



Cumberland City Council Holds March Meeting with Full Agenda

The Cumberland City Council held their monthly meeting on Tuesday, March 5, with Councilman Tom Goldsmith and Steve Anderson absent. The Council gave their best wishes to Alderperson Anderson, who is currently in the hospital. Following the Pledge of Allegiance, the approval of minutes from the February meeting, the approval of the agenda, and the payment of February expenses, the Council moved into the business of the evening.

With 15 guests present, but no response to the request for public comment, the first issue on the agenda was the approval of a Memorandum of Understanding for the Chief Generator Operator, Mr. Gene Pierce. The Memorandum document “grandfathers” accrued benefits for Mr. Pierce, to avoid a negative impact of recent policy changes. The terms of the Memorandum of Understanding passed unanimously. The Council then unanimously approved a resolution for the Building Inspection Fee Schedule for 2024.

Moving forward, the Council then discussed Alderperson Jim “Butch” O’Dell’s request for an amendment to Section 2.04 of the Code of Ordinances regarding committee structure. Alderperson O’Dell’s request involved a change, allowing the Mayor to appoint citizens as well as Council members to Standing Committees, with the purpose to get more of our citizens involved in City Government.

Alderperson O’Dell said he believes in “Participatory Government and hopes this might lead to more involvement,” while using the Library Board and Utility Committee as examples of citizen-at-large engagement. Further discussion centered around various Ad Hoc Committees, which have worked well. Following substantial discussion, the Council decided to delay a vote on the proposal until the next meeting, while seeking legal review on ordinance language.

The next issue in the agenda consisted of establishing a Social Media Policy and a Social Media Archiving Service for the city. With the Council’s hope of expanding its social media presence it comes with the knowledge that the idea that social media can be an incredibly powerful tool of getting information out to residents and visitors, but also comes with risk and legal obligations along with an importance in having strong policies in place for governing its use.

A proposed policy and archiving service was presented to the group and passed unanimously, establishing guidelines for the formation and use by the City of Cumberland regarding social media sites as well as conveying information to the public about the cities missions, meetings, activities, and current issues.

Next was consideration for approval of a resolution for inclusion under the State of Wisconsin deferred compensation program for city workers at no cost to the city and an update on the DOT HWY 63 and Bridge project. Anticipating a DOT revised cost update, the City estimated project costs last Fall in the Long-Term Finance Plan. Mayor Dan Shoemaker said, “The money has been set aside and everything is good.” The road project is scheduled for 2025 and the bridge project in 2026. An Amendment to the Owner-Engineer on Cumberland Wastewater and Water Infrastructure Improvements with CBS Squared, INC was postponed due to a lack of detail, which the Council had not received.

The Council then tackled the life of the cities 204 street segments and a management plan to “Optimize their life” which has been part of the work of the Public Works Committee since 2023. Working with the MSA Engineering Firm, the city hopes to have a proposal, which Mayor Shoemaker said will, “Ultimately save the city money and improve the quality of the streets,” ready for a vote in the next few weeks.

Following a brief update on the Utility from Dean Bergstrom, a report on two recent permits, an update from Chief Wolfe on a possible new sex offender policy, and the issuing of several operator licenses, the meeting moved into Mayor comments, the City Administrator report, and committee updates.

The committee reports covered Park and Recreation discussions with the ETC, an update on the status of the Library Board, a discussion on TID-9 building and road work, and a new floor at the Senior Citizen’s Center.

The evening concluded with the City Administrator Report, in which Mr. Reeg summarized his activities throughout February. This included, among numerous other activities finalizing and distributing an updated employee handbook, meeting with the group who is working to establish official bike routes and trails in and around the city, and the more recent challenge

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Spring Has Sprung!



This picture was taken on Monday, March 12th on the “Bank Lake” part of Beaver Dam Lake. What a crazy weather year it has been. Fish houses don’t have to be off the lakes in this part of the state until March 15th. Just another very strange happening this winter/spring.

Light A Legecy Gala Set for April 13

Greetings from the Cumberland Educational Foundation. I hope this letter finds you and yours enjoying this light winter and early spring!

Now that my first year as President has come to a close and I look back at what we accomplished, I’m filled with joy thinking about the impact we’ve left on the school and the community. Our two grant award winners from 2023 have used their funds to purchase equipment and put students to work. Isaac Lundquist and Tirzah Zipperer have continued with the ski club. There has been work done to increase the recreational and ski trails around the school, and the ski club even took a bus up to the American Birkebeiner Trailhead to have students participate in the Junior Birkie event. With hardly any snow, the students were able to participate and represent Cumberland in exceptional fashion. At the same time, all three Flex Farms have been in use and are providing nutrition for both the body and the brain as students help plant, maintain, and harvest vegetables throughout the year.

It truly has been a pleasure to be a part of the Cumberland Educational Foundation. In June we had our annual meeting and elected trustees and officers for 2023-2024. Returning as our Secretary is DeAnn Walters. Emily Schutte has accepted the Treasurer position and Kellsey Ruppel the

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Northwoods Notebook: Are you sad we had no winter this year? By Larry Werner

One February Saturday last year was one of the most enjoyable days I’ve ever spent. I went ice fishing for the first time, accompanied by my son, grandson and neighbor, Denny Zahrbach.

We caught our limit of crappies, cleaned them in Denny’s garage, and fried them up for lunch, before son, Eric, and grandson, Reid, hit the road back to the Cities. Turns out Reid loves fishing of any kind, including on ice.

So when it came time to buy Christmas gifts, I stopped by the Ardisam store and found a propane-powered auger on sale. It was a challenge to wrap, but at our family holiday gathering, Eric and Reid expressed gratitude and joy that they wouldn’t have to be cutting a hole with a manual auger this winter.

Turns out, that power auger is still in the box, after one of the strangest, warmest, least snowy winters ever. Cumberland’s big ice-fishing tournament was held inside the Legion hall, the clunk sank so early the chamber folks will do a drawing to determine a winner, rather than award the prize to the person who guessed when the car would sink to the lake bottom. No one in his right mind would have guessed Feb. 28.

And all this after the winter of 2022-23, when there were snowdrifts up to our eaves.

This isn’t the way life is supposed to be in The Island City. Are the bears even hibernating this year?

We usually escape for a month or two in winter to someplace warm. But with temperatures in the 40s, 50s and even 60s, there was nothing to escape. We saved a bunch on what we would have spent on a vacation rental in Arizona or Florida and walked around town in light jackets.

Friends who did head south posted Facebook photos of themselves, also wearing jackets, not shorts and teeshirts. A couple friends posted pictures of snow on the ground in Arizona. This El Nino thing the weather people talk about has the effect of warm, dry winters in the northern U.S.

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Busy Council Meeting!



Several people were on hand for the March City Council meeting although no one chose to speak during the public comment period of the meeting.

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Blue Hills Chorale Easter Concert Dates

The Blue Hill Chorale will perform Spring Concerts in the area during the month of March. Concerts will be held at Nathaniel Lutheran Church in Bruce on Wednesday, March 20th at 7:00 pm, Lady of Sorrows Catholic Church in Lady-smith on Saturday, March 23rd at 1:30 pm, St. Peter & Paul Catholic Church in Weyerhaeuser on Sunday, March 24th, at 2:00 pm and St. Anthony Catholic Church in Cumberland on Wednesday, March 27th at 7:00 pm. The public is invited.

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Friday, March 15
No School - Spring Break
Monday, March 18
Hamburger/cheeseburger, fries, carrots, pears.
MS/HS: Garlic cheese bread.
Tuesday, March 19
Cheese quesadilla, brown rice, corn, refried beans, mandarin oranges. MS/HS: Hamburger/cheeseburger with chips.
Wednesday, March 20
Chicken nuggets, chips, mixed vegetables, peaches.
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THURSDAY, MARCH 14: No School - Spring Break.
FRIDAY, MARCH 15: No School - Spring Break.
SATURDAY, MARCH 16: CCE: Pickle Ball.
Monday, March 18: First Baseball practice; First Soccer practice; 4:30-6:00 pm CCE: Choose Fit/Pat Chuchwar.
TUESDAY, MARCH 19: 4-7:30 pm HS Track at UW River Falls; 5-7 pm MS Wrestling at Sponer; 6-8 pm School Board meeting; 8-10 pm CCE: Adult Volleyball,
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 20: 4:30-6 pm CCE: Choose Fit/Pat Chuchwar; 6-8 pm CCE: Pickle Ball.

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Northwoods Notebook....

and colder, wetter weather in the south.

There were days when it was warmer in Wisconsin than in Florida.

A friend who winters in Arizona, but comes back to Wisconsin for some December skiing, cut short his time in Wisconsin and returned to Arizona because there wasn't enough snow to groom the trails at Timberland Hills.

But while I didn't do any ice-fishing, Ann and I would express horror at the sight of people doing just that on our bay. The fish shanties that were put out after that one

cold week we had in January were taken off the lake quickly. But a few diehards were out there, even when the ice had melted on much of the lake. Now, that's determination — or something else.

The weather folks say we still might get some snow and cold before spring officially begins March 19. But they quickly add that you shouldn't bet on it.

In Minneapolis, the city wasn't able to open skating rinks at the parks. And, of course, people weren't able to build rinks in their backyards.

I found myself thinking

about a guy I worked with at a Detroit newspaper. He had moved to Michigan from Minnesota and was asked how he could live in a place so cold.

"In Minnesota," he said, "you don't realize how warm it gets in winter until you build an ice rink in your backyard."

And in Cumberland, I guess, you don't realize how warm it gets in winter until you buy your grandson an ice auger.

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

City Council...

of replacing the entire Street Department crew which had recently all resigned. This involved forming contingency plans while their replacements were being sought.

Following the report, Mike

Skinner asked to speak from the floor thanking the four individuals for their work and calling them among the best he'd seen during his own time as a city worker. Mayor Shoemaker closed

the meeting by acknowledging the crew's contribution and assured Mr. Skinner it was the workers decision to resign from their positions. With that, the March meeting closed.

Free Scamming Seminar at Harvest Grill

HCE of Cumberland invites you to a free seminar on scamming. Barron County Sheriff Chris Fitzgerald is the speaker. Lunch is available (on your own). Please bring your questions. It will

be held at Cumberland Hospital (Harvest Grill) 1705 16th Ave, Cumberland, on Thursday, March 14, 2024 at 12:00 pm.

