



May 1890; The Island City Prepares for Another Summer

by Mark R Fuller

The May 1, 1890 Advocate was filled with signs of the changing weather. School kids had planted trees around the city for Arbor Day on April 30, while an announcement in the paper listed members of the Cumberland Baseball Club, that was readying to open their season under Manager Judge Comstock. The article concluded by saying, “The team is ready to play any amateur club for \$100 and the gate receipts. Who will be their first victim?”

Even though it felt like spring most days, the city would be rocked by one more snow fall on May 17, when eight inches hit the ground on a Saturday afternoon and night. The paper described the snowy surprise by saying, “Old settlers tell us that its equal has not been recorded in Wisconsin in the last half century.”

Among the groups getting ready for summer was the “Cumberland Silver Band.” The group had traveled to St. Paul early in the month, where they purchased six silver horns, “Of the finest and most approved pattern” giving the band a total of 12 instruments. Under the leadership of Prof. Darby, he praised the city for their support and said, “Such movements like this is what makes us proud of Cumberland.”

Getting around Cumberland that spring was dependent on the use of the lakes and the limited roads that connected the nearby towns. The May papers announced, “There are 125 miles of road in the town of Cumberland with less than \$3,000 to keep it in repair and open all new roads for one year. People who complain of road overseers’ work, should consider the

facts.”

The lakes also provided crucial transportation and May saw complaints that excessive logs on Beaver Dam Lake were causing a public inconvenience in reaching the city by boat. The city would address the issue by saying, “These obstructions have occurred with inconvenient frequency since the lake opened and unless the owners of these logs are more careful in the future, legal action will be resorted to by those who use the lake as a public thoroughfare.”

The May Advocates were full of ads for its readers. Men were urged to buy Buckingham’s Dye for their prematurely gray beards, while informed that Fuller’s Barber Shop was open for “Gent’s baths every Friday.” The women of the city were urged to “Go to Fuller’s Barber Shop for stylish hairdressing,” while told to “Call at Mrs. Cole’s and look over the fine line of hats.”

Readers were reminded that, “Ayer’s Sarsaparilla is the most potent remedy ever discovered” for scrofulous taint in the blood, while creamery butter could be picked up at Ritan & Company for 20 cents a pound.

The May 8 Advocate also used an opportunity to chastise a group of young people who had done damage in the City Cemetery in late April. It would say, “The boy or crowd of boys, who maliciously and shamefully defaced several monuments, have fallen as low down in meanness and devilry as they are likely to get outside the penitentiary. This practice should be stopped at once.”

Nevertheless, most of what was going on in the city was

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New Summer Concert Series Location!



Tourist Park will be the location of the Tuesday night summer concerts starting on Tuesday, June 11th.

Northwoods Notebook: Thanks to Augustana for a summer-concert stage

By Larry Werner

It’s been a bit of a journey since ETC decided last fall to move the Island City Music concerts from the stage on Library Lake to Tourist Park.

As I’ve mentioned in the space before, a representative of the Friends of Tourist Park approached me last summer at one of the Tuesday concerts to ask if ETC might consider moving to the beach. Some folks around town have been encouraging that move for years.

So the arts council board talked about it and did a survey we handed out at various events. About 80 percent of the survey respondents said they preferred sitting under shade trees at the park to parking their lawn chairs on the asphalt behind the library.

We discussed with the City Council and others where at the park we could do the concerts. We didn’t want them to be at the shelter built by GAP, an organization that no longer exists. For one thing, the stage is deep inside that shelter, which means we would no longer have outdoor concerts, and, as respondents to the survey told us, that venue isn’t very accessible for people with mobility issues.

At one point, we proposed that ETC build a small pavilion with a stage. But the City Council’s park and rec committee said nothing should be built at the beach before a comprehensive park plan is put together.

We looked around for some kind of temporary stage. We heard that a gazebo in a courtyard at Cumberland Care &

Rehab might be available because it will be displaced by the demolition of the old hospital. But the owner of the nursing home decided he wanted to keep the gazebo for the residents.

We looked at renting or buying a portable stage.

Then we heard Augustana Lutheran Church might be willing to part with a small stage that was built on the south side of the church years ago and hasn’t been used in some time. The church council voted a couple weeks ago that ETC could have the stage for the Tourist Park concerts.

So Dave Evenson and John Westin, members of the church, have moved the stage to a spot next to the picnic pavilion built years ago by the Knights of Columbus. There’s still a good bit of work to be done leveling the stage and

landscaping around it.

But on June 11, when Westin’s Higher Vision kicks off the summer concert season, you’ll be sitting under shade trees on the lawn next to the pavilion.

Food will be served from either a food truck or from the pavilion.

The summer concerts have drawn crowds of a hundred or more since we started them eight years ago with a grant from another organization that no longer exists — the Cumberland Area Business Alliance. Former resident Tia Duncan and I booked bands and got sponsors so we could pay the performers. We used the small stage on Library Lake that is used during Rutabaga Festival for the peppercorn contest.

Among the issues with the

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Cumberland Regional Trail Group Meeting

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Sons of Norway Dovre Lodge Meeting

Sons of Norway, Dovre Lodge will meet Tuesday, May 14th, 6:00 pm, at Chetek Lutheran Church, Chetek, WI in the Fellowship Hall. The program for the evening is remembering and celebrating “Syttende Mai”, Norway’s Constitution Day. There will be two special guests, a Leprechaun and Torvald, the Troll. The evenings festivities will begin with a “potluck” dinner. Bring a favorite dish to share. Come and enjoy our Scandinavian heritage, warm fellowship and delicious Scandinavian food! Sons of Norway is a nonprofit organization for women, men and young people interested in Scandinavian culture and heritage. Everyone is welcome!

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very positive. Judge Comstock had several thousand acres of choice farming lands for sale in the vicinity, a Dramatic Club was being organized and had already rented Miller’s Hall for a five-act drama in July, and a Memorial Day program was being planned for the end of the month, which was to include School societies and church and civic societies, with the hope that, “All citizens will join in the observation.” Yes, spring had sprung, and the community was opening its doors to all the “Island City” had to offer.

Northwoods Notebook...

Library Lake venue is there is no shade on the asphalt parking lot, and spectators are looking directly into the evening sun. One respondent to our survey said she likes to attend the concerts with her four children, but she’s concerned they might run into the street that runs though the “back alley.” A few respondents said they preferred we keep the concerts downtown, close to the bars and restaurants where they could get food and drink before or after the events. That is a valid concern. Nezy’s, for example, had been a sponsor. But we originally envisioned the shops would stay open on Tuesday evenings, and they never did. It wasn’t an easy decision to move the event. But I think the park is a more pleasant place for listening to our local talent. Sue Bridger, our community education director, said the school district’s kayaks will be available for use on concert nights at the beach, as they have been at Library Lake for the past seven years. And there will be a place nearby to have dinner on concert nights: Sara Davidson, manager of Louie’s on the Lake, which now closes on Tuesdays, will be open on concert nights this summer. She told me that recently when Ann and I had dinner there on a “Wing Wednesday.” I can get a bit nostalgic about Island City Music. It was the dream of an old man who can’t sing or play an instrument, but who felt there should be a place in summer to showcase local singers and musicians in our town. In about a month, those performers will be entertaining us at our beautiful lakeside park from the Augustana Lutheran Stage next to the Knights of Columbus pavilion, where members of the Methodist church serve food at the Celebration of the Arts. Heck, it’s even ecumenical. Larry Werner’s email is lhwerner47@gmail.com.



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Monday, May 13 Ham and cheese, fries, carrots, pears. MS/HS: Pizza.

Tuesday, May 14 Chicken fajitas, brown rice, corn, pineapple. MS/HS: Garlic cheese bread.

Wednesday, May 15 Chicken gravy over biscuits, peas, peaches. MS/HS: Walking tacos.

All meals include a variety of fresh and canned fruits/veggies, salad bar and assorted milk.

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Hunt Hill Audubon Sanctuary Upcoming Events

Program: Adult Field Trip: Namekagon Barrens Date: Tuesday, May 14, 2024 Time: 10:00 am - 2:00 pm Location: Hunt Hill Audubon Sanctuary, Saronna, WI Program Fee: \$8/person Registration is required by May 13th. Limit: 15 people The pine barrens is a unique ecosystem that once covered a large part of Wisconsin. Now only 1-2% of the original ecosystem remains. Join Hunt Hill on an Adult Field Trip to learn about the history of the Namekagon Barrens and what makes this globally rare habitat so special! Registration is required by Monday, May 13th at noon or when the program limit of 15 people is reached, whichever comes first. To register, visit www.hunthill.org to complete online registration or call 715-635-6543. The program fee is \$8 per person. 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. Program: Little Explorers Topic: Wonders of Wind Date: Saturday, May 18, 2023 Location: Hunt Hill Audubon Sanctuary, Saronna, WI Time: 10:00 - 11:30 am Program Fee: Free, but donations are appreciated. Registration is not required, but strongly encouraged. Hunt Hill Audubon Sanctuary will be hosting a Little Explorers program on Saturday, May 18. Each program consists of an exciting morning of stories, crafts, and nature activities geared towards 3-6 year olds; but all ages are welcome. This month’s topic is wind. Join Hunt Hill as we discover the magic of wind and its importance in nature. We will read a story about wind, learn how wind helps plants spread seeds, and what wind barriers are through an interactive activity. After, we will head outside to understand how the invisible wind shapes our world. 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, May 17 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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CUMBERLAND SCHOOL DISTRICT NEWS Upcoming Events

THURSDAY, MAY 9: • 4-6:30 pm HS Track at Northwestern • 5-6 pm CCE: Weight & Wellness • 5-7 pm • 5-7 pm HS Softball at Ladysmith • 5-7 pm HS JV Softball DH Home vs Cameron • 5-7:30 pm HS Soccer at Barron vs Hayward • FRIDAY, MAY 10: • 3-7 pm HS Baseball DH at Cameron • 4-6 pm HS Boys Golf home vs Ladysmith • 5-7:30 pm HS Girls Soccer at Altonna • 6-8 pm HS HV Baseball at Rice Lake. SATURDAY, MAY 11: • 11-3 HS Softball DH home vs Cameron (postponed) • 1-3 pm CCE: Pickle Ball • 4-6 pm HS Boys golf home vs Ladysmith • 7-9:30 pm FFA Banquet. MONDAY, MAY 13: 4:30-6 pm CCE: Choose Fit/Pat Chuchwar • 7:30-9:00 pm HS Choir Concert. TUESDAY, MAY 14: • 3-7 pm HS Track at Spooner • 5-7 pm HS Softball home vs Barron • 5-7:30 pm HS Baseball at Barron • 5-7:30 pm HS Girls Soccer at Barron vs Somerset • 8-10 pm CCE: Adult Volleyball • WEDNESDAY, May 15: • 6- 8 pm Pickleball .

