



Two Honored At Cumberland Chamber Of Commerce Banquet!



Sam Donatelle (left) accepts his Citizen Of The Year plaque from long time friend Ron Ruppel at the annual Chamber of Commerce Banquet on Monday night at the American Legion.

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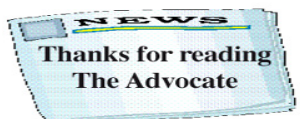
Sam Donatelle was honored by the Cumberland Chamber of Commerce at the annual dinner on Monday night, April 8th, at the American Legion. Ron Ruppel presented the award and highlighted some of what Sam has meant to the community through the years.

After graduation from UW-Eau Claire, Sam went to work at the family owned Donatelle's IGA Store. It

was there his father installed in him the need to be a part of the community. Sam also worked at Ardisam for 13 years before retirement. Sam is on the Cumberland Golf Course Board, where he was instrumental in raising over \$200,000 for course improvements, is a member of Knights of Columbus, was a member of the Cumberland Jaycees, was a Kiwanis member for 35 years and helped with

various basketball leagues throughout the years. Sam has also been on the Cumberland Federal Bank Board for the past 29 years! The list is long. Sam thanked his wife Julie, the community, the Chamber of Commerce, family and friends.

Thank you Sam for all you have done for the Cumberland community. It is appreciated!



Kris Zappa (left) was awarded a plaque for being named Humanitarian Citizen Of The Year Mondy night at the Chamber of Commerce Banquet. Jasmine Newhouse presented the plaque.

Kris Zappa Awarded Humanitarian Citizen of the Year Honors

New this year the Cumberland Chamber of Commerce honored Kris Zappa with a Humanitarian Citizen of the Year award at the annual dinner for all the wonderful things she has done for the community and beyond. Jasmine Newhouse presented the award.

Through the years, Kris has always been there to run fundraisers and events for various organizations and people in need. This past year Kris, who owns Bourbon's Bar, went above

and beyond. When tragedy struck and two officers Emily Breidenbach and Hunter Scheel were killed in the line of duty, Kris and her staff and friends organized "Back the Blue Fundraiser." The fundraiser was a huge success and over \$22,000 was raised in just four hours. The funds went to the Chetek, Cameron and Cumberland Police Departments. She also helped create "Challenge Coins" which were distributed to law enforcement,

EMS and fire departments all over the state. She has also put together "Lunch with Santa" which over the last three years has raised over \$20,000 for our Fire Department and Barron County K9 Unit. There are many more ways she has raised money to help the community including Pub Crawls, Bingo Fundraisers and more. Bourbon's Bar was named Tavern of the Year by the Tavern League of Wisconsin this past year. It's easy to see why!



Officer Emily Breidenbach



Officer Hunter Scheel

A Tribute to Emily and Hunter

This past Monday, April 8th marked one-year anniversary for the in line of duty death of our two officers Emily Breidenbach and Hunter Scheel. They gave the ultimate sacrifice. Truly one of the most tragic days in our community.

Hunter loved what he did as a protector Emily cared for her loved ones and community. Though their lives were short lived on our scale, we are grateful for the times we had with them, and times that brought their families and friends joy and happiness. They defined the epitome of what a hero is by the ultimate sacrifice they gave as heroes protecting our community. There is a bond within law enforcement because of the willingness to lay down your life for your partner, and Emily and Hunter lived and gave the purest of noble deeds in their courage.

We will never forget. Their ultimate sacrifice demands

our lasting gratitude which we are willing to give. Their ultimate sacrifice is a reminder of the Bible verse John 15:13 "Greater love has no man than this, that a man would lay down his life for his friends."

Each department and family are doing what they need to do best as they remember and grieve through that day as they are the survivors of this tragic death. For them, at times, it may be hard to see beyond the sorrow, yet as they process their grief it allows them to appreciate the good memories that will help comfort them. The departments and family members don't "get over" the loss of Hunter and Emily, instead they have continued learning to live with the grief. Healing takes time with healthy coping methods as they rebuild their lives around the suffering they have faced.

This year the two depart-

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WisDOT seeking public input on US 63 improvement project; Resurfacing project planned from Cumberland to Washburn County line

The Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WisDOT) is seeking public input on a proposed im-

provement project on US 63 from Charrie Lane in Cumberland to the Washburn County line.

Go to the project website for more information, including a presentation and map, and to obtain a com-

ment form. Comments are being accepted through April 19, 2024, by:

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Bear Lake Coffee Now Open

The Barronett Civic Club would like to thank Gabe Damiani from Bear Lake Coffee Co. for a generous

donation he made to our scholarship fund. Please help us extend a warm welcome to him and his family

as they settle into the community and finish the final touches on the coffee shop. Gabe has collaborated with

a host of local craftsmen to construct a coffeehouse & roastery that is unique to

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Welcome to Bear lake Coffee; Pictured back row left to right are: Amanda Damiani (owner) Bonnie Fogelberg (BCC Member) and Debbie Arnes (BCC Treasurer) . Front row from left to right are: Gabe Damiani (Owner), Dean Arnes (BCC President), Ashlea Burke (BCC Secretary), Morgan Neitzel (BCC Director) and Morgan Forrestal (BCC Director).

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ments and other law enforcement officers will be joining the Wisconsin and National commemorative ceremonies this coming May. On Friday May 10th many of the officers and family members will be in Madison for the 34th Annual Wisconsin Law Enforcement Memorial Ceremony taking place on the Capitol grounds. Students of the Cameron High School Band will be playing at the ceremony on that day. National Police Week happens each year during the week of May 15th. Many of the officers and family members will be going to Washington D.C. that week to pay respect to Emily and Hunter. This will be a time of remembrance and peer/family support. We are truly grateful for the huge

community support with the "Light the Way" fundraiser that helps with the travel expenses for many. We are also grateful for the Wisconsin Chapter of Concerns of Police Survivors (C.O.P.S) who have helped us prepare for this event. Because of this busy year for the families and departments, we as a community will not be doing any major public memorial service for both Emily and Hunter as we want to respect their time and space to process as they are dealing with this first year mark. Starting next year, we will plan a community event during the month of May 2025 for remembering and honoring our fallen officers. For now, we honor their sacrifice by remembering them on this week of their ultimate sac-

rifice. We move forward with the memory of them, with the blue lights on our porches, blue ribbons and bumper stickers. We remember that they protected our community as we see the signage on the County Highway SS between Cameron and Chetek that has been named after Emily and Hunter. For those of us who knew Hunter and Emily, these memories are parts of the true treasure we have. Courage is not always seen in the ultimate sacrifice; it is most often seen in self-sacrifice. There exists within our society a nobility which

is exemplified primarily within law enforcement. This nobility is a dedication to protecting and serving and with the willingness of self-sacrifice that our officers continue to show and have proven to their departments and our community. Our safety within our community comes at the price of their self-sacrifice. As their chaplain, I know of many unseen sacrifices they continue to make. The extra hours they put in, missing family events, mutual aid to other departments, and their commitment to their calling instead of doing another

career. They are the protectors of our land. They express their love to us by their daily sacrifice and dedication. We are blessed to have those who have answered the call to public service that is demanding and often unappreciated as they serve and care for our Cumberland community every hour of every day. We are grateful for the

leadership of Chief Heather Wolfe and her officers. We honor the ones who serve and protect us daily by respecting their role in society. Serving those who sacrifice daily. **Cody Kargus**
Law Enforcement Chaplain
Law Enforcement Foundation of Barron County
President

Poetry and Pie at Thomas St. Angelo Public Library

Celebrate National Poetry Month at the Thomas St. Angelo Public Library of Cumberland on April 25 at 6 pm. Enjoy a piece of pie while listening to local community members read their favorite poems. You may come and be one of the readers or just listen and enjoy. Check out a poetry book today! Pies provided by the Friends of the Library. Register for this program by calling 715-822-2767 or email cupl@cumberlandplo.org.

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FRIDAY, April 12: 4-7 pm HS Track Conference at Ashland • 4-6 pm HS Boys Golf home vs St. Croix Falls • 5-7:30 pm HS Baseball home vs St. Croix Falls • 5-7 pm HS Softball at St. Croix Falls • 5-7 pm HS Girls soccer at St. Croix Central.

SATURDAY, April 13: • 1:00-3:00 pm Pickle Ball • 1-3 pm HS Softball home vs Hurley • 5-10 pm Light A Legacy Dinner .

MONDAY, April 15: 4-7:00 pm HS Track Meet at Home • 4-6:00 pm HS Boys Golf at Spooner • 4:30-6:00 pm CCE: Choose Fit/Pat Chuchwar • 4-7:30 pm HS Girls Soccer at Superior .

TUESDAY, April 16: 6-6:45 am CCE: TRX • 5-7:30 pm HS Baseball at Ladysmith • 5-7:30 pm HS Soccer home vs EC North • 5-7:30 pm HS Softball home vs Ladysmith V • 5-7 pm HS JV Softball at Spooner • 6-8 pm School Board Meeting • 8-10 pm CCE: Adult Volleyball.

WEDNESDAY, April 17: 9 am-3 pm HS Boys Golf at Barron • 6:01 PM - 8:01 PM Pickleball .

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Susan Bridger CCE Director 715-822-5121 ext. 403 or sbrid@csmail.com

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Thursday, April 11
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Friday, April 12
Pizza, broccoli, applesauce. MS/HS: Tomato soup w/grilled cheese.
Monday, April 15
Chicken patty, fries, baked beans, mixed veggies, peaches. MS/HS: Garlic Cheese Bread.
Tuesday, April 16
Tacos, brown rice, corn, refried beans, strawberry cups. MS/HS: Pizza.
Wednesday, April 17
Chicken wrap, chips, baked beans, broccoli, mixed fruit. MS/HS: Garlic cheese bread.
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- Repair or perform maintenance on culverts.
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- Place new pavement markings.
- Complete any other incidental work.

During construction, US 63 will remain open to traffic, but motorists will encounter single-lane closures controlled by flagging operations. In addition, temporary driveway closures will be necessary to complete construction, but property owners will be notified in advance of such a closure. Construction currently is scheduled for 2026.

Northwoods Notebook: Warm winter, but a late spring? By Larry Werner

I was hoping that after the warmest winter ever, we'd get an early spring. Some friends actually put their dock in a few weeks ago — before the biggest snowstorm of the season hit. It looks like we won't be out on the lake much before late April or early May. Another big snow last week buried towns just east of us. And I don't see any 70-degree days in the long-range weather reports.

Last year, after an unusually cold and snowy winter, we got our pontoon in the water May 10. That was late. Here's hoping it will warm up in the next week or two so we can enjoy the best time of the year in Cumberland.

What is it about being on the water? I grew up in Michigan, the Great Lakes State. My town, Bay City, was on Lake Huron. And even though we didn't live on the lake, we spent much time on the water.

On summer days, my buddies and I would peddle our bikes down to the Saginaw River that flows into the lake, with our fishing poles and sack lunches. We'd sit in the sun on the shore fishing for perch, but often pulling in only carp.

