



City of Cumberland Considering Room Tax

The City of Cumberland is considering the imposition of a 5% Room Tax. See the graphic about what a Room Tax is, how it works, and how the revenue can be spent. We are holding a Public Hearing on the topic on **Tuesday, May 6th**, at the Regular City Council meeting that starts at 6 pm at City Hall. The public is invited to attend. If you cannot attend, you can submit your comments in advance by contacting City Administrator Randy Reeg at City Hall.

WISCONSIN
ROOM TAX

5%

WHAT IS IT?
A local tax imposed by municipalities on short-term lodging stays (less than 30 days) at places like hotels, motels, resorts, bed & breakfasts, and short-term rentals (e.g., Airbnb)

HOW IT'S COLLECTED
The tax added to the guest's bill and collected by the lodging provider

EXAMPLE
For a \$100 room charge, the room tax would be \$5

HOW IT'S COLLECTED
The tax is added to the guest's bill and collected by the lodging provider

REVENUE USE
At least 70% of the revenue must be used for tourism promotion and development

WHO PAYS?
Guests staying at hotels, motels, resorts, bed & breakfasts, or short-term rentals

Wisconsin's General Fishing Season Opens May 3

MADISON, Wis. – The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR) reminds anglers the 2025-2026 general inland fishing season will open statewide Saturday, May 3.

With more than 15,000 inland lakes, 42,000 miles of perennial streams and rivers, 1,000 miles of Great Lakes shoreline and 260 miles of the Mississippi River, there are plenty of great places to wet a line over opening weekend.

Need help picking a place to fish or want to explore new water? The new Wisconsin Fishing Finder is here to help aid anglers in finding their next fishing adventure. It's a one-stop shop for fishing regulations, launch locations and access points, stocking information and more.

No matter where anglers decide to fish, all Wisconsin residents and nonresidents age 16 or older are required to purchase a fishing license. Annual resident licenses cost \$20 each, or purchase a spousal license for \$31 so you and your spouse can fish together. All fishing licenses and stamps can be purchased online via Go Wild, at a registered sales location or at DNR Service Centers.

As anglers head out to their favorite fishing loca-

tions across the state, the DNR would like to share these reminders:

Help minimize the spread of aquatic invasive species by removing plants and animals from boats before and after launching, draining all water from compartments and never moving live fish away from any waterbody.

To prevent the spread of fish diseases, remove all water, aquatic vegetation and/or mud from fishing equipment before leaving their fishing location. All fishing equipment, including boats, trailers, boots, waders, nets and float tubes, should be thoroughly cleaned and dried before being used again.

If not keeping your catch, follow proper fish handling protocols to ensure a safe release.

Follow safe boating procedures and always wear a life jacket when on the water.

Review all the rules and regulations for the waters you intend to fish.

The full 2025-2026 hook and line fishing and trout fishing regulations are available online and in print in English, Spanish, Hmong and large print versions.

Anglers can also find additional information on the DNR's Fishing webpage or by contacting your local fisheries biologist.

Powerful Winds!



A level 4 predicted storm system caused some severe damage to Cumberland and the surrounding area. The main culprit was downed trees and power lines, but several structures sustained heavy damage as well. Hundreds of trees are down in the area with Cumberland, Haugen, Sarona and many areas in between taking the brunt of the Monday night storm. Super strong winds kicked up around 6:30 pm, causing quite the mess. Roads were blocked and power was knocked out to thousands. As of Tuesday morning, power had been restored to most, although some were still without. The same storm caused damage across many areas of Minnesota and Wisconsin, including spawning several tornadoes, including in Augusta and Eau Claire. There were no injuries reported in our area. Thank you to all who worked hard to restore power and open up roads. Pictured here is a large tree that fell on the Steve and Julie Lindfors home on Buck Street behind Cumberland Dairy Queen.

Hometown Hero!



Pastor Cody Kargus (left) is presented the "Hometown Hero" award by State Representative Dave Armstrong as the State Assembly met at the State Capitol in Madison on April 22nd. Congratulations Pastor Kargus.

Assembly Honors Cody Kargus as "Hometown Hero"

The Wisconsin State Assembly met on April 22 to vote on a workforce development package. However, the Assembly began its session by recognizing Pastor Cody Kargus of Rice Lake's Maranatha Evangelical Free Church as a Hometown Hero.

"The Hometown Hero program recognizes Wisconsin residents who go above and beyond to make a difference," State Rep. Dave Armstrong (R-Rice Lake) explained. "It's fascinating to hear the stories during Hometown Hero presentations, and Cody was an obvious choice, given how much he does for the community. It was an honor to nominate him."

In addition to serving as Senior Pastor at Maranatha, Kargus is chaplain for all the municipal police departments in Barron County, as well as for the Barron County Sheriff's Department.

"On top of serving his own congregation, Cody makes himself available to our local law enforcement when they need spiritual guidance or even simply comfort," Representative Armstrong said. "He's been there for them and their families during truly awful times, such as the accidental drowning death of a child in 2019 and the 2023 murders of Officers Emily Breidenbach and Hunter Scheel in the line of duty. I honestly don't know how he does it, but I'm grateful for all he does and am proud to call him my friend."

