



Headed To State!



The Beavers strong wrestling tradition continues as four wrestlers are headed to the State Tournament at the Kohl Center in Madison starting this Thursday evening. Headed to state are from left Jack Owens Sectional Champion, Logan Peterson Sectional Runner-Up, Braden Johnson Sectional Champion and Cooper Schramski Third Place. Good luck in Madison guys!

Four Beaver Wrestlers Headed to State Meet in Madison

by Mark Fuller

Four Cumberland Wrestlers will be making the trek to Madison this week, to participate in the D3 portion of the State Tournament. They include Braden Johnson at 120-pounds, Cooper Schramski at 132, Logan Peterson at 157, and Jack Owens at 165. Wrestling begins this Thursday at approximately 6:00 pm with D3 preliminaries.

Going down as Sectional Champions are Sophomore Braden Johnson (47-1) and Senior Jack Owens (41-7). Johnson has had an outstanding season with his only loss coming to an Illinois wrestler in La Crosse back in early January. He dominated his Championship run with two tech-falls and a pin. His first-place match was an impressive 18-2 victory over Stratford's Trenton Cournoyer,

whose loss dropped his overall record to 53-3.

Johnson returns to Madison, where he will look to improve on his third-place finish at 106-pounds last year. His overall career record going into the State Tournament is an excellent 103 and 4.

He will open competition on Thursday night against the winner of Javier Gomez Atlano (29-7) of Kenosha Christian Life and Martez Sheard (38-4) of Aquinas. Johnson is ranked second in his weight class behind top-ranked Aiden Gruenfelder of Pecatonica/Argyle, who is 56 and 0 and was the 2024 State Champion at 106.

Owens, meanwhile, got into last Saturday's finale with two strong efforts that included tech-falls over opponents from Glenwood

City and Shell Lake. In the Championship match, he faced Turtle Lake/Clayton's Brandon Wright, who had defeated Owens 7-2 a week earlier in the Cumberland Regional.

It was one of the day's most exciting contests and ended with Owens pulling out a 1-0 victory, dropping Wright's record 46 and 9. It will be the senior's second straight trip to Madison, where he dropped his first match to the eventual third-place finisher last year. Owens is 99 and 26 over the past two seasons as he heads to Madison.

Owens will open-up on Thursday night against the winner of Aaron Sturm (32-19) of Stanley-Boyd and Nolan Waldner (38-9) of Ithaca/Weston. Owens is seeded third, with Jaxson Busse (45-3) of Iowa

Grant/Highland holding the top seed.

The Beaver's last two State competitors are both returners to the mats in Madison, Peterson last year and Schramski in 2023. It is a sweet return for the Senior Schramski, who missed the wrestling season last winter due to knee surgery.

Peterson finished second in Sectionals, falling to a Glenwood City wrestler in the finals before pinning Stratford's Brandon Knetter to secure second place. Prior to that, the Cumberland junior had won by a pin and a major decision. Peterson won a match in Madison last spring as a sophomore and looks to improve during this year's competition.

His first match is around 6:30 pm Thursday night against Connor Johnson

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Barron County Public Health Wants You to Check Your Cinnamon For Safety

In 2023 and 2024, several brands of cinnamon were found to contain lead. Many cinnamon companies are now testing their products to make sure they're safe.

"Cinnamon has a long shelf life," explains Karla Potts-Shufelt, Barron County Health Officer. "You might have cinnamon in your kitchen that you bought before last year's lead discovery. We want to make sure the food and spices in your home are safe."

If you bought cinnamon before August 2024, please check if your cinnamon

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Health experts recom-

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Louie's Finer Meats Awarded 20 Gold Medals!

Louie's Finer Meats, Cumberland, was awarded 20 Gold Medals, 1 Bronze Medal, and the "Cup of Honour" for their entries in the largest international competition in the world held by the German Butchers Association from Frankfurt Germany. This renowned high quality competition is organized internationally every three years. The German Butchers Association ensures that independent and experienced German jurors carry out the high standards and established evaluation specifications. The "Cup of

Honour" is awarded for special achievements and the demonstration for the high quality and the diversity of a market's products.

Louie's is grateful to their customers who demand a high quality offering of products, as well as the high standards and talents of their employees who make these results possible. The medals and "Cup of Honour" will be presented at the official international award ceremony on Tuesday, May 6 2025 in Frankfurt Germany.

Productname	Points	Results
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Precooked Applewurst	50	Gold
Precooked Traditional Bratwurst	50	Gold
Cacciatore and Parmesan Hard Salami	50	Gold
Soppresatta Hard Salami	50	Gold
Ring Bologna	50	Gold
Smoked German Fry Sausage	50	Gold
Hunter's Sausage	50	Gold
Natural Casing Wieners	50	Gold
Mushroom and Romano Hard Salami	50	Gold
Bourbon Cracked Pepper Hard Salami	50	Gold
Skinless Wieners	50	Gold
Smoked Bratwurst	50	Gold
Pepperoni	50	Gold
Smoked Ring Polish Sausage	50	Gold
Smoked Ring Andouille	50	Gold
Smoked Comstock Bratwurst with Beer & Cheese Curds	50	Gold
Italian with Wine Hard Salami	50	Gold
Smoked Beef Italian Sausage	50	Gold
Hungarian Hard Salami	50	Gold
Precooked Comstock Bratwurst with Beer & Cheese Curds	44	Bronze



Louies Finer Meats once again proved why they are one of the best meat markets anywhere in the world by earning 20 gold medals and one bronze medal at the largest international competition in the world held by the German Butchers Association from Frankfurt Germany at Iowa State University in January. Louies also captured the "Cup of Honour" for their entries. Pictured are proud Louies Finer Meats employees and owners. From left to right are Bill Muench , Louis Muench, Justin Lindsley, Lief Arnes, Jordan Paffel, Michael Scheff, Scott VanCamp and Louie Muench.

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On Monday March 3, 2025, the Cumberland Music Department will present its annual Music In Our Schools Concert. Ensembles included in this year's concert will include the High School Symphonic Band, High School Concert Choir, and the Middle

School 7/8 Grade Choir. Selections for each ensemble will be as follows:
High School Symphonic Band
-Clouds That Sail In Heaven by Todd Stalter
-Joy Revisited by Frank Ticheli
-May The Road Rise To

Meet You by Steven J. Pyter
-Midway March by John Williams / Arr. By John Moss
High School Concert Choir
-Laudate Dominum by Dan Davison
-Si Si Ni Moja by Jacob Narverud
-Old Joe Clark Arr. by Dan Davison
Middle School 7/8 Grade Choir
-Rhapsody by Rollo A. Dilworth
-Winter Wolf by Amy F. Bernon
-Too Hot Down There by Joyce Eilers
The concert will begin at 7:30pm in the High School Gymnasium and is free and open to the general public.

Cinnamon...

mend blood lead tests for all children at ages 1 and 2. One blood lead test is recommended for children ages 3-5 who weren't tested earlier.
"Chipping and peeling paint in homes built before 1978 is still the main cause of lead poisoning in children," Potts-Shufelt adds. "We also want to make sure our community isn't exposed to lead through food." Need More Information? Look online for lead poisoning information, talk with your doctor, or call Barron County Public Health at 715-537-5691, ext. 6442.



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53K Birkebeiner Classic Todd Sandman: 4:14 Andrew Revak: 4:17 Tonja Wick: 5:10 Craig Hokanson: 5:27 Lisa Janty: 5:44	3K Junior Birkie Riley Muench: 20:31 Kaitlin Johnson: 31:35 Riley Majewski: 35:52
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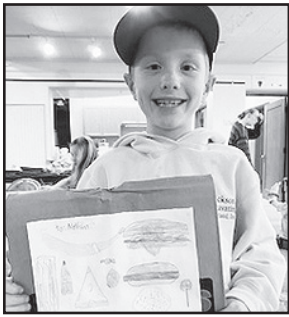
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Find us on Facebook @ Cumberland Area Food Pantry
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SCHOOL LUNCH

Thursday, February 27
MS/HS: Baked potato bar with diced ham, cheese, broccoli, strawberry cups or walking sloppy joes. ES: Loaded tater tots or Jelly sandwich and string cheese.

Friday, February 28
MS/HS: Fish sticks, chips, peas, applesauce or walking tacos.
ES: Jelly sandwich & string cheese.

Monday, March 3
Hamburger/cheeseburger, baked beans, chips, pears.
MS/HS: Cheese quesadilla.
ES: Jelly sandwich & string cheese.

Tuesday, March 4
Orange chicken, brown rice, corn, apple-sauce. MS/HS: Hamburger/cheeseburger.
ES: Jelly sandwich & string cheese.

Wednesday, March 5
French toast sticks, cheesy hash browns, broccoli, applesauce.
MS/HS: Chicken patty.
ES: Jelly sandwich & string cheese.