COMMUNITY ED OFFERINGS SUMMER HAPPENINGS @ Firefly Fields Hosted by Scott & Colleen Johnson 2553 10th Street-Cumberland, WI This is between Cumberland and Rice Lake First Event on Saturday, June 1st - 9 am to 12 noon/Event at 10:00 am ROB ANKARLO, DIRECTOR OF THOMAS ST. ANGELO LIBRARY, WILL TALK ABOUT ALL OUR LIBRARY IN CUMBERLAND HAS TO OFFER. THERE WILL BE DOOR PRIZES AND A PERCENT OF SALES FROM FIREFLY FIELDS GOODIES WILL BE DONATED BACK TO THE LIBRARY. * NO DOGS PLEASE... * PORTA-POTTY AVAILABLE YUMMY BAKED GOODS, JAMS, JELLIES AND COFFEE WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE EACH SATURDAY. BONFIRE IF THE MORNING IS COOL. CORN HOLE WILL BE SET UP. HIKE THE GROOVED TRAILS, SIT A SPELL ON THE PORCH AND ENJOY YOUR MORNING! BRING A FRIEND OR MAKE SOME NEW FRIENDS! FOR QUESTIONS OR CONCERNS CONTACT: SUSAN BRIDGER, CCE DIRECTOR HS-715-822-5121 EXT. 403 / SBRIDG@CSDMAIL.COM

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Barron-Polk County Farm Safety & Farm Machinery Certification Course set

The Barron-Polk County Tractor Safety Certification Program will be held June 17, 18, 19, and 20 at a Barron High School. The program runs from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday of that week, and 8:00 am to 12:00 pm on Thursday. The cost is \$20 per person.

Tractor Safety Certification is designed to meet both State and Federal requirements for youth under 16 years old. The program covers 12-13 year olds operating tractors or self-propelled implements on public roads under direction of their parents or guardian or for work related to their family farm operation. The Tractor Safety Certification is also for youth who are 14 and 15 years old who will be employed

(or working without pay) for someone other than their own family farm.

Youth attending the Tractor Safety Certification Program will learn how to safely operate a tractor, identify potentially hazardous situations and reduce the risk of injury in those situations.

Young people will be given the opportunity to practice their driving skills and safety understanding through “hands-on” learning. Each student must successfully and safely drive a tractor and 2-wheel implement through an obstacle course.

To successfully complete the Tractor Safety Certification Program youth must be at least 12 years old at the time

of the course, attend 24 hours of instructional training, pass a written examination and successfully complete a practical driving exam which demonstrates tractor driving ability.

For more information and to register online for the Tractor Safety Certification Program, visit our website <http://barron.extension.wisc.edu/tractorsafety> and look for the “REGISTER” button. Registration is limited to 45 participants. Information and paper registration forms are also available at the Barron County Extension Office, 1800 College Drive, Rice Lake WI 54868. For more information, please contact 715-788-6240. Make checks payable to: UW-Extension Barron County.

Rep. Armstrong Disappointed By Marshfield’s Decision To Suspend Birth Services In Rice Lake

MADISON, WI – Marshfield Clinic Health System has “temporarily paused” labor and delivery services at its Rice Lake medical center, effective May 1. Marshfield expects this pause to last 30 to 60 days. “Following Mayo’s decision to withdraw birth services from Barron County in 2022, this new decision by Marshfield to suspend birth services in Rice Lake puts area families in an even more difficult situation,” said State Rep. Dave Armstrong (R-Rice Lake). “Expectant mothers will now have to travel to Eau Claire to have their babies.”

Representative Armstrong recognizes the challenges that Marshfield, like Mayo, has in recruiting and retaining OB-GYNs and other professionals in rural areas of Wisconsin, but decisions like this can lead to a vicious cycle and do further harm to these communities. “While I sincerely hope Marshfield will stand by its plan to resume its Rice Lake birth operations in a month or two, my fear is that birth services will never return, at least to the same level as before,” Representative Armstrong said. “Even a temporary suspension sends a bad sign not just to fami-

lies already living in Barron County, but to prospective residents and businesses. If people think twice about moving to rural areas with unreliable access to essential health services, that in turn hurts the recruitment and retention of health professionals.

“However, I stand ready as both Barron County’s state representative and its economic development director to work with Marshfield to address the underlying issues that have led to this troubling decision so that it can resume operations and serve Barron County for years to come.”

Emerald Ash Borer Detected In Washburn, Taylor Counties

MADISON, Wis. – The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR) has detected the presence of emerald ash borer (EAB) for the first time in Washburn and Taylor counties. Burnett is now the only county without a detection since EAB was first discovered in Wisconsin in 2008. DNR staff members collected larvae samples in the town of Springbrook and the city of Medford. A USDA Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service identifier confirmed these larvae as EAB.

The detections will not result in regulatory changes because EAB was feder-

ally deregulated on Jan. 14, 2021, and Wisconsin rescinded its statewide quarantine effective July 1, 2023.

EAB will continue to spread in northern Wisconsin, significantly impacting the state’s ash resource. This is a good time to review the DNR’s updated EAB webpage for information and resources on this invasive species and the EAB Silviculture Guidelines to understand ash management options.

For those looking for treatment options, the University of Wisconsin-Madison’s EAB webpage provides information on insecticide

treatment for ash shade trees.

The DNR, Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection, University of Wisconsin-Madison Extension and tribal partners continue to track EAB’s spread. Detection information aids in EAB readiness planning, management and biological control activities.

With 66 new municipal detections already reported in 2024, map updates continue to occur regularly. Visit the Wisconsin EAB Online Detections map to see where EAB has been found in Wisconsin or to report new detections.



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Out My Window

by Paul Bucher, Editor

Opening fishing weekend has come and gone. It sure was nice to see boats all over the place. I stopped for lunch on Saturday afternoon and breakfast on Sunday morning. Both places were full! I personally can't wait to get out there at first light. We were early enough both mornings that the landings were a piece of cake. We were on the water by 5:30. I wasn't sure what to expect after the screwy spring we have had. Water temps were in the low 50's. Me and my fishing partner ended up with four nice walleye's between 18 and 20 inches on Saturday and after switching lakes on Sunday morning we caught a nice limit of eyes between 15 and 18 inches. It was awesome to be on the water again for the 2024 game fish season! Get out there!

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It's busy season here at the Advocate. May is always super busy. There are five sports teams in action, graduation is coming up and the Summer Laker gets done this month as well. I am really fortunate to have some great help here in the office and support from area businesses who advertise in the graduation issue and Summer Laker. Without the support of our advertisers we couldn't put out a paper. When this years addition comes out, please stop and support the advertisers. Cumberland is a great small town and a huge part of that are you, the people who work and play here. I've said it before, I'm sure happy to live here. Pretty lucky!

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Mother's Day is this Sunday. If you can, make sure your mom knows how special she is. Time flies. It's easy to take things for granted. Maybe fire up the grill, go out to brunch or just a good visit. You can't go wrong with some flowers or a plant. Some day she won't be there. Let her know you love her!

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Well the Twins went on a huge 12 game win streak to get back into the race. What a horrible start they had. Injuries continue to haunt the team. It's crazy how many injuries they have had. They have had their starting line-up for exactly two innings all year. The Brewers have had their share of injuries as well and yet they continue to play good ball. Sometimes I think players today are wound too tight. Players are constantly pulling ham strings, oblige injuries, shoulder problems and more. Not sure of the solution but sure seems like something needs to change.

Warmer weather is here, get outside! Have a great week!

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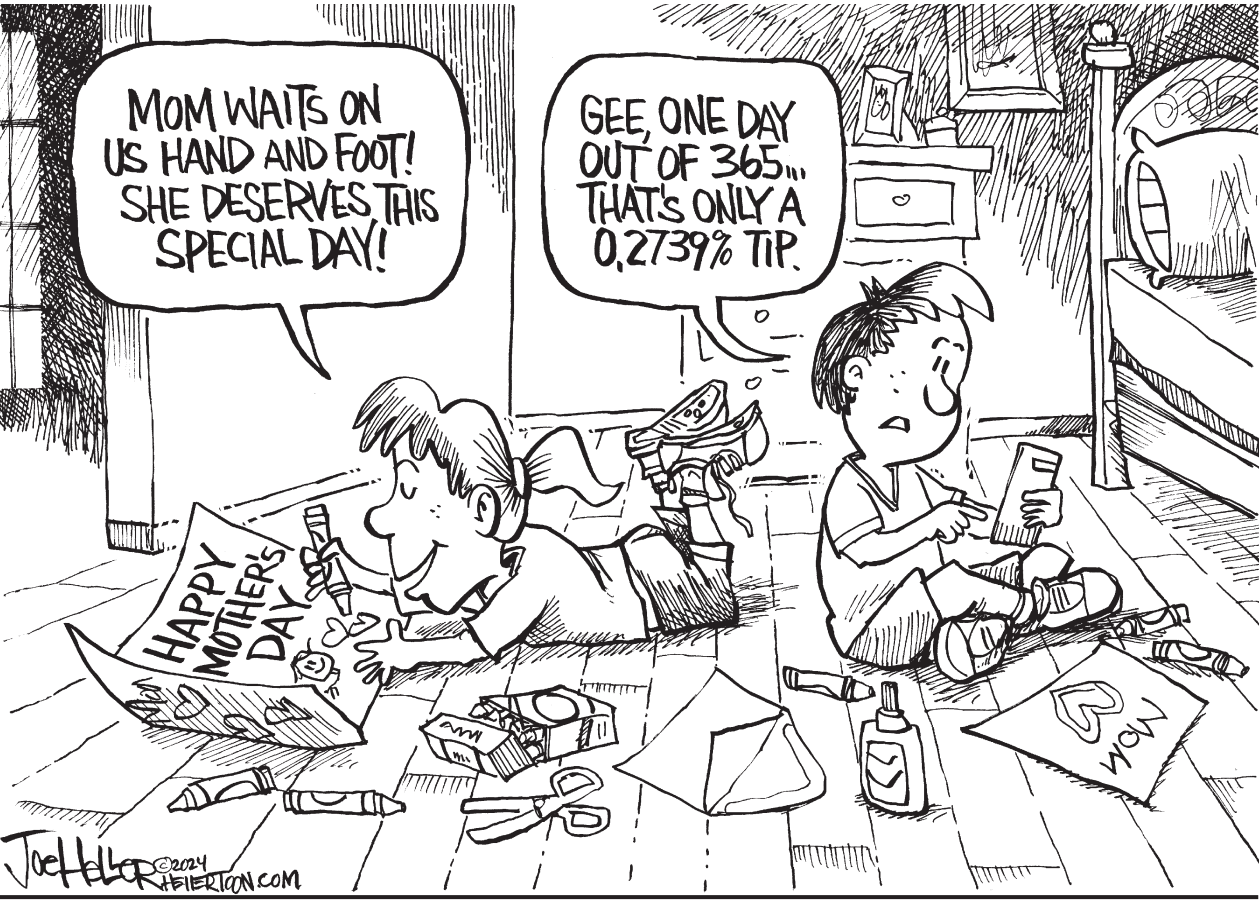
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Inside Wisconsin

by Tom Still

“Why is Wisconsin a swing state? Perhaps because it has at least two economies”

ADAMS, Wis. – Without much rubber-necking, I counted 11 vehicles the other day marked “For Sale” on the side of Highway 13 between the town of Rome and the Highway 82 intersection in southern Adams County. Spread along those 30 or so miles were cars, vans, tractors, boats and trucks, all beckoning new owners.

Maybe it was spring cleaning time. Or perhaps some families decided they have too many vehicles. Or maybe it was a sign that not everyone in Wisconsin finds today's economy to be booming.