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History of the Cumberland Public Library Topic at Genealogy Society

The Blue Hills Genealogical Society invites the public to their free May 1 meeting at 6:30 p.m. at the Barron Senior Center, 12 N. 3rd St., Barron. Cumberland librarian Rob Ankarlo will present an informative and interesting program on the history of the Cumberland library. The library is a Carnegie library completed in 1902. In 1996 it was added to the National Register

of Historic Places. Please note the time of this meeting as 6:30 p.m. If you would like to join the Blue Hills Genealogical Society, you may do so at one of its monthly meetings or by going online to www.bhgsbc.org and clicking on the Join tab. The Society was organized in 2002 and maintains a Resource Library at 600 Wisconsin in Cameron where they collect and preserve data pertaining to family history of the Barron County area. The Resource Library is free and open to the public for research by making an appointment with Lookup Chair Rosella Amundson. She may be contacted at 715-537-5760 or rjainwi@charter.net. Mrs. Amundson may also be contacted with family history questions about Barron County. If you have an ancestor that lived in Barron County by 1870, you may apply for a Pioneer Certificate through the Society's Certificate program. Or if you have an ancestor that lived in Barron County by 1925, you can apply for a Century Certificate. Contact Linda Adams at 715-205-2860 or at buzzy@chibardun.net for information on applying for a certificate. If you have family history information that deals with Barron County that you would like to donate to the Society, please contact Gloria Dobberfuhl at 715-637-5579 or mgd5579@hotmail.com.

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Wisconsin Author

Ted J. Rulseh

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Please register by calling 715-822-2767 or emailing cupl@cumberlandpl.org.

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Ruby's Pantry

Saturday, May 3

Distribution will be held at Cumberland Fire Hall as a drive through Pantry.

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DISTRIBUTION FROM 8 TO 9:30 AM

Donation \$25 per Share

Cash Preferred - No Checks Please

✓ Cumberland's Ruby's Pantry will remain a drive through Pantry at the Cumberland Fire Hall.

✓ The Fire Hall is located behind the Elementary School. You will be directed to line up in the 3M parking lot. Please follow our parking directors.

✓ Fast Track guests will line up on the far side of the 3M parking lot.

SCHOOL LUNCH

Thursday, May 1

Chicken patty, fries, green beans, peaches.

MS/HS: Cheese quesadilla.

ES: Jelly sandwich & string cheese.

Friday, May 2

Fish sticks, chips, peas, applesauce.

MS/HS: Pizza.

ES: Jelly sandwich & string cheese

Monday, May 5

Ham and cheese, fries, carrots pears.

MS/HS: Beef vegetable soup and grilled cheese.

ES: Jelly sandwich & string cheese.

Tuesday, May 6

Tacos, refried beans, brown rice, corn, peaches.

MS/HS: Cheese quesadilla.

ES: Jelly Sandwich & Cheese string.

Wednesday, May 7

Meat lasagna, homemade wheat bread, green beans, pears.

MS/HS: Pizza.

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CUMBERLAND SCHOOL DISTRICT NEWS

COMMUNITY EDUCATION OFFERINGS

THURSDAY, MAY 1 • 6:30-7:30 am CCE: Pickleball • 4:30-9:30 pm Track @ HOME • 5:30-7:30 pm Girls Soccer @ Osceola •

FRIDAY, MAY 2 • 6:30-7:30 am CCE: Pickleball • 10 am-3 pm Boys Golf Invitational @ Bloomer • 3:30-8 pm Baseball @ Spooner (Doubleheader) •

SATURDAY, MAY 3 • 8 am-4 pm State Solo/Ensemble at UWEC • 11 am-1 pm CCE: Pickleball • 3:30-7 pm Varsity Baseball @ River Falls •

MONDAY, MAY 5 • 6:30-7:30 am CCE: Pickleball • 3:30-6 pm Cinco de Mayo Celebration • 4-5 pm CCE: Choose Fit/Bench Stepping • 4-8 pm Boys Golf Meet vs Chetek/Weyerhaeuser • 7:30-8:30 pm HS Band Spring Concert •

TUESDAY, MAY 6 • 6:30-7:30 am CCE: Pickleball • 4-8 pm Boys Golf Meet HOME vs Ashland • 4-9 pm Track @ Bloomer Middle School • 5-8 pm Baseball @ Hayward • 5-6:30 pm CCE: Intro to Sign Language Class • 5-6:30 pm CCE: Intro to Spanish • 5:30-7:30 pm Girls Soccer @ Barron HS vs Ashland • 5-7 pm Softball Home vs Hayward • 6:30-8:30 pm MS Band & Choir Spring Concert • 8-10 pm CCE: Adult Volleyball •

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

MAY DAY FORAGING

Please join Katie G. on a foraging walk in support of the Cumberland Co-op. Katie has been an avid forager since 2016. She learned what she knows from experts such as Samuel Thayer from Foragers Harvest and the Forager Chef, Alan Bergo. She would like to show you spring ephemeral wild edible plants and make a tasty Wild Spring Salad.

We will begin class at the IC Food Coop and then proceed to an out in the field location. Please wear appropriate footwear, tick repellent and perhaps a water bottle.