We ask you to please RSVP due to space avail-

able.

Please text 715-419-9031 with name and number attending. Call if you don't text and leave a voicemail.

Hope to see you all on the 14th of March.

‘Behind Every Meter is a Co-op Member’ Theme of Barron Electric Cooperative’s 88th Annual Meeting

Join us at Barron Electric Cooperative's 88th Annual Meeting on Saturday, March 23rd at the Barron Area Community Center in Barron. Registration will start at 8 a.m. in the gym with a free breakfast served by the Barron VFW, including pancakes, eggs, sausage, and refreshments. You will meet the Giles family pictured on the cover of the annual report. Their business, Giles Excavating, is also the featured member business at the annual meeting.

To register for the meeting, members should bring their March electric bill statement or a photo of the barcode included on the March electric bill statement to the annual meeting. Members can also access their bill statement through Smart-

Hub on their mobile device.

The business meeting will start at 10 a.m. in the Barron Area Community Center auditorium. Jeremy Browning, Vice President of Generation at Dairyland Power Cooperative, will be the guest speaker and will highlight power supply challenges. Director elections will be held for Districts 1, 5, and 7. Incumbent Dave Olson has submitted his nomination forms for District 1. In District 5, John Blaskowski and Incumbent Larry Kuhl both submitted their nomination forms. In District 7, Incumbent Randy Cook has submitted his nomination forms. For a full candidate profile, visit www.barronelectric.com/annual-meeting. Please view our March newsletter online

at barronelectric.com (news center) for more important annual meeting information.

Members will have the opportunity to win one of twelve-\$100 cash prizes. All attendees will receive a pound of cheese. Help support our local communities by bringing a non-perishable food item for the Prairie Farm Food Pantry to help support those in need. Cereal, personal care items, paper products, or monetary donations will be greatly appreciated.

The Kids' Program has been eliminated due to low attendance during the past few years. We apologize for any inconvenience.



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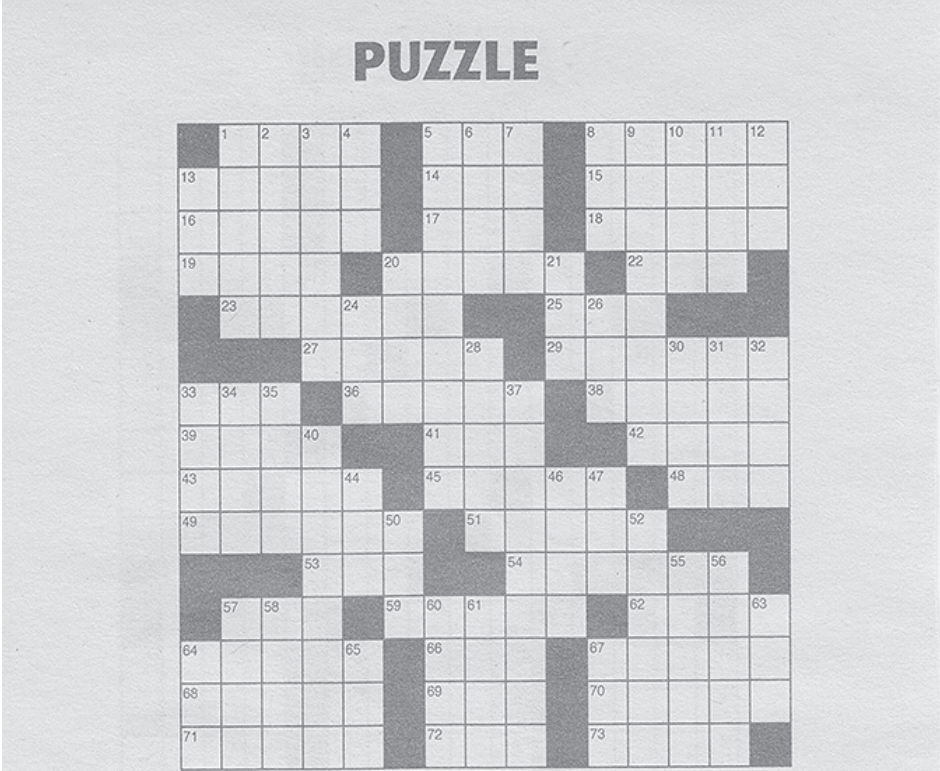
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- 1 American Association of Retired Persons (abbr.)
- 5 Gross national product (abbr.)
- 8 Confuse
- 13 Garden tool
- 14 Downwind
- 15 Type of wood
- 16 ___ Oyl (Popeye's girlfriend)
- 17 Extension (abbr.)
- 18 Amulet
- 19 Granary
- 20 Pepper plant
- 22 Abdominal muscles (abbr.)
- 23 Dogma
- 25 X
- 27 Truss (2 wds.)
- 29 Run away
- 33 Viper
- 36 Muslim's religion
- 38 City

DOWN

- 39 Autos
- 41 Caustic substance
- 42 Frozen rain
- 43 Infant illness
- 45 Desert plant
- 48 White-tailed sea eagle
- 49 Sound quality
- 51 Animal kingdom division
- 53 Chore
- 54 Napping
- 57 East southeast
- 59 Charred
- 62 Metric weight unit
- 64 Glasses
- 66 Thai
- 67 Root vegetables
- 68 Chompers
- 69 American Cancer Society (abbr.)
- 70 Inferred
- 71 Cluttered
- 72 Skirt edge
- 73 Preposition

DOWN

- 1 Improvise a speech
- 2 Smart
- 3 Rebel
- 4 Before (prefix)
- 5 Merrily
- 6 Barber's call
- 7 Peter, for short
- 8 Pen brand
- 9 Deepens
- 10 Excess flesh
- 11 Canoe propellers
- 12 Workout place
- 13 Aurora
- 20 Honey makers
- 21 Type of partnership
- 24 Roman three
- 26 Electroencephalograph (abbr.)
- 28 Remit (2 wds.)
- 30 Green Gables dweller
- 31 Make secure
- 32 Chessman
- 33 Account (abbr.)

DOWN

- 34 Dress
- 35 Formal dance
- 37 Machine
- 40 Themes
- 44 For
- 46 Saclike structures filled with fluid or diseased matter
- 47 Brand of laundry detergent
- 50 Recede
- 52 Turkish Sea
- 55 Construct
- 56 Back porch
- 57 Fencing sword
- 58 Meets
- 60 Western state
- 61 Hurry
- 63 Mountain Standard Time
- 64 Short-term memory
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Out My Window

by Paul Bucher, Editor

Well daylight savings time is here again. I think I’ve mentioned before how much I dislike it. It really does seem to screw me up for a while. I know it’s nice to have more daylight after work, but now it’s dark for longer in the morning. I’ve noticed the older I get the more I like mornings. Something about a cup of coffee and watching the sun slowly rise. Plus I like to go to bed fairly early and it’s hard to do that later this summer when it’s light out until 9 pm. I guess its a good thing I don’t live in Alaska.

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Spring officially starts next Tuesday, March 19th. Seems like it has pretty much been here for most of the winter. Pretty unreal. It was sure nice to see some boats being pulled through town and a few out on the water already. By the time you read this column, my boat will also be out of storage. Always fun to park it in the garage for some spring cleaning. Kinda funny I don’t seem to mind cleaning my boat. I was just thinking I was last in my boat in early November on the Rainy River in northern Minnesota. I will be in my boat later this week. That leaves only three months of the year where I couldn’t use it. It’s a lot like golfers who have been able to be out nearly every month this past year. Pretty amazing.

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I made a quick little trip to Devils Lake North Dakota late last week. It was like a different world. Lows near zero and over two feet of ice. There is definitely still winter up there. It’s pretty neat that you can jump in a truck for seven hours and seemingly be in a different world. The fishing wasn’t the greatest, we did have a great fish fry and brought back several walleyes. We went out there in search of big perch. We did see a group come in with two 5 gallon buckets of perch with a couple dozen fish that were legitimately a pound and half. Well that was all I needed to see to want to go back. Plus some guy in town here that owns Cumberland Ace Hardware and Lumber caught more fish than I did. We can’t have that! Have a great week!



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Inside Wisconsin

by Tom Still

“All in a day: A mix of research victories – large and small”

MADISON, Wis. – The titles of the 150 or so posters on display in the Capitol’s Rotunda sounded just as impressive as what might be found at a symposium of doctoral students – such as “The cost of clean water: An efficiency analysis of Wisconsin’s water utilities” or “Investigating alternatives to antibiotics using phage.”

Or, in some cases, the titles were intriguingly esoteric, such as “Gold mountains in the pinery: Chinese Americans in rural Wisconsin, 1875-1940.”

These weren’t the research products of graduate students, however, but examples of work by undergraduate students from each of Wisconsin’s 13 four-year campuses and some of its two-year centers. It was the 20th annual “Research in the Rotunda” exhibit, and it brought some of Wisconsin’s best and brightest to the center of state government.

An hour or so earlier in the same day, and just a few hundred feet away from the encircled posters, a bill-signing ceremony in the office of Gov. Tony Evers spoke to how and why Wisconsin will continue to produce research and talent to help the state, nation and

world.

Evers signed into law two bills that will invest \$740 million in capital projects for the Universities of Wisconsin, about half of which is for an engineering building and some dormitory work on the UW-Madison campus and the rest for a mix of projects at UW-Whitewater, UW-Eau Claire, UW-Platteville and UW-Green Bay. Also signed was a reciprocity bill to help the UW better capture tuition dollars paid by Minnesota students who attend Wisconsin campuses.

A dispute over how the UW handles “diversity, equity and inclusiveness” programs had delayed agreement on all three bills, but the outcome allowed legislators and UW officials alike to claim victory and to keep the projects on track.

The seven-story engineering building in Madison is the biggest single piece, with a total cost of \$347 million that includes \$197 million from the state and \$150 million from private donors, much of which is still to be raised before work begins.

In addition to dramatically expanding enrollment over time at the College of Engineering, the building

will allow expansion of key research programs. Both results will help talent-hungry businesses across Wisconsin and keep Madison’s engineering college competitive within its peer group.