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FRIDAY, FEB. 28: • 6:30-7:30 am CCE: Pickleball •

SATURDAY, MARCH 1: • 11 am-1 pm CCE: Pickleball •

SUNDAY, MARCH 2: • 1:30-5:30 pm Cumberland Youth Softball Open Gym 1:30-3:30 Grades 2-4 & 3:30-5:30 Grades 5-8 •

MONDAY, MARCH 3: • ALL DAY - ES/MS/HS Parent/Teacher Conferences • 6:30-7:30 am CCE: Pickleball • 7:30-9:00 pm HS/MS Band & Choir Concert •

TUESDAY, MARCH 4: • 6:30-7:30 am CCE: Pickleball • 8 am-3:30 pm MS Band/HS Choir Large Group in Rice Lake • 8-10 pm CCE: Adult Volleyball •

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 5: • 6:30-7:30 am CCE: Pickleball • 4:30-5:30 pm CCE: Choose Fit/Bench Stepping • 6-8 pm CCE: Pickleball •

Do you Know of a Cumberland Graduate of Achievement?

If so, please nominate that graduate. Cumberland High School Graduates of Achievement are named each year at Commencement Exercises. The deadline for completed nominations if February 28th. Forms with the requirements for nominating a graduate are available from the high school guidance office, Superintendent's office, or on the school's website (<http://www.cumberland.k12wi.us>) under the "Community" section. A committee of school staff, school board, community and past recipients serve on the selection committee. The Award was initiated in 1998 to demonstrate to the current student body that one can graduate from a small school and achieve significant accomplishments in life.

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Attend both nights or choose just one:

- Mondays: **Tabata-style workouts** comprised of 20 seconds of all-out effort (cardio + strength-building exercises) followed by 10 seconds of recovery. Each Tabata consists of 4 different exercises repeated twice lasting 4 minutes.
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Time: 5:15 pm to 6:00 pm
Location: MS Library (Second level of middle school)
Date Range: 4 Sessions: Mondays, February 3, 17, 24, and March 3 Tabata Workouts
Notice no class on the 10th
Cost: \$35.00 for all 5 classes or \$8.00 per class
Bring: Yoga Mat and light hand weights if own plus a water bottle

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Cumberland High School

We ask that all participants adhere to these hours for their safety and the safety of our students.

Northwoods Notebook: Why some, like Dylan, make it big

By Larry Werner

I finally got to see “A Complete Unknown,” the movie about singer Bob Dylan. I loved it, and it got me to wondering why some make it, and others with equal talent, don’t.

In Dylan’s case, as it is with success in business and so many other pursuits, it’s whom you know. Upon arriving in New York, Dylan forged relationships with such famous singers as Joan Baez, Pete Seeger and Woodie Guthrie.

The movie covers Dylan’s life from the time he took a bus in 1961 from Minneapolis to New York until the mid-sixties, when he made the controversial switch from an acoustic guitar to electric, including the notable appearance at the 1965 Newport Folk Festival, where he and his band were booed.

Dylan’s tunes, including those he recorded and those he wrote, were the songs of my college years.

In my dorm room at Michigan State University, I’d play a Peter, Paul & Mary album almost every night. Among the songs on that album was “Blowin’ in the Wind.” If you’re of a certain age, you’ll remember it: “The answer, my friend, is blowin’ in the wind. The answer is blowin’ in the wind.”

In the movie, there’s a scene in which Dylan, who was then in a romantic relationship with Joan Baez, a

famous folk singer, agrees to a request that he allow Baez to record the tune he had written but not yet recorded. Baez was an established star at that point who then brought her boyfriend on stage to sing that song and others.

Dylan also got to know recording artist Pete Seeger shortly after arriving in New York, and Seeger promoted the young singer at New York clubs.

When I was working at the Minneapolis Star Tribune, we were told about Dylan leaving the Twin Cities for the Big Apple. We had an artist at the paper named Dave who, like Dylan, played guitar and sang at clubs on the edge of the University of Minnesota campus. One night, he and others gave the 19-year-old kid from Hibbing, Minn., a ride to the bus station for his trip to New York City, where he planned to make it big.

As artist Dave told the story, the bus pulled away, and Dave said, “Well, we’ll never hear from that guy again.”

But, of course, we did.

Dylan, whose given name was Robert Zimmerman, first made it big as a folk/anti-war singer, before the controversial switch to electric rock.

As I watched the movie, which has been nominated for eight Academy Awards, including best picture,

I found myself thinking about the artists we have right here in Cumberland who have enormous talent but never left for the big cities. Dustin DeGolier, for example.

Several years back, I interviewed Dustin, who grew up in Comstock, then studied music at the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, returning to work at Louie’s Finer Meats and to perform locally. He eventually left the meat market and now makes a living at music, singing and playing guitar around here and teaching guitar.

When I watch Dustin play, I wonder whether stars like the guy from Hibbing, play any better, or sing any better. Dylan’s gravelly voice is nothing to write home about. At the Cumberland Cabaret a few weeks ago, you heard Beth McClain sing as beautifully as anyone anywhere. Phil Warner, the retired music teacher, can bring a crowd to its feet with his magnificent voice.

Yes, we’ve got a surplus of musical talent in this little town. And, chances are, if we were asked to give Dustin, Beth or Phil a ride to the bus station for a trip to the big city, we wouldn’t be saying, as my former colleague said of Bobby Zimmerman, “We’ll never hear from that guy again.”

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Death Cafe at Shell Lake Library; Topic is Death with a side of Cake

Submitted by Maureen Skuban

“Let’s hang out and talk about death,” said no one ever. Until now.

Shell Lake Public Library has been hosting Death Cafés since May 2024. It’s not uncommon to find the idea of talking about death uncomfortable. In general, we just don’t do it. Then why start now?

First let’s start with the conception of Death Café by Swiss sociologist and writer Bernard Crettaz. After his wife’s death, Crettaz organized the first Café Mortel in 2004. This led to his book, which in English translates to Death Cafes: Bringing Death out of Silence.

Inspired by Crettaz’s work, Jon Underwood, a UK web developer, took Death Cafés a step further by introducing them to London in 2011. His first gathering was facilitated in his home by his mum Sue Barsky Reid, a psychotherapist. Underwood launched the Death Café website and developed a guide for others to run their own Death Cafés using the same format. A year later, the first Death Café in the states was organized by Lizzy Miles, a hospice worker in Ohio.

Death Cafés are now occurring around the world in cafes, basements, libraries, homes, and yurts. Yet it still may be unclear what we’re talking about exactly. So let’s address some basic questions rattling around people’s heads about Death Cafés.

What can one expect at a Death Café?

Cake will be served! Years ago Crettaz stated, “Nothing marks a community of the living like sharing food and drink.” Those words have carried on. Providing sweet de-

lectables is a Death Café tradition. It is important to understand that Death Cafés are a welcoming, open, respectful, and confidential space where people can express their thoughts and views safely. Death Cafés have no intention of leading participants to any conclusion, product or course of action. It is also not a grief support group, counseling session, nor is it affiliated with any religion or faith. It is simply an opportunity to discuss a subject so fundamental to life yet typically avoided in mainstream conversations.

Interestingly enough, Death Cafés lack much of an agenda and are mostly unstructured discussions.

Seriously then, what will we talk about?

As the group settles in, we’ll review Death Café guidelines, which include expectations like respectful listening. Next attendees share what brought them to the Café. The conversation then naturally morphs into whatever is on people’s minds. Perhaps death is a taboo subject in someone’s circle of loved ones and they want to share their feelings and observations and listen to the thoughts of others. Participants might consider how they’d like to be remembered or the group might find themselves dabbling in the qualities of a good life. Maybe discussions will take the group to considering their own death, i.e. what elements make for a good death, the recent popularity of natural burials, or what they want on their tombstone. This is the real deal here, not pizza toppings. Thought provoking prompts are also available

if the group is interested.

Why attend a Death Café?

Talking about and then coming to terms with one’s own mortality has gifted people a renewed focus for living more intentionally and openly. Being open has helped people better support one another, their families and themselves when death impacts their lives. Death is as natural as birth and with thoughtful planning can even become a special and beautiful time, incredible as that may sound. But a chat about life’s end isn’t everyone’s cup of tea. The Death Café setting doesn’t fit for people who aren’t able to discuss death comfortably and openly.

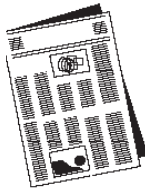
Perhaps this is why the concept of dying is being rebranded to make it more acceptable to discuss and embrace. Having the opportunity to discuss our impermanence is nothing short of a death-positive movement, making for a healthier, happier community. Death is not something we, nor our loved ones can escape. Participants tend to come to terms with this reality and find comfort in addressing real aspects of death and dying. They may walk away with meaningful questions as they face what’s really important in their own lives.

And if that’s not enough, there’s the cake.

More information about Death Cafés can be found at deathcafe.com. The next Death Café at the Shell Lake Public Library will be held on Thursday, March 20th at 3:00pm. Direct any questions specific to Shell Lake’s Death Café to normalizing-death@gmail.com.

