winfrey
55 Unit of electric capacitance
58 Loathe
62 Chinese sauce
64 Shade
65 Boxer Muhammad
66 Goof
67 Old woman

Grinch Came To Town!



The Grinch made a stop in Cumberland at Salud Salt & Spa last Tuesday night during the Tree Lighting celebration downtown. This Grinch was very friendly and had lots of photos taken with kids of all ages. Some were not quite sure what to think of the green guy.

The Corner Bar & Restaurant
Cumberland • 715-822-8111

The Corner Bar is hosting a benefit for Sean Schullo and his daughter who recently lost their home and belongings in a house fire.

Benefit for Sean Schullo
December 3rd • 11 am-7 pm



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INFORMATIONAL MEETING
1705 16TH AVENUE
CUMBERLAND, WI 54829
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 5TH
BEAVER DAM LAKE ROOM
9:00 AM
- Recurring day/time of class will be determined by participants at the informational meeting.

For questions, email kjensen@cumberlandhealthcare.com, 715-822-3325 or khaugerud@cumberlandhealthcare.com, 715-822-7072.
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3RD ANNUAL
SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION
INDOOR FISHING Contest
AT THE AMERICAN LEGION POST 98
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MOVIE With Santa
ELEMENTAL
Isle Theater
Saturday, December 2, 2023 at Noon
AFTER THE MOVIE GET YOUR PICTURE WITH SANTA
Cumberland Chamber of Commerce

LUNCH WITH Santa
FUNDRAISING EVENT FOR CUMBERLAND FIRE DEPT. & BARRON CO. K-9 UNIT
Join us at The Cumberland American Legion
Sunday, December 10th
LUNCH: 11am TO 2pm / BAND: 1pm-4:30pm
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