Knowing Adams County a bit, along with other mostly rural parts of Wisconsin, I suspect it's the latter scenario.

Many economists predicted the U.S. economy would be in recession by now, bogged down by a combination of inflation, high interest rates and poor job growth. Instead, prices have stabilized in some key sectors such as groceries and durable goods; interest rates haven't fallen yet but they're not rising, either; and employers have added 300,000 jobs since March and nearly 3 million in the past year.

However, personal savings have dwindled, delinquency rates on loans are rising and interest rates on credit cards and auto loans are at their highest rates in decades. A strong U.S. dollar may sound like a good thing, because it reflects a resilient economy, but it hurts prices of American stocks and bonds by making them more expensive for offshore institutional investors. That tends to hurt smaller investors first.

The net result is that more people are living paycheck-to-paycheck, and that may be more likely in parts of Wisconsin that don't enjoy the vibrant economies found in the state's largest cities.

Toss in an aging population, older housing stock, stresses on education at all levels and uneven access to health care, the problems for rural Wisconsin can be more serious than those in urban settings.

None of this is to say rural Wisconsin should be counted out, however. It's just that parts of the state are still waiting for the benefits of major legislative initiatives in Washington, D.C., to filter down to them. Mean-

while, some communities are working on their own to strengthen existing businesses – large and small – while embarking on new endeavors of their own.

That brings me back to Adams County, where the Wisconsin Technology Council will hold a free session May 14 at Mid-State Technical College on North Main Street in Adams to offer tips on launching, funding and growing young businesses.

Speakers include Patrick Gatterman, director of the Small Business Development Center at UW-Stevens Point; Joe Kremer, director of the Tech Council's Investors Network; and Blane Huppert, partner and sponsorship associate with WiSys, which works with entrepreneurs and others connected to Wisconsin's comprehensive universities. The Adams County Chamber of Commerce and Mid-State are hosting; the U.S. Small Business Administration is a major funder of SWIFT. That's our acronym for State of Wisconsin Initiative to Fast Track entrepreneurs.

Mentors will speak and answer questions on areas such as legal steps

to starting a company, funding sources for such firms, and public resources generally available to entrepreneurs. Attendees will engage in an exercise aimed at bringing forth their ideas and any challenges that lie ahead.

People don't need to live in Adams County to attend; others who live in Wisconsin's central sands region are welcome to stop by.

Predicted to be one of seven swing states, the coming months will see Wisconsin analyzed by political experts who want to know more about why the state may be a close call in the November presidential election. A likely reason is people in parts of the state view the economy – in their home towns, farms and businesses – differently than people elsewhere view their own situation.

Places such as Adams County have a solid economic foundation to build on, but it may take more work and longer hours to get there.

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

A Look Back

10 Years Ago May 14, 2014

The big news of the May 6th City Council Meeting, was that, after months of interviews and negotiations, the council approved the recommendation of the Human Resource/Public Safety Committee and hired Richard Rieper as our new Chief of Police, effective, August 13th. Rieper has served as Deputy with the Barron County Sheriff's Department since 1995, and prior to that Rick worked for the City of Cumberland from 1987-1995.

The Cumberland Fire Department responded to Nilssen's Foods around 10:00 am on Tuesday, May 13th for the report of a gas leak. Apparently, crews doing some excavation work behind the building ruptured a gas main. The surrounding area was evacuated until crews were able to fix the leak.

20 Years Ago May 12, 2004

Each year the Humane Society of Barron County holds a poster contest, open to area 5th graders to celebrate “Be Kind to Animals Week.” Joshua Hatzenbeller of Cumberland received 1st place an Raymond Hatzenbeller, also of Cumberland received 3rd place. The following Cumberland

entrants received Honorable Mention: Angela Denver, Samantha Foss, Stephanie Germer, Stefan Kerr and Malorie Nyhus.

30 Years Ago May 11, 1994

The Cumberland Quiz Bowl team participated in a University of Minnesota Invitational held last Saturday. Joe Thunstrom, Ray Johnson, and Madge Path participated for Cumberland. Thunstrom was the ninth top scorer overall for the tournament.

Dan Wohlk, Cumberland won his first place Museum Award entry for the Local Junior Historian Project, sponsored by barron County Historical Society. Other fourth grade winners were Mike Bratager, Travis Erickson, Jason Zappa, Allison DeGoliier, Leah Hullinger, Ryan Miller, Nicole Hohweiler and Monica Zappa.

40 Years Ago May 9, 1984

The 1984 Prom Court members are: Shannon Lane, Rich Reichenberger, Barb Behling, Damon Craine, Joanne Sweet, Steve Ranallo, Lisa Soltau, Rick Strub, Natalie Rakic and Eric Engstad. The 1984 Prom King was Curt Johnson and the 1984 Prom Queen was Tina Lepak.

Music Person of the

Year award winner went to Maren Tomter. The Cumberland Music Club annually presents the award to an area musician.

50 Years Ago May 9, 1974

A grand opening will be held Friday and Saturday at the Ritchie Sales Agency in downtown Cumberland. The store is located in the south part of the old Keyes building with Sorensen Cleaners in the other section. The building was built in 1900.

60 Years Ago May 8, 1964

At 3:15 pm, Tuesday, a twister struck a small area about seven miles west of the city on the county line road just south of Highway 48. A farm owned by Raymond Butzler received heavy damage.

70 Years Ago May 13, 1954

Cumberland music students made an excellent showing at last week's Music Festival at Rice Lake. Though the parade was called off because of weather, the Senior and Grade School bands and both Class A and B vola units performed creditably and received fine plaudits from the judges.

80 Years Ago May 11, 1944

A fire of undeter-

mined origin destroyed the 60-year old St. Mary's Church in Cumberland early last Sunday morning in a spectacular fire that burned the building to the ground.



2024 WEATHER			
Date	Hi	Lo	Prec.
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5/01	64	41	.42
5/02	60	47	-
5/03	49	44	.55
5/04	69	43	-
5/05	69	37	.46
5/06	66	43	-
Temperature and precipitation readings are taken at 7 a.m. for the previous 24 hours and are provided by the Cumberland Utility Office.			

Court News

Barron County Circuit Court

Traffic Court

Mark W. Higgins, 33, Rice Lake, operating while revoked, \$443.00. Dustin L. Landwehr, 42, Weyerhaeuser, operating while revoked, \$579.00. Logan J. McLellan, 35, Rice Lake, operate without carrying a license, \$217.10. Markis C. Stoll, Rice Lake, operating while revoked, \$579.00. Jamie D. Anderson, 49, Cumberland, refuse to take test for intoxication after arrest, \$50.00. Darien D. Barry, 34, Minneapolis, MN., speeding, \$225.70. Kaylynn M. Bentley, 18, Cameron, operating a motor vehicle without insurance, \$200.50. Jennifer L. Burtis, 37, Clayton, failure to stop at a stop sign, \$175.30. Jordan L. Darnell, 21, Turtle Lake, speeding, \$175.30. Yovett E. Dixon-Tucker, 30, Barron, operate without a valid license, \$200.50, and operating a motor vehicle without insurance, \$200.50. Shaely E. Duffy, 26, Barron, operating while suspended, \$200.50 and alter vehicle registration plate/sticker, \$150.10. Abdulfattah S. Guoure, 40, Barron, speeding, \$175.30. Landon C. Hanson, 20, Prairie Farm, operate without a valid license, \$200.50. Richard G. Hauck, 37, Turtle Lake, failure to dim headlamp, \$162.70. Bryden F. Hauser, 17, Cumberland, fail/equip vehicle fenders, \$175.30. Juanita D. Kelsch, 59, Chetek, OWI, \$1,006.00. Ava N. Knauff, 20, Birchwood, speeding, \$200.50. Velez G. Eduardo, 30, Barron, operating while suspended, \$200.50 and operating a motor vehicle without insurance, \$200.50. Gretchen E. Madsen, 19, Clayton, operating while suspended, \$200.50 and speeding, \$200.50. Antonio L. Newman, 28, Almena, non-registration of vehicle, \$175.30 and fail/secure loads if towing a trailer, \$200.50. Sean D. Paulson, 54, Dana, WI., non-registration of vehicle, \$175.30 and speeding, \$200.50. Diaz C. Pedro-Pablo, 33, no address, operate without a valid license, \$200.50. Justin J. Ruthenberg, 29, Rice Lake, speeding, \$175.30. Isaac S. Schilling, 20, Ridgeland, improper repair of exhaust system, \$175.30. Jonathan P. Vreeland, 26, Wheeler, operating a motor vehicle without proof of insurance, \$10.00. John H. Warner,

54, Cameron, speeding, \$225.70. Nicholas J. Zappa, 39, Barronett, non-registration of vehicle, \$175.30.

Complaints

Brayden C. Wehe, 17, of Bloomer, has been charged with disorderly conduct. and underage tobacco. His court date was scheduled for April 25, 2024.

Mark J. Wojciechowski, 57, of Birchwood, has been charged with disorderly conduct. His court date is scheduled for June 26, 2024.

Lamont C. Douglas, 26, of Barron, has been charged with disorderly conduct. His court appearance was scheduled for April 29, 2024.

Josiah M. Teran, 21, of Rice Lake, has been charged with disorderly conduct and domestic abuse. His court date was scheduled for April 29, 2024.

Daniel O. Omoregie, 35, of Amery, has been charged with obstructing an officer and disorderly conduct. His court trial is scheduled for June 17, 2024.

Jaylen A. Richardson, 18, of Chetek, has been charged with underage drinking. His court date is scheduled for May 22, 2024.

Sophia G. Crawshaw, 17, of Cameron, has been charged with minor possess/purchase tobacco/nicotine and underage drinking. Her court date is scheduled for May 22, 2024.

Kyra R. Beaulieu, 19, of Rice Lake, has been charged with disorderly conduct and domestic abuse. Her court date is scheduled for May 15, 2024.

Caleb W. Tinsley, 17, of Almena, has been charged with theft. His court date is scheduled for May 29, 2024.

Richard A. Thone, 56, of Spooner, has been charged with operate ATV or UTV in careless way, operate ATV or UTV improperly on routes/trails/lands/roadway, and operate ATV in unreasonable/improper manner. His court date is scheduled for June 19, 2024.

Criminal Complaints

Stacy L. Knapmiller, 37, of Rice Lake, has been charged with possession of methamphetamine. Her adjourned initial appearance is scheduled for June 12, 2024.

John F. Merrill, 40, of Rice Lake, has been charged with OWI. His adjourned initial appearance was scheduled for

May 1, 2024.

Sunny J. McFarland, 54, of Milltown, has been charged with operating while revoked. Her court hearing is scheduled for May 29, 2024.

Heather R. Coon, 43, of Wheeler, has been charged with possession of THC. Her adjourned initial appearance is scheduled for June 12, 2024.

Nathan E. Freedy, 42, of Bloomer, has been charged with retail theft-intentionally take and repeater. His initial appearance was scheduled for May 1, 2024.

Christopher R. Steines, 38, of Cumberland, has been charged with OWI and resisting or obstructing an officer. His adjourned initial appearance is scheduled for June 12, 2024.

Tomi J. Quagon, 42, of Stone Lake, has been charged with possession with intent to deliver methamphetamine, second or subsequent offense, and possession of cocaine, second and subsequent offense.