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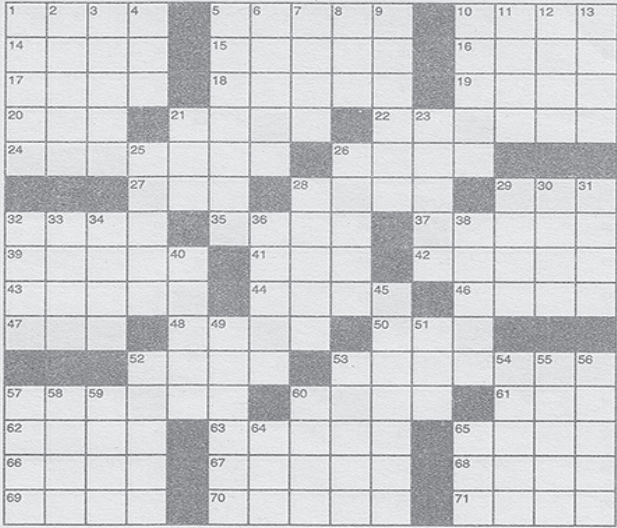
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	3				2	8	7	

PUZZLE



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- Truth
- Demobilize
- Knocks (2 wds.)
- Pound
- Type of acid
- Brand of sandwich cookie
- Wrack
- Walker
- Retired persons association (abbr.)
- Snacked
- Carry
- Verse meter
- Distorts
- Ceases
- Popeye's yes
- Wise
- Resort hotel
- Saucer
- Not mine
- Roman Catholic Church heads
- Make a record of
- Hotel

DOWN

- Cut of beef
- Repent
- Desire
- Bunsen burner
- ___ Jones
- Industrial average
- Ooze
- ___ you! (attention getter)
- Suffer
- Forded
- Groups of ships
- Anon
- Caesar's three
- Holes
- Midwestern state denizen
- Do it again
- Canal
- Efface
- Elderly
- Thoughtfulness
- Leases
- "as you ___"

DOWN

- Unit of electric capacitance
- Keen
- Leader
- X
- Former name for Benin
- Gives off
- Microphone
- Less than two
- Tiresome
- Wanders
- Middle East dweller
- South American nation
- Drenches
- Chance
- Dextrous
- Made of oak
- Merits
- Day's beginning
- Descry
- Pennsylvania (abbr.)

DOWN

- At sea
- Kaput
- Within
- Store
- Tanker
- Complies
- Set to zero
- King's seats
- Not as difficult
- Long time
- Surround
- Move effortlessly
- Attack
- Bedspread feather
- Light emitting ___
- Gall
- Italian currency
- Great
- Cob
- Unrefined metal
- Half-baked

Opinion

Out My Window

by Paul Bucher, Editor



I know it gets talked about all the time, but how about this weather. Its just nuts. We literally have had a temperature swing of 70 degrees in a matter of a week. We had low temps near -20 degrees with highs struggling to get to zero. Monday afternoon we hit 50 degrees. The whole week looks like we will be above average after being in the deep freeze for most of February. As the old saying goes, “If you don’t like the weather, just wait a day or two”.

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With rapid thaw, it looks like our snow will be pretty much gone in a week. Besides the cold in the first half of February, its been a pretty wimpy winter again. At least we got excellent ice for ice fishing. Snow, not so much. I feel bad for you snow lovers. Awful short season of skiing, snowmobiling and such. Who knows, March is always a roller coaster.

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The Cumberland Wrestling team is sending four kids to the State Tournament starting this Thursday night. What a great tradition. Cumberland is always a strong squad. Good luck to Jack Owens, Braden Johnson, Logan Peterson and Cooper Schramski. We’ll be pulling for you!

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I am not a huge NBA fan, but how about the Minnesota Timberwolves coming back to beat the best team in the Western conference after being down by 25 points, including being down 16 with 3:41 left on the clock. The Oklahoma City Thunder had 99.7 percent chance to win the game at the point according to stat cast. I guess its like any other sport, play hard to the final gun!

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Speaking of sports, both the Brewers and Twins are gearing up for the 2025 season. Spring Training is in full swing. I would bet both the Twins and Brewers will make a push for the playoffs. Both teams generally seem to be in the mix. The Twins absolutely collapsed at the end of last season while the crew dropped a heart breaking series to the NY Mets. Time will tell. I am a lifelong Twins fan. With that being said, it will be quite strange and sad for Brewers fans to no longer have Bob Uecker in the booth. He was simply the best. Though he didn’t call as many games in recent years, when he did he was a treat. “Mr. Baseball” and his iconic call, Get up, Get up, Get out of here, Gone will surely be missed by ALL baseball fans. Have a great week!



Inside Wisconsin

by Tom Still

“Just catching up: Some follow-ups on past columns and news”

MADISON, Wis. – Writing a weekly column is always a snapshot in time. Things can and do happen to advance the story. Here are a few examples tied to my recent “Inside Wisconsin” columns:

Busy business plan writers: In a column dated Jan. 2, I described how past entrants in the Wisconsin Governor’s Business Plan Contest have compiled a track record for success that exceeds what might be expected in the general population of startups. A fresh crop is out to keep that streak going.

Of the 153 plans submitted by Jan. 31 in this year’s contest, 52 have been selected by a panel of more than 70 judges to advance to the next phase. While it’s no surprise the state’s two largest cities – Milwaukee and Madison – generate the lion’s share of semi-finalists, 25 of the 52 hail from other communities. Examples are Appleton, Coon Valley, Eagle, Janesville, Kohler, Muskego, Neenah, Oshkosh, Rhinelander, Wau-paca and Whitewater.

These second-phase plans range from novel metal separation technologies to turning dairy waste into sugars; from PFAS filtration for municipal water systems to new medical tests, treatments

and devices; to artificial intelligence solutions for a variety of uses. At stake is at least \$120,000 in prizes from the Wisconsin Economic Development Corp. and others.

Early stage investing gaps gets attention: A column dated Jan. 23 examined the state of venture capital investments in Wisconsin, which lag what’s happening in neighboring states. It was framed by an analysis from U.S. News & World Report comparing venture capital to the gross domestic products of all 50 states. Wisconsin ranked 40th. Nearby states ranked between 14th and 38th were Missouri, Minnesota, Illinois, Michigan, Ohio, Indiana and Iowa.

Part of the solution is producing more investment-worthy startups, which is why the state-wide business plan contest and other strategies exist. The bigger concern, however, is putting more dollars to work in growing such young companies.

A February survey by the Tech Council revealed that state-based investors see two funding “gaps” in Wisconsin – deals under \$500,000 and investments in the \$1 million to \$5 million range.

The second category is sometimes described as

the “missing middle” between checks written most often by angel investors and larger investments by venture capital firms once a company gets market traction.

With state policymakers set to launch a debate on the 2025-27 biennial budget, several ideas for priming the pump are circulating. They will be aired Feb. 25 during a Tech Council luncheon in Madison featuring Shayna Hetzel of WEDC, John Neis of Venture Investors and Mike Thorson of In-venture Capital and Wisconsin Investment Partners.

A “beautiful word” spells unease for some businesses: President Trump has called tariffs “the most beautiful word in the dictionary,” although some economists and business leaders fear such surcharges on foreign-made goods will lead to ugly retaliation.

My Jan. 16 column predicted that business owners in Wisconsin were more worried about the effect of tariffs on their supply chains in Canada and Mexico than their sources in China. That has turned out to be the case, as a poll by Wisconsin Manufacturers and Commerce illustrated.

Eighty-six percent sup-

ported tariffs on China, according to a survey of 153 employers by WMC, but only 44 percent back tariffs on Mexico and Canada. Those numbers might dip again as the latest round of tariffs on steel and aluminum imports begin to bite.

Company still “SHINE-ing” bright: My column dated Feb. 6 examined the work of Janesville-based SHINE Technologies, which is employing nuclear fusion to fight cancer, inspect industrial components and more as it moves down the road toward energy production.

Another example of SHINE’s work advanced a week later when it was selected to receive funding from the U.S. Department of Energy’s Advanced Research Projects Agency to reduce the mass, volume and effective “half-life” of spent fuel from commercial nuclear fission reactors.

As company founder Greg Piefer told me, fusion as a stand-alone energy source may still be many years away, but it can help to make nuclear fission much safer today.

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10 Years Ago March 4, 2015

Barron County Ecu-menical Christian club recently made a \$250 donation to the Cumberland Healthcare Foundation. The hospital is currently remodeling a section of their facility to bring on-cology and wound care services. This remodeled project is expected to be finished later this summer.

20 Years Ago March 2, 2005

On February 10, ten Cumberland FFA members demonstrated their speaking skills at the District 2 FFA Speaking Contest. Joyanna Helbig and Jill Becker of Cumberland earned the opportunity to advance to the sectional competition next month in Amery. Helbig placed first in the Creed Speaking and Becker placed second in the Job Interview Contest.