The timing of the bill signing in Evers’ office was appropriate because it corresponded with the undergraduate research exhibit, which demonstrated the breadth of student-led projects across the state.

In many cases, the topics chosen by the students reflected the regions in which their campuses are located. Innovation in agriculture, health care, natural resources, cultural issues, communication technologies and even Wisconsin history were among major categories.

The event itself was born in the early 2000s out of a larger public process, the Wisconsin Economic Summits, which identified the need for UW campuses to become better catalysts in their local economies by competing for research dollars and helping find ways to commercialize results.

Promoted by UW System President Katharine Lyall and Regents President Jay Smith at the time, the effort led to more aggressive pursuit of federal research grants and creation of a

“technology transfer” process for largely undergraduate campuses.

That process is today housed in WiSys, which works with those campuses as needed. None of this was intended to diminish graduate-level research at UW-Madison or UW-Milwaukee, but to spur more indigenous research and student growth statewide.

“Over the 20 years of hosting this event, we have featured well over 1,500 undergraduate research projects,” UW President Jay Rothman said of the March 6 poster exhibits, which paired students with faculty mentors. “Today highlights our commitment to having at least 25% of our undergraduate students involved in research at each of our universities by 2028.”

Whether it’s through a state-of-the-art engineering building in Madison or individual projects from campuses such as Superior, River Falls and Oshkosh, basic and applied research can help students with their personal growth – as well as the communities in which they live.

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

A Look Back

**10 Years Ago
March 19, 2014**

On Tuesday, March 11, the High School Concert Choir and Middle School Chorus traveled to Rice Lake to participate in the Heart O’ North Conference Music Festival. The Cumberland Middle School put together a challenging program including folk songs, spirituals and for the first time ever, a classical selection sung in Latin. The middle school receive the highest overall rating of 1. The high school sung a capella. The high school also received a rating of 1. Congratulations to both choirs!

A part of local history has come to an end with the merger on March 1st of the McKinley United Methodist Church and the 1st United Methodist Church of Cumberland. The two churches have combined for more than 200 years of Christian service.

**20 Years Ago
March 3, 2004**

The Cumberland Kiwanis have donated \$250 to the new Cumberland Education Foundation. This is in response to the Foundation’s request to the Kiwanis for ‘seed’ money to cover organizational needs for the new group.

**30 Years Ago
March 16, 1994**

Heather Thoe, daughter of Steve and Ruth Thoe of

Cumberland, was awarded a check from the Barron County Farm Bureau for her essay in a contest which had over 300 entries. Her essay was “America-Why I love it.”

Paul Halvorson, a delivery driver for UPS, was recently recognized by the company for completing 15 years driving without an accident.

**40 Years Ago
March 14, 1984**

Shawn Thomas, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Thomas, Cumberland, was the winner of the CESA Spelling Bee Contest. He was one of 14 junior high students who participated in the event. Thomas is now eligible to compete at the Barron County Campus the end of March.

The Cumberland Fire Department responded to a call for assistance on Monday, March 13, about 4 am. Two tankers from the Cumberland department helped the Almena Fire Department battle a fire that destroyed a barn and a head of cattle in Almena. No injuries to people were reported. The Cumberland Fire Department was on scene for about two hours.

**50 Years Ago
March 14, 1974**

Howard (Bud) Lang

of Cumberland was presented with a life membership in the American Legion last week. The award was presented at the Anderson-Thomson Post 98.

**60 Years Ago
March 13, 1964**

Valedictorian of the Class of 1964 is Marie Anderson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Anderson, and the Salutatorian is John Spoolman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Art Spoolman.

Three local students were contestants in the County Spelling Bee at Cameron this past Saturday. The students were Robert Hotchkiss, Matt Lfy Jr., and Kathy Whalen. Matt won second place and Kathy won sixth place.

**70 Years Ago
March 18, 1954**

Cumberland Volunteer Firefighters responded to an alarm about 10 pm last Wednesday night when a salamander used to heat the building under construction ignited a tarpaulin at the site of the new Municipal building. Damage was slight and was confined.

**80 Years Ago
March 16, 1944**

Thomas Atkinson, Cumberland, who was promoted to Corporal last January, received a sec-

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03/11	44	20	-

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Court News

Barron County Circuit Court Traffic Court

Alexandria P. Bloom, 32, Cumberland, operating while revoked, \$200.50. OWI, \$811.50 and failure to keep vehicle under control, \$213.10. Ifra A. Frah, 41, Barron, speeding, \$114.50. Bree M. Graves, 22, Shell Lake, OWI, \$974.50. Harlie H. Hanson, 22, Rice Lake, operating a motor vehicle without insurance, \$200.50. Kelsey R. Higley, 19, Osseo, operating a motor vehicle without proof of insurance, \$10.00. Jerry A. Hurtis, 60, Chetek, OWI, \$974.50, and failure of operator to notify police of an accident, \$389.50. Landin L. Lehrke, 19, Spring Valley, operating while suspended, \$200.50. Layla R. Lutz, 17, Balsam Lake, speeding, \$200.50. Caden C. Mickelson, 17, Chetek, speeding, \$358.00. Grace M. Miller, 19, Rice Lake, illegal materials on windshield, \$175.30. David E. Miller, 21, Barron, OWI, \$974.50. Michael R. Murphy, 38, Cameron, failure to keep vehicle under control, \$213.10. German G. Pacheco, Jr., 25, Cumberland, operate without a valid license, \$200.50. Trevor J. Place, 20, Clayton, speeding, \$175.30. Christopher P. Ray, 62, Trego, refuse to take test for intoxication after arrest, \$50.00. Steven J. Rose, 50, Rice Lake, operating a motor vehicle without proof of insurance, \$10.00. Victoriano Sanchez-Tzanahua, 27, Rice Lake, OWI, \$1,024.50. Devyn J. Sandstrom, 20, Rice Lake, failure to keep vehicle under control, \$213.10 and inattentive driving, \$187.90. Damion A. Scherer, 23, St. Croix Falls, operating while suspended, \$200.50. Jeffrey L. Siemens, 60, Ste Agatha, MB, speeding, \$233.70. Garret R. Sjolholm, 17, Cameron, operating while suspended, \$200.50. Alexander D. Stern, 30, Cameron, operating a motor vehicle without proof of insurance, \$10.00, and improper left turn, 4175.30. Eduardo L. Velez-Sanchez, 30, Almena, operating a motor vehicle without insurance, \$200.50 and operating a motor vehicle without proof of insurance, \$10.00. Katherine J. Gitzen, 39, Chetek, OWI, \$5,550.00. Connie M. Johnston, 46, Rice Lake, operate without carrying a license, \$217.10. Ryan J. Noha, 35, Barron, OWI, \$1,555.00. Kyle R. Schmitt, 42, Eau Claire, OWI, \$1,807.00. Samuel J. Stuart, 34, Rice Lake, operating while revoked, \$516.00.

Complaints

Jason L. Wehking, 41, of Turtle Lake, has been charged with disorderly conduct. His court appearance was scheduled for March 1, 2024.

Joel E. Vavra, 62, of Saronra, has been charged with possession of drug paraphernalia. His court date is scheduled for April 10, 2024.

Dwayne H. Braun, 43, of Barron, has been charged with operate UTV w/ passenger riding in improper way. His court date is scheduled for April 17, 2024.

Tyler J. Gustason, 17, of Turtle Lake, has been charged with operate UTV w/ passenger riding in improper way. His court date is scheduled for April 17, 2024.

Scott W. Frolik, 52, of Birchwood, has been charged with unauthorized timber theft. His court date is scheduled for March 20, 2024.

Logan J. Simenson, 17, of Cameron, has been charged with underage possession of tobacco products/electronic nicotine. His court date is scheduled for April 17, 2024.

Criminal Complaints

Ryan F. Birkenholz, 42, of Holcombe, has been charged with knowingly violate a domestic abuse order. His adjourned initial appearance is scheduled for April 3, 2024.

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River D. Weidler, 29, of Menomonie, has been charged with OWI, operating while revoked and ignition interlock device tampering/failure to install/violate court order. His adjourned initial appearance is scheduled for March 13, 2024.

Jenny L. Kelch, 40, of Rice Lake, has been charged with disorderly conduct, attempt to interfere with child custody, and two counts of knowingly violate a harassment/restraining order, violate the condition of the bail/bond in Barron County, which prohibits the commission of any crime.

On February 28, 2024, a detective with the Barron County Sheriff's Department was out on Highway 8, near 2nd Street and dispatch relayed a call from M.A.G., who indicated a female subject named Jenny Kelch, was in her front yard threatening to take her 8-year-old son. M.A.G. told dispatch she was trying to get her son back inside the residence.

The detective reports he responded and made contact with M.A.G. and a neighbor who advised Kelch had left and headed towards a local tavern. M.A.G. was visibly upset and crying. M.A.G. stated she was afraid Kelch was going to take her son.

The detective reports he checked the area, and a short time later, dispatch advised that S.M.L., Kelch's mother resides at a residence in Turtle Lake.

The detective responded to that location, and saw a female subject standing next to the trailer home on the property. The detective recognized the subject to be the defendant from prior contacts. The detective identified himself and asked her what happened.

Kelch told the detective that she was trying to save all the children from the Ponzi scheme, and that she was not going to take the child, but was going to save him. The detective told Kelch that she scared the mother with her actions and Kelch just kept telling him that she was trying to save the children from the Ponzi scheme.

The detective reports Kelch was also talking about a murder that she did not commit, and was not making sense.

The detective reports that the Sheriff arrived on scene while he was speaking with Kelch, and Kelch recognized him, and picked up a rock approximately the size of a baseball.

The detective reports he directed Kelch to put the rock down, and Kelch eventually complied.

The detective reports he advised Kelch she was under

arrest for what transpired at the neighbors, and when he went to grab her right arm, Kelch said no. Kelch indicated she wasn't under arrest, and pulled away from the detective.

The detective reports that she and the sheriff attempted to get Kelch's arms behind her back, continually asked her to put her arms behind her back, asked her to stop resisting and advised her that she was under arrest. Kelch grabbed ahold of the railing on the porch with one arm and wouldn't let go. Kelch continued to fight them and would not listen to their commands.