On April 25, 2024, A Barron County Detective conducted a traffic stop of a vehicle he observed traveling southbound on 19th Street, south of County Road W. The basis of the traffic stop was that he observed the vehicle cross over the center line of the roadway as it traveled on 19th Street, south of County Road W. Upon stopping the vehicle, the detective identified the driver as the defendant, Quagon.

During his initial contact with Quagon, he learned that the vehicle did not have any insurance. During the course of this stop, a Barron County Deputy arrived on scene and ultimately had his K9 walk around Quagon’s vehicle. During the court of his contact and conversations with Quagon, the detective was advised by the deputy that his K9 had provided indications that the vehicle possible contained controlled substances. Based on this information, the detective asked Quagon if there was anything inside the vehicle. She responded that she was a meth addict and she had a small amount of methamphetamine inside a single pill container in her purse. Based on this admission, the detective took her into custody for possession of methamphetamine.

The report of the detective indicates that following her arrest, the vehicle was searched and one of the things he located was

a styrofoam cup in the center console that was melted and there was a distinct odor of burning chemicals coming from the vehicle. Next to the cup, the detective located a teal colored pouch. Inside the pouch, he located a blue and red pill container. Inside that pill container, he located a small amount of crystalline substance that he believed to be methamphetamine. In addition, inside the same pouch, the detective located a multicolored rubber and glass smoking device. There were also two plastic containers in the same pouch which housed a large amount of a white crystalline substance that he believed to be methamphetamine, based on his training and experience. There was also an additional substance that appeared to be cloudy and white in color.

The report of the detective indicates that he subsequently weighed and field tested the crystalline substance that he suspected to be methamphetamine. He obtained a positive result for the presence of methamphetamine and obtained a weight of approximately 22.8 grams. The white crystalline substance that was observed in the pill container was also field tested and weighed. The field test came back positive for the presence of methamphetamine and the weight was approximately .4 grams. The cloudy and white unidentified substance was also weighed and field tested. The detective obtained a weight of approximately 2.3 grams and the substance tested positive for cocaine.

The report of the detective indicates that based upon his training and experience, he knows that methamphetamine is commonly sold by the gram. The amount of .4 grams that was found in the pill bottle, would be an amount his drug is sold in. He is also aware, based on his training and experience, that it is also sold in the amounts of 1.75 grams or up to 3.5 grams if being used solely for personal use. Based on his training and experience, an amount in the range of 22 grams that was found, is not consistent for somebody that would be merely possessing the drugs for personal use.

If convicted for possession with intent to deliver methamphetamine, second or subsequent offense, Quagon may be fined not more than \$100,000 or imprisoned

for not more than 25 years or both. For possession of cocaine, she may be fined not more than \$10,000 or imprisoned for

not more than three years and six months or both.

Her adjourned initial appearance is scheduled for May 8, 2024.

Northwest Region Construction Update

Barron and Washburn counties

Highway: US 53

Location: 26th Avenue north of Rice Lake to Pine Grove Road south of Saronia

Schedule: Sept. 5, 2023, to November 2024

Cost: \$21.89 million

Description: Removing the existing and base course, placing a new base aggregate layer for drainage, replacing the pavement, rebuilding intersection approaches and installing cable barrier in the median between 26th and 27th avenues and a high-friction surface treatment on the pavement in the same area to reduce crossover and run-off-the-road crashes.

Traffic impacts: North- and southbound US 53 traffic is operating on the southbound lanes, and the speed limit has been reduced to 55 mph.

Chippewa County

Highway: US 53

Location: 40th Avenue in Lake Hallie to County B in the town of Tilden

Schedule: April 1 to late June 2026

Cost: \$36.6 million

Description: Replacing the pavement on north- and southbound US 53, the ramps at the Business 29/County X, County S and County B interchanges and the crossroads between ramp terminals along County S and County B; completing polymer overlays on the four bridges over the Chippewa River and Business 29/County X; replacing guardrail and right-of-way fence; maintaining culverts through cleaning and making end repairs and replacing one cross culvert; repairing erosion on the east side of a box culvert that carries Tilden Creek south of County B; and installing a high-friction surface treatment on the pavement near the Business 29/County X interchange on US 53 to reduce run-off-the-road and out-of-control crashes, plantings for snow fence to minimize snow drifting at four locations, new pavement markings and shoulder rumble strips.

Traffic impacts: Motor-

ists will encounter inside lane closures on north- and southbound US 53 from the County Q overpass and through 40th Avenue.

Lane closures controlled by flagging operations on County S are tentatively set to begin Thursday, May 9.

Ramp closures at the US 53/County S interchange are anticipated to follow the week of Monday, May 13.

St. Croix County

Highway: Northbound WIS 128

Location: Just north of the westbound I-94 entrance and exit ramps

Schedule: April 15 to late April

Cost: \$45,959

Description: Reconstructing the south entrance of a convenience store from northbound WIS 128 to allow only right-turning motorists to enter there.

Traffic impacts: None; project complete.

Washburn County

Highway: US 53

Location: Wildcat Road southeast of Spooner to County A

Schedule: July 31, 2023, to November 2024

Cost: \$22.74 million

Description: Removing the existing pavement and a portion of the existing base course; placing a new base aggregate layer for drainage and new concrete pavement; replacing pavement on the interchange ramps at US 63 and WIS 70; replacing the pavement on WIS 70 between the ramp terminals; rebuilding existing intersection approaches; and rehabilitating the bridges on US 53 over the Yellow River and US 63 and WIS 70 bridge over US 53.

Traffic impacts: North- and southbound US 53 traffic is operating on the southbound lanes, where traffic will run bidirectional until mid-July.

County A is closed at US 53, and traffic is being detoured via County H.

Traffic on the WIS 70 bridge over US 53 is operating on lanes shifted to the north side of the bridge, with one lane operating in each direction and an 11-foot lane width restriction.

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Sports

Cumberland Softball has 1 and 1 Week; Record Stands at 5 and 10 Overall

The Cumberland Softball Team battled the weather last week and when the skies cleared, had split a pair of HON contest. The team’s record stands at 5 and 10 overall, as they head into a busy schedule this week.

The loss came on Tuesday, April 30, when the ladies dropped a 12-7 decision to the league leading Hayward Hurricanes. Morgan Monchilovich took the pitching loss, despite only giving up five earned runs, but was hurt by eight base-on-balls during her six innings of work.

Lexi Peterson had a nice day at the plate for Coach Jess Olson, with a pair of safeties and two runs-batted-in, while Baleigh Stouffer and Alora Garibaldi also had two hits each for Cumberland.

The ladies then rebounded with a big effort on Friday, which ended with a 11-1 victory over the fifth-place St. Croix Falls team. This

time Monchilovich was on top of her game, going five strong innings, giving up only one hit, while striking out seven.

It was a nice win for the team with Monchilovich and Presli Butzler each gathering two hits for Coach Olson, while Kelsey Reidy added a big two-run double. Jaydin Gowin, meanwhile, had a single and scored two Cumberland runs.

This week, the squad played Northwestern on Tuesday, before traveling to Ladysmith this Thursday at 5:00 pm and then hosting Cameron this Friday for a doubleheader beginning at 3:00 pm.

- HON Softball Standings:**
- 1. Hayward: 12-0
 - 2. Northwestern: 9-2
 - 3. Spooner: 9-4
 - 4. Barron: 8-3
 - 5. SCF: 7-4
 - 6. Cameron: 4-8
 - 7. C/W : 4-8
 - 8.Cumberland: 4-8
 - 9. Ladysmith: 1-11
 - 10.Ashland: 0-10

Soccer Team Goes 2 and 1; Posts Two More Shutout Victories

The Barron-Cumberland-Bloomer Soccer Team put two more victories together last week to go along with a tough, but well-played 2-1 loss to Ashland, to raise their overall record to 9-2-3 on the 2024 season. The team has a remarkable nine shutouts during the year, including a 0-0 tie early in the season.

The victories came 8-0 over Spooner and 1-0 against Medford.

Goalie Rayna Houck was outstanding during the two victories, while getting great help from a strong defense, which includes Cumberland’s Jasmine Woodley. “Our focus during the week was on passing, communication and good ball movement and I thought we accomplished our goals,” said Head Coach Sarah Stauner.

Tinlee Jeffrey had the team’s lone goal in the victory over Medford, while

both Jeffery and Kasey Stauner picked up a pair of scores in the Spooner win.

The lone loss was a 2-1 loss to State Ranked Ashland, who have given the team both of their losses this spring. “Despite the loss, this was our best game of the season. The team really came together, working as a team and digging deep to battle this very skilled Ashland team. We are extremely proud of all of the players and this game provides momentum as we move into the second half of the season and continue to prepare for playoffs in a higher division,” concluded Coach Stauner.

The team played at Washburn on Tuesday, before hosting Hayward in Barron at 5:00 pm on Thursday. Friday, the team then heads to Altoona for a 7:00 pm contest against the Rails.

Golf Team Plays Ashland, Cumberland, and Hayward Invitational

The Cumberland Golf Team dropped a 189-170 contest to Ashland last Tuesday, hosted their own Invitational on Wednesday, and then traveled to Hayward last Friday and Saturday, where they participated in a large field at the 36-hole Scott Miller Invitational.

Weather was a factor in Ashland, where the two teams were limited to a soggy back nine. Derrick Gideo battled the conditions to shoot a solid 41, while Alex Effertz added a 47 and Jack Richter a 48. Overall, Coach Mike Gideo felt the team performed well and credited the JV team with, “Really improving each meet.”

Eleven Teams traveled to the Cumberland/Turtle Lake Invitational last Wednesday, as the two teams hosted an Invitational at the Cumberland Golf Course. “I would also like to thank Bryan Tahtinen the Manager at the Cumberland Golf course, and his staff. The course was in great shape due to the hard work by the grounds crew and they did an amazing job with having the food ready and taking care of the teams as they arrived,” added Coach Gideo.

Ladysmith shot a 328 to

win the meet, followed by Flambeau with a 369. Cumberland took third with a 371. Cumberland’s Derrick Gideo took third overall with an 82, while Alex Effertz shot a 92. Turtle Lake Coach Steve Bergmann was a major help in putting the meet together,” added Gideo.

The Beavers finished up a busy stretch by playing the Hayward Golf Course on Friday and Big Fish on Saturday during the Scott Miller Invite. “There were 24 teams, mostly bigger schools than ours, but we competed well and I was proud of their effort,” added Coach Gideo.

Alex Effertz and Derrick Gideo shot identical 90s on Friday, while Shae Longtine added a 103. On Saturday, Gideo shot an 85 and Effertz an 87 in less than ideal weather. “We need to work on getting to the green in regulation more often, but we are getting better in many phases of the game,” Gideo concluded.

This Friday, local fans can watch the Beavers team take on Ladysmith at the Cumberland Golf Course in a contest starting at 4:00 pm.

Nice Win!



Cumberland catcher Bayleigh Stouffer fires to first base during the Beavers win over St. Croix Falls at Islander Park last Friday afternoon. Beaver third baseman Lexi Peterson backs up the play.



Alora Garibaldi takes a rip last Friday afternoon vs St. Croix Falls. The girls came out on top 11-1.



Derrick Gideo watches his putt on hole #8 at the Cumberland Golf Course. The Beavers hosted 11 teams at last Wednesday’s Invitational. Gideo shot an 82 to pace the Beavers.