Cumberland family Jim, Jean and Corbin Wick will be featured as one of the champion families during the KS95 for Kids Radiothon. The Radiothon will be held on Friday, March 4th, and will conclude on Sunday, March 6th. The Radiothon is a fundraising broadcast that raises funds for Gillette Children’s Specialty Healthcare and the Chil-

dren’s Cancer Research Fund.

30 Years Ago March 1, 1995

Marine PFC Brian D. Horton, son of Doug and Kathy Horton of Cumberland, was recently promoted to his present rank and reported for duty at Marine Corps Engineer School, Marine Corps Base, Camp Lejeune, NC. The 1994 graduate of Cumberland High School has been assigned to duty in Okinawa, Japan.

40 Years Ago February 27, 1985

The Cumberland Fire Department extinguished a chimney fire early Monday morning at the Ron Pierson residence. According to Fire Chief Bob Mack, the fire caused no major damage and was extinguished in about an hour.

Teen Magazine chose Stacy Carson, 16, of Cumberland, as a semi-finalist in the 1985 Great Model Search. She is now eligible for selection as a super semi-finalist. Her photo will be featured in the March issue of Teen Magazine.

February 27, 1975 50 Years Ago

John Cook, former Cumberland resident and son of Mr. and Mrs. Keith Cook, wholesale sales manager for Mead-

ow Gold Dairy Division of Beatrice Foods in Mattoon, IL., accepts the President’s Honor Club Award from Don Grantham, President of Beatrcie Foods. Membership in the Honor Club is the highest award made by the company for outstanding service. Cook was also honored in 1971 for the same award.

March 4, 1965 60 Years Ago

Cumberland City employees have been busy the past couple of weeks using steam to thaw frozen catch basins. A combination of heavy snow, some rain, and freezing weather caused many catch basins and storm sewers in the city to freeze. And to make matters worse, after being thawed they would immediately start to freeze up again.

70 Years Ago March 3, 1955

Fred Jacobson, son of the H. O. Jacobson, received a unique honor when he was named Ohio’s “Conservation Man of the Year” by a statewide group of outdoor writers. He has been associated with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in Ohio since 1951.

80 Years Ago February 22, 1945

Avalon Arnes Lampson of Barronett, has become the first woman member of the Homer Anderson Post of the American Legion and is the first woman member of any of the Barron County Legion Posts.

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2/22	21	-3	0.00
2/23	30	11	0.00
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Sports

Wrestling...

(44-11) of Weyauwega-Fremont. A win will send him against top-seeded Tyson Imhoff (42-8) of Iowa-Grant-Highland later that evening.

Schramski earned his second trip to State, returning to Madison where he lost his only match as a Sophomore. The Cumberland senior won a major decision in his opener last Saturday before losing a second-round match-up to Marathon's Cale Quaintance. He rebounded with a pin and a tech-fall to claim a well-deserved spot to State after a long road to recovery following surgery.

Schramski will begin his State Tournament competition on Thursday around 6:30 pm against fifth-seeded Aaron Knetter (47-8)

of Stratford, with a victory sending the Cumberland Senior against Lakota Brewer (44-7) of Riverdale later in the evening.

Just missing out on advancing were Caleb Hile (35-9) and DauTre Allen (25-14), who each finished fourth. Allen came extremely close, dropping a disappointing 6-5 decision to Carter Grassl for the right to move on.

"I'm very proud of each kid for their hard work and commitment to the program. It will be an exciting weekend in Madison," said Head Coach Reid Olson.

Stratford, who won the District 1 Team Sectional, advanced eight wrestlers to State from the Ladysmith Sectional, including three champions.

Cumberland Wrestlers Fall Short in Team Sectionals

The Cumberland Wrestling Team participated in Team Sectionals on Tuesday, February 18, where they dropped their opening match to Glenwood City by a 37-24 score. Stratford then defeated Glenwood City 41-29 to advance to Team State in Madison.

The Hilltoppers broke open a close match with six consecutive wins from 132 through 167 to take a com-

manding lead and the eventual victory. Cumberland received two forfeits from Glenwood City to go along with decision victories from Caleb Hile and Joe Eggert and a Tech-fall from Braden Johnson in the match.

Joining Stratford at State in D3 are Mineral Point, Oostburg, and Weyauwega-Fremont. Conference member St. Croix Falls qualified in D2.

Ice men's Season Comes to an End in Tournament Play

The Northwest Icemen played a solid game for much of last Friday evening, but ran into a better Hayward Hurricane squad as a 4-2 WIAA Tournament loss ended the Icemen's season. The team finishes with a final record of 5 and 20. Hayward, meanwhile, moved on to play Rice Lake in a second-round D2 game.

The Icemen played well defensively for much of the night, but three Hayward goals in period three, two

on the power play, were too much to overcome.

The icemen scores came from Noah Nelson and Ethan Peterson, but the team was only able to muster 11 shots on net in the game. Cumberland's Brody Chartraw completed his career with the loss, while Beavers Freshman Gavin Lehmann had a promising first year as he looks to become a team cornerstone for the next three years.

Sports Look Back, February 26, 1995

Two Cumberland wrestlers earned themselves trips to the Wisconsin State Wrestling meet next weekend in Madison by capturing Sectional Titles in the meet held at Amery High School.

There were a total of 16 teams and 208 wrestlers in the meet, each seeking one of 26 berths in the state wrestling meet.

The two Cumberland wrestlers, sophomore Nathan Ranallo and junior Tom Weaver each beat three other wrestlers to earn the right to participate in the state meet.

In the 125 pound class, Ranallo and the other seven wrestlers had a combined record of 185 wins and 56 losses during the regular season.

In his opening match, Ranallo beat Ben Koss of West Salem 18-6 to advance to the semi-finals where he beat Rick Tingo of Phillips 10-9. In the finals, Ranallo edged Darren Solum of Baldwin-Woodville 6-5. Ranallo got three points for the win with only a few seconds left in the match. Ranallo entered the third period behind 4-1.

Ranallo will go to Madison with a 31-7 record.

In the 152 pound division the wrestlers had a combined record of 186 wins and 57 losses.

Weaver started competition by defeating Steve Plunket of Northwestern

12-7. In the semi-finals, Weaver came out and dominated his man before pinning John Miller of Amery in the second period of the match.

In the finals, Weaver was pitted against Black River Falls senior Jason Brown who sported a 27-5 mark and who pinned his semi-final opponent in just 40 seconds. Weaver, however, took control of the match and defeated Brown 7-1 to capture the sectional championship. Weaver will take a 28-2 mark to Madison.

The other Beaver wrestlers that made it to the sectional meet at Amery were TeeJay Lansin, Tyler Lynch and Jason Schiebel joined Ranallo and Weaver.

Lynch won his first match at 119 pounds by decisioning Chris Swanson of Ladysmith 11-3. He then lost by a technical fall to Brian Neely of Baldwin-Woodville and by decision to Saulo Rodriguez of Barron. These two wrestlers both are going on the state competition. Lynch finished the season with a 24-13 mark.

Lansin and Schiebel each lost in first round matches with Lansin losing a 12-6 decision to Ashland's Chris Kleingartner and Schiebel a 7-1 decision to Phillip's Mike Haubert. Lansin finished the year at 27-9 while Schiebel completed his season with a 11-11 record.

State Tournament Qualifiers!



Sectional Champion Braden Johnson will take a 47-1 record to State at 120 pounds. Photo by Kaely Wenzel



Sectional Champion Jack Owens takes a 41-7 record at 165 pounds to Madison. Photo by Kaely Wenzel.



Sectional runner-up Logan Peterson heads to Madison with a 37-9 record at 157 pounds. Photo by Kaely Wenzel.



Cooper Schramski returns to Madison with a record of 33-7 at 132 pounds. Photo by Kaely Wenzel.

Girl's Hockey Co-Op Rolls to Opening Tournament Win

The Hayward Girl's Hockey Co-op had little trouble in their opening round WIAA Tournament game last Thursday, as they scored a 15-0 victory over Medford to roll into Sectional competition. This set up a match against Superior on Tuesday, February

25, a team they split a pair of games against this winter. Should they get a victory, Hayward would likely play top-seeded DC Everest this Saturday in Superior at 11:00 am, for a chance to go to the State Tournament.

Hayward scored eight times in period one in claim-

ing the win over Medford. Reese Sheehan and Abby Elliott each scored four goals in the contest, as the Hurricanes limited Medford to 11 shots on goal. Sheehan added five assists, while Cumberland Freshman Olivia Holzman-Byrne added an assist on one of Elliott's

first period scores. Sheehan now has 36 goals and 30 assists on the year.

Superior is ranked third and Hayward fourth in the State's latest Girl's Hockey poll.

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An Outdoorsman's Journal

By Mark Walters

Big Eyes on Little Bay de Noc

Hello friends,
We are all almost going through constant life changes. I grew up with Jeff Moll, he has been a part of this column since I started it back in '89 and back in October Jeff retired after about 40-years in the vending machine business. Now instead of participating in all of our playtime on weekends, Jeff can play on weekdays as well.