Thursday, May 1, 2025 • 1:00 pm

@ Island City Food Coop

Cost: Donation to the Food Coop

To register for this great opportunity please contact: Susan Bridger, CCE Director HS: 715-822-5121 ext. 403 / sbrid@csdmail.com

You may also sign-up at the IC Food Coop

SPANISH LESSONS

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Northwoods Notebook: The worst month, thank God, is over By Larry Werner

We have a sun porch that overlooks our neighbors' homes down the hill and the lake beyond. It's a lovely room, sun-filled on sunny days, that I call my reading and writing place.

Technically, it's a four-season porch, since it has an electric baseboard heater, but we close it off in the winter out of concern for the electric bill. But now that April has mercifully passed into May, we can open the door from the living room to the porch, from where we can step out onto the deck.

Spring is supposed to arrive in March, but not in Cumberland. It arrives on May 1 on my calendar, when the temperature doesn't drop below freezing at night and climbs into the 60s during the day.

For several years, we spent the month of March in a warm place — Florida or Arizona. The first week of April, we'd hit the road for Cumberland and, inevitably, snow would be falling as we drove into town. April is not spring, I learned: It's the last month of winter.

Years ago, shortly after I had moved to Cumberland, a friend said you shouldn't return from your warm place (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 or your local Ag instructor.

Of course, May will bring us thunderstorms as warm and cold fronts collide. But it will also bring us calm and warm days for walking into town, passing over the Grove Street bridge to admire the restored and refilled Library Lake, bidding howdies to people raking lawns and removing winter mulch.

Along main street, we'll see our neighbors entering and emerging from downtown businesses. And in a few weeks, on Friday afternoons, we'll see the cars of cabin people lined up at the four-way on their way to summer places east and north.

It's the best time of the year, now that the cruelest month of April has mercifully given way to May, the month of rebirth and reunion. Enjoy!

Larry Werner's email is lh-werner47@gmail.com.

Farm Safety & Farm Machinery Certification Course set

The Barron-Polk County Tractor Safety Certification Program will be held June 16, 17, 18, and 19 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

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- "Your Care, Your Rights:" by Emily Dilley, CEO

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Opinion

Out My Window

by Paul Bucher, Editor



Well that was quite the storm Monday night, depending on your location. We were spared at our home by just a few miles, but it sill got awful windy. I talked to a friend of mine, who lives just East of town, and he said it was like a long howl. He didn’t remember seeing winds that strong before. Hundreds of trees are down out that direction with damage reported. Thankfully there were no injuries from the storm. As I came to town on Monday night to take some photos, it was kind of weird heading down County Highway H into town. Near Camp Brigadoon and to the East for a mile or two, there was nothing but then branches and such were prevalent on the road. I saw a couple taking in a beautiful sunset on their deck and two miles later trees and branches were down all over. Pretty crazy. I’m just thankful no one was injured.

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I recently talked to Dale Goergen, President of the group 50 People and More who Care. Dale was hoping I would be willing to put a little something in my column about the group. I told him I would be more than happy to do so. The group has helped many businesses with their generous quarterly grants, including the Advocate. Here is what Dale had to say: April marks the fifth anniversary of 50 People (& More) Who Care. 50 People is a civic organization born from a bible study group that met at the old Peter and Annie’s. The original goal was to get 50 people to join and give \$100 per quarter and award all the proceeds to a local business. Any business or community organization based in Cumberland, Comstock, or Barronett is eligible to apply for the grant. The group now has more than 80 members and has given grants to 20 different businesses and community organizations, totaling more than \$200,000. If you are interested in joining us in helping out a local business in need or want to apply for a grant, application forms are available at www.50peoplewhocare.org.

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The fishing season opens this Saturday, May 3rd. I can’t wait to get out there and catch a few walleyes, laugh a lot and just get away for a couple of days. The fish should be shallow and hopefully hungry, they should be. In reality you can do as much fishing as you want as soon as the ice goes out. Panfish season never closes and catch and release season is open for bass as well. Now is a great time to go get a fresh meal of fish. Good luck to everyone who hits the water this weekend.

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Well work is starting on the Highway 63 project. Hopefully Mother Nature helps out with some good weather to help the process. Keep your fingers crossed! Be patient! Have a great week!