The detective reports they were able to free Kelch's arm from the railing and escorted her to the ground, where they were able to get her arms behind her back.

The detective reports that a deputy and Conservation Officer with the Barron County Sheriff's Department arrived on scene to assist, and the deputy ultimately transported Kelch to the Barron County Jail.

The detective reports he reviewed a copy of a Harassment Protection Order/Injunction out of Barron County, which shows that Kelch was to avoid contact with S.M.L. or S.M.L.'s residence. The detective reports S.M.L.'s residence was the address that they were at, and Kelch was on the porch of the trailer house located on the property. The detective reports he further viewed the Wisconsin Court Circuit Course Access website, which showed Kelch had one open misdemeanor case, and two open felony cases in Barron County.

The detective reports he received a handwritten statement from M.A.G. The statement reads as follows:

"She tried grabbing my son. I pushed him out of the way and had him go inside and lock the door. I was scared for my sons life. She told my son "I will save you soon."

The detective reports he followed up on this incident on February 29, 2024, and met with a female. The detective reports that the female advised that a Polk County Deputy had called her on Monday night around midnight asking her if Kelch could stay with her. The female agreed, as Kelch was friends with her daughter in high school, but indicated she had not really had contact with Kelch since then. The female stated that Kelch was delusional that night, had talked about the mafia, and how the female was a triplet. The female indicated she had called her other daughter to come stay with her, and when she woke up in the morning, Kelch had been gone.

The female stated on Tuesday night, her adult grand-

son was staying with her and after she went to bed, he let Kelch in and she stayed the night again. The female said in the morning Kelch was talking to herself and told the female several times that she wasn't going to kill her, because she was a Queen. The female stated she heard Kelch open the door and yell at the neighbors. The female told Kelch to close the door and told her to leave the neighbors alone. Kelch became upset with her, grabbed her belongings and left the residence.

The female advised she heard yelling and went outside to see what was going on, and the female said Kelch was walking away from M.A.G. going across the road.

The female said Kelch was continually talking to herself, and told the female she was talking to the voices in her head. The female said Kelch kept mentioning that she was a triplet, and that she was safe as she was a Queen, and that she would not kill her. The female said that his made her fearful for her and another's safety.

The detective reports he made contact with M.A.G. again. M.A.G. indicated that she and her son were still a bit shaken up. She indicated that her son is 8-years-old.

The detective asked M.A.G. to go through what led to the incident the previous day, and M.A.G. stated that she and her son were walking to the post office, approximately a block from their residence. While doing so, the female approached her, and asked her to see her son. M.A.G. stated she grew up in Milwaukee, so she just

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ignored the subject and continued walking. M.A.G. said later when they were returning from getting her son a treat, the female was standing in front of her residence. M.A.G. said the female subject told her son "don't worry I'll save you soon." M.A.G. said at that point, the female subject reached out to her son, and M.A.G. put herself between them, accidentally knocking her son down. M.A.G.'s son got up, and she told him to get in the house and she followed him to get him in by their family dog who is protective of him.

As they ran off, the female subject told M.A.G. "Don't worry I will get him."

M.A.G. stated that the female told her who the defendant was and that she had no idea who she was before that incident.

If convicted for disorderly conduct, Kelch may be fined not more than \$1,000 or imprisoned for not more than 90 days or both. For attempt interfere with child custody, she may be fined not more than \$10,000 or imprisoned for not more than nine months or both. For knowingly violate a harassment restraining order, she may be fined not more than \$10,000 or imprisoned for not more than nine months or both. For two counts of violating the condition of the bail/bond in Barron County which prohibits the commission of any crime, she may be fined not more than \$10,000 or imprisoned for not more than six months or both for each count. Her competency hearing was scheduled for March 5, 2024.

Probable Cause 1 Man Charged of Child Sexual Abuse

of Methamphetamine and two counts of Possession of Drug Paraphernalia. Browning appeared for a court hearing that same day and the Honorable Judge Steven Anderson ordered a \$10,000 signature bond for Browning.

In February 2024, at a hearing, the Honorable Judge J.M. Bitney found probable cause to bind the charges against Browning over further proceedings. Browning is scheduled to appear again in April, 2024.

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Valid identification for voting purposes includes a driver license, identification card, military or student ID card, etc. There is no separate “voter ID.” A federally compliant REAL ID card is not required for voting purposes. Anyone unsure if their identification meets the requirements should visit the Wisconsin Elections Commission website to check.

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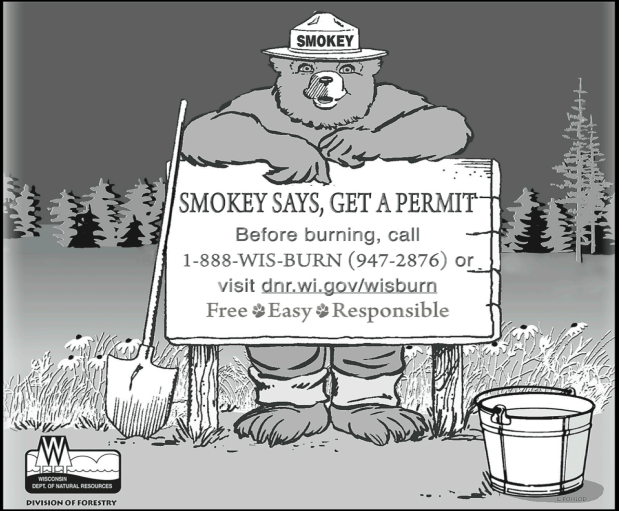
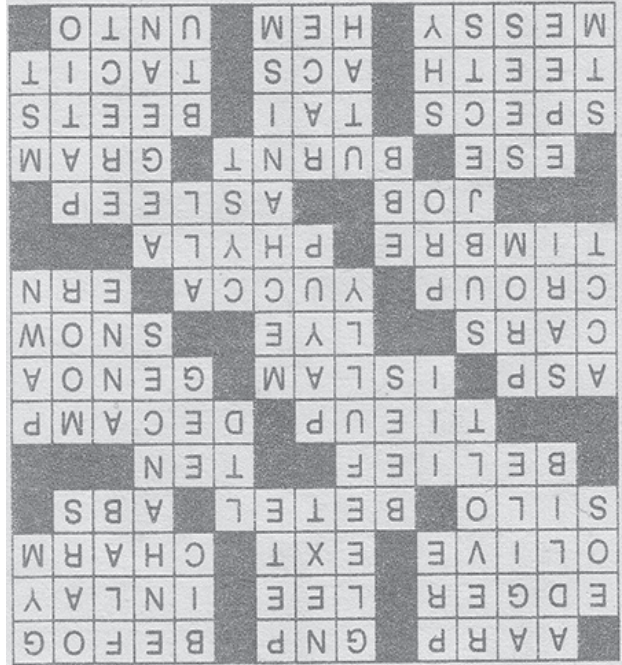
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Sports

Kobe Berghammer; What A Career

Kobe Berghammer started his college football journey at the University of Wisconsin Oshkosh in the fall of 2018 as a gray shirt freshman. At the beginning of the 2019, he earned the QB1 position and maintained that role throughout his tenure at UWO. One of many memorable moments in the 2019 season was the November 16th Saturday night 27-20 victory over UW-Whitewater. The Titans won a share of the WIAC Conference Championship in 2019, earned a playoff berth, and ended the season with a 8-3 record. Berghammer threw for 1700 yards/14 TDs and rushed for 706 yards/9 TDs. Kobe was named WIAC Newcomer of the Year. Kobe's sophomore year had a memorable week 2 victory over Division 2 Northern Michigan 28-10. Kobe had another great season with just under 500 yards rushing/5 TDs, and 1,860 yards passing/21 TDs. The Titans went 6-3 in the 2021 season (2020 season was lost to Covid). The 2022 season got underway with a new head coach and a new offensive system. The Titans opened conference play with a huge 46-7 victory over UW-Platteville. Kobe accounted for 37 touchdowns (11 Rushing, 25 Passing, and 1 Receiving) his Junior year which led the entire WIAC conference. He ended the season with 599 yards rushing and 2,429 yards passing. In his senior year, Berghammer delivered an exceptional performance, setting new standards in a thrilling season. He shattered four school single-game records and clinched a school career record. One standout moment was his 48-46 double-overtime victory over UW-Stout on Oct. 7, where he completed 43 passes for 465 yards and 5 TD's and added 108 rushing yards and 1 TD for a total of 573 offensive yards. His performance earned him National Player of the Week recognition. Another highlight came on Oct. 28 in Oshkosh's 66-28 win over UW-Stevens Point, where he threw eight touchdown passes for 357 yards. His senior season's stats include 247 completions (66.2 percent) for 2,992 yards and 39 touchdowns, averaging 8.0 yards per attempt. He also showcased his agility on the ground, rushing for 503 yards and scoring five times.

Berghammer never missed a game in his impressive four-year career! In his 39 games, he tallied up the following: 32 victories, 669 completed passes, and a whopping 8,763 yards. His aerial prowess resulted in an outstanding 99 touchdowns which is a new UWO football school record! He also made his mark on the ground, adding 2,274 rushing yards and 30 touchdowns.

Throughout his time as a Titan, Kobe received numerous accolades. Notably becoming one of four Wis-

consin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (WIAC) semifinalists for the 2023 William V. Campbell Trophy from the National Football Foundation and College Hall of Fame. His leadership, excellence on the field, and his commitment to his team earned him the team MVP award (voted by his fellow teammates) three out of his four years of play. Berghammer's stellar senior season performance earned him First Team All-Conference. He also earned Honorable Mention and Second Team All-Conference Honors. He was named to Hansen's Ratings All-Region and All-American teams in 2022 and 2023. He was also named their National Offensive MVP in 2022. His national rankings were impressive, securing the fourth spot for passing touchdowns (39) and sixth for passing yards (2,997). His impact extended to re-writing the UW-Oshkosh's record books, setting new benchmarks in single-game touchdown passes (8), single-game passing yards (465), single-game total offensive yards (573), career completions (43), and career touchdown passes (99).