This week I am writing about a two night camping trip that Jeff and I made on the frozen waters of Little Bay de Noc while fishing for walleye.

Wednesday, January 29th
High 32, low 20

There would be several unique and memorable parts of this trip and one would start at the beginning when we were getting minnows at Bayshore Resort, Bait & Tackle and were told the bite is good but almost nonexistent after dark. I have been fishing LBDN since about '98 and in the past it seemed the most reliable bite was from an hour before dark until an hour after daylight.

So I am driving a rental car because a tree fell on my truck, I reaffirmed my belief that I hate cars, kind of felt like a cowboy in a buggy instead of on a horse. In case you don't know Red's mom, Ruby passed away so this would be Red's first hardcore trip without her mom.

Jeff and I each put out 3 tip ups and because he retired I bought him a gift which was a Beaver Dam tip up and I rigged it with Power Pro line, a flourocarbon leader, a red number 10 hook, and a chartreuse piece of Gulp on the hook. I may have told Jeff a fib when I mentioned that I had the tip up custom painted with US flag type colors just for him and it cost me \$300.

So anyways, we set up camp using an Eskimo "Outbreak 850XD" for our cabin on the ice, complete with cots, propane lights, Mr. Buddy heater, and a kitchen. While we were working we had our only meaningful flag of the afternoon and it was a good fish that got away and at the same time, the spool fell

off the Beaver Dam tip up that I was using.
Come primetime and all night we patiently waited for a flag to go up and had zero action but we sure had a ton of fun.

Thursday, January 30th
High 38 low 20

Today would be a classic in the days of Jeff Moll and his good buddy Master Guide Extraordinaire, which Jeff and everyone else in our gang love to call me. Zero action until 8:30 am, then I get a flag and have a great fight and ice a 27-inch walleye that definitely looked like it was eating too many Twinkies. We are back at camp basking in the glory of the moment when Jeff gets a flag with his new tip up. The fight lasted a good 5 minutes and was he ever happy when he iced a dandy that looked bigger than mine and seeing as we had a 5 dollar bet on big walleye, I did not want it to be.

The tape measure read 27.75 and I was about ready to kill him, he wins the big buck bet at deer camp because I let him sit on my stand one night and now this. Well, the good lord knew this could not be and while we were still rigging his tip up, I get a flag that I had set in shallow water a good 200-yards away. When I got to it, I was kind of spooled but pleasantly surprised that I had a fish on. Mr. Moll is living large back in Mollville and has no idea what is going on as I had a very long tussle with a good fish. I got it to the bottom of the hole before it swam off again and could see it was at least the great, great, great grandma to his rather sickly-looking fish and I knew I had to ice it.

Low and behold I had it flopping on the ice and it was a true 30.25 inch beauty walleye from the deep. About all I could say is let the festivities begin. We fished all day and night, caught some small gators but had nothing happen at primetime, that night, or the next morning's primetime. The wind switched to the north and it was nasty, I had one flag at the shallow water tip up, caught it and it was a 25.5 inch "eye" Moll told me I looked like someone/thing that I



Mark Walters, Red and Jeff Moll, living large on LBDN!



Jeff Moll with a dandy walleye that he caught on Little Bay de Noc!

cannot mention when we loaded my car and I drove home with the sweet revenge feeling of beating the Big Buck Thief!
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Big Dunk!



Cumberland senior Gavin Gores hammers home two of his team high 47 points in the Beavers win over Ladysmith. Gores is third in the state in scoring averging 34.8 points per game. Photo by Kaely Wenzel.



Parker Peterson drives to the basket last Friday night vs Ladysmith. Peterson and the rest of the Beavers shot 64 percent from the floor in the big win. Photo by Kaely Wenzel.

Boy's Basketball Team Wins Twice, Game out of First Place

The Cumberland Boy's Basketball Team's excellent season continued last week with a pair of victories, a 64-58 road win at St. Croix Falls and a 77-64 victory over Ladysmith in front of a sizeable home crowd. The team's record stands at 16 and 5, 12 and 4 in the HON, with games against Cameron and Chetek-Weyerhaeuser this week concluding the regular season.

Gavin Gores showed why he is a Wisconsin Player of the Year finalist in the two wins. Whether scoring inside or shooting from a distance, the talented senior proved impossible to stop as he scored 43 and 47 points, while adding 25 rebounds and five assists. He did all this while hitting 61 percent of his shots from the floor and 26 of 30 free throws. It was truly a dominating display of basketball.

St. Croix Falls put up a good fight in the Beavers road victory on Tuesday, February 18. Cumberland only led 31-28 at halftime and had to work hard for the win.

Besides Gores 43 points, Coach Brian Dutton received nine points from Uriah Johnson and seven from Jack Richter. Johnson added six rebounds and Troy Majewski a team-leading five assists.

Last Friday, the Beavers rose to the challenge of a 17-6 Ladysmith squad for a big home win. Trail-ing 39-37 at half, the Beavers clamped down defensively in the game's final 18 minutes to outscore the Lumberjacks 40 to 25 and claim the important victory. This sets the Beavers up to compete for a Conference Championship this week.

Besides Gores big 47-point performance, the Beavers received some clutch shooting from beyond the arc in the game. Point guard Troy Majewski hit all three of his treys, while Senior Chayden Berghammer went three for four. Parker Peterson added two three-pointers in four attempts as Cumberland shot an excellent 10 of 17 from the three-point line and an incredible 64 percent from the floor in the contest. Majewski added three as-sists for Coach Dutton.

The Beavers played first place Cameron (16-6) on Tuesday, a team they de-feated 60-48 in Cameron on February 14. A victory on Tuesday and a win in Chet-ek on Thursday, February 27, will give Cumberland at least a share of the HON Championship, something the program has not done since 1971-1972.

Boy's Basketball Team Gains Second Seed for Tournament

The Cumberland Beavers are seeded second in the D4 WIAA Section 1 tour-nament bracket posted on Sunday by the WIAA. La Crosse Aquinas is the num-ber one seed.

The Beavers received a bye in round one and open up tournament play on Fri-day, March 7 against the first-round winner between Unity and Glenwood City. The winner of that contest will play in the Regional Championship game the following night against ei-ther Cameron, Chetek-Wey-erhaeuser, or Grantsburg.

Sectional play will take place in Eau Claire on March 13 and 15.

**GO
BEAVERS!**
Reminder that all Cumberland High School Varsity and some lower level home events will be live streamed via YouTube, search Cumberland School District or go to the Athletics Page under High School on the District Website. Away events can also often be seen using the visiting school website.

HON Win!



Melody Taylor puts up a short jumper vs Chetek/ Weyerhaeuser. Taylor had ten points to help lead the girls past the Bulldogs.



Beavers guard Kaylee Jackson looks to distribute last Thursday night vs the Bulldogs. Cumberland picked up a nice HON win.

Cumberland's last HON Boys Basketball Championship came in 1971-1972

With wins in their last two games, the Beavers have a chance to do something that has escaped the program since the winter of 1971-1972. That is to win a HON Boy's Basketball Conference Championship. That year, the Beavers and Chetek-Bulldogs shared the title with identical 13 and 1 records. Cumberland had also won the title outright the previous winter and four times over a nine-year period that began in 1963-1964. Since that time, each HON school has had periods of success with Ladysmith grabbing 12 titles, Spooner

and Northwestern nine each and Barron seven. Cameron is relatively new to the Conference and is looking to take their third title in six years. The 1971-72 team had several outstanding players on a team that had advanced to the State Tournament the previous season. A second consecutive trip to Madison was cut short by a 60-49 loss to Eau Claire Memorial in the Sectional finals during a time when there was a one-class tournament. Cumberland has had various team successes during this span of fifty-three years,

with wrestling capturing 22 Conference Titles and baseball 12. It won't be easy, but wins over Cameron and Chetek-Weyerhaeuser this week would give the Beavers at least a share of the much sought after Basketball Championship. It has already been a successful season, for which the team and coaches should be proud. Wins or losses in the last two games will not change that. Good luck to a Beavers team that is looking for just a little bit more.