Cumberland Area Fishing & Hunting Table

SOLAR TIMES

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

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

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An Outdoorsman's Journal

by Mark Walters

Turkey Hunt/Puppy Watch

Hello friends,
I am currently in a simply crazy, busy, but positive section of my life. This week I hunted hard for turkey during the second season in zone 1 and I did all of my hunting in a large oak forest directly behind my house in northern Juneau County. Along with turkey hunting, my 2-year-old golden retriever Red was due to give birth to her first litter.

Wednesday, April 24th
High 53, low 31
Here is my goal; hunt turkey with my compound bow and by the end of my 7-day season have a litter of pups and hopefully put an arrow in a gobbler. I would hunt the first three days in a food plot behind my house and that is an entire different story. I created this food plot 4 years ago with the goal of having a place for my daughter Selina and just as importantly for my girlfriend Michelle Chiaro to hunt for both deer and turkey. The food plot was literally carved out of an oak forest/hazelnut brush with a chainsaw and a rototiller. For two years Michelle and I loved the food plot and then on 6-15-22 Michelle passed away unexpectedly, and I have not been able to spend time in it.

This turkey hunt would be where I attempted to get past that demon.

Hunt 1. Up at 4:00 set up in my blind at 5:00, I saw one hen and there was very little gobbling. I was at peace and that was more important than harvesting a turkey with my bow.

Hunt 2. Thursday, I did not see a turkey today but had an incredible experience in the afternoon with 15 high schoolers from Necedah as we worked on a fishing area for our community. We cleared brush, hung bird houses and I think everyone enjoyed the experience.

Hunt 3. Friday, I called a jake in and was too hungry for a tom experience to fling an arrow at it. So far three hunts, only 2 birds spotted.

Hunt 4. Saturday, Red is swelling up so fast that it is almost unbelievable, this will be my 16th litter. I started when I was 22, I truly do raise and create a quality golden retriever and am proud of that. I relocated about ¾'s of a mile south of the house in the same forest, this where Selina has harvested 7 toms and many others have been whacked including Michelles first and only bird which was a 25-pound gobbler and an incredible memory. We did a full body mount on it, and it is in my livingroom, Michelle passed away before the taxidermy work was complete. I did not see or hear a turkey today.

Hunt 5. Sunday, lots of rain, cold weather. I love it, Mother Earth is coming back to life, it would be so cool to see a normal summer weather wise. Red is now uncomfortable and, on my mind, all the time.

Hunt 6. Monday, I am worn down from either hunting, doing hobby farm work or concern about Red, I saw a hen this morning, not a single gobbler. When I came home from my afternoon hunt, I heard whimpering in my living room, next to the turkey mount but on the floor. Red had given birth to 2 pups. Sleeping would not be a part of this night once again. When I left to go hunting at 4:45 a.m. my mood was excellent but very wore down. There was 6 bundles of gold in my living room, when I returned after a pretty cool hunt where I saw 4 turkey, there was another pup! 6 males and 1 female.

If you are interested, I have some quality golden retriever pups! My busy season is here and will last until December, life is positive, I miss Michelle!

Sunset

Wednesday, May 8, 2024 7



Red loves her litter of pups.



Michelle Chiaro's first and last turkey was a dandy.

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Base Hit!



Beaver center fielder Troy Majewski gets on top of a high fastball and lines a single up the middle last week vs Hayward. The Hurricanes stayed on top of the HON Standings at 11-1.



Beaver third baseman Landon Wickstrom fields a slow roller and throws to first base behind pitcher Gavin Prinsen vs Hayward at Islander Park.

Baseball Team Drops Two; Beats St. Croix Falls, Ladysmith

Outside of a Hayward Team that is 11-1 in Conference play, the HON baseball teams continue to provide a very balanced group of competitors, who provide entertaining baseball each and every game played. Seven of the league teams have six or more wins, as they beat up on each other, while providing close exciting contests.

This was the case last week, as the Cumberland Beavers dropped an 8-2 contest to Hayward, before losing 7-6 to Ashland and then upsetting the St. Croix Falls Saints on Friday in St. Croix Falls, by a 5-3 score. The Beavers record stands at 9 and 7 overall, as they played Ladysmith on Monday, Northwestern on Tuesday, and then end the week with a doubleheader in Cameron this Saturday, beginning at 11:00 am.

Hayward put their game against the Beavers away last Tuesday with a five-run third inning. They used four pitchers in the contest, while knocking out 11 hits and taking advantage of four Cumberland errors.

The Beavers also used four pitchers, with Gavin Prinsen taking the loss. Cumberland could only manage two hits in the game, one each from Troy Majewski and Nathan Schmidt.

On Wednesday, the Beavers dropped a tough 7-6 decision to the visiting Ashland Oredockers, who scored the winning run in the seventh inning to break a 6-6 tie. Uriah Johnson

took the hard luck pitching loss, despite giving up only one earned run in 4.1 innings of work.

Ryan Lundmark and Nathan Schmidt each had two safeties for the Beavers, while Landon Wickstrom had a double and Gavin Prinsen a triple. Wickstom's two-run safety had tied the game at 6-6 in the fifth inning.

Things got better on Friday, when the Beavers used six strong pitching innings from Junior pitcher Cooper Schramski to take the 5-3 road victory against the Saints. Gavin Prinsen came into the game in the seventh to pick up the save.

Prinsen also had a big offensive game, scoring three of the Beaver's five runs, while knocking out a pair of singles. Sloan McCreary, meanwhile, had three hits for Coach John Peterson, while Troy Majewski was on three times with a single and a pair of walks.

Coach Peterson added, "The victory had the feel of a playoff contest," and credited Landon Wickstrom's play at third base a big part of the win.

Heart of the North Baseball Standings:

1. Hayward: 11-1
2. St. Croix Falls: 8-3
3. Barron: 7-5
4. Spooner: 7-5
5. Ashland: 6-5
6. Northwestern: 6-5
7. Cumberland: 7-6
8. C/W: 3-9
9. Ladysmith: 2-10

Baseball Team Defeats Ladysmith on Parent's Night

The Cumberland Beavers responded to Parent's Night in a big way on Monday night, as they erupted offensively for 17 runs in a five-inning rout of the Ladysmith Lumberjacks. The Beavers scored 10 runs in the first inning on their way to a 17-2 final score, raising their record to 10 and 7 on the year.

Gavin Prinsen was the benefactor on the mound, as he went the four innings, striking out nine and taking the pitching victory. The Beavers, meanwhile, used

12 hits, eight base-on-balls, and shoddy Ladysmith defense, to roll to a big offensive production in front of a large home crowd.

Nathan Schmidt had a big night at the plate with four hits and four runs-batted-in. Ryan Lundmark added three safeties and Troy Majewski and Sloan McCreary, two each.

The Beavers played Northwestern on Tuesday and are back home this Saturday, for a 11:00 am doubleheader against Cameron.

2024 CHS Trap!



Group 1 - Left to right: Camden Johnson, Max Hoff, Kyle Carlson, and Jonathan Nelson



Group 2 - Cash Rouzer, Calvin Cunningham, Ira Rouzer, Noah Hile, and Ben Cunningham.



Group 3 - Jack Odden, Jack Manor, Colton Gramberg, Max Odden, and Logan Peterson.



Group 4 - Mitchell Weaver, Braxton Riebe, Landon Flottum, Elliot Knutson, and Lane Erickson.



Group 5 - Codie Rasmussen, Cameron Wohlk, and Townes McMillan.
Missing Cole Gallipo, Griffin Weaver and Joshua Jain

Week 2 Competition – April 28 2024 Spring League			
Athlete	Round 1	Round 2	Score
CARLSON, KYLE	23	24	47
PETERSON, LOGAN	21	22	43
WEAVER, MITCHELL	22	20	42
KNUTSON, ELLIOT	21	20	41
HILE, NOAH	19	21	40
MANOR, JACK	19	20	39
ROUZER, CASH	21	18	39
JOHNSON, CAMDEN	20	18	38
CUNNINGHAM, BENJAMIN	18	18	36
HOFF, MAX	20	15	35
JAIN, JOSHUA	14	21	35
RASMUSSEN, CODIE	17	17	34
CUNNINGHAM, CALVIN	18	15	33
RIEBE, BRAXTON	18	15	33
NELSON, JONATHAN	19	13	32
FLOTTUM, LANDON	15	14	29
WEAVER, GRIFFIN	14	14	28
ROUZER, IRA	12	13	25
GRAMBERG, COLTON	4	17	21
WOHLK, CAMERON	6	10	16
MCMILLAN, TOWNES	9	5	14
ERICKSON, LANE	6	0	6
GALLIPO, COLE			0
ODDEN, JACK			0
ODDEN, MAX			0
Cumberland High School Trap Team			

Sports Calendar

Thursday, May 9
Track @ N.Western 4:00
Softball @ Ladysmith 5:00
Soccer vs Hayward @ Barron 5:00

Friday, May 10
Golf home vs Ladysmith 4:00
Soccer @ Altoona 7:00

Saturday, May 11
Baseball DH @ Cameron 11:00
Softball DH home vs Cameron 11:00

Monday, May 13
Softball home vs Amery 4:00

Tuesday, May 14
Track Conference Meet @ Spooner 3:00
Baseball @ Barron 5:00
Softball home vs Barron 5:00
Soccer Vs Somerset @ Barron 5:00

Soccer Standings

TEAM	TEAM	GR	W	L	T	PTS	FOR	AGAINST	+/-	STRK	OVERALL
Ashland	ASHL	2	6	0	0	12	39	1	38	W6	10-1-1
Barron/Bloomer/Cumberland	BARRON	2	3	2	1	7	27	7	20	W1	9-2-3
Hayward	HAY	3	2	2	0	4	5	20	-15	W1	2-5-0
Washburn	WASH	3	1	1	1	3	11	3	8	W1	4-3-1
Spooner	SPOON	0	0	7	0	0	0	51	-51	L7	1-10-0

Softball Standings

TEAM	TEAM	W	L	R	RA	+/-	STRK	OVERALL
Hayward	HAY	12	0	140	26	114	W12	14-4-0
Northwestern	NWERN	9	2	97	25	72	T1	11-4-1
Spooner	SPOON	9	4	104	40	64	W2	11-5-0
Barron	BARRON	8	3	81	44	37	L1	11-4-0
St. Croix Falls	SCF	7	4	95	50	45	L1	8-6-0
Cameron	CAMER	4	8	62	79	-17	L1	6-10-0
Chetek-Weyerhaeuser	CH-WY	4	8	64	90	-26	W1	4-10-0
Cumberland	CUMB	4	8	91	111	-20	W1	5-10-0
Ladysmith	LADYS	1	11	20	155	-135	T1	1-13-1
Ashland	ASHL	0	10	24	158	-134	L10	1-10-0

Baseball Standings

TEAM	TEAM	GR	W	L	R	RA	+/-	STRK	OVERALL
Hayward	HAY	6	11	1	99	31	68	W11	13-2-0
Saint Croix Falls	SCF	7	8	3	78	43	35	L1	10-5-0
Barron	BARRON	6	7	5	54	75	-21	L2	8-8-0
Spooner	SPOON	6	7	5	56	49	7	W2	10-6-0
Ashland	ASHL	7	6	5	58	53	5	W2	8-7-0
Northwestern	NW	7	6	5	81	74	7	W1	8-5-0
Cumberland	CUMB	6	6	6	61	77	-16	W1	9-7-0
Chetek-Weyerhaeuser	CH-WY	6	3	9	50	64	-14	L1	4-9-0
Ladysmith	LADYS	7	2	9	34	81	-47	L9	2-9-0
Cameron	CAMER	6	2	10	37	61	-24	L2	2-10-0

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Track Team Runs in Barron and Bloomer; Conference Meet Next Tuesday

The Cumberland Track Team will continue their season this week as the team moves towards the HON Conference Meet next Tuesday in Spooner. Prior to that time, the Beavers travel to Maple this Thursday for a meet against the Northwestern Tigers. WIAA Regionals are less than two weeks away, when Cumberland heads to Webster on May 20.