With all of these on the field accomplishments, his teammates loved him for his leadership and friendship. They often mentioned how much heart he competed with and how wonderful of a teammate he was. He constantly gave all the credit to his teammates and coaches. His love for football, his love for competition, and his love for Titan football was so evident in his play. The UWO head coach talked about how Kobe and his fierce and sometimes fiery competitive spirit, passion, and commitment would be standard as to which they would recruit future QB's and players for his program.

For as long as Kobe Berghammer has been able to crawl, he has had a ball in his hands. He was a manager for the Clayton high school team's while he was in Elementary and Middle School. He participated in football, baseball, basketball, track, and wrestling before entering high school. Kobe played his high school football at Clayton High School and Cumberland High School. While in high school, he was named to various All-Conference and All-Region teams. He was also named 1st Team All-State Quarterback and All-State Honorable Mention Defensive Back his senior year. He recently graduated from UW-Oshkosh. Kobe also recently was invited and competed at the National Scouting Combine near Indianapolis, Indiana. Kobe is the son of Alissa and Chris Berghammer. He is also the grandson of Mike Klingelhoets, Karen Ofelt, Pat Berghammer, and Joe Berghammer. He is loved and adored by his family and friends. Congrats and the best of luck going forward...the skies the limit!

Sports Look Back, March 3, 2004

The Cumberland Girls Basketball season came to an end last Tuesday as they dropped a 50-49 two overtime game to the Clear Lake Warriors. The loss leaves Cumberland with a final record of 8 and 13.

The game was close throughout with Cumberland leading 20-17 at half and Clear Lake 27-26 after three quarters.

The fourth quarter saw Cumberland behind by three with less than a minute left when Nikki Blaser hit a three to tie things up. Both teams had possessions to win in regulation, but neither would score sending the game into overtime.

It looked like Cumberland would win the first extra session. This time they would lead by three with a

few seconds left, only to see the Warriors Lizzy Arcand hit a jumper from beyond the three-point line. A turnover denied Cumberland a chance to break the tie as the teams moved into overtime two.

The inability to hit free throws doomed the Beavers in the second overtime. Cumberland scored three field goals, but were unsuccessful on six free throws over the four minutes.

Cumberland had one final chance to win, but saw a shot roll of the rim.

Blaser led Cumberland with 13 points, while Erin Miller and Ami Erickson added 12 each.

Three seniors completed their careers for Cumberland, Ami Erickson, Erin Thorp and Whitney Jensen.

Stellar Career!



Pictured from left to right are former Coach and Dad Chris Berghammer, Kobe Berghammer, former Coach and Uncle Corey Berghammer and former Coach and Uncle Ron Lahners.

Track Team Begin Practice for 2024 Season

The Cumberland Track Team began practice for the 2024 season last Monday with high expectations for the spring. The team's first contest will be an Indoor Meet at UW-River Falls on Tuesday, March 19.

"We return a strong senior class, with a number State qualifiers and Sectional place winners. We have 10 senior boys and nine senior girls leading our team along with have one of our largest freshman classes. It looks to be a well-rounded squad with each event group having returners and newcomers that have the potential to place highly throughout the season," said Head Coach Ryan O'Connell.

A strong coaching staff

also returns, which includes Teri Schwartz, Bob Chubb, Beth McClain and Wilber Rosenow. "This will be Coach Bob Chubb's 55th season coaching track and field. I think that is an incredible accomplishment and I cannot express how valuable his knowledge and experience has been for myself as a young coach and for our program overall. I am lucky to have one of the best coaching staffs in the conference," O'Connell added.

State qualifiers returning include Andie Otto, who finished fifth in the 100m hurdles and ninth in the 300m hurdles and Gavin Gores, Chayden Berghammer, Evan Horn-

stein and Roman Ranallo, who qualified as members of the 4x200 meter team. "We broke six high school records and four freshman records last spring," added O'Connell.

Returners who placed in the Sectional but did not qualify for state include Ben Cunningham in the hurdles and Carly McCreary in the 1600, while Otto placed in both the long jump and triple jump, but did not qualify for La Crosse.

"We are pretty balanced between our field and running events and both should score us a lot of points this year. Our strong core group of leaders help create a positive culture for all of our athletes and our

upperclassman spend a lot of time helping and teaching the underclassmen in their event group. It is a great thing to see happening within our program," added O'Connell.

O'Connell sees Northwestern, and Hayward as the Beavers top competitors in the boy's competition and Hayward and St. Croix Falls as the two favorites in the girl's race. "We believe our team has a good opportunity to compete for both Conference and Regional Titles. We also have a number of talented returners that will be capable of making a trip to State and even placing down there," O'Connell concluded.

Let's Talk Turkey; Use These Resources To Help Get Ready For Turkey Season

The spring turkey season is almost here! If you already have your decoys, calls and camo ready, be sure to take advantage of the DNR's turkey hunting resources to help increase your chances of harvesting one of these elusive birds.

Get An Overview Of Turkey Hunting In Wisconsin

Turkeys haven't always been prevalent in Wisconsin, but they are now. Learn about the conservation success story of wild turkeys in Wisconsin, hunting strategies and tips in the Wisconsin

Turkey Hunter's Guide.

Bonus Harvest Authorizations Available On March 18

If you're looking for more turkey hunting opportunities, consider buying a bonus harvest authorization.

The scheduled sale dates for the 2024 spring turkey season are:

Zone 1 - Monday, March 18 at 10 a.m.

Zone 2 - Tuesday, March 19 at 10 a.m.

Zone 3 - Wednesday, March 20 at 10 a.m.

Zone 4 - Thursday, March

21 at 10 a.m.

Zone 5 - Friday, March 22 at 10 a.m.

Zone 6 - no permits

Zone 7 - Friday, March 22 at 10 a.m.

All remaining bonus authorizations go on sale on Saturday, March 23, at 10 a.m.

A turkey standing in the woods.

Public Hunting On Private Land

Wisconsin offers millions of acres of public land, with much of it open to turkey hunting.

Turkey hunters in Wisconsin also have access to thousands of acres of private land through the Turkey Hunter Access Program and the Voluntary Public Access Program.

These properties are privately owned, but open for public hunting. Access is free, with no need to contact landowners for permission.

Learn more information about these spaces on the DNR's Turkey Hunting and Management webpage.

Knights of Columbus Free Throw Contest!



These students moved on from the local competition to represent Cumberland in Siren. Pictured left to right: Will Knutson, Severin Torrison, Ella Murzda, Liliana Murphy, Kori Rasmussen and Jackson Smith.



An Outdoorsman's Journal

by Mark Walters

A Trip to Remember

Hello friends,
This week's column is all over the map, good, bad, danger and sad! I have to be very vague to fit it all in!

Saturday, February 24th
High 40, low 26

The pups and I arrived in Kipling, Michigan which is the north end of Little Bay de Noc (LBDN) just as day became night. We actually arrived with a snowmobile in tow and were coming from another trip. There was not enough daylight to head out on the ice and so two golden retrievers, both in heat, and their papa slept in the cab of my truck.

Sunday, February 25th
High 44, low 30

Here is where crazy sets in. The landing I wanted to use had too much open water and so I had to change my plan. I would be pulling four sleds with my Polaris "Classic." I figured I would have to travel about 3 miles to get to where I wanted to live, fish and camp for the next 3 nights. First challenge, jumping an expansion crack while pulling 4 sleds, today it was easy. Next, I had traveled maybe 2 miles when I came to open water. I stopped, let the dogs have a break and went around what was maybe an acre of water in the middle of a sea of ice.

I went by a camp of pop-up shacks, and they would end up being about 800-yards from where I decided to make my camp which is where 3 rivers come into the north end of LBDN. There was open water 100-yards from camp, and I put out 3 tip ups and started the job of building camp with my Eskimo shack as my base. At noon I had a flag, and it was fish on, and it was good one, after a ten-minute battle my line went limp.

Towards dark I pulled a tip up and started jigging in my shack with a Buckshot Jigging Spoon tipped with a minnow. After a bit I had a hit and landed a 19-

inch walleye. That made me very happy.

No more action and at about 9:00 I could hear an airboat. It was being launched from shore, came across some open water with red and blue lights on. I knew this was not good. The boat was well lit, kind of like a carp shooters boat and when it pulled up it had Masonville Fire Department on it. There were several people in it, and I was asked if I was the one that went through the ice. I told them I was on good ice and was fine.

I watched as this rig and another coming from my southwest approached the open water I had driven around. Then I watched what was a rescue operation of two airboats trying to help people in the water. I figured/hoped all was well as they went back and forth to shore several times. This experience was very much a bummer to witness!

Monday, February 26th
High 51 low 29

I had a light go off on one of my tip ups at 5:30, the fight was awesome and was I ever surprised when I caught a beautiful rainbow trout. I went back to the shack; it was still dark, and I figured I might as well jig. I was working a Buckshot Jigging Spoon and it got smacked really hard. The fight was on and it was a challenge, low and behold I caught a 29-inch walleye.

An hour later it is light out and my daughter Selina calls me from Missoula, Montana and I get a flag where I caught the trout. I put Selina on speaker phone, and it is fight on as I was spooled in no time. I talked Selina through the whole experience and holy moly I caught another 29-inch walleye.

By 10:00 am I was getting nervous about last night's experience and the expansion crack I would have to jump. I broke camp and headed back to my truck, the crack expanded, and I was scared to jump it with 4 sleds in tow. I made the jump was electrified

Wednesday, March 13, 2024 7



This rainbow trout "steelhead" took a shiner on a tip up, in the dark.



This 29 inch walleye put up a fight and was released.

with relief, looked behind me and saw that my rope had broken and 3 sleds were on the other side of the crack.

Everything worked out until I went to a local sport and found out some really bad news. A snowmobile and a utv and occupants went into the open water and one of the fishermen did not survive.

Like I said in the beginning of this column, this one would be all over the map!

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Chayden Berghammer

Gavin Gores

Cumberland Places Two on HON All-Conference Team

The Cumberland Boy's Basketball Team has placed two players on the HON All-Conference Basketball Team for 2023-2024. Gavin Gores was named to the First Team, while Chayden Berghammer received Honorable Mention honors.

Conference Champion Cameron led the way with four picks including First Team performers Tyson Lucas and Brady Quinn, who were both First Team picks. Lucas was the Conference Player of the Year, averaging 19.6 points and 3.3 points per game.