One of our fun family activities was heading out to fishing docks built out into Lake Huron's Saginaw Bay. Mom and

Dad would pay a quarter or two, buy some night crawlers, and we'd actually catch some perch, which I consider the best-eating fish there is. In my teen years, we'd head out to Bay City State Park for beach parties. We'd turn our transistor radios up loud, cook hot dogs in a campfire and hope the cops didn't come out to see if we might be drinking beer. One night, after dark, the police came, and one guy picked up the case of beer and ran with it into the lake, returning to the beach after the police left.

One of my friends, whose family was considered wealthy, had a home in town and a cabin at the beach. We'd get invited out there to swim, sit on the beach and, as the old Nat King Cole song went, enjoy "Those Lazy-Hazy-Crazy Days of Summer."

Time marched on, and my newspaper career took me to places such as Louisville, Kentucky, and Dallas, Texas, that were not on water. We ended up in Minnesota, the land of 10,000 lakes, but lived and worked in the city. My plan was to find a lake place when I retired, and I did.

Our 11th summer living on Beaver Dam Lake is approaching.

Soon, I'll be stepping out to my deck at dinner time, enjoying a beverage and my view of the lake while

meat cooks on the grill. On warm, sunny days, we'll walk down the hill to the dock and take the pontoon out of Rabbit Bay for a cruise through the narrows, waving to our lake neighbors sitting on their docks in Williams Bay, or passing by in their boats.

We'll head to Camp Brigadoon on one end of the lake, then to the City Beach on the other end, where we'll see kids jumping off the diving board on the swimming dock. Then we'll pass Eagle Point, before slowing way down and trimming up the motor to go back through the shallow narrows, dodging the swimmers on the sandbar.

Other warm days, we'll climb into our kayaks, and have a quieter ride on the water, sometimes with those beautiful loons, who sometimes swim alongside our boats, diving down and popping up on the other side. These magnificent, red-eyed birds aren't so much sights to see, but summer friends.

I've heard some of the loons have returned to the north woods. When it warms, and the windows are open, I'll hear their haunting cry, morning and night. When it warms, we'll be on the water with them, wondering how it is we're lucky enough to live here, and play here, in a place they call The Island City.

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

Barron County District Attorney Brian H. Wright Announces Candidacy for Re-election

I am formally announcing my candidacy for re-election as Barron County District Attorney. I am proud of the work performed by the District Attorney's Office since becoming District Attorney in 2018,

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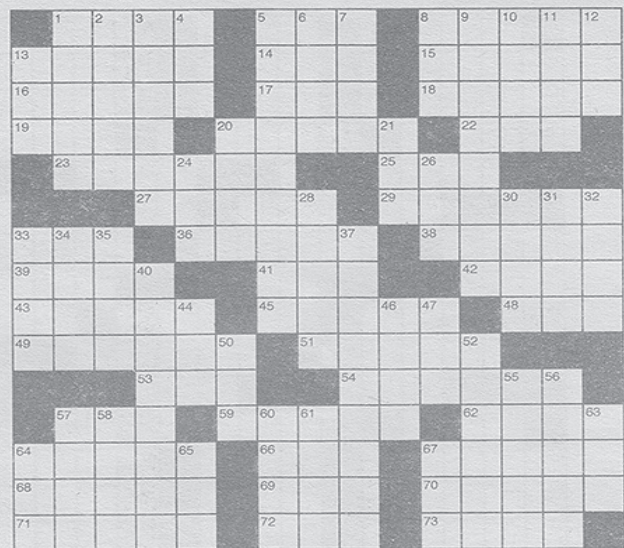
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1 More than anyone else

5 Eat

8 Spanish 'friend'

13 Show

14 Pressure unit

15 Agricultural

16 Change

17 East southeast

18 Group of notes

19 Deception

20 Composer

22 Whichever

23 In a foreign land

25 Revolutions per minute

27 Sharp hook parts

29 Island inhabitant

33 Slide on snow

36 Japanese city

38 Syrup tree

39 Typesetting measurement

41 Succor

42 Voiceless

43 Held high

45 Rends

48 _ Francisco

49 Beauty Marilyn

51 Mushy snow

53 Scamp

54 Interior

57 Western Athletic Conference

59 List of highly desired guests

62 Element

64 Unit of electric capacitance

66 Lawyer's title

67 Expression

68 Athletic field

69 Winder melody

70 Make a payment

71 Hoard

72 Ball holder

73 Otherwise

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1 Communicators

2 Toothbrush brand

3 Super

4 Explosive

5 Water skier tower

6 Soviet Union

7 Multicolor

8 Electric spark

9 Great Islamic prophet

10 Take the wrinkles out

11 Farside's Larson

12 Elder

13 Crude

20 Change

21 Tax agency

24 Grows acorns

26 Highest trump in some loo

28 Pig pens

30 Musical composition

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32 Northeast by north

33 Canned meat brand

34 Weight unit

35 Computer "button"

37 Female slave in a harem

40 People from Africa

44 Male cat

46 Shrimp

47 South southwest

50 Environmental protection agency (abbr.)

52 "Royal Fireworks Music" Composer

55 Large stacks of paper

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Out My Window

by Paul Bucher, Editor

Monday, April 8th marked the one year anniversary of the tragic murders of police officers Emily Breidenbach and Hunter Scheel. What an awful day that will be remembered forever. My thoughts and prayers go out to families and friends of the two officers. Thank you to all police officers who serve our communities. You are so appreciated for putting your life on the line every day!

Well UConn outlasted Purdue Monday night to win the Mens NCAA Basketball Championship for the second straight year. I didn’t see the end of it. The game didn’t start until 8:20 pm. I know the game was played in Arizona, but come on. How are kids going to see this. It’s on a MONDAY night. I don’t know why we have to cater to the viewers on the west coast. They can’t turn the game on at 5:20 pm their time? Both schools in the final are in the Eastern time zone. The game started at 9:20 pm for those folks. I think it stinks. If you are going to do that, at least figure out a way to play the game on a Friday or Saturday night.

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How about the Women’s Final Four! Record numbers of people tuned in to watch Caitlin Clark and her Iowa Hawkeye’s all season and that only ramped up in tournament time. She really is fun to watch. Her passing and court vision are insane not to mention her scoring prowess. I think most of the country was pulling for Iowa against South Carolina. It was not meant to be as the Gamecocks completed an undefeated season. They were just too big and strong controlling the glass. It was kind of cool to see freshman guard Tessa Johnson from small school Saint Michael Albertville in Minnesota have such a big game scoring 19 points in the contest.

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Congratulations to both Sam Donatelle and Kris Zappa who were honored at the annual Chamber of Commerce Banquet on Monday night. Both are deserving of the awards presented to them. They are two more examples of the wonderful people here in Cumberland. We are lucky to live and work here!

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The snow is gone and we got some rain. When the sun pops out it is going to green up fast. I can’t wait to get outside and enjoy some warmer temps. So much to do this spring. Work doesn’t seem so bad when you are doing it in shorts and a t-shirt! Have a great week!



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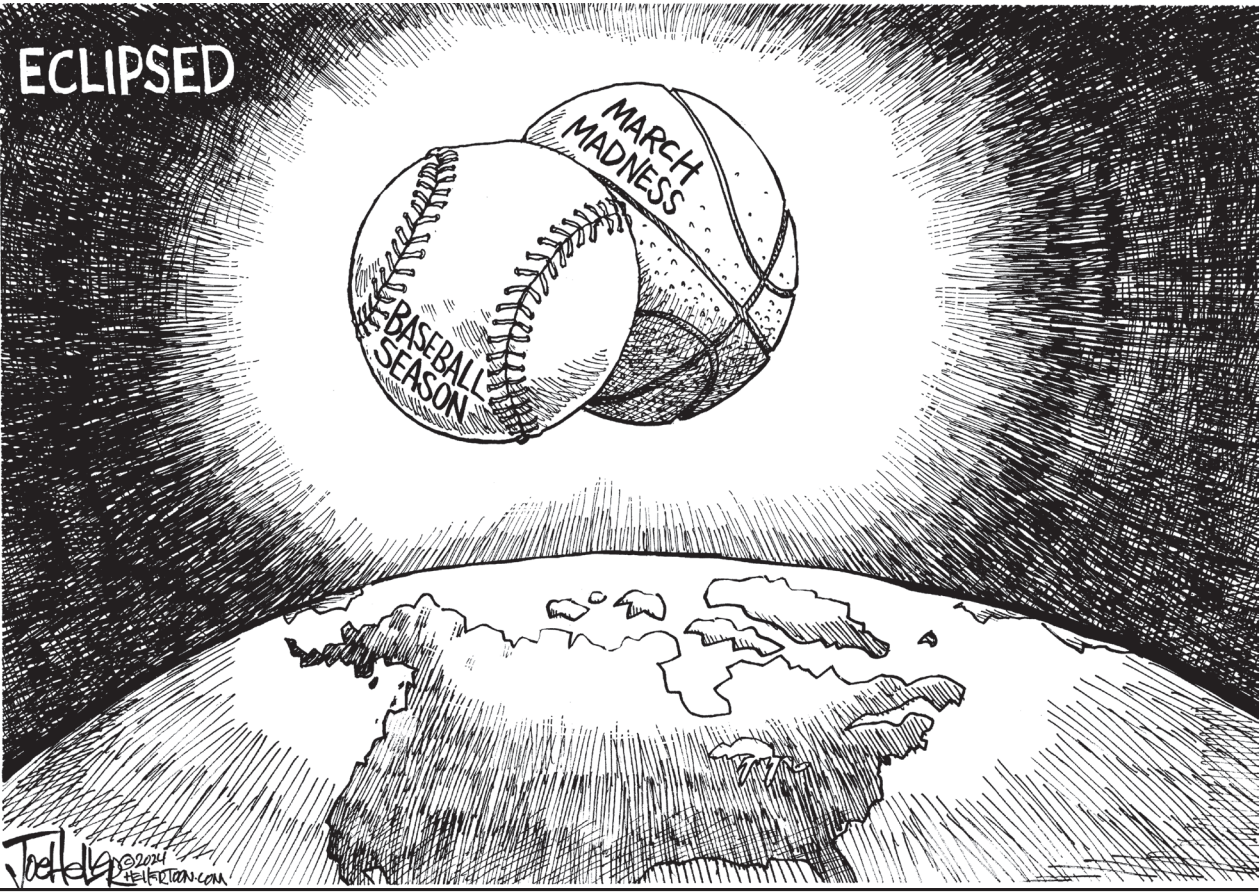
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Inside Wisconsin

by Tom Still

“How Wisconsin has added to mankind’s knowledge of the heavens”

MADISON, Wis. – A solar eclipse in 585 B.C. ended a long war between the Mediterranean kingdoms of Medes and Lydia when opposing armies took it as a bad omen and laid down their arms. That superstitious reaction, however beneficial to the combatants, corresponded with an eclipse prediction by a Greek philosopher named Thales of Miletus, who is often cited today as the world’s first scientist.

Lucky or otherwise in his forecast, Thales shows people have been gazing skyward for millennia – as millions more will do Monday when the moon slips between the Earth and the sun, blotting out light for a while on a diagonal “total eclipse” path that will stretch from Buffalo to San Antonio in this country.

As the ancients understood, the naked eye only takes a person so far when it comes to understanding the wonders, dangers and origins of the universe. It took centuries of scientific endeavor to reach the point where technology allows us to peer into formation

of stars, galaxies, nebula and exoplanets.