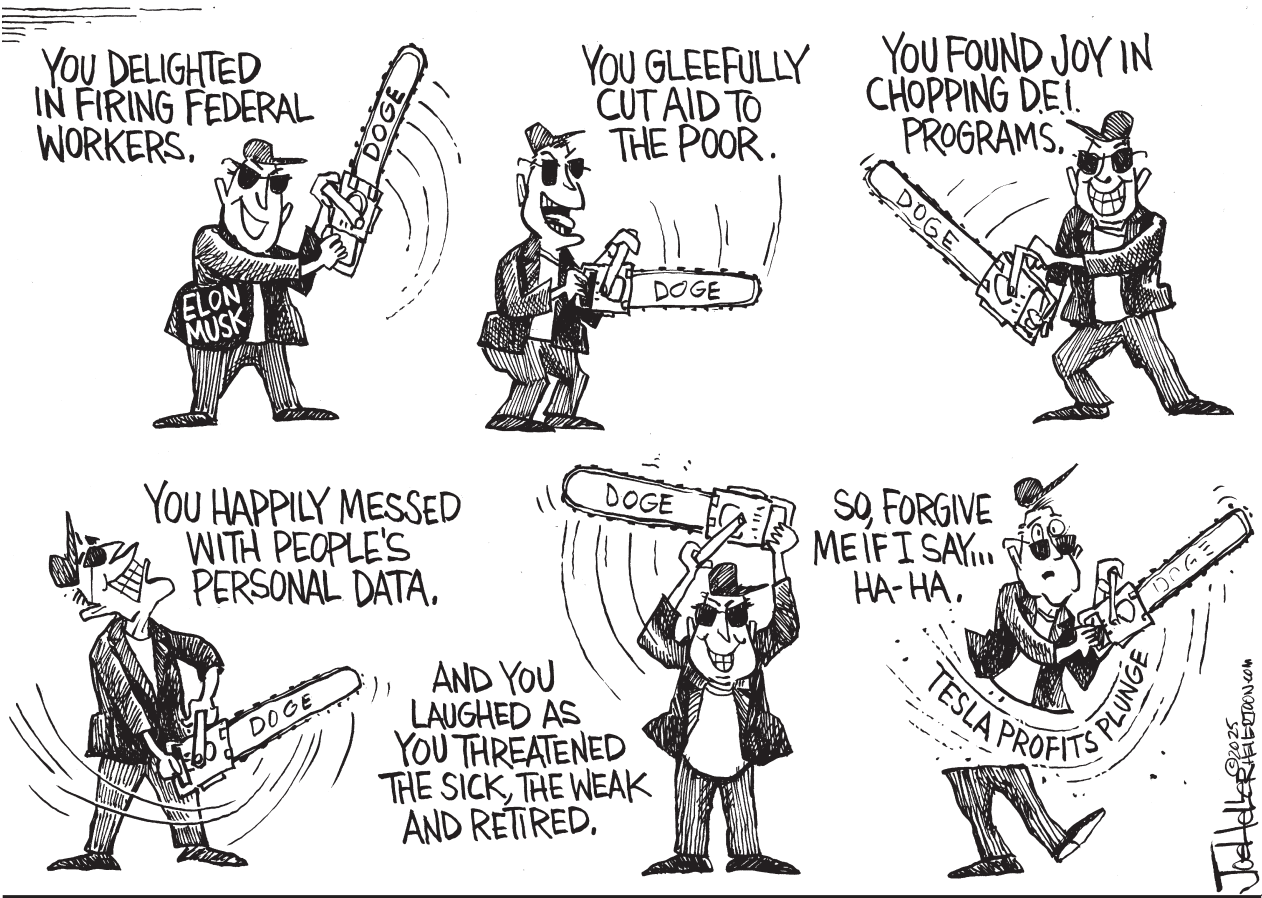


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Inside Wisconsin

by Tom Still

“Wisconsin economy in the crosshairs: Debt reduction versus growth”

MADISON, Wis. – If you don’t think reducing the national debt is vital to America’s long-term economic health, consider the following: Servicing the roughly \$36 trillion debt is a major reason why consumer costs keep rising, interest rates remain high, economic growth forecasts have slipped and, most recently, market confidence in U.S. bonds was shaken. Like or loathe DOGE, that debt is a reason why President Trump’s Department of Government Efficiency was created, why a “tariff war” has been declared and why many familiar government programs are on the chopping block – or at least scheduled for a haircut.

In Wisconsin, where manufacturing and agriculture are economic staples and innovation in health-tech and other science sectors is world-competitive, the combination of tariffs and cuts in research grants is a dangerous one-two punch. Leaders in those sectors must double down on explaining why the cause of debt reduction is better served by performance-based tests and economic growth than indiscriminate cuts.

That theme was sounded in two recent state forums featuring leaders in health care and research who are worried that proposed cuts

in National Institute of Health grants will reverse decades of progress in human, animal and plant health and stall economic growth while surrendering research and development leadership to China. Speaking April 22 at a Tech Council Innovation Network luncheon in Madison, the director of the Wisconsin Institutes for Discovery said NIH grant cuts and rescissions are already causing “unprecedented disruptions” to the state’s life science community.

WID Director Jo Handelsman said it’s not just the reality of reductions already underway, but the uncertainty surrounding planned research projects – which are typically conducted over time and require recruiting and retaining quality scientists.

It’s not just the effect on research institutions such as WID and UW-Madison, but the waste involved in marooning clinical trials and other research in mid-stream; the commercialization of emerging diagnostics and therapies that will never happen; and the economic harm that comes from new and re-emerging threats to human and animal health.

Handelsman is a former White House science advisor who also chairs the

Coalition for the Life Sciences, a decades-old national group that recently outlined its concerns in a letter to leaders of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services and the NIH.

That message was reinforced April 23 during an online panel discussion hosted by Wisconsin Health News, in which participants underscored the statewide nature of the threat.

Medical College of Wisconsin President Dr. John Raymond described cuts already underway, UW-Milwaukee professor Karyn Frick talked about threats to her Alzheimer’s disease research, and Univerisities of Wisconsin Vice President Johannes Britz outlined how reductions will touch every campus in the system.

Wisconsin researchers received about \$700 million in the latest fiscal year from the NIH, with the UW-Madison, the Medical College of Wisconsin, other UW campuses, Marquette University and the Marshfield Clinic Health System being among the sites. About 2,700 clinical trials are spread among them, the group noted.