HON Standings

1. Cameron : 13-3

2. Cumberland: 12-4
3. Northwestern:12-4
4. Barron: 12-5
5. Ladysmith: 12-5
6. C/W: 5-11
7. Hayward: 5-11
8. SCF: 5-12
9. Spooner: 3-13
10. Ashland: 2-13

Schedule for those in Contention:
Monday, February 24
Ashland at Northwestern
Tuesday, February 25
Cameron at Cumberland
Thursday, February 27
Cumberland at C/W
Ladysmith at Cameron
Northwestern at Spooner

Cumberland Mixed-Up Bowling League Week 20

2nd Half Team Standings
Cumberland Federal - 27
Cumberland Bus - 24
Pasko's RPM - 15
Club Cumberland - 14
Grandma's Gang - 10
3 High Scratch Games

Nolan Scheps - 173
Eric Olson - 172
Russ Zappa - 170
3 High Scratch Series
Eric Olson - 461
Nolan Scheps - 445
Pam Allen - 399

Spare Time Monday Night Ladies Bowling League Standing

Team Standings
Austad's Super Valu - 47
Northwoods Septic - 44
Becker's Trucking - 42
Bowlin' Buddies - 41
Spare Time - 40
Big Bear Express - 40
Clear Lake Self Storage-23
Dane Arthur Real Estate-11
5 High Scratch Games
Brenda Levine - 214

Patty Lundell - 188
Rita Anderson - 169
Shannon Bents - 162
Donna Berquam - 161
5 High Scratch Series
Brenda Levine - 522
Patty Lundell - 540
Donna Berquam - 446
Shannon Bents - 443
Sheila LaBlanc - 438

Girl's Basketball Finishes Regular Season with a Victory

The Cumberland Girl's Basketball Team finished up the regular season schedule last week and opened up D4 WIAA Tournament play on Tuesday against Clear Lake. The winner of that contest heads to Colfax this Friday, February 28, for a round-two game. Cumberland ended the regular season with their fifth victory of the season, a 48-42 win over Chetek-Weyerhaeuser, a team which had defeated the Beavers back in mid-January. The five team wins are the most by the program since 2021-2022, when Cumberland went 16 and 10. In the contest, the Beavers led much of the game, including a 18-14 margin at half. They overcame defensive pressure by the Bulldogs to finish up their victory, shooting 48 percent from the floor and seven for 13 from the free throw line. The Beecroft sisters led the way, with Senior Macy

Beecroft hitting three of six shots from beyond the arc while scoring a game-high 16 points. Sophomore Raegan Beecroft added 14 points and 15 rebounds in a strong effort, while Senior Melody Taylor scored 10 points and grabbed 10 rebounds. Point guard Kaylee Jackson, meanwhile, contributed five points and four assists and Lily Murphy had some strong minutes off the bench, scoring three points. It all added up to a nice team victory for Coach Tim Obr. Prior to the finale, Cumberland played a very good Cameron Team on Tuesday, February 18. The Comets tied Northwestern as Conference Champions with identical 17-1 records in HON play. In that contest, Cameron rolled to a 76-24 victory with 11 of their players getting into the scoring column. In the game, Cumberland was led by Macy and Raegan Beecroft with seven points each.

Girls BB Standings

TEAM	TEAM	W	L	STRK	OVERALL
Cameron	CAMER	17	1	W13	21-3-0
Northwestern	NWERN	17	1	W3	19-5-0
Hayward	HAY	12	6	W3	13-11-0
Ladysmith	LADYS	11	7	L1	14-10-0
Barron	BARRON	11	7	W1	13-11-0
St. Croix Falls	SCF	9	9	W5	9-15-0
Chetek-Weyerhaeuser	CH-WY	5	13	L5	5-17-0
Cumberland	CUMB	4	14	W1	5-19-0
Spooner	SPOON	4	14	L4	4-18-0
Ashland	ASHL	0	18	L18	2-21-0

Boys BB Standings

TEAM	TEAM	W	L	T	PCT	GB	GP	OVERALL
Cameron	CAMER	13	3	0	.813	-	16	16-6-0
Cumberland	CUMB	12	4	0	.750	1.0	16	16-5-0
Northwestern	NWERN	12	4	0	.750	1.0	16	15-7-0
Barron	BARRON	12	5	0	.706	1.5	17	13-9-0
Ladysmith	LADYS	12	5	0	.706	1.5	17	17-6-0
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Wisconsin Interscholastic Athletic Association Updates Transgender Athlete Policy; Board of Control aligns with federal guidance on girls' sports eligibility

WISCONSIN — The Wisconsin Interscholastic Athletic Association Board of Control has voted to update its policy on student-athlete eligibility, aligning with federal directives that restrict participation in girls' competitions to students designated as female at birth. WIAA Executive Director Stephanie Hauser stated that the decision was made in consultation with legal counsel to ensure compliance with new federal guidance. Here is the full news release from WIAA: Stephanie Hauser, Executive Director of the WIAA, released the following statement regarding today's vote by the organization's Board of Control with regard to eligibility: "The WIAA Board of

Control voted to update the organization's policy regarding student-athlete eligibility — affirming its compliance with federal directives that only students designated as females at birth will be allowed to participate in girls competitions. "Working in consultation with legal counsel, our Board updated this policy to ensure clarity is provided to our membership as they work to comply with new federal guidance from the White House." The vote taken by the WIAA Board of Control today is similar in nature to actions taken in recent days by the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA).

Cumberland Area Fishing & Hunting Table

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DATE	AM		PM		Sunrise	Sunset	Rise	Up	Sets	Down	DST
	Minor	Major	Minor	Major							
02/26 Wed	> 3:25	9:38	3:52	10:05	06:52	05:49	6:29a	4:18p	11:18a	11:44p	
02/27 Thu	4:15	10:28	4:41	10:54	06:50	05:50	6:53a	5:41p	12:10p	NoMoon	
02/28 Fri	5:06	10:50	5:31	----	06:48	05:52	7:14a	7:02p	1:01p	12:36a	
03/01 Sat	5:59	11:42	6:24	12:11	06:46	05:53	7:33a	8:23p	1:50p	1:25a	
03/02 Sun	6:54	12:41	7:20	1:07	06:45	05:54	7:54a	9:45p	2:41p	2:15a	
03/03 Mon	7:52	1:39	8:19	2:06	06:43	05:56	8:16a	11:10p	3:34p	3:07a	
03/04 Tue	8:53	2:39	9:21	3:07	06:41	05:57	8:42a	NoMoon	4:30p	4:02a	

Major = 2 hours/Minor = 1 hour • Times are centered on the major/minor window
F=Full Moon N=New Moon Q=Quarter Moon >= Peak Activity
DST will have * in it if it is in effect that day Calibrated for Time Zone: 6W

Illustration of a fish and a hunting scene.

Sports Calendar

Thursday, Feb. 27
State Wrestling TBD
Boys BB @ C/W 7:00
Friday, Feb. 28
Girls BB Regional TBD
State Wrestling TBD
Saturday, March 1
Girls BB Regional TBD
State Wrestling TBD
Girls Hockey Sectional @ Superior TBD

Illustration of a fish and a hunting scene.

8th Grade Girls Basketball Team!



Row 1 left to right: Aiyana Escolano, Grace Flottum, Jordyn Olson, Maci Anderson, and Amy Rodriguez-Sandavol. Row 2 left to right: Coach Olson, Hailey Paulson, Andi Olson, Kaleigh Bleifus, Reina Furseth, Brianna Wells, and Jovina Sknner.

7th Grade Girls Basketball Team!



Row 1 left to right: Arya LaBlanc, Tani Riebe, and Kori Rasmussen. Row 2 left to right: Christine Severson, Olivia Hopkina, Alyx Feidt, Maria Perez, and Skylar Gowin. Row 3 left to right: Molly Peterson, Kylie Galatowitsch, Addie Holmes, Lydia Gramberg, and Lilly Herman.

Barronett News

By Judy Pieper

Happy "It Almost Feels Like Spring is Here" week – or maybe even longer than a week. We are getting so spoiled. We haven't had much bad weather this year, just a few weeks now with snow and very cold temperatures, but still we complained. The shift in temperature this week was so extremely welcome. I know we could get a bunch more snow in March, but, at least then we know it is not going to last.

My Dad's birthday was March 2, and he always hoped for a blizzard on that day. One morning, when Tina Anderson was here for coffee, I told her about Dad's birthday wish, and we decided that, on that day, we would rather go to Dairy Queen and have a Blizzard. (I'm sure Dad would approve.)

Sunday was such a beautiful day that Duane and I decided we did not want to sit around the house being lazy, so we decided to drive over to Circle Pines, visit with Jerry Marsh, and see how he's coming along with his home remodeling. He is doing everything top-notch, and I am very jealous of his kitchen. It is roomy, wonderfully bright, and set up for convenience when a person is cooking. He is working on a utility (washer and dryer) room and his bathroom now. He is doing almost all of the work himself, and I am astounded by that. He's my son, I have known him since he was born, and I had no idea he knew how to do any of that stuff.

While we were there, Jerry called Jodi Ladd and we all went over to Lucy's for supper. The food there is delicious. I had a black bean burger and tater tots and, I can honestly say, it was one of the best black bean burgers I have had. Just the right amount of red pepper flakes to spice it up a bit. Visiting with Jerry and Jodi was a great way to spend a beautiful February day.

And, of course, this kind of weather makes us think about gardening. As you probably know, we had decided last fall that we were getting too old to have much of a garden, but --- we have changed our minds. We have been browsing through all the seed catalogs that come in the mail, and have decided that, maybe, just maybe, we still have one year left. I'm not sure of everything we will be planting, but I know that there will be little yellow and red tomatoes. (They are sooooo good. I stand out in the garden and eat them like candy.) And, of course, we will have to plant cucumbers. They are one of Duane's favorite fresh vegetables.