Scientists at the UW-Madison have helped to make this eye into the past possible.

The James Webb Space Telescope, launched Christmas Day 2021 after decades of development, is the latest in a line of space observatories to escape the bounds of Earth’s atmosphere to see into deep space. It orbits the sun about 1 million miles from Earth. Because light captured by the telescope’s massive mirror arrays took eons to get there, it sees some of the universe’s formative activity.

Webb was preceded by the Hubble Telescope, which built on the work of the Orbiting Astronomical Observatory 2, which was packed with telescopes designed at the UW-Madison when it launched in 1968. Those telescopes were built in the university’s Space Astronomy Laboratory, founded by Arthur Code and established in a warehouse next to Schmidt’s Auto Salvage on Madison’s South Park Street.

That gives a whole new twist to the term “space

junk.”

From work on weather satellites by Verner Suomi and Robert Parent in the 1950s to OAO-2, Hubble and James Webb, UW-Madison scientists have helped engineer that increasingly deeper look into space.

Today, for example, Wisconsin astronomy Ph.D. Kenneth Sembach is the director of the national Space Telescope Science Institute, the NASA-contracted non-profit group responsible for Webb’s flight and science operations.

“UW-Madison has a long tradition of innovation and discovery in astronomy, from the earliest years of Washburn Observatory to being on the forefront of developing technologies and instrumentation for space-based observations,” said Eric Wilcots, an astronomer and dean of the College of Letters and Sciences. “That innovation is motivated by our innate human curiosity to understand the nature of the universe in which we live.

“We’re in awe of a solar eclipse just as our ancestors would have been. We

are also in something of a golden age of astronomy driven by bold-ideas instruments that allow us to understand the formation of galaxies like our own Milky Way, find planetary systems of all shapes and sizes, and, perhaps, understand the origin of life itself,” Wilcots added.

That latter statement may seem like a stretch until one considers the Webb telescope has been able to detect the basic building blocks of life, including massive clouds of primordial carbon dust.

Webb’s infrared telescope has also discovered multiple “exoplanets,” meaning planets in other solar systems, including at least one with methane, carbon dioxide and water in its atmosphere.

Some 2,600 years ago, the Greek Thales had only his eyes, some basic mathematics skills and an aversion to superstition to make his observations. Centuries later, mankind has tools and expertise that allow it to see deep into the cosmos. Some of those tools and people have roots in Wisconsin.

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

A Look Back

10 Years Ago April 16, 2014

On Friday, April 11, at 2:37 pm, the Barron County Sheriff’s Department received a call of an armed robbery at Dairy State Bank in Haugen. When officers arrived it was discovered a lone male had entered the bank, displayed a handgun and took an undetermined amount of money. No one was injured during the robbery, but the case remains active and the suspect is still at large.

20 Years Ago April 14, 2004

Elizabeth Sorensen, Melinda Broker and Emma Cifaldi of First Lutheran Church of Cumberland earned the “God and Church” Recognition. The three girls are in Cadette Girl Scout Troop #203. The “God and Church” program is a religious award program published by Programs of Religious Activities with Youth (P.R.A.Y.) in St. Louis, MO., for Protestant youth in grades six through eight.

The 2004 Cumberland High School Prom Court are: Ben Jerry, Randy DeNoyer, Barry Ranallo, Michael Cifaldi, Devon Anderson, Griffin Severson, Autumn Haynie, Amber Cordes, Kelly Just, Kelly Capra, Leah Thoe and Brenna Hall.

30 Years Ago April 13, 1994

The following forensic

students will be present a public program of this year’s contest selections on Tuesday, April 19. The students are Sarah Altmann, Erin Anderson, Bryan Bearheart, Sarah Begnaud, Hilary Bridger, Jessica DeGideo, Jodi Haverly, Sara Haverly, Sara Heintz, Jaime Helgeson, Amy Jacobson, Robynn Johnson, Beth Jungerberg, Andrea Just, Jessica Karpenske, Kym Owens, LaDonna Peterson, Alia Ricci, Renee Riebe, Tamala Riebe, Twilia Riebe, Rocelille Rydberg, Katie Skinner, Bob Stumpf, and Bethany Voshell.

40 Years Ago April 11, 1984

A 16-year-old Cumberland High School student, Renee Miller, has won the American Legion’s City Flag Design Contest. She received a \$50 check for first prize.

In Concert Festival Competition, the Cumberland Junior and Senior High School music groups took three firsts and a second. The Senior and Junior High bands and choirs competed in Rice Lake at the Class A level, the highest in Wisconsin. Both bands and the Junior High Choir received firsts, while the Senior High Choir earned a second.

50 Years Ago April 11, 1974

Susan Fowler, a ju-

nior at Cumberland High School and daughter of Mrs. Ben Skinaway, Cumberland, has been selected as the representative from Flandreau Indian School to attend citizenship training in Mitchell, SD. This training is an effort on the part of the American Legion Auxiliary to bring a knowledge of the fundamental principles of American Government through practice and control.

The former Phillips 66 Station at the corner of Elm Street and 2nd Avenue is in the process of being razed. It fell to the wrecker’s hammer to make room for a new Holiday Station-Store to be erected on the site.

60 Years Ago April 10, 1964

A big topic of conversation on local streets the past week has been the prospect of a new school building in the city. The plan is to add a wing to the present high school, move the seventh and eighth grades to the new location, renovate the present 1924 junior high building and move classes from the 1903 building.

80 Years Ago April 13, 1944

The first real taste of Spring temperatures came over the Easter weekend when a string of five consecutive days brought 50 degrees or over.

2024 WEATHER

Date	Hi	Lo	Pre.	Snow
4/02	42	31	-	-
4/03	34	30	.50	Tr
4/04	40	30	-	-
4/05	47	25	-	-
4/06	55	26	-	-
4/07	55	37	-	-
4/08	45	38	.62	-

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

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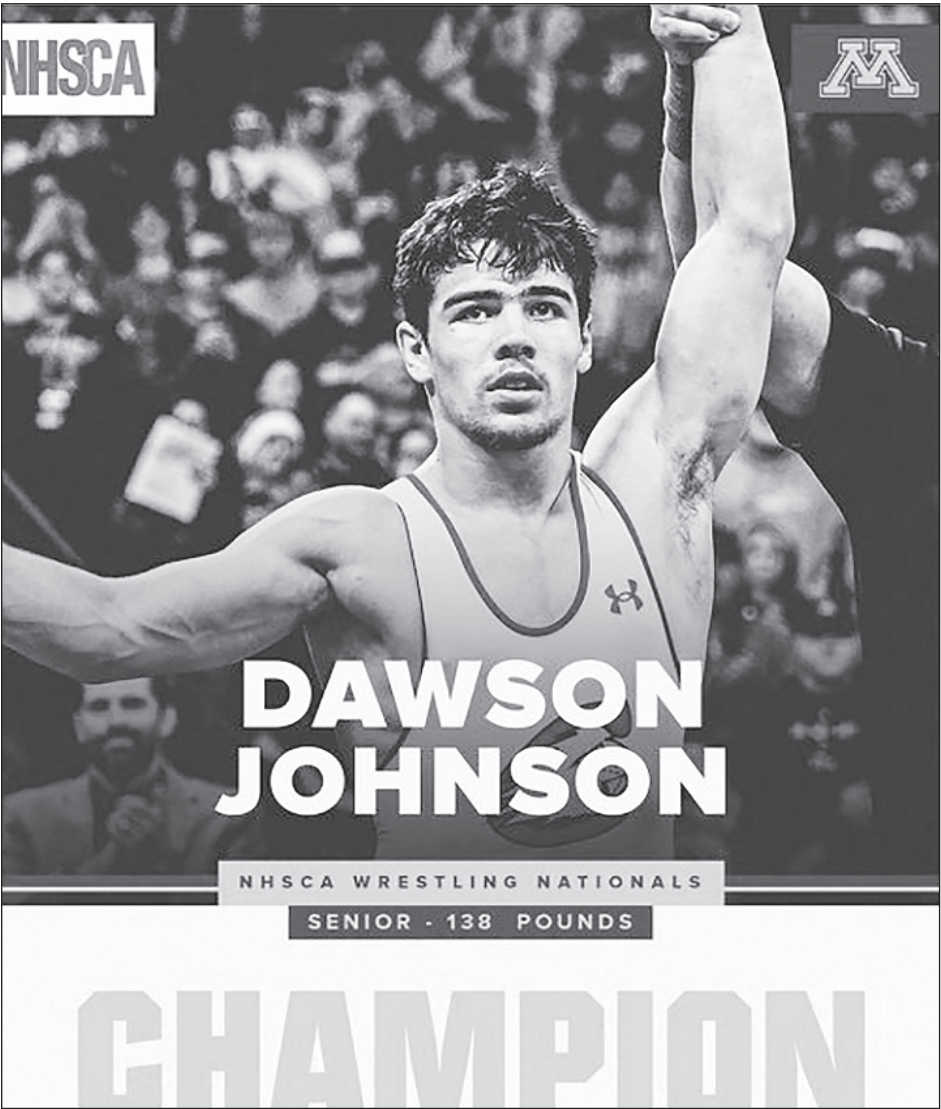
Sports

Dawson Johnson Takes First in High School Nationals

Cumberland Senior Dawson Johnson continued his outstanding wrestling career by taking first at the High School Nationals, which were held last weekend in Virginia Beach, Virginia. Patterned after the NCAA Championships, the

tournament brought together top wrestlers from around the country to compete for All-American status, with past champions going on to Olympic and celebrated college careers. Johnson went 6 and 0 during the three days of wrestling

to win the Senior Division at 138-pounds, adding to his impressive resume he takes to the University of Minnesota next fall. Johnson outscored his opponents 34 to 10 to achieve All-American status and take a National Title.



Cumberland wrestler Dawson Johnson earned All-American status as well as claiming a National Title at the High School Nationals held last weekend in Virginia Beach Virginia. Johnson, a 4 time State Champion will wrestle next season at the University of Minnesota. Congratulations Dawson!

Sports Look Back, April 11, 1984

The Cumberland Beavers opened up the 1984 baseball season in grand style last Friday, April 6, by crushing the St. Croix Central Panthers 21-0 at Hammond. The Red and White exploded for 10 runs in the first inning on their way to the easy victory. Cumberland continues play on Friday at Turtle Lake before

opening HON play. Seven seniors with some high goals for the 1984 season paced the Cumberland victory. Three of them, Tom Bergmann, Joe Ranallo and Marty Lundequam, combined to hold the Panthers to two singles while walking one and striking out 16. Ranallo struck out eight of the nine

batters who faced him. Bergmann and Ranallo paced the hitters with three hits each. Bergmann and Lundequam also drove in four runs apiece while Mike Schoonveld had two hits and three runs batted in. Junior Rich Reichenberger added two hits for the hometown team.



Softball Team Opens Season; Hoping for Better Weather

The Cumberland Softball Team got in a scrimmage and two games in Mauston last weekend to open up their 2024 season. Unfortunately, the team must now wait for things to dry up before getting back on the field, hopefully this Thursday against Hayward at Islander Park.