Panel members noted that medical research in China is almost entirely financed by the govern-

ment, while U.S. research became the world leader through a combination of public and private funding. They agreed surrendering American primacy would be a threat to the economy and human health.

Could American medical research be improved? Of course. Researchers often complain about red tape and other barriers to accomplishing their core work. Current NIH director Dr. Jay Bhattacharya has noted his agency is too slow and too risk averse. All that is likely true, but internal reforms tied to removing barriers and enhancing performance would be preferable to wholesale NIH cuts.

The same goes for the National Science Foundation, where the Trump administration has also cancelled hundreds of research awards.

Debt reduction is a pressing need, but current remedies will likely hurt three of Wisconsin’s key industries – manufacturing, agriculture and science-based research. In the long run, it will be economic growth from those kinds of industries nationwide that reduces the national debt. Let’s keep that economic principle in mind.

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

A Look Back

10 Years Ago May 6, 2015

Nilssen’s Market was recognized at the 75th annual convention of the WI Association of Meat Processors, held in Madison on April 9-11. At the Meat Product Show, Nilssen’s Market received the following product awards: Nilssen’s Smokehouse Chili Cheese Brats Grand Champion and Nilssen’s Smokehouse Ring Bologna Reserve Grand Champion.

Mayor Tom Mysicka, Police Chief Rick Rieper, and Michael Cifaldi, of Cifaldi Motors displayed the new 4x4 Squad Truck. Chief Rieper would also like to thank the anonymous donors who helped with the new purchase of two patrol rifles, and to Woodland Signs, Cumberland Ace Hardware, Das Lach Haus and members of the Cumberland Fire Department for their donations towards a new laptop for the squad.

20 Years Ago May 4, 2005

The 2005 Prom Court members are: Jake Burling, Kerri Dehline, Jordan Bowen, Erika Sampson, Tom McCarthy, Meghan Michalak, Pierce FollansbeeDelong, Lindsey Koser, Joel Cifaldi, Jody Krueger, Aaron Hendricks Amanda Wesenberg, Todd

Bryce, Kaleigh Lindfors, 2005 King Austin FollansbeeDelong and 2005 Queen Shanna Webb.

30 Years Ago May 3, 1995

The following students finished with perfect scores at the State Speech Contest held in Madison recently. Twilia Riebe, Beth Voshell, Sara Haverly, Kristy Jacobs, Jodi Haverly, Amy Jacobson, Hilary Bridger and Tyler Lynch.

The 1995 City Council Members are: Tom Goldsmith, Jeff Kuehn, Mark Talbot, Dale Knutson, James Brecka, Debbie Lehmann, President Keith Lindquist, Mayor Lawrence Samlaska and Anthony Olson.

40 Years Ago May 1, 1985

While mild, dry April weather has allowed area farmers to get a good jump on spring field work, many are finding that their alfalfa took a beating over the winter. Up to a quarter of Barron County’s alfalfa acreage was damaged during the winter. Between 20 and 25 thousand acres of alfalfa in the county suffered winter kill.

50 Years Ago May 1, 1975

Representatives from CHS to Badger Girls and Badger Boys State

have been selected. Ursula Kiesch, is the Girls State representative, and the Boys State representatives are Norman Nelson and James Anderson.

Under the sponsorship of the Cumberland Chamber of Commerce, a “Friday Nite Bonanza” will start here on Friday, May 9. During the evenings of May 9, 16, 23 and 30, special bargains will be offered to attract Friday evening shoppers to the city. In addition, \$100 in cash will be given away to some lucky persons.

60 Years Ago April 30, 1965

It was spring, back to winter, and then spring as Mother Nature had a hard time making up her mind. Readings were in the high 50’s last week, followed by two inches of wet snow on Sunday, and back to the 50’s again in the middle of the week.

70 Years Ago May 5, 1955

One of Cumberland’s citizens, Frank L. Lampson, Cumberland Attorney, has achieved an important distinction in his profession by being accepted to practice before the Supreme Court of the United States.

80 Years Ago May 3, 1945

A fire believed to have started in or around the chimney of the Mrs. and Mrs. Edgar Organ residence in Barronett, totally destroyed the home. Mr. and Mrs. Organ had moved into the place less than two weeks ago.

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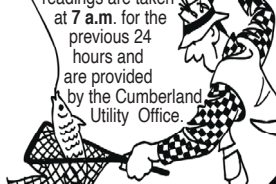