Geri Pittman makes wonderful pickles every year and she very generously gives them to lots of people, but last year our cucumbers were junk so she had to buy them. We certainly do not want that to happen again.

If you are a gardener and have found that you can't use or give away all the produce, I have one more idea for you. The food pantry

in Cumberland, located in the parking lot of the old Farmers' Union, is happy to take anything you want to donate on Fridays. I think they open their doors for donations at noon on Friday, and they were always happy to see Duane come in with our excess vegetables. Of course, they are always happy to see anyone come in with any type of food – canned fruit and vegetables, cereal, etc.

Karen Graf called this week and asked if I would put the word out about a large black dog, probably a lab, wearing a blue collar that has been visiting the Graf and Diesterhaft yards lately. She said that the dog looks very well cared for, and isn't usually aggressive, but it has gotten a little snarly on occasion. So, if you live in that vicinity and have a dog of that description who could be the culprit, they would really appreciate less (or no) visits from it.

Just a reminder – Lent is starting soon. Ash Wednesday is next Wednesday, March 6th. There will be a pot-luck supper in the basement of Barronett Lutheran that evening, and then, for the rest of the Wednesdays until the week of Easter, we will be having soup and sandwich suppers there. We hope you will join us for the Lenten services and suppers.

Well, I guess it's time for me to get going. I hope you are able to get out and enjoy the beautiful weather we are having this week. See you next time.

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SENIOR DINING

Thursday, February 27

Lemon baked cod with creamy dill sauce, baked baby reds, three-bean salad, assorted bread, fruit juice.

Friday, February 28

Vegetable lasagna, tossed side salad, bread stick, lemon bar.

Monday, March 3

Beef tips and mushroom gravy over egg noodles, peas and carrots, assorted bread, chilled peaches.

Tuesday, March 4

Mardi Gras gumbo with shrimp, sausage and vegetables served over white rice, dinner roll, berry crisp.

Wednesday, March 5

Slippery Hill Entrée salad with hard boiled eggs, beans, cheese, veggies, cottage cheese, bread stick, 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 and \$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. MENU IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE.
(No reservation needed for Soup & Salad Bar days on the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of the month served 11:30 am - 12:30 pm.) The Senior Center is located at 1255 Webb St.

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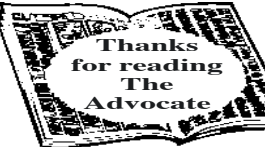
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Wisconsin DMV warns consumers of rise in online Vehicle Sale Fraud

The Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WisDOT) Division of Motor Vehicles (DMV) has noted a troubling trend in the number of scams by vehicle sellers posing as car dealers online. DMV's Dealer and Agent Section tracks this activity, investigates consumer complaints and offers tips to customers.

"The fraud scheme starts online as a fake storefront," DMV Dealer and Agent Section Chief Maura Schifalacqua explained. "An individual creates a website or a social media profile claiming to be a Wisconsin dealership. Stock images or photos of real vehicles and real Wisconsin dealerships are included to make the website seem legitimate. However, there is nothing legitimate about it. The advertised vehicles may be listed at below market value causing interested consumers to take the bait."

There are similarities with each case known as dealer cloning: fake websites or social media pages, cars priced below market value, and no in-person contact with the seller. Wisconsin DMV is aware of multiple cases that follow this pattern, with fraudulently created websites or Facebook profiles alleging to be legitimate Wisconsin dealerships.

"In one case, the business never existed," Schifalacqua said. "In many cases, the fraudster interacts with the consumer by phone or email. The buyer might receive a bill of sale and several photos of a vehicle and agree to purchase by wire transfer, believing the seller will ship the car to them. After the wire transfer is completed, the seller stops all contact, and the customer eventually realizes they've become a victim of fraud."

Tips for consumers

WisDOT recommends taking the following precautions to keep safe while buying a vehicle from a dealer:

- Watch for numerous spelling or grammatical errors on the seller's website or manipulated photos of a business or vehicle. This could tip you off to a cloned dealer site or unprofessional (and possibly unscrupulous) dealer.
- Research the dealership ahead of time including verifying phone number, address, email and other contact information.
- Review WisDOT's active dealers list to verify licensed dealers, wisconsindmv.gov/dealerlist. The list includes motor vehicle dealers and motorcycle dealers who are properly licensed to sell. This list is updated daily and readily available to the public.
- Review vehicle purchasing information

on WisDOT's website.

- Visually inspect the vehicle before buying and inspect the required Wisconsin Buyer's Guide.
- Ensure the selling dealer uses a Motor Vehicle Purchase Contract as required by Wisconsin law.
- Refrain from sending money by purchasing gift cards or other suspicious payment methods encouraged by the seller.
- If you wish to make a wire transfer to the seller's bank, independently verify the bank's contact information. You may inform the bank you wish to verify the legitimacy of the seller before sending a wire transfer.
- If something doesn't feel right, walk away from the purchase.
- If you are the victim of a scam involving a motor vehicle sale, you may:
- Speak to WisDOT's DMV Dealer and Agent Section by filing a dealer complaint: wisconsindmv.

gov/dealercomplaint

- Report internet-based crime: www.ic3.gov
- Consider filing a police report with the local law enforcement agency where you reside.
- Speak to AARP's Fraud Watch Helpline and find Fraud Victim Support Groups (all ages accepted): https://www.aarp.org/money/scams-fraud/fraud-victim-support-group/?cmp=RDRCT-CSN-FRD-NEW-SUPPORT_GROUP_PAGE
- Request a free credit report and research identity theft prevention: https://www.annualcreditreport.com/index.action

In 2024, DMV's Dealer and Agent Section's Field Investigation Unit investigated 1,259 consumer complaints and returned approximately \$1.7 million dollars to car buyers. The unit's responsibilities include consumer complaints, dealer inspections, unlicensed dealer investigations, and

title and odometer fraud.

For further information, please visit our website at wisconsindmv.gov. WisDOT is committed to protecting consumers and supporting Wisconsin dealers.



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by Pastor Tim Schmidt
First Lutheran Church

Jesus said, “Are your hearts hardened? Do you have eyes and not see, ears and not hear? And do you not remember, when I broke the five loaves for the five thousand?...” Mark 8:17-19

When something happens again and again you begin to rely on it... Like the sun coming up each morning... or taxes due every April... or the Lions not making the Super Bowl! (I grew up in Detroit). But there are things that we can kind of come to trust, because we experience them time after time.

That is what Jesus is talking about here with his disciples. It is learning to trust in what you see and experience again and again. Specifically here he is asking them why they are worried about having enough to eat. Didn't they see how fed the crowds with the loaves and the fish. And it was not just once, but multiple times he did this (once feeding 5,000 and once feeding 4,000).

And I wonder if we aren't like that too... We have seen and experienced God provide for us each and every day. We have experienced God's goodness and blessings new to us every morning. And yet we still worry. We still wonder if we have enough. We still can fail to trust that God will give us what we need.

Prayer: Eternal God, you provide for us each day – again and again – and yet we still worry or focus on what we do not have. Teach us to trust more and more in you and to know that you give us every good gift. For we pray through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.



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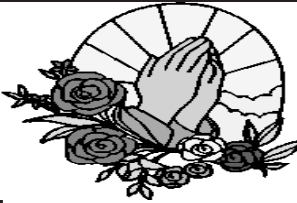
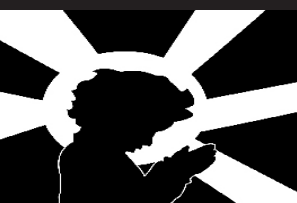
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Runner Up in the District Oratorical Contest!



Congratulations to Julia O'dour of Cumberland, who is the runner up in the District 10 American Legion Oratorical Contest. The American Legion Oratorical Contest is a speech contest where the students write their own 8-10 minute speech on some aspect of the Constitution. Next, the student has to give a 3-5 minute speech from one of the assigned topics of the amendments of the Constitution. Julia won the Barron County Competition and moved on to the District Competition where she finished in 2nd place. Pictured from left to right are: Jerry Townsend, Post Commander of Barron County, Barb O'dour, Julia's mom, Julia O'dour, and Mark Mauer, Americanism Chairman from Legion Post 98.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

JOB DESCRIPTION
About Us: Nature's Edge Therapy Center is a nonprofit organization providing intensive therapy services on a nature-based platform. Our 65-acre ranch utilizes hippotherapy, animal-assisted therapy, and horticulture to promote independence and maximize the potential of individuals with disabilities. Join our passionate team and make a meaningful difference in the lives of our patients and animals.

Position Summary: We are seeking a dedicated **BARN ASSISTANT & HORSE HANDLER** with **under saddle knowledge** to join our team. This role is essential in ensuring the care and wellbeing of our therapy animals while supporting the success of our therapy programs. If you have a passion for horse care, riding, and creating a nurturing environment, we encourage you to apply!