Baleigh Stouffer and Alora Garibaldi had the girl's only two hits against Weyauwega-Freemont as their pitcher struck out 15 batters. "We played really good defense, but didn't get the bats going against their very good pitcher," added Coach Olson.

The scrimmage took place on a make-up field in Endeavor Stadium against Unity last Thursday. "It was fun to get out on Endeavor and it worked out great for a scrimmage," said Head Coach Jessica Olson. Although an unofficial score was not kept, the Cumberland ladies outscored the Eagles, with Coach Olson getting a look at four different pitchers and 12 different girls got hits in the scrimmage. On Friday, the team headed to Mauston, where they dropped a 7-0 game to Weyauwega-Freemont and a 20-0 decision to a good Colfax team.

Later in the day, Colfax took a five-inning victory by knocking out 11 hits, while using eight base-on-balls and several Cumberland errors to roll to the 20-0 win. "They are a great hitting team and kept the pressure on all the whole game. We played well the first couple innings, but then the wheels fell off," said Olson. Cumberland had hits in the contest from Morgan Monchilovich, Jayden Gowin, and Jamie Bayerle. The team follows this Thursday's contest against Hayward with a 2:40 pm game at St. Croix Falls on Friday and a 1:00 pm contest at Islander Park this Saturday against Hurley.

Baseball Team off to Good Start With a 3-1 Record

The Cumberland Baseball Team used a short break from our wet spring to get in four games last week. The results left the Beavers with a 3-1 record and ready to get into the HON schedule this week. Things began last Thursday, when the Beavers headed to Amery to take on the Warriors, who were looking to get off to strong start after a disappointing 3 and 16 record last spring. The game didn't look good for the Beavers for much of the night, as they trailed 8 to 4 going into the top of the seventh inning. It was then Cumberland responded with a five-run rally to take a 9-8 lead. Senior Gavin Prinsen took the mound and secured the dramatic come-from-behind victory with a scoreless bottom of the frame. The big seventh inning included singles from Troy Majewski and Ryan Lundmark and doubles from Cooper Schramski, Uriah Johnson, and Nathan Schmidt. "We were anxious at the plate early on, but the kids did a nice job of settling down and we exploded in the 7th because we stayed back and let the pitches get to us," said Head Coach Joe Waite. The Beavers used five pitchers in the contest with Sloan McCreary taking the mound win. Friday, the Beavers were the recipient of a one-run loss against Chippewa Falls McDonell. This time it was the Beavers who led for

much of the game, with McDonell rallying to take the victory. Landon Wickstrom went the first four innings on the mound for Coach Waite, giving up only one run in his first outing of the year. Unfortunately, the bullpen gave up eight runs over the next three innings and could not hold the early 7-1 Beaver lead. Cumberland only managed five hits in the contest, with their big blow a three-run home run by Prinsen. "We played well during much of the game, but our base-on-balls eventually caught up to us. It's all part of getting our young pitchers experience," Waite added. Cumberland ended their week with a pair of victories in Mauston on Saturday. They defeated Montello 14-4 and Mondovi 8-6 to start their season with a solid 3-1 record. Nathan Schmidt had a three for three game at the plate to lead the Beavers over Montello in game one. Cooper Schramski and Uriah Johnson added two hits, while 10 walks from Montello pitchers helped put numerous Cumberland runners on base during the five-inning contest. Ryan Lundmark took the pitching victory, while getting two innings of scoreless relief help from Uriah Johnson. "Our outfield of Bryden Hauser, Sloan McCreary, Troy Majewski and Cooper Schramski ran everything down and took away extra

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2024 Cumberland Golf Team!



2024 Cumberland Golf Team: Front Row (L to R): Coach Spike Gideo, Derrick Gideo, Max Hoff, Landon Haley and Brody Chartraw. Back Row: Jack Richter, Shae Longtine, Alex Effertz and Davis Ristow.

Opening Action!



Jayme Bayerle delivers a pitch at the Mauston Sports Complex last weekend during the girls opening weekend.



Head Coach Jessica Olson goes over some last minute instructions before the girls took the field in Mauston.



An Outdoorsman's Journal

by Mark Walters

Back to the Bush

Hello friends,
Back in the late 80's and for several weeks each summer in the 90's I was a bushman/camp manager for Chimo Lodge and Outposts. I worked for Pete and Elisabeth Hagedorn at any and all of their 11 fly in locations and in '89 started the column that you are reading while camp manager. I originally called this column North of the Border and I would hand write it and no matter where I was. Pete would fly NPO "November Papa Oscar," his Cessna 180 to wherever I was in the bush, I generally worked alone. He then flew my column to Red Lake and would fax it to my publishers Dick and Molly Emerson, owners of the Poynette Press and Deforest Times Tribune.

When my old buddy turned 80, two things happened. He sold Chimo, until then he had been a full time pilot and bushman. I also started doing an annual trip for his birthday which is April 2nd and that is what this week's column is about.

Sunday, March 31st
High 36, low 30
This four-day trip would include ice fishing every day and just to let you know, there was 30 inches of excellent ice and the ice road at Red Lake was still open. Today's adventure would be by truck for 30 miles and then off the highway for 26 miles by "bike" Canadian for utv. Just a bit of a brain fart on my part but I thought this adventure was going to be for Lake Trout and that was how I was geared up. In reality we would be fishing for walleye and also catching "jack-fish" northern pike on Trout Lake.

Just the ride was worth the price of admission, which in this case was in Dale and Aileen Butterfield's Polaris 1000 "Ranger." Dale Butterfield is retired from the goldmine and Aileen is basically addicted to hunting and fishing. Earnie and Kim Mesto would be in another bike and this day was full of adventure and laughs from the first minute.

As soon as we started fishing or should I say Pete started jigging, it was immediate action as he was catching walleye in the 17 to 21-inch range fast and furious. I have two stories to tell you, first the last time this gang was out here Aileen, lost a rod to a big fish as it pulled it in before she could grab it. Later that day they were having a picnic several miles away when a local fishermen and his 7 year old son pulled up on their snowmachine. The fishermen told them that he had caught a 38-inch gator that was hooked to jig pole. That pole was Aileen's and that fishermen was a good half mile from where they were fishing.

So today, we are laughing and catching fish when all of the sudden I had a very large fish on my "trout rod" which I was jigging with my favorite Buckshot Jigging Spoon. In one lunge this fish pulled my rod out of my hand and straight down the hole. I did a face plant/dive smashed my lip, soaked my arm to the pit and lost my rod.

Tuesday, April 2nd
High 44, low 30
Eighty-six years ago today Pete Hagedorn was born in Germany and would be a young boy living in the horror story of WWII. Today, friends and family joined together at Pete and Elisabeth's home on Red Lake and five of us fished and laughed a lot. My good friends Doug Vandussen, Duane Riddel, Dale Butterfield, and Pete Hagedorn would make up our hardcore team of ice fishermen in front of Pete's house and there were several people inside preparing an excellent meal for this annual celebration. Even though Pete is as independent as it gets, Doug, Dale and Duane have his back.

Back in the 80's I met Doug and Duane as we were all in the business and Pete bought us all together.

Can't wait til next year!
Sunset



We used "bikes" utv's for our journey to Trout Lake.



Pete Hagedorn is still going strong at 86.

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Packy Paquette Indoor Track Meet Held at UW-Superior

The Cumberland Track Team continued their Indoor Season by traveling to the Packy Paquette Indoor Meet held at UW-Superior last Friday. The meet is named for a former Superior High School student and University of Minnesota athlete that was killed in a car accident in 1968.

Cumberland finished 12th in the 12-team boy's competition, while the girl's team was 10th in the 11-team competition in their portion of the evening. Chippewa Falls and Hayward were the two first place finishers.

Cumberland Coach Ryan O'Connell received another outstanding performance from Senior Andie Otto during the meet.

Otto took first in the 55-meter hurdles, 3rd in the 200-meter hurdles (30.72), 3rd in the triple jump (33-00), and 7th in the 220 (28.29). Her winning time in the 55-meter hurdles was 9.20, just off her school record. She has taken her place among the top female track competitors in Northwest Wisconsin.

The other top five finishes for the Beavers came from Senior Josh Swint, who took 4th out of 18 runners in the 3200-meter run with a time of 10:58.

Senior Jacob Schradle also enjoyed a nice night by finishing 7th in the 200-meter hurdles (28.46) and 8th in the 55-meter hurdles (9.27),

while Gavin Gores was 10th in the 200 (25.29) and Ryker Allen 10th in the shot put (40-06). Mya Anderson also finished 9th in the triple jump with a leap of 27-01.

Finally, the Beavers received 6th place finishes from the girl's 4x800 meter relay team (McCreary, Witthoft, Clark and Peterson) and the boy's 4x400 team (Gores, Jahn, Owens, and Kiekhoefer). "We had some fine performances against strong competition," said Coach O'Connell.

Cumberland finishes up their indoor season with the HON Conference Meet in Ashland this Friday night, Starting at 4:00 pm.

Baseball...

bases with great angles. Montello is a struggling program, but we also played well,' said Coach Waite.

The weekend ended with a Beavers victory over Mondovi, a program with much higher expectations. "It was a good win over a strong Mondovi team that has aspirations of repeating as Dunn-Saint Croix and Regional Champions," Waite said.