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2025 WEATHER

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4/28	63	49	-

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

Brandon M. Crane, 40, New Auburn, OWI, \$2,247.00. Dustin R. Kuschner, 42, Barron, OWI, \$1,617.00. Brandon L. Snyder, 38, Chetek, operate without carrying a license, \$217.10. Duane A. Anderson, 65, Rockford, MN., speeding, \$175.00. Devan J. Aube, 28, Rice Lake, speeding, \$225.70. Megan M. Brown, 35, Chetek, speeding, \$225.70. Jake A. Checchin, 44, Barron, speeding, \$175.30 and operating a motor vehicle without insurance, \$200.50. Israel Coronadolorenzo, 53, Arcadia, OWI, \$1,081.00. Craig A. Cousins, 65, Turtle Lake, fail/maintain high mounted stop lamp, \$175.30. Dodge Brothers Construction, Amery, vehicle equipment violations Group 3, \$175.30, non-registration of vehicle, \$175.30 and non-registration of other vehicle, \$263.50. David A. Frolik, 56, Rice Lake, failure to wear a seat belt, \$10.00. Michael R. Galep, 67, Cumberland, speeding, \$276.10. Daniel Garcia, 43, Platteville, operating while revoked, \$200.50. Esteban F. Godoy-Sandoval, 27, Houston, TX., speeding, \$276.10. Brandon R. Gokney, 29, Woodbury, MN., speeding, \$175.30. Steven M. Golledge, 63, Ridgeland, speeding, \$225.70. Jordan I. Gramer, 19, Almena, speeding, \$200.50. Paige S. Hoff, 23, Barron, OWI, \$1,081.00. Zachary D. Holden, 29, Menomonie, failure to wear a seat belt, \$10.00. Dylan J. Homme, 26, Cameron, operate without a valid license, \$200.50. Tyler D. Kahl, 21, Prairie Farm, OWI, \$1,112.50. Yulia J. Knutson, 34, Chippewa Falls, vent/side window excessive tinting, \$175.30. Dan A. La Rue, 51, Chetek, failure to wear a seat belt, \$10.00. Dayn R. Leonardson, 35, Rice Lake, operating motor vehicle without proof of insurance, \$10.00. Derek L. Lindemann, 41, Chetek, failure to keep vehicle under control, \$213.10. Cole M. Ludwigson, 17, New Auburn, speeding, \$200.50. Sheena M. Mann, 38, Cameron, speeding, \$175.30. Shyla J. Miller, 22, Rice Lake, failure to wear seat belt, \$10.00. Justin L. Nelson, 35, Balsam Lake, failure to wear a seat belt, \$10.00. Samuel M. Phillipson, 20, Hayward, speeding, \$175.30. Kevin N. Ramsey, 35, Hillsdale, operating while revoked, \$276.10. Hunter D. West, 30, Barron, operating left of center, \$213.10. Kimberly R. Wicke, 56, Cumberland, speeding, \$175.30.

Complaints

Landon K. Brekke, 20, of Clear Lake, has been charged with disorderly conduct and domestic abuse. His court date was scheduled for April 21, 2025.

Taylor S. Dahlstrom, 19, of Frederic, has been charged with minor posseses/purchases tobacco/nicotine. Her court date is scheduled for June 4, 2025.

Thomas A. Hickinbottom, 54, of Rochester, MN., has been charged with possession of marijuana. His court date is scheduled for July 9, 2025.

Carolina K. Randall, 17, of Cumberland, has been charged with possession of marijuana and possession of drug paraphernalia. Her court date is scheduled for May 28, 2025.

Criminal Traffic

Terra A. Lee, 54, of Ladysmith, has been charged with OWI and operating with PAC. His adjourned initial appearance is scheduled for April 30, 2025.

Dylan P. Jones, 27, of Woodbury, MN., has been charged with OWI and operating with PAC. His adjourned initial appearance is scheduled for June 4, 2025.

Nevada A. Lebow, 23, of Cumberland, has been charged with operating with PAC, OWI, operating while revoked and ignition interlock device tampering/failure to install/violate court order. Her court hearing is scheduled for July 18, 2025.

Steven M. Golledge, 63, of Ridgeland, has been charged with operating while revoked. His court hearing is scheduled for July 11, 2025.

Skyler C. Miles, 24, of Chetek, has been charged with OWI, and operating with PAC. His initial appearance is scheduled for April 30, 2025.

Criminal Complaints

Jordan I. Weathers, 19, of Rice Lake, has been charged with attempt theft-movable property. His initial appearance is scheduled for May 7, 2025.

John D. Ray, 35, of Barron, has been charged with possession of cocaine/coca. His initial appearance is scheduled for May 7, 2025.

Jaqueline M. Denasha, 30, of Couderay, has been charged with possession of cocaine/coca and repeater. Her initial appearance is scheduled for May 7, 2025.

Johnny D. Moore, 71, of Rice Lake, has been charged with disorderly conduct and domestic abuse. His adjourned initial appearance is scheduled for April 30, 2025.

Matthew J. Siemers, 42, of Rice Lake, has been charged with OWI. His court hearing is scheduled for August 1, 2025.

Brett A. Dunkel, 45, of Hoffman Estates, IL., has been charged with possession of cocaine/coca and possession of drug paraphernalia. His initial appearance is scheduled for May 14, 2025.

Ronald L. Erickson, 67, of Inver Grove Heights, MN., has been charged with possess amphetamine/LSD/Psilocin. His initial appearance is scheduled for May 14, 2025.

Natasha N. Ragsdale, 38, of Hammond, has been charged with possession of cocaine/coca and party to a crime. Her initial appearance is scheduled for May 1, 2025.

Daniel L. Ragsdale, 40, of Hammond, has been charged with possession of cocaine/coca, party to a crime and possession of THC. His initial appearance is scheduled for May 14, 2025.

Corey C. Hayden, 21, of

Rice Lake, has been charged with battery and disorderly conduct. His initial appearance is scheduled for May 14, 2025.

Miles N. Perusky, 36, of Chetek, has been charged with possession of cocaine/coca, possession of THC and possession of drug paraphernalia. His adjourned initial appearance is scheduled for May 7, 2025.