Last week Cumberland ran on Monday in Barron and then traveled to Bloomer on Tuesday for the Dave Landgraf Invitational.

The five-team HON Meet in Barron was a big success, as both Cumberland teams took first in a field that included Ashland, Hayward, Ladysmith, and Barron.

Among those taking firsts for Coach Ryan O’Connell included another outstanding showing from Senior Andie Otto who won the 200-meter dash (27.84), 400-meter dash (1:04), 100-meter hurdles (16:33), and long jump (15-6). “Andie had another incredible night at the track,” said O’Connell.

Other first place finishes came from Josh Swint in the 800-meter run (2:21), Jacob Schradle in the 110-hurdles (20.25), Jack Owens in the pole vault (10-6), and Ben Cunningham in the discus, with a throw of 130-9 feet. These were all strong showings,” added O’Connell. Owens, who just started pole vaulting this year, continues to improve his jumps.

Among those taking second place finishes were Ryker Allen in the shot (40-7), Tommy Dettinger in the 1600 (5:16) and 800 (2:23), Onesimus West in the 400 (59:05), Chayden Berghammer in the 200-meter dash (25:39), Evan Hornstein in the 100 (11:89), Mya Anderson in the triple jump (27-4), Greta Weaver in the 1600-meter run (6:58), Carly McCreary in the 800 (2:53), and Anna Krufft in the 400 (1:09) and 100-meter dash with a 14.64. It was a strong showing by the entire team.

It is hard to run back-to-back, as the Beavers headed to Bloomer the following night to participate in a strong 16 team field in the Blackhawks annual Invitational.

Cumberland’s best performance on the night was a second-place finish by Andie Otto in the 100-meter hurdles (16.43), when she finished just behind Mondovi’s Ava Gray, who won with a time of 16.34. Otto added a third in the long jump (16-11) and seventh in the 300-meter hurdles (49.91), for another strong night.

The Boy’s 4x200 meter relay team took third with a time of 1:38, while Chayden Berghammer took only seventh in the long jump, despite a strong leap of 19-8. Grant Mueller of Elk Mound took first by jumping 20-10, with seven jumpers separated by 14 inches.

Next Tuesday’s HON Meet will begin at 3:00 pm in Spooner. “We are working to peak as a team and as individuals as we ready for the HON and WIAA Regionals,” Concluded Coach O’Connell.

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OBITUARIES



Ralph D. Van Meter

Ralph Douglas Van Meter-February 19, 1932 - April 30, 2024.

Ralph Douglas Van Meter made his journey to his forever home on April 30, 2024.

Ralph was born on February 19, 1932 in Idaville, Indiana to Merle and Mildred Van Meter. He attended school, and as the oldest of five children, worked the family farm there until they moved to a farm in Cumberland, WI. In March of 1952 he was drafted into the United States Army. After basic training at Camp Atterbury in Edinburg, IN; Ralph served with the Military Police at Aberdeen Proving Grounds in Maryland.

While there, he met Arlene Terry Eno who worked at the local dry cleaners. Love came quickly and they were married in Bel Aire, Maryland on April 25, 1954. Two friends, and the Methodist minister, witnessed their marriage.

Following his discharge from the Army in December 1954, they returned to Wisconsin and lived for a short time in a small cottage located on the Cumberland farm. Ralph worked at a Citgo gas

station, but moved to Shell Lake when his father purchased the Skelly gas station there. He and his brother-in-law Ron, worked the station until other opportunities “fell into place”. Ralph was approached by a representative of the Shell Lake City Council because Shell Lake was in need of a Police Chief. With his Army experience and a “boxful of stuff” provided by the city, he began a lifelong career of service and great devotion to the city and its people.

In 1987, Ralph was recognized as Shell Lake’s Citizen of the Year.

He retired from his position as Police Chief in 1985, but went on to serve Washburn County as a transport officer until July 2012. After 52 years of law enforcement, he retired to enjoy life with the family he loved.

In order to provide for his wife and five daughters in the way he and Arlene saw fit, Ralph had a number of side jobs over the years. The Van Meter family were butchers by trade. Ralph traveled to many area farms with his scaffold and other equipment in tow, ready to butcher a pig or cow.

He was also very loyal to Jack and Grace Blume (Blume Funeral Home), John and Peg Pockat (Pockat Funeral Home), and willingly served as their “right hand man”.

When he wasn’t hunting down Shell Lake hoodlums who were tearing around

town, Ralph took his love of hunting to the outdoors. He enjoyed hunting deer, elk and pheasant. He surely passed his love of hunting down to several of his grandsons and even great-grandsons!

Ralph was a loving husband to Arlene for 68 years. He was welcomed into his forever home by Jesus. He was looking forward to an amazing reunion with Arlene, his infant son Michael, his greatly loved daughter Nancy Furchtenicht, his great-granddaughter Rosalie Johnson and his brother, Don Van Meter.

He is survived by his daughters: Susan (Tooker) Weathers, Karen (Rob) Taylor, Laurie (Tim) Studdt, Mary (Kyler) Gustafson, son-in-law Russ Furchtenicht; sisters: Dorothy (Ron) Woodward, Carol (Bob) Nesbit; brother Steve (Sue) Van Meter; sister-in-law Audrey Baker; 15 grandchildren; 33 and counting...., and many nieces and nephews.

A celebration of his generous life will be held at 11:00 AM, Saturday, May 11th at the Shell Lake United Methodist Church; with a visitation from 10:00 - 11:00 AM. A luncheon will be served following the service. Burial will be at Lakeside Cemetery in Cumberland, WI at a later date.

The family was assisted by: Skinner Funeral Home and left hand man, John Pockat.



Robert “Bob” G. Ekenstedt

Robert “Bob” Gary Ekenstedt, age 80, of Cumberland passed away peacefully on May 2, 2024 at his home. He was born May 26, 1943 in Minneapolis, MN to William and Carmen (Erickson) Ekenstedt.

Bob grew up on a dairy farm in Cumberland, WI. He earned his Bachelor’s degree from Gustavus Adolphus in St. Peter, MN and his MBA from the University of Minnesota. In his younger

years and through college, he showcased his athletic abilities playing baseball and wrestling. Bob served his country as a member of the Army National Guard during his early working years. He had a 38-year career at 3M in St. Paul, MN, retiring as Supply Chain Director.

Bob married Sheila Ernberger in 1975. Together they would start their family and were blessed with three children.

Bob was a farmer at heart, a mentor to many, and was known for his enduring faith in God. He was a great role model to his children and grandchildren, whom he loved spending time with, always teaching them to put others before themselves.

Bob will be dearly missed by his wife, Sheila (Ernsberger) Ekenstedt; children, David (Rebecca) Ekenstedt, Kari Ekenstedt, and Matthew Ekenstedt; grandchildren, Jonathan,

Daniel, and Aria Ekenstedt; brother, William Jr. (Sharon) Ekenstedt; and sister-in-law, Sharon (Paul) Zipf.

He is preceded in death by parents, William and Carmen Ekenstedt; and parents-in-law, Joel and Sylvia Ernberger.

Visitation will be held Friday, May 10 at Skinner Funeral Home in Cumberland from 4 PM - 7 PM. A Celebration of Life will be held at 10:30 AM on Saturday, May 11, 2024 at Spooner Wesleyan Church with Pastor Ron Gormong officiating. Private interment Lakeside Cemetery, Cumberland. Pallbearers are Jim Ekenstedt, Mark Ekenstedt, Steve Ekenstedt, Jonathan Ekenstedt, David Catron, and Jeremy Lepisto. Honorary pallbearers are Daniel Ekenstedt and Aria Ekenstedt.

Skinner Funeral Home of Cumberland is serving the family.

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Senior News

By Gloria Lindeman

HUGE THANK YOU to all who took part in our flea market and sale on Saturday. We had a very good turnout and nice to see everyone who participated in one way or another to make it a success. Thanks to all who worked hours in the kitchen or garage sale, put up signs, and everything else to make it run smoothly. We appreciate each and everyone of you. Thank you to the vendors who were selling all their great items. Some were new people and some returned from last year. Hope to see all of you next year. We will have it the last Saturday in April works out the best time.

Nice to see all the people who came in to buy things and support our center. Thank you to the ones who brought items in for our garage sale. We have a garage sale going on all the time so can bring in items whenever.

Stop in Thursday May 9th, at Louie’s brat stand, the Senior Center is selling up there. Hope to see you there we are only up there one day selling brats so come and support our center.

Hope to see at our center stop in always welcome.

Last but not least thank you to the Cumberland Advocate for putting in the nice ad for us. They always do a great job.

SENIOR DINING

Thursday, May 9
Chicken almond, poppy seed salad on a lettuce leaf, Italian pasta salad, dinner roll, fruit and yogurt parfait.

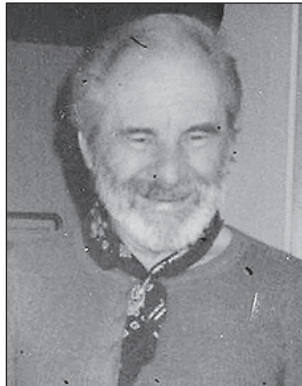
Friday, May 10
Entree salad w/ hard boiled egg, chickpeas, assorted veggies, dressing, cottage cheese, roll, peanut butter bar.

Monday, May 13
Baked ham, cheesy potatoes, broccoli/cauliflower salad, assorted bread, vanilla pudding.

Tuesday, May 14
Spaghetti with meat sauce, tossed salad, assorted bread, pineapple chunks.

Wednesday, May 15
Turkey and cheddar sandwich, chicken dumpling soup, fresh fruit cup, frosted brownie.

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 & \$15.00 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. (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.



Stanley “Stosh” Moe

Stanley “Stosh” Moe, 86, went to his heavenly home on Wednesday, January 24th. He was at home with his wife by his side. He was the 10th child to Albin and Jeanette (Boucher) Moe. Stanley graduated from Cumberland High School in 1955. He then went to work at the tacomite mines in Virginia Superior, along with others from Cumberland. They all stayed with the Damon family.

In 1959, Stanley joined the Air Force and was stationed in Okinawa, with telephone communications as his job. He served until 1964. After getting out of the Air Force, he worked for Bell System which changed to Western Electric. It then became Lu-

cent, then Nokia. Stanley retired in 1991. He then turned to farming; he raised horses, cattle, and crops on his homestead.