KEY RESPONSIBILITIES
Horse Care & Barn Maintenance: • Feed, water, groom, and care for horses according to individualized schedules. • Conduct daily health checks and administer basic medical care as needed. • Clean stalls, maintain the barn, and organize supplies.
Horse Handling & Riding: • Safely lead and handle horses during therapy sessions and for farrier/vet visits. • School and exercise therapy horses under saddle to maintain fitness and readiness. • Perform a riding test (required during the interview process) to demonstrate ability. • Provide feedback on horse behavior and suitability for therapy programs.
Program Support: • Prepare horses and equipment for therapy sessions or events. • Assist with educating participants about horse care and handling.
Other Duties: • Maintain accurate records related to horse care. • Ensure a safe and welcoming environment for staff, volunteers, and participants.

Qualifications:
• At least 2 years of experience in horse care, handling, and riding. • Strong knowledge of equine health, behavior, and fitness. • Physical ability to perform barn duties (lift up to 50 lbs, work outdoors year-round). • Excellent communication and teamwork skills.
Preferred: • Experience with therapy horses or equine-assisted activities. • Certification in equine first aid or related training.

Opportunities for Growth: • Wages will increase for candidates interested in becoming certified as a PATH Intl. Instructor (Professional Association of Therapeutic Horsemanship International). • Certification training and opportunities for professional development are available to qualified candidates.
Schedule: • Monday–Friday, 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, with occasional weekend or evening shifts as needed.
Compensation: • Competitive pay based on experience, with opportunities for wage increases tied to certification and skill development.

Why Join Us? • Work in a supportive, mission-driven environment. • Make a meaningful impact on the lives of individuals and animals. • Be part of a dedicated and passionate team.

How to Apply: • Submit your resume, e-mail a cover letter, and references to nature@nature'sedgetherapycenter.org. Please include details about your equine experience, especially your work with horse handling and under saddle training. Selected candidates will perform a **riding test** as part of the interview process.

Job Types: Full-time, Part-time
Pay: \$14.00 - \$16.00 per hour
Expected hours: 40 per week
Benefits: • Health insurance • Health savings account • Paid time off • Professional development assistance • Retirement plan
Schedule: • 8 hour shift • Day shift • Monday to Friday
Ability to Relocate: • Rice Lake, WI 54868: Relocate before starting work (Required)
Work Location: In person



Library Legislative Day!



Library Legislative Day 2025! Thank you to Kelly Cady and Sandy Capra for representing the Thomas St. Angelo Public Library of Cumberland and advocating for Wisconsin libraries! They met with Representatives David Armstrong, Amanda Nedweski, and Rob Summerfield, as well as Senators Diane Hasselbein, Jesse James and Romaine Quinn.

Shahla Brown and Cumberland High School Selected to Receive AIFS Foundation Tony Cook Memorial Grant

Congratulations goes out to Shahla Brown and Cumberland High School! We are pleased to announce that Cumberland High School has been selected to receive the AIFS Foundation's 2024-2025 school year Tony Cook Memorial Grant for \$1,000. These funds are expected to be used by the Cumberland High school's foreign language department to help with cultural enhancement activities.

We sincerely appreciate the families, teachers, administration, and staff at Cumberland high school for their efforts in making the AYA (Academic Year in America) program a success in every aspect. By hosting AYA students and with the effective use of the Tony Cook Grant, Cumberland high school will have an impact on American students as well as our international students by fostering a sharing of cultures and a greater understanding between people from around the world.

Included in the photo is Shahla Brown (Cumberland High school Spanish teacher), and Steve Eichman (AYA local coordinator for Northwest, Wisconsin).

We want also to recognize two Cumberland school district families as well: Kim and Patrick

Donica for hosting Magdalena from Germany and Brent and Kristine Sellent for hosting Noah from Germany during the 2024-2025 school year.

Anyone wishing to know more about the Gold Standard AYA program please contact Steve Eichman at: 715 541 2456 or email stevejeichman@gmail.com www.academicyear.org

AYA is still in need of both temporary and permanent homes for over 300 students for 2025-2026 school year so don't hesitate to check the program out. Thank you to all for encouraging and supporting the goals of international education in the area schools.



PUBLIC NOTICES



NOTICE

The Common Council of the City of Cumberland will meet on **Tuesday, March 4th at 6:00 p.m.**, at the Cumberland City Hall, 950 1st Ave., Cumberland, WI for a regular meeting.

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

Arlene Frisinger, Clerk
City of Cumberland
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Public Auction, Tuesday, **March 11, 2025, 10:15 am** am at Cumberland Mini Storage, Cumberland, WI, 1-800-236-3072. Personal effects, household goods & misc. items belonging to the following: Cara Hill CL07

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NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Supervisors for Town of Maple Plain will hold its monthly meeting on **Thursday, March 6, 2025, at 7:00 p.m.**, at the Town Hall, located at 393 26th Avenue. The hall is accessible to all persons.

The agenda will be posted no later than 24 hours in advance of the meeting and on the Town's website, www.townofmapleplain.wi.gov

Danielle Maxwell-Parker
Clerk, Town of Maple Plain
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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR AQUATIC PLANT MANAGEMENT PERMIT

Lake Restoration, Inc. intends to apply for a permit from the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources to treat up to 70 acres of Beaver Dam Lake with aquatic herbicides to control aquatic plants. The proposed treatment would occur between April 15, 2025 and September 1, 2025.

Lake Restoration, Inc. will conduct a public informational meeting on the proposed treatment if five or more individuals, organizations, special units of government or local units of government request one. The meeting would give citizens a chance to learn more about the proposed treatment from the permit applicant. Lake Restoration is not required to, but may, change the proposed treatment based on information provided by citizens attending the meeting. Any request for a public meeting on the propose treatment must be made within five days after this notice is published. The request must specify the topics to be discussed at the meeting, including problems and alternatives, and must be sent in writing to Lake Restoration, Inc., 12425 Ironwood Circle, Rogers, MN 55374, Att: James Bartlett and the Department of Natural Resources, 810 West Maple Street, Spooner, WI 54801. ATT. Tylor Mesalk. This notice is required by Chapter NR-107, Wisconsin Administrative Code.

To view the treatment areas, go to the Beaver Dam Lake Management District website at beaverdamlake.org, click on Home, then click on Lake Protection and finally click on Lake EWM Treatment Plan.

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Statewide public notice website

www.wisconsinpublicnotice.org

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Supervisors for the Town of Lakeland will hold its monthly meeting* on **Monday, March 24, 2025, at 7:00 p.m.**, at the Town Hall, located at 791 - 29 11/16th Avenue. The hall is accessible to all persons.

The agenda will be posted no later than 24 hours in advance of the meeting and can also be found on the Town's website, www.townoflakeland.wi.gov

*Please note that the date of the monthly board meeting for the subsequent month will be set by the board during each monthly meeting.

Danielle Maxwell-Parker,
Clerk
Town of Lakeland
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Pictured is Shahla Brown, Cumberland High School Spanish Teacher and Steve Eichman, AYA local coordinator for Northwest Wisconsin.

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Vintage Snowmobile Ride!



A group of over twenty snowmobilers got together last Saturday for a ride that started at Dales Twin Pines. The group made a stop at Nezzys and then made a loop back to McKinley. The weather was perfect and “Most” of the sleds made it back with no breakdowns. Pictured at left is Ray Hibbs on a 1969 Johnson Skee Horse.

Representative Armstrong Responds to Governor’s Budget Request

MADISON, WI – State Rep. Dave Armstrong (R-Rice Lake) joined his legislative colleagues on the evening of February 18 to hear Governor Tony Evers’ 2025-2027 state budget address.

“While Governor Evers talks a good game about wanting to cut taxes, make no mistake that Wisconsin would not be in the strong fiscal position it’s in if not for legislative Republicans consistently standing up to the Governor in past sessions and crafting budgets that fund Wisconsin priorities without burdening Wisconsin families.”

“My legislative colleagues and I recognize that a large portion Wisconsin’s current budget surplus is one-time money, and it would be irresponsible to use those funds for new or ongoing programs that will leave Wisconsin taxpayers on the hook down the road.

“There are certainly some broad issue areas Governor Evers mentioned on which Democrats and Republicans should be able to agree. For example, I found some of his proposed insurance reforms interesting. However, the devil is in the details, as is often the case with the Governor’s budget proposals. The Governor also doesn’t get the consensus process off to a great start by larding his budget with liberal nonstarters, and he continues to include non-fiscal policy items that, regardless of merit, should not be in a budget document and should instead be introduced as standalone legislation where they can be properly vetted by the appropriate legislative committees.

“All that said, I look forward into digging into the Governor’s proposals, collecting feedback from residents of the 67th Assembly District, and working with my fellow legislators to create a budget that truly represents Wisconsin interests. The Governor’s budget address is only the first step.”



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10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Topic: Learn About Maple Syrup Tapping
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