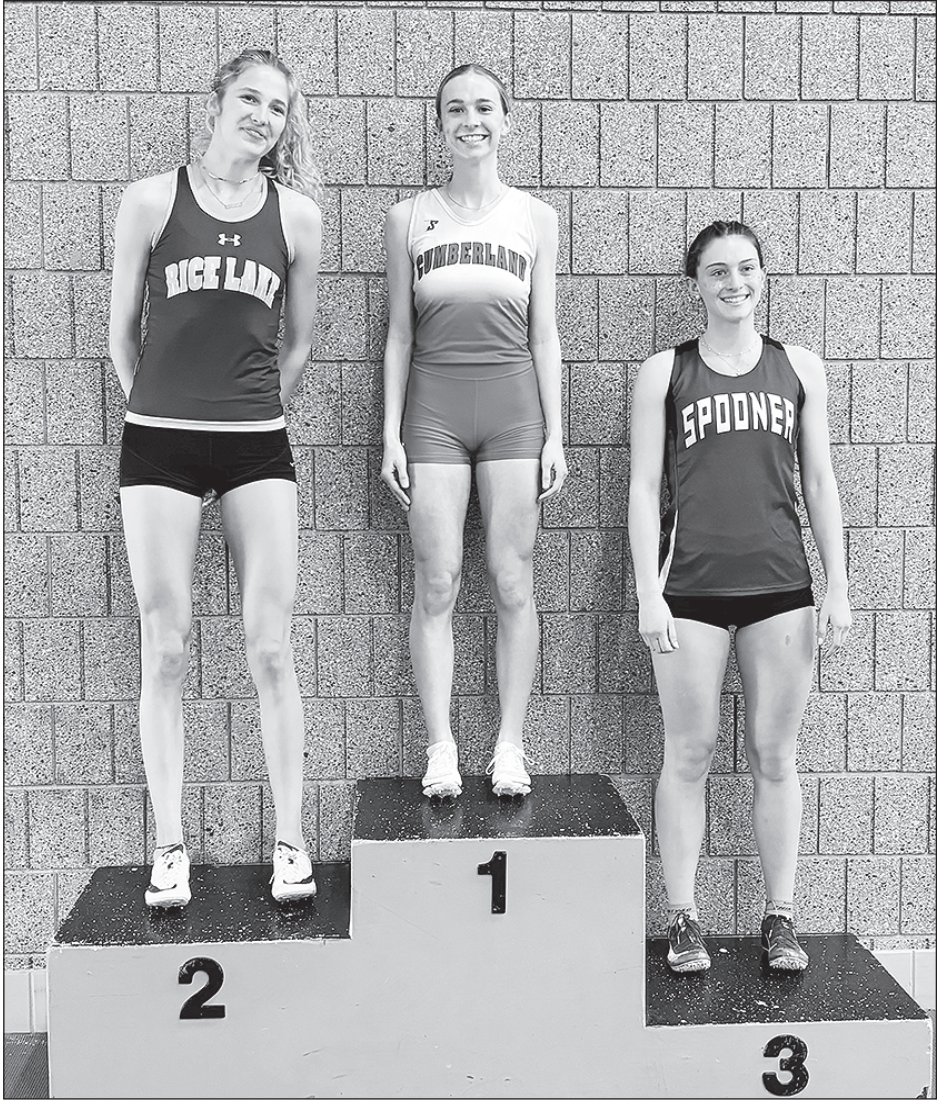
Waite added, "Cooper

Schramski saved the day for us. He pounded the strike zone, throwing 29 strikes against just eight balls. That was important as we struggled putting the ball in play early in the contest." The junior lefty went the final four innings, allowing only three hits while striking out four. His impressive performance helped lead the Beavers to victory.

Offensively, Cumberland received two hits each from

Johnson and Prinsen, while Ryan Lundmark added a single and four stolen bases. Among Prinsen's hits was a double. It was a nice win over a team that was 18 and 5 last spring.

Weather permitting, the Beavers are at Hayward this Thursday and host St. Croix Falls at Islander Park on Friday. Next Tuesday, April 16, the Beavers are in Ladysmith.



Andie Otto took first place in the 55 meter hurdles at the Packy Paquette Indoor Meet held at UW Superior.

Soccer Team Opens with a Win and a Tie

The Barron-Cumberland-Bloomer Girl's Soccer Team opened their season last week with a 0-0 tie against Rice Lake and a 1-0 victory over Baldwin-Woodville. The team was back in action on Tuesday against Ashland and then host Spooner in Endeavor Stadium this Thursday at 5:00 pm. Friday, the team heads to Hammond to take on St. Croix Central, also at 5:00.

The Rice Lake game was played on a cold and windy day, which both teams fought through in a

scoreless tie. Goalie Reyna Hauck had a nice game in net, while Coach Sarah Staunner said, "Our returning defenders including Andrea Bechard, Jasmine Woodley, Adriana Williams, Hailey Fick, and Abby Elliot did a great job of shutting down the Rice Lake offense." Woodley is a Cumberland Senior.

After the tie in the opener, the team headed to Baldwin last Friday where they picked up the 1-0 shutout. The lone goal came with five minutes left in the contest, when Tinlee Jeffery

found the net following a save and a punt from the goalie, Reyna Hauck.

"This win was a team effort. All players gave everything they had, playing with determination, intensity and a lot of grit. We were able to add a couple players to the rotation to help keep legs fresh and get some newer players some experience. It was an exciting win. Baldwin-Woodville is a tough team with a lot of returning talent," concluded Coach Stauner.

Sports Calendar
Thursday, April 11
Baseball @ Hayward 5:00
Softball home vs Hayward 5:00
Soccer home vs Spooner 5:00
Friday, April 12
Track @ Ashland 4:00
Golf home vs St. Croix Falls 4:00
Baseball home vs St. Croix Falls 5:00
Softball @ St. Croix Falls 5:00
Soccer @ St. Croix Central 5:00
Saturday, April 13
Softball home vs Clayton/TL 1:00
Monday, April 15
Golf @ Spooner 4:00
Soccer @ Superior 7:00
Tuesday, April 16
Baseball @ Ladysmith 5:00
Softball home vs Ladysmith 5:00
Soccer home vs Eau Claire N. 5:00
Wednesday, April 17
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By Judy Pieper

I hope you know how lucky we are to be living in northern Wisconsin at this time of year. Everything is waking up from the long winter's nap. Now the buds on the maple trees will get the sun, warmth and rain they need to turn into leaves. The crocuses are blooming like mad, and the daffodil and tulip leaves are pushed up through the ground. It won't be long before we will be able to pick lilacs. The strawberries should start to green up soon and then, hopefully, we will have lots of berries to give away again. Life is great!!

Doug and Pat Sweet had a very busy week. Doug's sister-in-law, Monica Sweet, and her son and grandson, Eric and Locklan, drove up from Georgia to visit. They had a wonderful trip up here, stopping at museums and other points of interest along the way. They spent four days at the farm with Doug and Pat and enjoyed every minute. They brought a drone with a camera along with them and took many aerial pictures of the farm. Sixteen-year-old Locklan was thrilled to be able to drive Doug's John Deere 50. He also had way too much fun driving John's Gator all over the farm and especially through the mud puddles. Of course, Doug and Pat's kids, John and Joanne, also stopped by to visit their relatives from the south.

While they were here the Sweet family attended the memorial service for Doug's sister, Margaret, in Webster. Margaret was a seamstress who made especially beautiful quilts. Many of her relatives, who had received quilts as gifts from Margaret over the years, brought them to the memorial service and displayed them on the backs

of the pews so that everyone could admire her beautiful work. Margaret was a special, very sweet woman, and she will be sadly missed by all who knew her.

If you haven't stopped by Bear Lake Coffee Company yet, I would highly recommend it. They are open Thursday and Friday mornings, and it's a great place to meet friends, sip a fantastic cup of coffee, have a snack, and take some time to relax. Lynn and Pierce Thon and Duane and I had coffee and rolls there again this past Thursday and thoroughly enjoyed ourselves. The coffee shop is a great addition to our growing town.

And, Barronett is growing. Think of it – Wisconsin Structural Steel has that gigantic new building – that was built in what had been Rambo's hay field – where they have state-of-the-art robotic welding. There is a used-car sales company in what was Ron and Sue Helstern's carving and guitar making shop. We have Barronett Tire and the 20-Mile Store, that have been her for a few years now, and were great additions to the town. And, of course, we have the convenience store, Red Brick Café, Barronett Bar and Grill, the community center, and Sal's on 63. We have so many lakes in the area that it would probably be a good idea for someone to build a huge motel, Airbnb's, or have lots of cabins to rent for people from the cities who would like to experience the peace and quiet of our area.

Oh, in case you didn't know, Suzy and Ryan have decided to have a salad bar at Sal's on 63 again. I have been there two weeks in a row now, and, naturally, had the salad bar. It is really a meal in itself, but it would be a shame not to order some of their great specials or menu items to go with it. (You probably have no-

ticed that we eat out way too often – John, from California, was right – we should weigh 300 pounds.)

Duane and I drove to Minneapolis on Thursday to visit with his son, Ryan. On the way home, we stopped by Jerry Marsh's house to see how he's doing with the remodeling, and had coffee with our granddaughter, Savanna. It was a great way to spend the day.

A bunch of our family got together on Sunday morning for brunch at Summer's on Long. They have a huge brunch menu and we all enjoyed the different things we ordered. It was great to visit with family. One thing though – our granddaughter, Savanna, told us that she is seriously considering relocating to San Diego, California. Isn't there some law, or at least a rule, stating that no individual under the age of 55 is allowed to move more than 150 miles from their grandparents' home without written permission from the grandmother? If it hasn't been passed into law yet, what are we waiting for? Write your representative and demand action. I do not want my grandchildren moving across the country. Now I know how my grandma felt when I moved to New Jersey. Selfish little brat that I was.

We have some really happy news too – Jeremy and Miriah have set a date for their wedding. It will be on October 5th. That will be two weddings for us this year – Alex and Sanara's in May, and Jeremy and Miriah's this fall. Pretty wonderful stuff.

That's about all I know from Barronett this week. I hope you have a chance to enjoy the great weather we are supposed to be having this week. See you next time.

OBITUARIES



Mary A. Washington
“Ogima giizhi goo kwe”

Mary Ann Washington “Ogima giizhi goo kwe”, 82, of Cumberland died on Saturday April 6, 2024, at Cumberland Healthcare. She was born April 5, 1942, in Cumberland, WI to Charlie and Nellie (Nick) Littlepipe. She was married in Chicago, IL to Joseph Washington.

Mary found great joy in working as a seamstress at the Turtle Lake Casino, and also served on the St. Croix Tribal Council. She enjoyed going to ceremonies and pow-wows. Mary took great pride in her heritage

and cherished being able to pass down her knowledge of bead work and dancing to her daughter, Karen, and granddaughter, Shawnee. She loved to travel at least once a year with her family. Mary was sure to be found at any casino that offered a seafood buffet.

She was a truly loving mom, grandma, and great grandma. Mary was a foster mom, which led her to adopt her son, Caleb. She was always willing to lend a hand when it came to spiritual guidance. Mary went to many of her grandchildren's sporting events to cheer them on.

She is survived by her children: Karen Washington (Neil Oustigoff Sr.), and Caleb Washington; grandchildren: Shawnee “Babygirl” Merrill (Joseph Mlejnek), Allison Oustigoff, and Neil Oustigoff Jr.; great grandchildren: Trenton Awonohopay, Tyrone Awonohopay Jr., Teran Awonohopay, Audrey Gasper, Greyson Oustigoff; many nieces, nephews, and friends.

Mary was preceded in death by her parents, Charlie and Nellie Littlepipe; siblings: Betty Decorah, Mabel Cupp, George Littlepipe, Harry Littlepipe and granddaughter Courtney Oustigoff.

Funeral services were held Wednesday, April 10, 2024, at Maple Plain Tribal Center with Chato Gonzalez officiating. Burial as held in Maple Plain Reservation Cemetery. Pallbearers were Bruce Rainey, Reuben Crowfeather Jr., Opwaganse Goodwin, Brian Redman, Neil Oustigoff Jr., and Tristan Rainey. Honorary pallbearers are Bruce Sonnenberg, George Rainey, Neil Oustigoff Sr., Jeremy Littlepipe, Joseph Potter, Dwayne McCorister, Collin Mousseau, and Joseph Mlejnek. Visitation was held Tuesday, April 9, 2024 at the Maple Plain Community Center with the feast to follow.

Skinner Funeral Home of Cumberland is serving the family.

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Final Shows For 2023-2024 Season For Barron Spotlighters

The Barron Spotlighters theater group will be putting on their final performances of their 2023-2024 season with the comedy “... In The Time of Old Age” at the Barron Area Community Center. The shows will be April 18- 21 with the Thursday, Friday, and Saturday shows all at 7:30pm and the Sunday show at 2:30pm.

“...In The Time of Old Age” is a story about 2

elderly gentlemen who are also war veterans. Neither of them have much time left, but they unexpectedly come into a major fortune worth millions of dollars. With their newfound wealth, things have changed and they now want to pull off a sting of a bank manager with the help of a young lawyer.