Gores was an easy First

Team pick, averaging 28.6 points and 13.1 rebounds per contest. His outstanding year puts him among the top juniors in the state. Berghammer, meanwhile, averaged 10 points and 2.7 assists per contest.

"Both of these players were very deserving of recognition," said Head Coach Brian Dutton. The team returns their entire roster minus Alex Effertz, who will graduate this spring.

The Girl's All-Conference Team was also released, but no Cumberland players were listed among the 23 honorees.

Cumberland Mixed-Up Bowling League

Week 23 – March 6h
2nd Half Final Team
Standings

Cumberland Bus - 29
Club Cumberland - 27
Cumberland Federal - 21
Corner Bar - 18
Grandma's Gang - 15

3 High Scratch Games

Mark Peichel - 183
Tom Baril - 179
Pam Allen - 176

3 High Scratch Series

Mark Peichel - 504
Tom Baril - 483
Pam Allen - 450

Spare Time Monday Night Ladies Bowling League Standing

Bowlin Buddies - 54
Clear Lake Self Storage-50
Austad's Super Valu - 45
Bourbon's - 43
Dane Arthur Real Estate-41
Northwoods Septic - 40
Becker's Trucking - 29
Four Chops - 22
5 High Scratch Games
Heidi VanHeuklom - 208

Brenda Johnson - 190
Sue Wick - 188
Shannon Bents - 180
Judy Ullom - 176
5 High Scratch Series
Heidi VanHeuklom - 526
Sue Wick- 515
Judy Ullom - 477
Gwen Johannsen - 471
Orreen Nottom - 470

HEART O' NORTH BOYS BASKETBALL ALL-CONFERENCE TEAM 2023-2024				
1st Team				
Tyson Lucas	Cameron	6'1	Senior	Guard
Brady Quinn	Cameron	6'2	Senior	Forward
Gavin Gores	Cumberland	6'9	Junior	Post
Logan Alberson	Ladysmith	6'3	Senior	Forward
Timmy Meltz	Ladysmith	6'1	Junior	Guard
Bryce Priem	Northwestern	6'2	Senior	Guard
Boden Teal	Northwestern	5'8	Junior	Guard
2nd Team				
Antoine Carter	Ashland	6'4	Senior	Center
Brett McDonough	Barron	5'11	Junior	Guard
Carter Cherney	Cameron	6'4	Junior	Forward
Kory Murray	Cameron	5'11	Senior	Guard
Bryce Killoren	Chetek-Weyerhaeuser	6'2	Junior	Forward
Nathan Harrison	Hayward	6'	Senior	Guard
Andrew Lehman	Ladysmith	6'1	Junior	Guard
Honorable Mention				
Zac Edwards	Barron	6'3	Sophomore	Forward
Brady Lentz	Chetek-Weyerhaeuser	5'11	Junior	Guard
Chayden Berghammer	Cumberland	5'11	Junior	Guard
Lucas Hansen	Hayward	6'1	Sophomore	Guard
Braeden Little	Ladysmith	6'1	Junior	Guard
Tyler Nelson	Northwestern	6'5	Senior	Forward
Gavin Williams	Northwestern	6'	Senior	Guard
Players are listed alphabetically by schools				
Tyson Lucas of Cameron is the Heart O' North Player of the Year				

HEART O' NORTH GIRLS BASKETBALL ALL-CONFERENCE TEAM 2023-2024				
1st Team				
Hailee Halverson	Barron	5'9	Senior	Guard
Bailey Olson	Cameron	5'7	Freshman	Guard
Avery Poppe	Hayward	5'8	Senior	Forward
Greta Schmitt	Hayward	5'6	Senior	Guard
Shayna Wick	Northwestern	5'8	Senior	Guard
Lucy Belisle	St Croix Falls	6'	Senior	Forward
Kelsey Cooper	St Croix Falls	6'2	Senior	Post
2nd Team				
Rayna Hauck	Barron	5'10	Senior	F/P
Ashley Kurschner	Barron	5'7	Senior	Guard
Lexi Kuffel	Cameron	5'7	Junior	Guard
Hannah Solie	Chetek-Weyerhaeuser	5'3	Senior	Guard
Abby Johnson	Northwestern	5'10	Junior	Forward
Jillian Kunert	Northwestern	6'	Freshman	Forward
Selah Greenquist	St Croix Falls	5'5	Senior	Guard
Honorable Mention				
Hannah Bochler	Ashland	5'7	Senior	Guard
Olivia Leschisin	Cameron	5'11	Junior	Forward
Inez Schmidt	Cameron	5'9	Freshman	Guard
Zoe Nelson	Chetek-Weyerhaeuser	5'8	Senior	Forward
Alivia Poppe	Hayward	5'6	Senior	Guard
Mariko Gago	Ladysmith	5'6	Sophomore	Guard
Sevanna Burke	Spooner	5'9	Senior	G/F
Lilly Hotchkiss	Spooner	5'10	Senior	G/F
Ayla Schmidt	St Croix Falls	5'4	Senior	Guard
Players are listed alphabetically by schools				
Avery Poppe of Hayward is the Heart O' North Player of the Year				

Hunt Hill Audubon Upcoming Events

Hunt Hill Audubon Sanctuary will be hosting a Little Explorers program on Saturday, March 16. This is a children’s program mini series happening on select Saturdays of each month from February to April. This month’s topic is deer!

Join Hunt Hill for an exciting morning of stories, crafts, songs, and nature activities geared towards 3–6 year olds; but all ages are welcome! Guardians must stay for the duration of the program. Depending on the weather, we will be outside for a portion of this program. Please dress appropriately to be inside and outside in the weather.

Registration is not required, but strongly encouraged by Friday, March 15 at noon. The program fee is free, but donations are appreciated. If you register ahead of time, you must register yourself and your child(ren). For more information or to register, visit www.hunthill.org or call 715-635-6543.

Hunt Hill is a nonprofit nature preserve and learning center. You can find out more about Hunt Hill and its programs at www.hunthill.org or by calling 715-635-6543.

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Program: Soup Lunch
Topic: Decoding the Driftless

Date: Tuesday, March 19, 2024

Location: Hunt Hill Audubon Sanctuary, Saron, WI

Lunch: 12:00 pm; Program: 12:30 pm

Program Fee: \$10/person; \$7/Hunt Hill Member.

Registration is not required, but strongly encouraged.

Hunt Hill Audubon Sanctuary will be hosting a Soup Lunch on Tuesday, March 19, 2024. This month will feature a special screening of Decoding the Driftless. Lunch

is served at noon and the documentary will begin at 12:30 pm.

At Hunt Hill’s Soup Lunch program, participants will enjoy a warm soup lunch while watching a special screening of Decoding the Driftless. The documentary “is a wild ride of adventure through the air, across rugged landscapes, on and under the water, through a secret underworld, and across time itself to explore and decipher ancient clues as archaeology, paleontology, geology, and biology of the Driftless Region, with its captivating scenic beauty.”

Registration is not required, but strongly encouraged to guarantee a seat. The cost for the soup lunch and the presentation is \$10/person or \$7/Hunt Hill Member. For more information or to register, visit www.hunthill.org or call 715-635-6543.

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Barronett News

By Judy Pieper

We have another potential rodeo person in our family – and I’m very happy about that. Tru Lehmann has loved everything about horses for years, got a new horse as a Christmas present, and has been doing a lot of riding up at Miriah and Jeremy’s arena. Anyway, this past Saturday she was one of the many contestants at the Fun Show at Sky High Ranch, which is located on County Road H a few miles out of Webster. There were lots of contests – barrel racing, pole weaving, jumping figure 8’s, and speed dash. The contests were separated into age categories. Tru entered the speed dash, barrel racing and pole weaving. Miriah said that she did a great job in each of the contests that she entered, and took first in speed dash. Keep up the good work, Tru. We look forward to seeing you compete in the same rodeos Jeremy ropes in.

Geri Pittman is home, safe and sound, from her trip to Iowa. She drove down to attend the first birthday party of great-grandson, Marshall Pittman, hosted by mom, dad and sister, Natalie, Noah and Mallory Pittman. Marshall had a great time at his party, was not too interested in all the presents people brought, but loved smearing cake all over himself and his highchair.

While she was in Iowa, Geri stayed with her son, Jerry, in Waterloo. On the way home she stopped to visit with her brother and sister-in-law, George and Bonnie Orth in Evansdale. She said that she had a very nice time visiting with everyone.

Katy Malone is home from a trip to Oklahoma. She traveled there to visit with her mom, Charlotte Ayres. Charlotte decided she would like to come to visit the Malone family in Barronett, and will be here for the rest of the week.

She and Katy were among the group at coffee hour after church on Sunday, and it was very nice visiting with her.

Duane and I drove down to Buffalo, Minnesota on Tuesday to visit with Ruth Grover. Ruth is doing well and seemed to be very happy to see us, even though we interrupted her nap. She told us about a trip she and Dick took years ago when the Arnes boys, Rambo and Barney, were about eight and ten years old. She said that she and Dick spent most of the trip laughing because the most interesting things to the boys were the big tractors and other huge farm equipment in North Dakota. They even made up a game to see who could see the most pieces of equipment. Like they say – you can take the boy out of the farm, but you can never take the farm out of the boy. They certainly proved that during the trip. Oh, Ruth also said to say hello to all her friends here. She likes being so close to her son and daughter-in-law, but she said that she really misses everyone in the Barronett area.

Miriah Lehmann and Jeremy Olson were among the throng of people attending the benefit for Laura (Just) Magana on Saturday at the American Legion in Cumberland. Miriah said that it was wonderful to see that so many local people did so many things for Laura’s benefit. It is heart-warming to see the support given by people in our little town when they know that someone needs love and care. I’m sure Laura would appreciate any prayers you would like to send up on her behalf.

I am house-sitting and taking care of Enzo, Lynn Thon’s dog, while she is taking a well-earned and much needed vacation in Texas. It sounds as though Lynn is having lots of fun, but poor Enzo is moping around, missing her. When

I let him outside, he goes immediately to Lynn’s car, most likely thinking that she will magically appear. I don’t think he is going to let her out of his sight once she gets back. He does enjoy going down to the treehouse and garden with me, but it’s just not the same as doing things with Lynn. He is going to be very happy to see her.