Troy D. Jilek, 51, of Rice Lake, has been charged with possession of methamphetamine and possession of narcotic drugs. His initial appearance is scheduled for May 7, 2025.

Keith A. Stevens, 52, of Saint Paul, MN., has been charged with possession of narcotic drugs, repeater, possession of cocaine/coca, party to a crime, and operating while revoked. His preliminary hearing was scheduled for April 28, 2025.

Jannette K. Schmidt, 40, of Prairie Farm, has been charged with possession of methamphetamine, OWI and possession of drug paraphernalia. Her adjourned initial appearance is scheduled for April 30, 2025.

Israel S. Ramirez, 43, of Cameron, has been charged with OWI, operating while revoked and ignition interlock device tampering/failure to install/violate court order. His preliminary hearing is scheduled for April 28, 2025.

Ashley T. Murkowski, 33, of Stevens Point, has been charged with battery or threat to judge, prosecutor, or law enforcement officer, OWI, operating with PAC and disorderly conduct. Her initial appearance was scheduled for April 25, 2025.

Matia M. Fish, 26, of Rice Lake, has been charged with physical abuse of an elder person-intentionally cause bodily harm and substantial battery.

A sergeant with the City of Rice Lake Police Department, reports on April 16, 2025, at approximately 6:21 pm, he was on duty when the Barron County Communications Center advised they received a phone call from a female of a fight at a residence in Rice Lake. The female is the house director at this residence. The sergeant reports that, while en route to the residence, dispatch advised that one staff member had been knocked out and EMS would be responding.

Upon arrival, the sergeant reports that the defendant, Fish, approached him as he was walking towards the residence. Fish informed the sergeant that she was the one who hit the other person and was prepared to go to jail. Fish stated she hit the worker in the back of the head.

An officer, with the City of Rice Lake Police Department, reports he also responded to the residence. The officer went inside to check the injured staff member, while the sergeant remained outside with Fish.

The officer reports he entered the kitchen and observed a female, identified as M.B.L. lying on the floor, who is 66 years old. M.B.L. stated Fish punched her in the back of her head causing her to lose consciousness. M.B.L. stated she felt the punch and then her next memory was opening her eyes while lying on the floor.

The officer reports she

spoke with a female, who witnessed the incident. In addition to speaking with the officer about what she deserved, the female completed a written statement.

In her written statement, the female states that Fish was at the shop office talking with another female. Fish left the office parking lot saying, “I am going to jail tonight”. The female states she arrived at the residence and went into the house. When the female went into the house, she observed Fish standing over M.B.L. threatening to punch M.B.L. and yelling at M.B.L. while having her closed right fist raised ready to punch M.B.L. The female states she stepped between Fish and M.B.L.

The female states that M.B.L. went outside on the deck. Fish ran out of the garage door outside and then to where M.B.L. was standing on the deck. The female states she again stepped between Fish and M.B.L., and which M.B.L began walking away from Fish to go back into the house. The female states that, as M.B.L. was entering the house by walking through the open sliding deck doors, Fish lunged at M.B.L. and punched M.B.L. in the back of the had with a closed fist. The female states that M.B.L. lost consciousness and fell into the door frame. The female states she helped M.B.L. who was out cold, to the floor.

The officer reports that M.B.L. stated she felt pain when Fish punched her in the back of the head.

If convicted for physical abuse of an elder person-intentionally cause bodily harm, she may be fined not more than \$10,000 or imprisoned for not more than six years or both. If convicted for substantial battery, she may be fined not more than \$10,000 or imprisoned for not more than three years and six months or both. Her preliminary hearing was scheduled for April 28, 2025.

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822-2754

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Polk County
Sheriff
485-8300

Emergency
911

WisDOT, WCHA join industry partners urging drivers to ‘respect the zone’; Contractor representative talks about tragic work zone crash

Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WisDOT) Secretary Kristina Boardman yesterday joined the Wisconsin State Patrol, Wisconsin County Highway Association (WCHA) and industry partners to urge people to drive safely in work zones throughout Wisconsin this construction season.

Each year, more than 2,100 crashes happen in Wisconsin work zones, putting workers and motorists’ lives at risk. At the news conference, a contractor representative talked about a tragic work zone crash in November 2024 that claimed the life of a 35-year-old employee. Work zones are temporary, but our actions behind the wheel can last forever. We all play a role to keep work zones safe.

Watch yesterday’s news conference about Work Zone Awareness Week. Please credit WisDOT if you use segments of this video.

How can people help?

- Drive safely. Be courteous, avoid distractions and follow posted speed limits.
- Leave the phone alone.
 - Texting while driving is illegal statewide and talking on a hand-held mobile device is illegal in work zones.
 - Buckle Up, Phone Down. Take the pledge at

wisconsindot.gov/BUPD and share your commitment and challenge with others via social media using the hashtag #BuckleUpPhoneDown.

- Move over, or slow down, when you see workers and vehicles with flashing lights along the highway. Wisconsin’s Move Over Law applies to maintenance operations as well as emergency response units.
- Show support for work zone safety with the social media hashtags #NWZAW, #WorkZoneSafety, or #Orange4Safety (but please never text and drive).