This is a comedy story written by Gordon Caruth, a Canadian playwright/

composer who won the Canadian national ACTRA award. He also wrote the play “I Am Not A Legend” about famed Green Bay Packers coach Vince Lombardi that the Spotlighters performed several years ago. Advance tickets can be purchased through the Spotlighters website at www.barronspotlighters.org, or can be purchased at the box office the day of performances.

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Tuesday, March 16
Pineapple baked ham, sweet potatoes, steamed corn, assorted bread, raspberry poke cake.

Wednesday, March 17
Polish sausage, scalloped potatoes, peas and pearl onions, assorted bread, angel food cake w/fruit topping.

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 \$10.00 full cost for those under 60. Please reserve your meal 24 hours ahead of time by calling The Cumberland Senior Center at 715-822-8794. MENU IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE. (No reservation needed for Soup & Salad Bar days on the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of the month served 11:30 am - 12:30 pm.) The Senior Center is located at 1255 Webb St.

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OBITUARIES



Lonnie M. Ritter

Lonnie Milton Ritter, 66, of Rice Lake died Wednesday, April 3, 2024. He was born April 18, 1957, in Rice Lake, WI to Milton and Hazel (Jerry) Ritter.

Lonnie enjoyed spending time with his family, and listening to his country music. He especially loved any chance he could go fishing, and watching the Packers! He even got the chance to go to a few Packer games (which he LOVED.) Lonnie also enjoyed going camping with his friends.

He is survived by his brother, Tom (Lori) Ritter;

nieces and nephews; cousins; and friends. Lonnie was preceded in death by his parents; sisters: Judy Turbett, and Donna Hay.

Funeral services will be held at 3 PM Saturday, April 27, 2024, at Skinner Funeral Home in Cumberland. Burial will be in Lakeside Cemetery, Cumberland. Visitation will be from 1-3 PM Saturday, April 27, 2024.

Skinner Funeral Home of Cumberland is serving the family.



Mary M. (Tappon) Lewis

Lewis, Mary Margaret (Tappon), 74, of Corcoran,

MN peacefully left this world with dignity, grace, & courage on March 27, 2024. She leaves behind her family to carry on her strength and love - Love of her Life Jim Lewis & precious children Shawn Lewis Sr. & Jennifer (Joel) Ligon, all of whom were her greatest Joys on Earth. Also survived by 4 grandsons Shawn Lewis Jr., Stephon (Sarah) Lewis, Elijah, & Gabriel who were all such a joy & will be forever in her heart; and the Great Grands who made her Granny the Great - Sheyanne Lewis, Justin Lewis & Graham Brown-Lewis. Additionally survived by brothers John (Jan) Tappan and Mike (Karen) Tappan & many nieces, nephews & cousins. Best Friends - you know who you are, & you are loved. Preceded in death by parents Lester (Bud) and Patricia Tappan & brother Bob Tappan.

Mary was born and grew up in Cumberland, WI and attended UWRF before traveling the US making life-long friends. Mary loved

working with USDA for 30+ years, retiring in 2005. Huge thanks to everyone at Frauentshuh Cancer Center, Mayo & North Memorial Hospice for keeping her with us throughout Mary's favorite seasons of New Beginnings. Thanks to North Memorial for letting us all know she was their strongest warrior, fighting against time. A gathering to celebrate her life will be held at Brooklyn Park Funeral Home at 7835 Brooklyn Blvd in Brooklyn Park, MN, on April 20, 2024, 10am-12pm. To follow Mary's words, just be there for each other; love each other. And to quote A.A. Milne, "if there ever comes a day when we can't be together, keep me in your heart I'll stay there forever."

When I go, don't learn to live without me, just learn to live differently. If you need to see me, close your eyes - I'm there. Sit with me in the quiet and you'll know I didn't leave, because there is no leaving when a soul is blended with another. We are blended, and I am there.



Lorraine Cimfl

Lorraine Cimfl, age 91 of Rice Lake died on April 6, 2024.

She was born in Shell Rock, Iowa to William and Ella (Grafing) Fenske. On June 9th, 1951 she was married to Gordon Cimfl at Zion Lutheran Church in Turtle Lake. They farmed East of Cumberland until his death. Then she moved to Rice Lake where she did restaurant work, enjoyed dancing, and playing Bingo.

She is survived by son, David (Tammy) Cimfl; daughter, Donna (Chuck) Walker; grandchildren, Shaun Cimfl

and Desiree McKay; great-grandchildren, Madison Cimfl, McKenzie and Trey McKay; sister, Florence Strand; brother, Ray (Rosemary) Fenske.

She was preceded in death by her parents, William and Ella Fenske; husband, Gordon Cimfl; daughter, Diane Kay; brother, Harlin Fenske; and a brother-in-law, Clarence Strand.

Funeral services will be held at Skinner Funeral Home of Cumberland on Thursday, April 11, 2024 at 11 AM. Visitation will be from 9 AM - 11 AM. Interment Lakeside Cemetery. A luncheon will follow the burial at Skinner Funeral Home.



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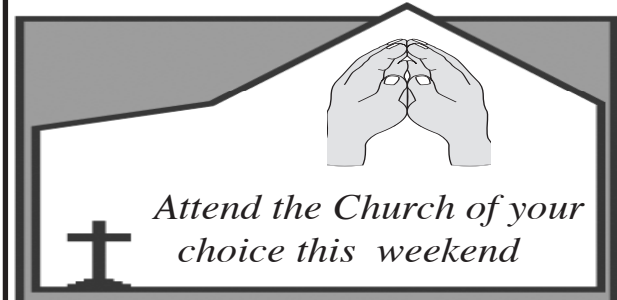
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PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the Regular Monthly Meeting of the Cumberland School District Board of Education shall be held at 6:00 p.m. for open session on Tuesday, April 16, 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 Resolution Establishing Parameters for the Sale of Not to Exceed \$22,950,000 General Obligation Promissory Notes.
4. Consider approval of 2024 Summer School Courses.
5. Consider approval of Patty Blaskowski's resignation as High School Secretary due to retirement.
6. Consider approval of Justin Peterson's resignation as 6th Grade Teacher.
7. Consider employment of Reid Olson as Middle School Physical Education Teacher.
8. Consider employment of Max Brunner as Technology Education Teacher.
9. Consider the transfer of Tanya Majewski from Middle School Assistant Track Coach to Middle School Head Track Coach.
10. Consider the transfer of Tirzah Zipperer from Middle School Assistant Cross Country Coach to Middle School Head Cross Country Coach.
11. Consider approval of Susan Niggemann as Middle School Assistant Track Coach.
12. Consider approval of Daniel Henken as High School Head Football Coach.
13. Hear discussion items and administrator reports.
14. Set meeting dates and events.

A copy of the agenda is posted in the elementary school, middle school, high school, and administration building.

Jennifer Hyatt, District Clerk

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Notice

Town of Cumberland Annual Meeting

The Annual Meeting for the Town of Cumberland will be held on Saturday, April 20, 2024, at 10:00 a.m. in the New Town Shop (902 20th Avenue). The Shop is accessible to all persons. The agenda will be posted at least 24 hours before the meeting.

Open House in the new town shop will be 11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Town of Cumberland Holly Nyhus, Clerk

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DUMMY LAKES MANAGEMENT DISTRICT BOARD OF COMMISSIONER'S MEETING

Nezzy's in Cumberland & Google Meets
April 13, 2024 10:00 AM

Type of Meeting: Commissioner's Meeting

- I. Call to order
- II. Treasurer's Report- Tom Boecker
- III. Secretary report- Mindy Brown
- IV. Open Issues
 - a. Weed Spray
 - b. Kids Fishing Tournament and Block Party
 - c. Nominations for Open Board position
 - d. Golf Tournament
- V. New Business
 - a. Open Discussion
 - b. Future Meetings
- VI. Adjourn

Dummy Lakes Management District

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NOTICE

City of Cumberland Planning Commission meeting, Thursday, April 25, 2024, at 8:30 a.m. at City Hall. (Mayor Shoemaker, J. Anderson, T. Goldsmith, P. Flottum, T. Schroeder, and C. Wiita.)

There will be a meeting of the Cumberland City Planning Commission on Thursday, April 25, 2024, at 8:30 a.m. at the Cumberland City Hall to consider the following agenda item:

Consider the Final Plat for the Cumberland West-side Development

Rick Rieper, Zoning Administrator
City of Cumberland

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NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN the assessment roll for the Town of Lakeland is available for inspection beginning April 22, 2024, at the Lakeland Town Hall by appointment and online at www.apraz.com.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN, **Open Book will be held over the telephone on Tuesday, April 30, 2024, 9 a.m. - 11 a.m.** The Town Assessor will be available by phone to discuss assessments. Call Assessor Justin Servin directly at 920-749-1995 to schedule an appointment. Instructional materials shall be provided. Other resources are available online at www.revenue.wi.gov

If you have any questions, please contact Danielle Maxwell-Parker, Clerk at 715-529-2741.

FURTHER BE ADVISED that the **Board of Review** for the Town of Lakeland, Barron County, Wisconsin, shall hold its first meeting on **Tuesday, May 21, 2024, from 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.** at the Lakeland Town Hall located at 791 29-11/16 Ave, Barronett, Wisconsin.

Notice of Intent to File an Objection must be given to the Town Clerk at least 48 hours in advance. Forms are available upon request or on the Wisconsin Department of Revenue website: revenue.wi.gov/Pages/FAQS/slf-bor.aspx

The full official notice for the Board of Review is available at the Town's posting locations, Town Hall, site of Old Shop 2966 USH63, and online at www.townoflakeland.wi.gov

Danielle E. Maxwell-Parker, Clerk
Town of Lakeland

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PUBLIC NOTICES



NOTICE

ORDINANCE 2024 – 792 OF THE ORDINANCES FOR THE CITY OF CUMBERLAND FOR 2024.

An ordinance creating Section 10.055 – Sex offender residency restrictions and child safety zones and amending Section 10.08 - Penalty.

THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CUMBERLAND DO ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Section 10.055 of the City Code – Sex Offender Residency Restrictions and Child Safety Zones is hereby created as follows:

10.055 - **Sex offender residency restrictions and child safety zones.**

(a) *Purpose and intent.* The City finds and declares that certain sex offenders are a serious threat to public safety. Given the high rate of recidivism for sex offenders, the City believes that in addition to the protections afforded by state law near schools, day care centers and other places children frequent, reducing opportunity and temptation is appropriate to minimizing the risk of re-offense to better protect the children in these public places. This section is a regulatory measure aimed at protecting the health and safety of children in the City from the risk that convicted sex offenders may re-offend in locations close to their residences where children tend to congregate or be regularly present. It is the intent of this section not to impose a criminal penalty but rather to serve the City's compelling interest to promote, protect and improve the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of the City by creating safety zones around locations where children regularly congregate in concentrated numbers wherein certain sexual offenders and sexual predators are prohibited from loitering and establishing temporary or permanent residence and wherein access by certain sexual offenders and sexual predators shall be restricted and excluded. This Chapter is not intended to limit any persons from exercising their right to assemble or engage in any other constitutionally protected activity. The Chapter only applies to individuals with the requisite intent to induce or lure a child away from a child's location within a child safety zone.