Tina Anderson, Duane and I had a delicious dinner at Sal’s on 63 on Friday evening. It’s so nice having the restaurant right next door – we can walk over, have delicious food, and talk with lots of friends, neighbors, and, of course, relatives.

Wayne and Ginny Grille and Duane and I went to Men’s Wearhouse in Eau Claire on Thursday to order suits for Wayne and Duane for Sanara and Alex’s wedding, which will be held Memorial Day weekend in Connecticut. The salespeople at Men’s Wearhouse were very helpful, and both guys were able to get everything they need for the big day. After shopping we all went over to Randy’s Restaurant and had brunch. It was a great way to spend the day.

Barronett Civic Club members will be hosting a kids’ Easter party on Saturday, March 23rd, from 1:00 to 2:30 p.m. at the Barronett Community Center. There will be games, Easter egg dying, snacks and beverages as well as an outside Easter egg hunt awarding candy and prizes. All children are welcome, and must be accompanied by an adult. So, if you do not have children of your own, bring a niece, nephew or grandchild and join in the fun. Hope to see you there.

I guess that’s about all I know from Barronett this week. Hope you are able to get out and enjoy this beautiful weather. See you next time.

Senior News

By Gloria Lindeman

We will be having our annual membership meeting, April 3rd regular board meeting and then we will be nominating people. If you are interested to be on our board please let us know by that date.

Some of our members are willing to stay on but we still need more people who are interested. Every two years we have an election and some of us have been on many years. We would like to get some new people to help us out. The election will be

held on April 16th starting at 9:30 till 3. You must be a member in order to vote.

If you can’t be there that day you can pick up a ballot several days earlier and turned in by 16th, to count.

That same day is our soup and salad bar so plan on eating lunch that day don’t have to sign up ahead for that.

Its that time of year again and we are planning our annual Flea Market and garage sale. The date is April 27th. We are already getting quite a few

tables rented so if interested to rent a table let me know soon. My number is 715-822-8241 leave a message if I am not home.

We are getting new flooring in some of the rooms all old carpeting has been torn out.

Please be patient with the noise and the dust etc. as it will look so nice when its done.

That’s it for now Hoping to see all of our members here APRIL 3rd. Its your chance to let us know any concerns or issues you might have.

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SENIOR DINING

Thursday, March 14
Baked chicken breast, sweet potatoes, steamed corn, assorted bread, cherry swirl bar.
Friday, March 15
Slippery Hill Entrée Salad with hard boiled egg, black beans, cheese and vegetables; cottage cheese, roll, frosted cake.
Monday, March 18
Corned beef, boiled cabbage and potatoes, steamed carrots, St. Patty’s Day dessert.
Tuesday, March 19
Spaghetti with meat sauce, green beans, garlic bread stick, chilled pears.
Wednesday, March 20
Chicken, noodle and vegetable casserole, pickled beets, assorted bread, vanilla pudding.

*Lunch is served at 11:45 am and includes milk and/or coffee.
Suggested contribution is \$8.00 per meal for anyone 60 years or older and \$15.00 for those who are under 60.
Please reserve your meal 24 hours ahead of time by calling the Cumberland Senior Center at 715-822-8794.
(No reservations needed for Soup & Salad Bar days on the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of the month served 11:30 am-12:30 pm)
The Senior Center is located at 1255 Webb St.*

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Arnold I. "Arnie" Stoeberl

Arnold Ignatz "Arnie" Stoeberl, 96, of Turtle Lake died Saturday, March 9, 2024, at Monroe Manor in Barron. He was born June 13, 1927, in Eau Claire to Katherine Stoeberl. Arnie attended Midway School, before graduating from Turtle Lake High School in 1945. He worked on his mother's farm for several years. He married Jacqueline Chartrand at Holy Rosary Catholic Church in the Town of Georgetown on April 21, 1951, and in 1961, they bought the Wistrom farm, which they farmed un-

til 1998. He also drove school bus for many years, drove milk truck, plowed snow for the Town of Almena, drove semi, worked on silo unloaders, and barn clearners. Arnie was an active member of Sacred Heart Catholic Church, and a 4th Degree Knight of Columbus. He prayed the Holy Rosary daily. His spare time was spent putting together puzzles, word searches, wood working, reading Scripture, and spending time with his family.

He is survived by his wife, Jacqueline, currently living in Barron; five sons: Arnold (Heidi) Stoeberl of Siren, Michael Stoeberl of Almena, Lawrence (Jeanne) Stoeberl of Almena, Richard (Angie) Stoeberl of Almena, Dale (Sue) Stoeberl of Almena; four daughters, Sally Suckut of Amery, Anita (Wally) Tomczik of Almena, Renee (Kenny) Hickerson of Andover, MN, Jean (Larry) Johnson of Cumberland; son-in-law, Jeff Cox of Ham Lake, MN; 30 grandchildren; 51 great grandchildren; two

great-great-grandchildren; many nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives and many, many friends. Arnie was preceded in death by his mother, Katherine; brothers, Robert "Conrad" Pearson, George (Fern) Pearson; sister, Virginia Pearson; daughter, Anne Cox; four grandchildren: Kenny Stoeberl, Amy Stoeberl, Cory and Jacque Suckut.

Visitation will be from 4:00 to 7:00 on Thursday, March 14, at the Skinner Funeral Home in Cumberland and for 1 hour prior to the Mass on Friday. There will be a Rosary Service at 6:30. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 10:30 AM on Friday, March 15, 2024, at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Almena with Father Tom Thompson officiating. Burial will be at Sacred Heart Cemetery with the 4th Degree Knights of Columbus serving as pallbearers.

Skinner Funeral Home of Cumberland is serving the family.

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"Sacrifice"

by Deacon Steve Linton

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In our readings for the Fifth Sunday of Lent we here from the Letter to the Hebrews; "In the days when Christ Jesus was in the flesh, he offered prayers and supplications with loud cries and tears to the one who was able to save him from death, and was heard because of his reverence. Son though he was, he learned obedience from what he suffered; and when he was made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him. (Hebrews 5:7-9)

Following the will of God requires sacrifice. We live in a world that is full of wonder and temptation. When we focus only on our own fleshly wants and desires, we fill ourselves with thoughts, feelings and emotions which glorify only ourselves. It might feel good or right while we walk in this life, but how does it help us in the next. As Christians we believe that there is more to our existence than the world we now live in. We believe in God's presence. We believe that we are His creation. We believe that He wants to be in relationship with us. We believe that there is a home prepared for us in Heaven if we choose to commit our lives to God rather than ourselves. This requires discipline and suffering. It requires that we let go of our own earthly desires and seek His heavenly desire for us. We must sacrifice our will for His.

In the days ahead we will celebrate the saving grace that flows from the sacrifice of God's Son Jesus Christ. The sacrifice, the suffering, and the death he suffered not for himself, but for us, so that we might be forgiven when we fail in doing God's will. On Easter Sunday we celebrate Jesus ascension into heaven, body and soul, conquering death once and for all. Through His suffering, death, and resurrection Jesus secures for us the pathway to eternal salvation and access to the Heavenly Kingdom.

As we continue through this season of Lent and look toward Easter let us reflect on our lives and ask ourselves; Who do we serve? Are we serving ourselves, or are we serving God? Do we have the courage to put God's will first in our lives? May we offer up prayers and supplications with reverence and awe to the God who loves us above all else. The God who sacrificed His only begotten Son so we can have the hope of eternal salvation.

Peace be with you always!
Deacon Steve Linton

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Qualifications: Physical Education (1530) license. An additional license in Health (1910) is desired.
How to Apply: If interested in this position, applications are submitted through the WECAN website: <https://wecan.education.wisc.edu>. Applicants may also mail or email a resume, letter of interest, three letters of recommendation, and copies of transcripts from all attended universities to:
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PETITION FOR NAME
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CASE NO. 24CV67
In the matter of the name change of Trynity Rose Sanders-Carlon.
A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above: Trynity Rose Sanders-Carlon to Jax Avery Sanders.
The petition will be heard in the circuit court room of Barron County by the Honorable Judge James Babler on April 16, 2024 at 10:30 am at Barron County Justice Center 1420 State Highway 25 North, Barron, WI 54812.
I AM THE PETITIONER AND STATE: My address is 910 Nedvidek St., Cumberland, WI 54829.
I live in Barron County, WI.
I was born on **August 11, 2006** in the State of Idaho.
My Birth Certificate was issued in the State of Idaho.
The name that appears on my birth certificate is **Trynity Rose Sanders-Carlon**
My current job is: Student
I certify that I am not a convicted sex offender required to register under §§301.45, 938.34(15m), and 938.345(3), Wis. Stats, or a similar law of any other state.
I wish to change my name to **Jax Avery Sanders**
Dated: March 05, 2024.
By the Court:
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James C. Babler
Circuit Court Judge
March 05, 2024
Published in the Cumberland Advocate March 13, March 20 & March 27, 2024 WNAxLP

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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 and closed session to follow on Tuesday, March 19, 2024, in the middle school commons.
The following is the proposed agenda:
1. Approve vouchers, receipts, and invoices.
2. Recognize delegates, visitors, and donations.
3. Consider approval of 2024-2025 CESA 11 Shared Services Contract.
4. Consider approval of Early College Credit Program for first semester 2024-25 school year.
5. Consider approval of Start College Now Program for first semester 2024-25 school year.
6. Consider approval of William McCreary's resignation as Middle School Head Track Coach.
7. Consider approval of Tony DiSalvo's resignation as High School Head Football Coach.
8. Consider approval of Susan O'Connell's resignation as Special Education Aide.
9. Consider approval of Jason Marten's resignation as Middle School Physical Education Teacher due to retirement.
10. Hear discussion items and administrator reports.
11. Set meeting dates and events.
Vote on closed session for the purpose of considering employment and compensation and discussing negotiations and performance evaluations per Wisconsin Statute 19.85(1)(c), specifically to discuss staffing and personnel matters. The board will reconvene to open session to adjourn.
A copy of the agenda is posted in the elementary school, middle school, high school, and administration building.
Jennifer Hyatt
Cumberland School District Clerk
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LEGAL NOTICE
Cumberland Federal Bank, FSB

Cumberland Federal Bank (the "Bank") has recently published various regulatory notices. To help address any potential questions, Bank management wanted to publish this notice to provide additional clarity regarding the reorganization proposal (the "Proposal"). The Proposal is simply the creation of a holding company structure for the Bank. A vast majority of banks have holding companies. The creation of a holding company structure will not change the Bank's day-to-day operations or offerings; rather, it provides the organization with additional flexibility and tools to remain independent. Customers of the Bank can still expect to receive the same high-quality service and products they receive today. Because the Bank is a heavily regulated institution, the creation of the holding company structure requires (1) regulatory approval along with various required public notices, and (2) approval from our members. In connection with the latter, our members can expect to receive detailed information in the near future.