Stanley loved to be outdoors! Whether it was cutting wood for his stoves and trails throughout his woods for his four-wheeler and tractor, or deer hunting. Stanley and Kathy taught line dancing through community education for many years. They danced in nursing homes, fairs, parades, and parties. Stanley loved music and singing; he was able to play many instruments. His talents and love led to him singing and dancing in several Hee Haw Shows in Shell Lake. Stanley was a member of the American Legion for 57 years.

Stanley enjoyed Pastor Tim’s monthly visits. He played guitar for him, told stories, and read Bible verses. It was clear that Stanley enjoyed the visits by his smirks and the twinkle in his eyes.

He is survived by his wife, Kathleen of Cumberland; stepson, Richard Adams of Sasebo, Japan; sisters-in-law: Rita Moe of Frederic, Celia

(Scott) Johnson of Rochester, MN, Gloria Kruegar of Madison, Lorie Linder of Frederic; brothers-in-law: Ed (Marcha) Wichelmann of Osceola, Steven Wichelmann of Amery, Gary (Debbie) Linder of Mayville, Darrell Lee of Kuna, ID, Larry (Gloria) Linder of Luck; god sons: Alex, Max, and Josh Johnson, and Jim Ricci; four granddaughters: Elizabeth, Gabriella and Scarlett Adams, and Lucy Schmitz; four grandsons: Dylan and Luke Schmitz, Bryce Adams, and Brandon Millard; many nieces, nephews, and friends. Stanley was preceded in death by his parents, five brothers, six sisters, three brothers-in-law, a stepdaughter, Sunshine Schmidt; niece, Jessi Scherber; and two sisters-in-law: Karen Jones, and Lillian Lee.

Funeral services will be held at 11 AM on Saturday, May 11, 2024, at the Timberland Lutheran Church. Honorary Pallbearers are Jim Jensen, John Juonie, Dan Denver, Jerry Denver, Jerry Egstad, and John Hanvelt.

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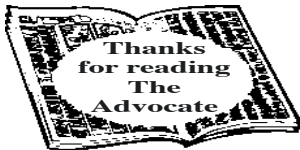


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OBITUARIES



Lorraine C. Wackerfuss

Lorraine Carolyn Wackerfuss, 77, of Cumberland died Wednesday, May 1, 2024, at Cumberland Care and Rehab. She was born to Gilbert and Elsie (Reese) Metz on September 12, 1946, in Cheltenham, PA, where she was raised and educated, graduating from Cheltenham High School. She met John Wackerfuss in Philadelphia, PA, where he was working for 3M. John took her on their first date to a Philadelphia Flyers hockey game. That led to their marriage in Philadelphia on August 17, 1968, and they soon moved to White Bear Lake, MN, where she worked for 3M until they started their family. They then moved to Rush City, MN, and lived on a small hobby farm until moving to Cumberland in 1980. In Cumberland, Lorraine worked at Augustana Lutheran Church as the church secretary. She cooked and worked in the kitchen at Cumberland Memorial Hospital, managed the Deli and Bakery at both the Holiday grocery store and then Main St Market, before her re-

tirement.

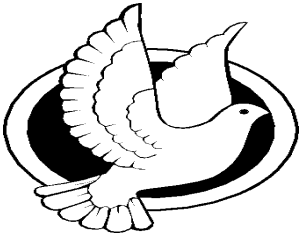
Lorraine's life encompassed so much more than work. She spent many years as a hockey mom and grandmother. This was a privilege that she accepted wholeheartedly and proudly. She had the patience of a saint and a deep love for her family and friends. Her love of The Lord provided the framework for her life and she continued to maintain an unwavering faith in her Lord and her church. Lorraine had a grace and class about her and presented herself with humility and dignity. She loved to read, travel to her beloved Philadelphia, complete puzzles, and spend time with her grandchildren. She loved to dance, especially with her love John. It brought joy to her family to watch them spin around the dance floor. She enjoyed cooking and baking, and even made homemade butter in her earlier years. Lorraine loved the holidays because they were a time of celebration with her whole family. She thoroughly enjoyed time with her family and friends and had been known to relax with a glass of wine or blackberry brandy. Despite Lorraine's many health

challenges over the years, she remained resilient and never wavered in her love of life and bravely met each day with a smile and appreciation.

She is survived by her loving husband of 55 years, John; children: Dawn (Mike) Fran-son, Jim Wackerfuss, and Dan Wackerfuss (Jessica Rhode); 3 grandchildren: Michael (Mai-ja), Dylan, and Everleigh, and great-grandson, Wade. Lorraine was preceded in death by her sister, Linda, her parents, and her mother-in-law, Myrtle Wackerfuss.

A celebration of life will be held at the American Legion Hall in Cumberland on Saturday, May 11, 2024, from 1:00 to 4:00 PM. She will be laid to rest at a later date at the Northern Wisconsin Veterans Memorial Cemetery near Spooner.

Skinner Funeral Home of Cumberland is serving the family.



Wednesday, May 8, 2024 10 May Memory Screening Event

When is the last time you had a brain health check-up? Often, we are not talking with our health care providers about the most important organ in our body...the brain! The brain is the command center and it often performs its functions without us even thinking about it. Just as any other organ in our body, heart, lungs, or kidney, for example, our brain can be impacted by disease and other treatable things that can cause it to malfunction. That's why the Aging & Disability Resource Center of Barron & Rusk Counties is hosting a memory screening day on Tuesday, May 21st, 1:00-4:00 p.m. at four locations throughout the County:

- NorthLakes Clinic, Turtle Lake
- Thomas St. Angelo Pub-

lic Library, Cumberland

- Aging & Disability Resource Center, Barron
- Cabin Coffee, Rice Lake

You can schedule your free, 10-minute, confidential appointment by calling 715-537-6225 or emailing trisha.witham@co.barron.wi.us. The screening involves three tasks, looking at how three different areas of the brain or working at that time. It does not diagnose you with dementia but can give you a baseline. Memory screeners will also have information on scientifically proven strategies to increase your brain reserve and reduce your risk of dementia. Yep, there's much easier and less expensive strategies than unproven "Prevagen". Take your brain health seriously and schedule today.



Church Directory

“Let Us Remain In Our Lord Jesus Christ”

by Pastor Adelbert Frejas
First United Methodist Church

The vine had been used by earlier rabbis and prophets, but to represent Israel. “Israel is an expensive vine,” claims Hosea, “that yields its fruit” (Hosea 10:1). Isaiah and Jeremiah and Ezekiel all use the image of the vine to describe the people of God in Israel. But Jesus takes it and turns it a little bit from the usual understanding. Instead of Israel as the vine, instead of the people of God planted and tended by God, Jesus says, “I am the vine.” More than that, he says he is the vine, and we are the branches. We can view this as a classified statement if we want to, but it makes more sense to see it as a description of role and function. Jesus is the source of sustenance; Jesus is the connection to the root system that keeps us stable and fed and able to tend to the business of the branch, which is producing fruit.

“I am the vine, you are the branches.....” This claim of Jesus that He is the vine and we are the branches shows our significant connection to Him. The vine is the source of life and fruitfulness of the branches. We too have life and its fullness when we relate to God. Our fruitfulness also depends on how strongly we relate to Him. The branches and its fruits can withstand the wind or storm if it is connected to the vine. We also can bear fruits and withstand any testing of life if we remain connected to God. You know what beloved friends, remaining in the Vine (Jesus) makes us spiritually healthy and fruitful. This can happen if we prioritize our relationship with the Lord and practice obedience to Him. Nurturing our relationship with God requires constant prayer, worship, study, and fellowship with believers. Being receptive to the promptings of the Holy Spirit will help us obey God's teachings and will for our lives. Our strong relationship and faithful obedience to Christ will result to a fruitful life.

Our strength and fruitfulness are the result of God's grace & our strong connection and faithfulness to God. Let us ask our Lord to Help us to remain in Him and the Almighty God will remain in us. We cannot bear good fruit unless we remain and abide in Him, Our Great Vine! This is the truth. Without God, we are nothing; we can't do anything; we are nobody; and we can't be somebody. What we are, what we have and what we become are all from God. From the moment we were conceived born, grew, live, until we die are God's work. It is God's will for us to remain in Him and stay connected. We can do everything and have everything with God. If we far away from our Lord Jesus Christ, we are nobody and can do nothing. All that we are, all that we have and all that we can be are because of Jesus Christ. As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you. Now remain in my love. JOHN 15:9 Choose to remain in God's love and never allow anything or anyone to snatch you away from that love. God's love is abundant, redeeming, forgiving, correcting, and perfect, for God Himself is perfect. No other love can equate and fulfill our innermost needs except God's love. The love of our family and friends may fail us, but not God's love. Stay in God's love.

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Missouri Synod (LCMS)
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How to Apply: Applications can be found on the District website www.cumberland.k12.wi.us. Mail or email application, resume, letter of interest, and two letters of recommendation to:
Daniel Hopkins, Principal
Cumberland High School
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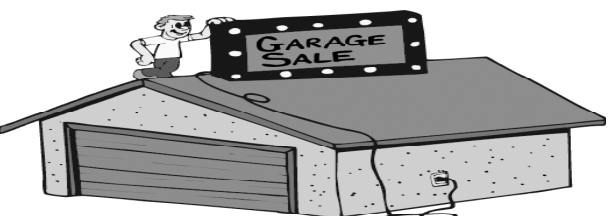
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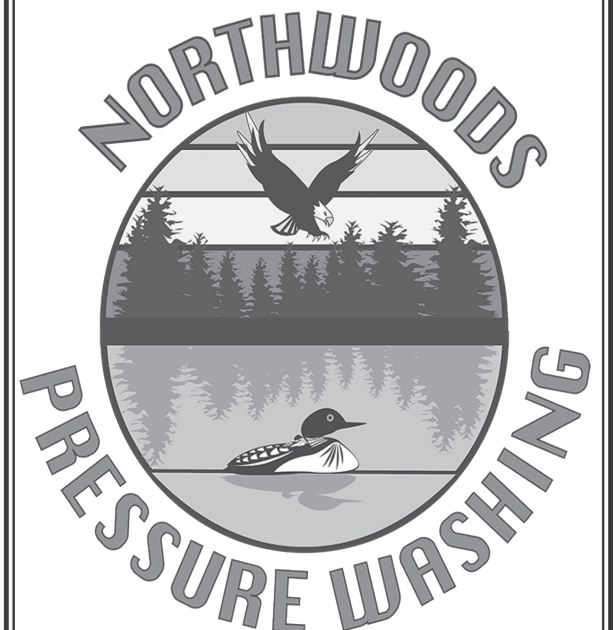
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NOTICE
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Board of Supervisors for the Town of Lakeland will hold its monthly meeting on **Tuesday, May 14, 2024 at 7:00 pm** at the Town Hall, located at 791-29 11/16th Avenue. The hall is accessible to all persons. The agenda will be posted at least 24 hours before the meeting.
Holly Nyhus, Clerk
Town of Cumberland
Published in the *Cumberland Advocate* on May 8, 2024.
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NOTICE
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the regular monthly board meeting for the Town of Cumberland will be held Tuesday, May 14, 2024 at 7:30 am in the Town Hall (902 20th Avenue). The Hall is accessible to all persons. The agenda will be posted at least 24 hours before the meeting.
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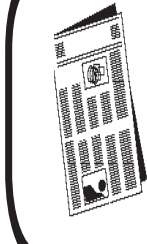
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Well #6
Cumberland, Wisconsin
Bid Opening: Thursday, May 16, 2024, at 1:00 p.m.(local time)