(b) *Definitions.* As used in this chapter and unless the context otherwise requires:

A *crime against children* shall mean any of the following offenses set forth within the state statutes, as amended, or the laws of this or any other state or the federal government, having like elements necessary for conviction, respectively:

(1) Wis. Stats. 940.225(1), first degree sexual assault;

(2) Wis. Stats. 940.225(2), second degree sexual assault;

(3) Wis. Stats. 940.225(3), third degree sexual assault;

(4) Wis. Stats. 940.22(2), sexual exploitation by therapist;

(5) Wis. Stats. 940.30, false imprisonment, victim was a minor and not the offender's child;

(6) Wis. Stats. 940.31, kidnapping, victim was a minor and not the offender's child;

(7) Wis. Stats. 944.01, rape (prior statute);

(8) Wis. Stats. 944.06, incest;

(9) Wis. Stats. 944.10, sexual intercourse with a child (prior statute);

(10) Wis. Stats. 944.11, indecent behavior with a child (prior statute);

(11) Wis. Stats. 944.12, enticing child for immoral purposes (prior statute);

(12) Wis. Stats. 948.02(1), first degree sexual assault of a child;

(13) Wis. Stats. 948.02(2), second degree sexual assault of a child;

(14) Wis. Stats. 948.025, engaging in repeated acts of sexual assault of the same child;

(15) Wis. Stats. 948.05, sexual exploitation of a child;

(16) Wis. Stats. 948.055, causing a child to view or listen to sexual activity;

(17) Wis. Stats. 948.06, incest with a child;

(18) Wis. Stats. 948.07, child enticement;

(19) Wis. Stats. 948.075, use of a computer to facilitate a child sex crime;

(20) Wis. Stats. 948.08, soliciting a child for prostitution;

(21) Wis. Stats. 948.095, sexual assault of a student by instructional staff;

(22) Wis. Stats. 948.11(2)(a) or (am), exposing child to harmful material, felony sections;

(23) Wis. Stats. 948.12, possession of child pornography;

(24) Wis. Stats. 948.13, convicted child sex offender working with children;

(25) Wis. Stats. 948.30, abduction of another's child;

(26) Wis. Stats. 971.17, not guilty by reason of mental disease, of an included offense; and

(27) Wis. Stats. 975.06, sex crimes law commitment.

Child or children means person(s) under the age of 18 years for purposes of this Chapter.

Facility for children means a public or private school, a group home, as defined in Wis. Stats. § 48.02(7), a residential care center for children and youth, as defined in Wis. Stats. § 48.02(15d), a shelter care facility, as defined in Wis. Stats. § 48.02(17), a daycare center licensed under Wis. Stats. § 48.65, a daycare provider certified under Wis. Stats. § 48.651, or a youth center, as defined in Wis. Stats. § 961.01(22).

Offender means a person who has been convicted of, or has been found delinquent of, or has been found not guilty by reason of disease or mental defect of a sexually violent offense and/or a crime against children.

Minor means a person under the age of 17 years.

Permanent residence means the place where a person sleeps, abides, lodges or resides for 14 or more consecutive days or which qualifies as a residence under the holdings of the state supreme court and which may include more than one location, and may be mobile or transitory.

Sexually violent offense shall have the meaning as set forth in Wis. Stats. § 980.01(06), as amended from time to time.

Temporary residence means residence or premises meeting any of the following criteria:

(1) A place where the person sleeps, abides, lodges or resides for a period of 14 or more days in the aggregate during any calendar year and which is not that person's permanent residence as defined in this section;

(2) A place where the person routinely sleeps, abides, lodges or resides for a period of 4 or more consecutive or nonconsecutive days in any month and which is not that person's permanent residence as defined in this section; or

(3) A place where a person sleeps, or which qualifies as a temporary residence under the holdings of the state supreme court, and which may include more than one location, and may be mobile or transitory.

(c) *Residency restrictions.*

(1) No offender shall reside within 500 feet of real property that supports, or upon which there exists, any of the following uses:

a. Public parks, parkways, parkland, park facilities;

b. "Swimming pool" means any swimming pool, wading pool, or other aquatic facility held open for use by the public and intended or used by children.

c. A "library" means any library that is held open for use by the public where such library includes a collection of material specifically intended for use by children.

d. Recreational trails;

e. Public playgrounds;

f. A "public school" as defined by Wis. Stats. § 115.01(1); a "private school" as defined by Wis. Stats. § 115.001(3); a "charter school" as defined by Wis. Stats. § 115.001(1); a "specialty school," meaning any specialized school for children, including, but not limited to, a gymnastics academy, dance academy, or music school.

g. Athletic fields used by children;

h. A "day care center" means a facility that has been licensed under Wis. Stats. § 48.65 to provide care and supervision of children and includes "before- and after-school daycare," which has the meaning as defined by Wis. Stats. § 120.125(1).

i. Sports academies, or athletic facilities for children;

j. Aquatic facilities open to the public; or

k. Facilities for children's clubs, e.g. Boy Scout and Girl Scout Houses.

(2) *Measurement of distance.* The distance shall be measured from the closest boundary line of the real property supporting the residence of an offender to the closest boundary line of the real property that supports or upon which there exists any of the uses enumerated in this section.

(3) *Residency restriction exceptions.* An offender residing within 500 feet of real property that supports or upon which there exists any of the uses enumerated in this section does not commit a violation of this section if any of the following apply:

a. The offender is required to serve a sentence or is otherwise involuntarily required to reside in a jail, prison, juvenile facility, or other correctional institution or mental facility.

b. The offender has established a permanent residence or temporary residence and reported and registered the residence pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 301.45 prior to the effective date of the ordinance codified in this chapter.

c. The use enumerated in subsection (c)(1) above began after the offender established a permanent residence or temporary residence and reported and registered the residence pursuant to Wis. Stat. 301.45.

d. The offender had not attained the age of 19 at the time of the offense, was determined by the court to meet the criteria under Wis. Stat. § 301.45(1m)(a) and is not required to register pursuant to Wis. Stats. §§ 301.45 or 301.46

e. The residence is also the primary residence of the sex offender's parents, grandparents, siblings, spouse or child(ren), provided that such person established the residence at least one year before the sex offender established residence at the location.

f. The person has been released from sex offender registration requirements pursuant to Wis. Stats. §§ 301.45(5) or (5m).

(d) *Loitering.* It is unlawful for any offender to loiter or prowl in the locations enumerated under subsection (c)(1) above, in a place, at a time, or a manner not usual for law-abiding individuals under circumstances that warrant alarm for the safety of persons or property in the vicinity.

(e) *Holiday restriction.* It is unlawful for any offender to participate in a holiday event

involving children, such as distributing candy or other items to children on or about Halloween, wearing a Santa Claus costume, or wearing an Easter Bunny costume, or by engaging in any other similar type(s) of activity that may, under the circumstances then present, tend to entice a child to have contact with a sex offender. Holiday events in which the offender is the parent or guardian of the children involved, and no non-familial children are present, are exempt from this section.

(f) *Child safety zone map.* The City Clerk shall maintain an official map showing locations identified in subsection (c)(1) above. The City Clerk shall cause such map to be updated at least annually to reflect any changes in the location of prohibited zones. These shall be designated on the map as "child safety zones." In the event of a conflict, the written terms of this Chapter shall control.

(g) *Penalties and remedies.*

(1) *Forfeitures.* Any person found guilty of violating this chapter shall be subject to a forfeiture of not less than \$500.00 nor more than \$1,000.00 for each violation. Each violation and each day a violation continues or occurs shall constitute a separate offense. Violation of this Chapter shall also constitute a public nuisance, which, in addition to monetary forfeitures shall be subject to action by the City to abate and enjoin such nuisance.

(2) *Injunction for violation of residency restrictions.* If an offender establishes a permanent or temporary residence in violation of subsection (c)(1) above, the Chief of Police may refer the matter to the City attorney. The referral shall include a written determination by the Chief of Police that, upon all of the facts and circumstances and the purpose and intent of this chapter, such violation interferes substantially with the comfortable enjoyment of life, health, safety of another or others. Upon such referral, the City Attorney shall bring an action in the name of the City in circuit court to permanently enjoin such residency as a public nuisance.

(h) *Property owners prohibited from renting real property to sexual offenders.* It is unlawful to let or rent any place, structure or part thereof, manufactured home, trailer, or other conveyance, with the knowledge that it will be used as a permanent residence or temporary residence by any person prohibited from establishing such permanent residence or temporary residence pursuant to the terms of this Chapter, if such place, structure or part thereof, manufactured home, trailer, or other conveyance, is located within 500 feet of any prohibited locations, which is not currently rented to an offender.

(i) *Notification.* Consistent with state requirements, the state agency working with the sex offender must notify the alderman of the district and the Cumberland Police Chief a minimum of 28 days prior to establishing either a permanent residence or temporary residence within the City of Cumberland.

(j) *Severability.* Should any portion of this Chapter be declared unconstitutional or invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remainder of this Chapter shall not be affected.

Section 2. That Section 10.08 – Penalty is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.08 – **Penalty**

Any person who shall violate any provision of this Chapter, except for 10.055 or permit or cause a public nuisance shall be subject to a penalty as provided in sec. 25.04 of this Code.

Section 3. This ordinance shall take effect upon the date of publication as provided in Section 62.11(4)(a), Wisconsin Statutes.

APPROVED THIS 3RD DAY OF APRIL, 2024
MAYOR, Daniel C. Shoemaker

DEPUTY CITY CLERK, Arlene Frisinger

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Bear Lake Coffee...

our area. They have also partnered with local consultants Todd Brunclik from Brill and Max Dunn from Spooner and are planning to fully open in 2024.

In August of 2022, the old “Ames Hardware & Grocery” building in Barronett was chosen as the ideal location for the coffeehouse & roastery, with renovations starting in January 2023. Gabe and his wife, Amy Damiani, aimed to incorporate elements from the original building to create a blend of classic and modern aesthetics. Along with its fresh appearance, solar panels have been installed, powering not only the building but also the new electric car charging stations. This addition reflects our commitment to doing our part in offsetting carbon emissions and fighting climate change, one sunny day and one

electric charge at a time.

Bear Lake Coffee is committed to serving “Coffee with a Purpose™”, a mission that transcends just providing excellent coffee and outstanding customer service. Throughout 2022 and 2023, Gabe traveled to El Salvador and Costa Rica to meet local farmers, immersing himself in their culture and learning about their dedication to cultivating high-quality specialty coffee beans. Bear Lake Coffee Co. has a farmer-first approach in sourcing their coffee, recognizing that the finest beans often originate from family-owned farms. Their commitment ensures fair compensation for farmers who are devoted to producing top-quality coffee. Their ethos extends beyond just coffee; it’s about empowering farmers and their families to prosper. Every cup of coffee they serve is not only

fresh but also the result of sustainable practices from the origin farm to your cup.

After two years of planning, preparing, and assembling all the elements, Caleb Walker, our ‘Head of Coffee,’ will be joining the team in Barronett as their first full-time employee, starting in January 2024! Caleb and his family have relocated from Montana to bring hand-crafted specialty coffee to our community. Let’s extend a warm welcome to Caleb and the team at Bear Lake Coffee Co.!