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AQUATIC PLANT MANAGEMENT NOTICE

The Sand Lake Management District is applying for a permit to the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources for a chemical treatment of Eurasian Water Milfoil (HWM) in up to 5 acres of Sand Lake. Proposed aquatic herbicides to be used is ProcellaCOR, approved for use in Wisconsin. The treatment is expected in June 2024.
A draft of the permit application which includes the treatment sites can be requested by email harmony-env@amerytel.net.
The public may request a public informational meeting within 5 days of this notice by contacting harmony-env@amerytel.net and the Department of Natural Resources, Austin Dehn, 810 W. Maple Street, Spooner, WI 54801. The request must specify the topics to be discussed at the meeting, including problems and alternatives.
The Lake District will conduct a public informational meeting on the proposed treatment if five or more individuals, organizations, special units of government, or local units of government request one. The Lake District is not required to, but may, change the proposed treatment based on information provided by citizens who attend the meeting.
This notice is required by Chapter NR 107 Wisconsin Administrative Code.
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Cumberland High School Symphonic Band.



Cumberland Middle School Seventh and Eighth Grade Choir



Cumberland Middle School Seventh and Eighth Grade Band.

Cumberland High School Symphonic Band Excels at Large Group Festival

On Tuesday March 5, 2024, the Cumberland High School Symphonic Band traveled to Rice Lake, WI to take part in the Wisconsin School Music Association Large Group Concert Band Festival. This festival takes place each spring and brings together high school and middle school bands from throughout the conference to play for three WSMA certified adjudicators for either ratings or critique. Each adjudicator listens to each band’s performance and then fills out a rubric form provided by the state. The adjudicators then assign each band a rating based on their observations and written notes.

The 58-member Cumberland High School Symphonic Band performed three pieces for the adjudication panel. One piece was a required piece selected from the state class A concert band list (the most difficult music on the state list) while the other two pieces were selected by the director.

All three adjudicators assigned Cumberland the best possible score (1st ratings) and were complimentary with their written and verbal comments to the ensemble.

Mr. Pierce, Cumberland High School Director of Bands, would like to congratulate all members of the band on an excellent performance.

The Cumberland Middle School 7th and 8th Grade Choir, directed by Mrs. Holdt and accompanied by Mrs. Smith, performed at Large Group Festival as well on Tuesday. They performed in the comments only class.

On Monday, March 4, 2024, Cumberland Schools held their March is Music in our Schools Concert. The Cumberland High School Concert Choir and Chamber Choir performed along with the Cumberland Middle School 7th and 8th Grade Band and Cumberland High School Jazz Combo.

Groundwater Awareness Week Is March 10-16; DNR Highlights Importance Of Protecting Groundwater

MADISON, Wis. – The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR) is celebrating Groundwater Awareness Week March 10-16, 2024.

Groundwater is a vital resource in Wisconsin, with approximately 70% of Wisconsinites relying on groundwater as their primary source of drinking water. Wisconsin’s groundwater also plays a critical role in supporting the state’s agricultural and tourism economy – irrigating crops, watering cattle, processing various foods, or feeding trout streams and spring-fed lakes.

“For many Wisconsinites, groundwater is crucial for providing safe drinking water, as well as serving agricultural and industrial needs in our state. Increasing awareness of our groundwater will help conserve one of our most valuable resources for current and future generations,” said McCrea Baker, acting Groundwater Section Manager for the DNR’s Drinking Water and Groundwater program.

Wisconsinites can do their part by taking action in their own lives. Here are some ways that everyone can protect and conserve groundwater:

Annual water well testing and well maintenance: Private well owners should test their well water at least once a year, tend to any maintenance needs, and treat their water if necessary.

Recycle: Properly recycling paper, plastic, cardboard, glass, aluminum and other materials can help prevent potential groundwater contamination.

Plant native plants: When landscaping, prioritize native plants. They look great and don’t need much water or fertilizer. When choosing grass, varieties adapted to Wisconsin’s climate can reduce the need for extensive watering or chemical applications.

Use water wisely: Don’t let the water run unnecessarily, fix any leaks, take shorter showers, only run full loads of dishes or clothes, water the lawn and plants during the coolest part of the day and only when they need it, and obey any watering restrictions during dry periods.

Wisconsinites can also help protect groundwater by managing hazardous waste and reducing chemical use. Unused hazardous waste, like pharmaceuticals, pool chemicals and motor oil, are often improperly disposed of, resulting in the contamination of aquifers that provide drinking water.

Residents can take many hazardous waste products to community collection points to ensure proper treatment or disposal. Replacing products with less harmful alternatives, only buying what can be used entirely and checking what is already in your bam, garage or home can help eliminate the chances of groundwater contamination.

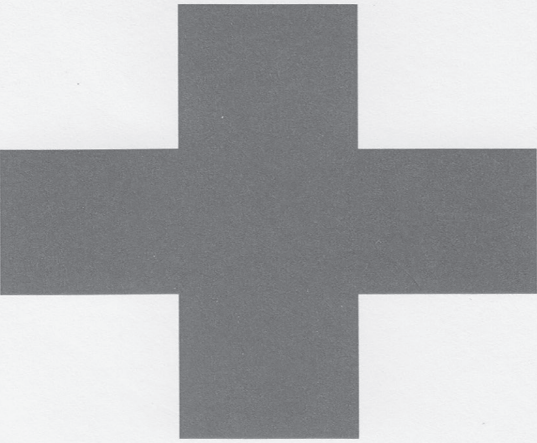
The department has resources readily available on the Household Hazardous Waste webpage, including a disposal guide and link to the U.S. EPA Safer Choice list for consumers and businesses.

To learn more, visit the DNR Groundwater webpage or the Groundwater Coordinating Council’s story map, Wisconsin’s Buried Treasure is Worth Protecting.

Groundwater Awareness Week, first established in 1999, is an annual observance highlighting the responsible development, management and use of groundwater. It is also a way to promote professional opportunities in the groundwater industry.

The groundwater industry is made up of a variety of skilled professionals like well drillers, pump installers, hydrogeologists, groundwater policy advocates and groundwater technology manufacturers who help provide safe drinking water now and in the future.

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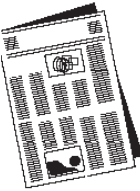
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Northwood Figure Skating Club Skates at Annual Festival on Ice

On March 9th & 10th the Northwood Figure Skating Club presented their annual Festival on Ice at the Rice Lake Hockey Rink. This years show theme was “NFSC World Tour” and included 35 local skaters, many of them from Cumberland! The Northwoods Figure Skating Club (NFSC) is an official member of the United States

Figure Skating Association and offers lessons to skaters ages 4 and up. The NFSC currently skates at the Rice Lake Hockey Rink and the Cumberland Hockey Rink and serves skaters from many local communities including Cumberland, Rice Lake, Amery, Cameron, Chetek, Turtle Lake and beyond. Along with structured lessons with trained coach-

es, every year the club presents an professionally produced and choreographed festival on ice show for skaters to showcase their talents to the public. For more information about the Northwoods Figure Skating Club or to sign your youth up for lessons email info@NorthwoodsNFSC.com or visit their website at www.NorthwoodsFSC.com

Northwood Figure Skaters!



The Northwood Figure Skating Club with their medals.



The Northwood Figure Skating Club performing at the Annual Festival on Ice held in Rice Lake on March 9th and 10th.

Light A Legacy...

Vice President role. Dr. Jessica Richards, Connie Lusier, Kelli Torrison, and Dr. Barry Rose are all returning as trustees. We welcome Kala Green to the board and hope she enjoys it just as much as we all do. I would ask that you please join me in extending a heartfelt thank you to Shay Horton for her years of dedication and service to the Cumberland Education Foundation. Her enthusiasm, leadership, and knowledge will most definitely be missed. The work that she has done behind the scenes to help the Foundation run smoothly was very much appreciated and she will be greatly missed. Volunteers like Shay are a perfect example of why the Cumberland Educational Foundation has been successful. We have a loyal group of volunteers - from our trustees to those who work on the Light A Legacy banquet - who continue to give their time and talents to the Foundation. The creativity of the staff who continue to bring forth brilliant ideas

for enriching the education of Cumberland’s students is incredible.

The Board of Trustees is excited to announce that we have once again chosen two applicants to receive grants in 2024. The first was presented by Emalee Stowell. Her grant application focused on a fun way to motivate students by providing each class with a gumball machine! The machines will be filled with age-appropriate prizes and will be used in creative ways by all of the teachers in the elementary building. The program will help increase positive behaviors, leading to improved morale and a more successful classroom. The second recipient is Tirzah Zipperer. Her grant has already brought a stand of 30 ClassVR headsets into the classroom. ClassVR headsets are virtual reality headsets and are designed specifically for education. They come with software for teachers to use a pre-programmed curriculum, along with training for up

to 10 teachers. I am excited to see how the students and teachers use this new technology and remember the days of the floppy disk and Oregon Trail! My how far we’ve come.

Finally, I would like to take this opportunity to invite you to our 2024 Light A Legacy Gala Event on April 13, 2024, at the Turtleback golf course in Rice Lake. After reviewing all our options following the sale of the Das Lach Haus, we made the difficult decision to move the location. Given the exceptional attendance and support the community has shown, we feel that Turtleback has enough space for us to continue to host such a wonderful event without having to drastically change the look and feel of the Gala. Please look for more details to come. If you have questions, please contact Melissa Weaver in the District Office at 715-822-5124.

Respectfully submitted,
Jacob Lundquist,
President



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