The City of Cumberland, hereinafter referred to as the Owner, will receive and accept bids ONLY through QuestCDN.com via the online electronic bid service for the construction of Well #6 until 1:00 pm (local time) on Thursday, May 16, 2024. All bids will be downloaded and publicly read aloud at CBS Squared, Inc., 770 Technology Way, Suite 1A, Chippewa Falls, WI 54729, at that time. The Project includes the following work: test well and final well drilling. Bids will be received for a single prime Contract. Bids shall be on a unit price basis as indicated in the Bid Form. Bids shall be on the forms provided for that purpose and per the Contract Documents prepared by CBS Squared Inc. identified as "Well #6". The Issuing Office for the Bidding Documents is: CBS Squared, Inc. located at 770 Technology Way, Chippewa Falls, WI 54729. Contact person is: Jon Strand, 715.829.7979, jstrand@cbssquaredinc.com. Digital image copies of the Bidding Documents are available at <http://www.cbssquaredinc.com> for a fee of \$30. Documents may be downloaded by first selecting BIDDING from the menu tab, then selecting this project from the CBS SQUARED CURRENT BID INFORMATION link and by entering eBidDoc™ Number 9102576 on the SEARCH PROJECTS page. For assistance and free membership registration, contact QuestCDN at 952.233.1632 or info@questcdn.com. Paper copies of the Bidding Documents will be available at CBS Squared, Inc., 770 Technology Way, Suite 1A, Chippewa Falls, WI 54729 for a fee of \$2,000.00. Please notify Jon Strand at CBS Squared, Inc. prior to picking up bid documents, at (715) 829-7979. Contractors submitting an electronic bid will be charged an additional \$45 at the time of bid submission via the online electronic bid service via QuestCDN.com. To access the electronic bid form, download the project document and click the online bidding button at the top of the advertisement. All prospective bidders must be on the plan holders list through Quest CDN for bids to be accepted. No proposal will be accepted unless accompanied by a certified check or bid bond equal to at least 5% of the amount bid, payable to the Owner as a guarantee that, if the bid is accepted, the bidder will execute and file the proper contract and bond within 15 days after the award of the contract. Bidder is required to deliver the original certified check or bid bond within 72 hours of the bid opening to CBS Squared, Inc., ATTN: Kristi Lentz, 770 Technology Way, Suite 1A, Chippewa Falls, WI 54729. The certified check or bid bond will be returned to the bidder in accordance with the Instructions to Bidders. The City of Cumberland reserves the right to retain the deposits of the three (3) lowest bidders for a period not to exceed 61 days after the date and time set for the opening of bids. No bids may be withdrawn for a period of 61 Days after the date and time set for the opening of bids. Bidders Proof of Responsibility must be submitted in accordance with the Instructions to Bidders. Bidders will be required to provide performance and payment bonds of 100 percent of bid amount. This Contract is expected to be funded in part with funds provided by the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources, Safe Drinking Water Loan Program (SDWLP). Use of American Iron & Steel: Projects financed in whole or in part by the Safe Drinking Water Loan Program are required to use American iron and steel. Bid proposals may be denied if the requirements of this Section are not met. The successful bidder will be required to conform to the wage requirements prescribed by the federal Davis-Bacon and Related Acts which requires that all laborers and mechanics employed by contractors and sub -contractors performing on contracts funded in whole or in part with federal funds in excess of \$2,000 pay their laborers and mechanics not less than the prevailing wage rates and fringe benefits, as determined by the Secretary of Labor, for corresponding classes of laborers and mechanics employed on similar projects in the area. If the requirements of Davis Bacon, the State of Wisconsin and the Contract requirements conflict with regard to wages, the highest of the three shall apply. The Owner encourages DBEs, MBEs, WBEs, and SBARs to submit Bid proposals. Equal Opportunity and Affirmative Action requirements apply to this Project. The City of Cumberland reserves the right to reject any and all bids, without cause, to waive irregularities and informalities therein and to award the Contract in the best interest of the City of Cumberland.

Randall Reeg
City Administrator
950 1st Avenue
Cumberland, WI 54829

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HAPPY MOTHERS’ DAY!!!

I have to tell you about the wonderful Sunday afternoon we had this past week. For Christmas, Jamie Anderson, Alyse Lehmann and Kandice Thon gave Lynn, Suzy, Tru and me tickets to attend a hat-making class at the Roosevelt Hills event center in Timberland. It was fun!! There were tables and racks all along the front of the event center covered with hatbands, flowers, charms and other doo-dads to decorate hats. Oh, there were also stencils and wood-burning tools to make decorations on the hats. I am not that adventurous, and stuck to using a pretty hatband, a couple of flowers, some weed looking things and a heart charm on mine. The others, however, went all out. They did the spray painting, glitter, burning, and other decorations. It was really great, and we are going to have a tea party soon so that we can all wear our hats and pretend to be ladies. And, the rodeo will be here soon, and we will also be wearing them then.

I had a great surprise at church Sunday morning. When I came in, Geri Pittman motioned me to one of the pews and told me that she thought I might know the visitor sitting there. After she told me her name, I did!! It was Charlene (Stearns) Maki. Charlene is a lot of years younger than I am, but we both went to Fadness Elementary School over by Campia many years ago. Fadness was one of the rural schools that had first through eighth grade in one room, and, I think, the most students we had at one time was probably eighteen. Those schools are a thing of the past, naturally, but it is great to have been able to have that experience. I was very happy to visit with Charlene – she was on her way to her home in Hayward after spending the weekend with her daughter in Minnesota, and just happened to be going through Barronett when it was time for church. What a happy coincidence.

We are very happy with our new pet, Matilda, which we adopted from Bill Gill. He had named her Kitty, but

she looked more like a Matilda to me, so we changed her name. Before we brought her to our house, we took her to the Cumberland vet clinic to have her spayed (we do not need kittens,) get all her shots and have her groomed. When we got her here, she made herself right at home. She has explored the entire house, has found the warm places where the sun shines through the windows, and even found a hiding place that was almost impossible for us to find. That was a little scary – we thought she had somehow gotten out of the house and was gone forever, even though it was only a couple hours that we didn’t see her. The hiding place was on the bottom shelf of the bookcase, inside a box of yarn. I didn’t even think to look there because there was only about two inches between the bottom of the higher shelf and the top of the box. I have no idea how she squeezed in there.

We did buy her a cat tower, which Lynn Thon put together for us, but, so far, she has not shown any interest in it. I think I will put some food on the top landing of the tower and see if she will climb up for that. (I had forgotten that cats definitely have a mind of their own.) She is very cuddly, and, as soon as I sit down anywhere, she jumps up on my lap. It’s great to have a

pet again.

Pat Olson, Duane and I drove down to Brooklyn, Wisconsin on Friday to attend the celebration of life for Jim Trolinger. Jim and Joyce were in this area a lot during the summer, camping over by the Hilltop, and we became very good friends. There were quite a few people from our area who drove down to say their last goodbyes to Jim.

We saw lots of family members from southern Wisconsin there too – and I have to mention that we talked to Taylor Behnke. The reason for singling him out is that, when I asked him how he was doing, he said, “Pretty good. My name has not been in the newspaper.” Well – I told him that was about to change, and that he should give me some news about himself or I would make something up, and that he wouldn’t like it. He did not give me any news, but I honestly cannot think of a bad thing to say about him – or his brother, Ryan. I’ll keep a close eye on what’s going on down there, though, and if I hear of either of them doing anything – even a little questionable – I will let you know.

I guess I had better run. I hope you have a wonderful Mothers’ Day and that you are able to spend it with family. Hopefully we will have good picnic weather.



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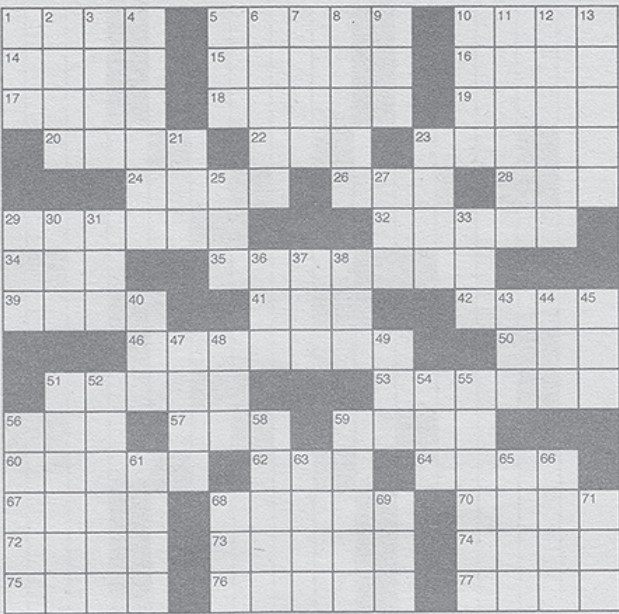
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PUZZLE



ACROSS

- 1 Heroic
- 5 Book by Goethe
- 10 Wields
- 14 Portend
- 15 Publicist
- 16 Sect
- 17 Seed pod
- 18 Charge
- 19 Capital of Peru
- 20 Carried
- 22 ___-belly pig
- 23 Supply food
- 24 Throw out
- 26 Heavy freight barge
- 28 Miner's goal
- 29 Scottish girls
- 32 Computer operators
- 34 Inquire
- 35 Trifle (2 wds.)
- 39 Liberal
- 41 Legume
- 42 Anger
- 46 Bronco
- 50 Body of water

- 51 Subway
- 53 Make camp
- 56 Lick
- 57 Workout place
- 59 Tub spread
- 60 Snobs
- 62 Kimono sash
- 64 Baby powder
- 67 Adjoin
- 68 Idiots
- 70 Ripped up
- 72 Interbreeding population within a species
- 73 Land
- 74 Economics (abbr.)
- 75 Played in the water
- 76 Not here
- 77 Unintelligent person (inf.)

DOWN

- 1 Recede
- 2 Winnie the ___
- 3 Lazy

- 4 Large stringed instruments
- 5 Trend
- 6 Proficient
- 7 Convexity
- 8 Quoth
- 9 Explosive
- 10 Ca. University
- 11 Wooer
- 12 Glue brand
- 13 Leer
- 21 Rightful
- 23 Saclike structures filled with fluid or diseased matter
- 25 Fast plane
- 27 French "yes"
- 29 Rule
- 30 Fire remains
- 31 Slide on snow
- 33 Extremely high frequency (abbr.)
- 36 Choose
- 37 Congressional vote
- 38 Pallid

- 40 Greenwich Mean Time
- 43 North American country
- 44 Radioactivity unit
- 45 Talk
- 47 Advise
- 48 Chinese sauce
- 49 Harden
- 51 Become moldy
- 52 Riddle
- 54 Mesh
- 55 Painted
- 56 Gardener's nemesis
- 58 Steal
- 59 Oil tanker
- 61 Swarm
- 63 Pierce
- 65 South of the border crazy
- 66 Prune
- 68 Fleshy
- 69 Compass point
- 71 East northeast



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