We are currently open Thursdays and Fridays from 7 am to 1 pm. Hours will update when we are closer to summer. You can learn more about their story, goals and products <https://bearlakecoffee.com>

A View from the Lake

by Tom Schroeder – President, Beaver Dam Lake Management District

What a winter we experienced this past season in NW Wisconsin. The “Dunk the Clunk”, broke through the ice sooner than most everyone thought. Spring must be close as on Thursday, April 4th, I saw 2 younger men sitting in the lake up to their necks by the Eagle Point boat ramp. Guess they were trying out the idea of cold water therapy.

The Lake District finally received the dredging permit for the North side of Library Lake on Feb. 5, 2024. A permit for the South side was obtained in Feb. 2022. With the two permits now in hand the BDLMD Funding Committee charged with raising the estimated \$550,000 to cover the dredging cost is formulating various ideas for raising the funds. Services like “Go Fund Me” and “Venmo” are going to be investigated for possible use. A Match Pledge of \$200,000 has been achieved. The Lake District has a savings and stock account in place for handling all donations. Any sizable donation is eligible to be considered as a tax deduction. Any donation to the Library Lake Restoration fund can be mailed to the BDLMD at P.O. Box 232, Cumberland, WI. 54829. Anyone wishing to donate stock to take ad-

vantage of tax opportunities please contact me. Nezzzy’s is planning a Library Lake Restoration 1/2K Run on one of the last two Saturdays in June. The proceeds from the event will be donated to the dredging project. The latest dredging permit requires Library Lake to be drawn down by Oct. 1 in the fall prior to the dredging taking place. A dam will be placed by the Grove Street bridge allowing the remainder of Beaver Dam Lake to stay at normal levels. The removal of the cattails and sediment will occur in the Jan./Feb. time period. A bid specification proposal for the dredging project is currently being developed. By this time in 2025, Library Lake will look a lot different.

The 2024 Eurasian Water Milfoil – EWM permit has been submitted. Based on the July and Oct. 2023 Aquatic Plant Surveys, only Cemetery Bay has any significant areas with EWM requiring treatment. Based on the observed plant (weeds) condition in City Bay and Norwegian Bay this year’s permit is requesting permission to treat these areas to allow for water craft to operate without having weed issues to deal with. By having the permit approved prior to knowing the extent of the need for treatment will allow for quicker

response than having to wait for a permit to be issued. The BDLMD website at beaver-damlake.org has the public notice for the permit request and the permit application.

I have received numerous calls about the lake level. Last year around this time the lake at the peak was 22 inches above normal. The Lake is currently just above 5 inches below normal. The lake was approximately 9 inches below normal at the end of Feb. The lake level is lowered each fall around Nov.1st to help minimize ice damage along the shoreline. The stop logs were installed at the end of Feb. The side gates were closed this past weekend before the lake level rose to the point of spilling over the side portals. I know some property owners would like to see the level stay below normal but the “normal” level is established by the WDNR and managed by the County.

There will be two BDLMD commissioner openings that will be filled at the Annual Meeting. If you are interested in becoming involved with the BDLMD please contact me. Also, a BDLMD Commissioner Nomination Form will be placed in the Advocate around mid- May.

See you on the lake during the coming boating season.

Council Holds April Meeting; Brandon Nelson New Street Superintendent

by Mark R. Fuller

The Cumberland City Council held their April Meeting last Wednesday at City Hall. Eight people were in attendance as the evening's agenda was approved, a payment of \$341,497.77 was unanimously passed to cover March expenses, and past minutes were accepted. With no one responding to Mayor Dan Shoemaker's request for comments from the public, the Council immediately began to take on the night's work.

The first topic of the evening covered the potential amending of Ordinance 2.04 regarding Standing Committee make-up. This came from early discussions in which Alderperson "Butch" O'Dell asked for consideration of adding members from the public to these committees as a way of creating more interest and talent in city business.

Lengthy discussion ensued with those in opposition contending that the public is already used on various Ad Hoc Committees and elected officials were chosen from the city to represent the residents on these committees. A vote followed the discussion, with the Council voting 5 to 3 to continue the current process for Standing Committee construction.

The Council then approved a purchase agreement with C&M Properties and Construction to purchase the property know as Island Glen Twin Home Lot 5-12 from the City at a cost of \$22,000. Discussion followed relating to

the amount of excavating needed before building and how the property will be assessed. The contract requires C&M to begin construction on all lots within 36 months of closing or the city has the option to repurchase any undeveloped lots.

Next, the Council approved a seasonal employee pay structure of \$15 an hour for first year employees with a 50 cent per year increase for experienced returners. Saying the City was behind the current market, the structure was established with the hopes of recruiting good employees who return for several years.

After approving adjustments and signing policies for municipal bank accounts to meet auditing firm request and approving an established uniform for Street Department personnel, discussion moved into Parks and Recreation.

To meet much needed essentials for campers and to address a donation with specific request for the Tourist Park, the Council approved installation of a sewer hook-up for the Eagle Point Campground site and approved the resurfacing of the basketball court by the beach. The committee will look into any further needs the court may have from the donated funds for the project.

Chief Wolfe then addressed the Council regarding a potential new section for City Ordinances, establishing sex

offender residency restrictions and creating child safety zones within the city around locations where children regularly congregate. The Ordinance creating Section 10.055 and 10.08 will be similar to other area communities, establishing residency restrictions and penalties. Following discussion, it passed the Council unanimously.

Moving forward, the Council approved a side-letter agreement with the Cumberland Professional Police Association regarding officer training and approved the necessary paperwork for amendment #2 with CBS squared for wastewater and water infrastructure improvements already completed.

City Administrator Randall Reeg then gave his monthly report covering his numerous activities for March, for which Mayor Shoemaker thanked him for getting at topics previously difficult to ascertain prior to his arrival.

Committee updates included a look at discussions with ETC on a possible pavilion for summer concerts, a look at fire calls for March, and a recent grant for the Police Department that could lead to a Canine Unit for the city. Finally, Dean Bergstrom, in his last meeting as Utility General Manager, reviewed the upcoming construction and timelines for the DOT project. He was then thanked by the Council

for his years of service as Alderperson Steve Anderson said Bergstrom did, "A wonderful job for the city."

Following the approval of a limited number of operator and merchant licenses, the Council then went into closed session for approximately one-half hour to discuss employee questions.

Upon reconvening, the Mayor and City Administrator Reeg announced contracts had been establish and accepted for Brandon Nelson as Street Superintendent, Devon Fredrickson and Kyle Zimbrick as part of the Street Crew, and John Smith as Cemetery Sexton and back-up Street Crew employee. The Council approved the action unanimously with Alderperson Anderson calling Nelson, "A very good choice for the position," and Mayor Shoemaker thanking Nelson for, "All your efforts over the past few weeks."

The evening concluded with Mayor Shoemaker thanking outgoing Alderpersons O'Dell and Foster Bridger for, "Years of service to the residents of the community," and welcoming newcomers to the Council, Kelly Cady and Jim Anderson, who were both in attendance. The reorganization of the Council will take place in a couple weeks. He then briefly discussed the beginnings of preparation for the annual audit and the ongoing look into, "Cleaner checks and balances." With that, the evening concluded.

Barron County Skywarn "Storm Spotter" Training

The Barron County Sheriff's Department has partnered with the National Weather Service to host a no-cost SKYWARN "Storm Spotter" Training for residents and emergency responders of Barron County.

The training will be held Tuesday April 30th, from 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm and 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm at the Barron County Government Center in the Main Auditorium, 335 E. Monroe Ave, Barron.

WHAT IS SKYWARN

SKYWARN is a National Weather Service program designed to obtain critical information during times of severe weather. Skywarn volunteers receive training in storm identification and evolution, and when severe weather threatens, they become "storm spotters", reporting information to the local NWS office.

Storm spotters are the nation's first line of defense against severe weather, and they know that their efforts may ultimately help to save lives. Their information, when combined with sophisticated technology such as Doppler radar, satellite and lightning displays,

helps NWS meteorologists in their primary mission... the issuance of warnings and advisories for the protection of life and property. Training is conducted by a National Weather Service Warning Coordination Meteorologist

WHO SHOULD ATTEND

Anyone with an interest in severe weather. Volunteers include police and fire personnel, dispatchers, EMS workers, public utility workers HAM radio operators, and concerned private citizens. Individuals affiliated with hospitals, schools, churches, nursing homes or who have a responsibility for protecting others are also encouraged to become a severe weather spotter.

HOW TO REGISTER

To register for either class, click this link. You can select your preferred class start time (2:00PM or 6:00PM) when selecting your tickets. <https://StormSpotter2024.eventbrite.com>

**Mike Judy, Director
Office of Emergency
Services Barron County
Sheriff's Department**

Easter Basket Donation!



Auto Value Cumberland donated an Easter basket to the Cumberland Fire Department. The basket was raffled off at the Hammer Bar, and they raised \$300. Pictured from left to right are Cumberland Firefighter Andy Stuntz, and Auto Value Employees Tina Loken and Phil Flottum.

Barron County Harvestable Headland Program

Erosion of headlands or end rows, can be considerable, even in a field that is planted on the contour and generally showing few signs of erosion. This resource concern can be alleviated with conversion to grass on the headland.

In many cases, these areas are yielding less than the interior portions of the field. Research from Cornell University shows that on average, headland yields were 14% lower for corn grain and 16% lower for corn silage. This is due to the increased soil erosion over decades of being farmed up and down the slope, compaction, shade, and damage from turning of spraying equipment.

An alternative to commodity crop production is to plant these areas to perennial cover that can be used as

forage or left as a grassland habitat area.

Using funds from a collaboration with wastewater treatment plants that are unable to meet their discharge levels without considerable investment, Barron County will pay \$750 per acre for areas seeded to a hay crop or \$600 per acre when maintained in hay when the rest of the field is rotated back to corn or soybeans.

Harvestable Headland Program Guidelines

1. The headland must be a resource concern, or showing signs of erosion.
2. The field must have been in row crops of corn, soybeans, or snap beans 4 of the last 10 years.
3. If the field is in hay currently, and meets the requirements of #2, it can be enrolled in the year the

rest of the field is planted to corn.

4. Establishment of perennial cover on large enough area to eliminate planting of headlands or end rows. This will be dependent on the width of planting, spraying, and hay equipment with a maximum of 120'.
5. The seeding will be predominantly grass and clover. Alfalfa is not recommended due to traffic considerations.
6. Payment will be made after the headland is established in grass, \$750 per acre for new planting or \$600 per acre when left in established hay.
7. Payment will be made to the landowner.
8. There is one payment for the program.
9. Headland must be maintained in vegetative cover for a minimum of five years.

10. Harvest of the grass is strongly encouraged.
11. Applicants will be ranked based on slope and length.

Benefits

- Increased field access for crop scouting, harvest and recreation
- Increased field profitability by eliminating areas that lose money
- Increased wildlife habitat
- Significant reductions in sediment loss

Contact the Barron County Soil & Water Conservation Department at 715-537-6315 or bronsn.thalacker@co.barron.wi.us for more information.

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