- Don’t forget to participate in “Go Orange Day” tomorrow (April 23) by wearing orange in support of highway safety. Tag your photo/video on social media with #Orange4Safety and #GoOrangeDay.
- A nationwide moment of silence is planned for Friday (April 25) for people who lost their lives in a work zone incident.

Visit WisDOT’s work zone safety webpage for more tips and information. WisDOT is currently airing two radio public service announcements (15-second and 30-second spots) across the state to emphasize safe driving in work zones, as well as using 511 Wisconsin to “know before you go”.

Northwest Region Construction Update

Barron and Washburn counties

Highway: US 53
Location: 26th Avenue north of Rice Lake to Pine Grove Road south of Sarena
Schedule: Sept. 5, 2023, to late May 2025
Cost: \$21.89 million

Description of 2025 work: Tensioning cable barrier in the median between 26th and 27th avenues to reduce crossover crashes; placing a high-friction surface treatment on the pavement in the same area to reduce crossover and run-off-the-road crashes; removing and replacing a concrete joint, which will result in a several-day closure of a southbound US 53 lane; and placing final pavement markings.

Traffic impacts: US 53 is open to traffic, but motorists will encounter sporadic lane closures and a reduced speed limit in those areas as minor finishing work is completed.

St. Croix County
Highway: WIS 65
Location: 70th Avenue in Roberts to Richmond Way

in New Richmond
Schedule: April 14 to September

Cost: \$5.13 million
Description: Removing 2.5 inches of the existing pavement and overlay the roadway with 3.25 inches of new asphalt; adding centerline rumble strips; adding culvert liners and replacing culvert end walls; cleaning and shaping ditches; adjusting guardrail and grading end terminals; and placing gravel shoulders and new pavement markings.

Traffic impacts: WIS 65 is open to traffic, but:

- Motorists will encounter daytime lane closures controlled by flagging. Because of the volume of traffic, flagging won’t be allowed from:
 - 7 to 8 a.m. and 4 to 6 p.m. weekdays on the south leg of WIS 65 from 70th Avenue to East Graham Street
 - 4 to 6 p.m. weekdays on US 12/WIS 65 from WIS 65 South to WIS 65 North and on the north leg of WIS 65 from County G to Richmond Way.

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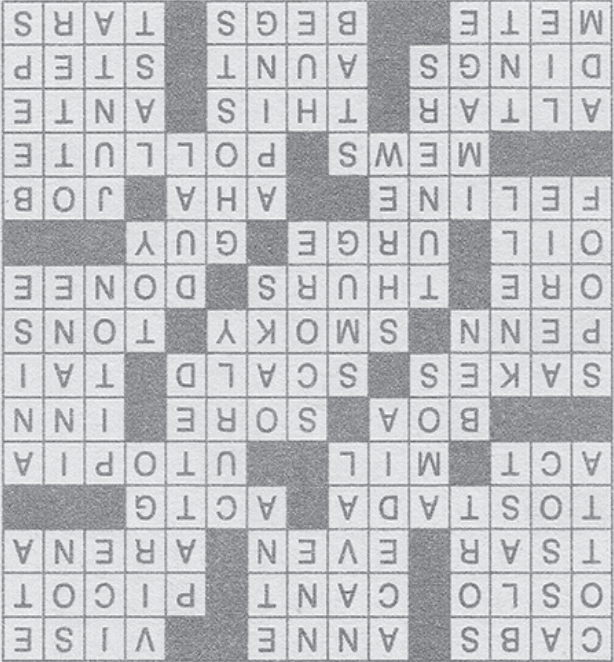
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Sports

Softball Team Grabs Pair of Victories; Host Spooner this Friday

The Cumberland Softball Team picked up two wins against one loss last week despite battling through a tough stretch of spring weather. The team hopped back into a busy stretch of contests on Monday with a scheduled game against Chetek-Weyerhaeuser followed by a Tuesday night encounter in Ashland. This Friday the Cumberland ladies host Spooner for a doubleheader at Islander Park, starting at 4:00 pm.

The two wins came over Chequamegon, 11-8 and Barron, 9-2.

The Chequamegon victory came on a rainy night, which limited the contest to five innings. In the game, the Beavers overcame an 8-6 deficit with a five-run bottom of the fourth inning to claim the victory.

Jayne Bayerle took the complete game pitching win, giving up five earned runs in the contest. Catcher Baleigh Stouffer had a huge offensive night for Coach Jess Olson, with three hits, four stolen bases, and four run-batted-in. Shortstop Macy Beecroft added two hits and scored two runs. Cumberland used nine Chequamegon walks to help their offensive output.

The other win came over Barron on Friday night, led by a seven-run second inning rally. The Beavers offense had an excellent night with 11 hits, while Morgan Monchilovich was outstanding on the mound, striking out 16 Golden Bear hitters.

Freshman Avery Johnson led the way for Cumberland with three hits, while Jayden Gowin, Presli Butzler, and Morgan Monchilovich added two each. Monchilovich and Baleigh Stouffer both tripled.

Monchilovich meanwhile, gave up only four hits, while walking three. It was an excellent team win.

The loss came against Northwestern by a 9-0 score. Hurricane pitcher Brooke Laier was outstanding in the contest, allowing only one-hit, a double to Baleigh Stouffer, while striking out 17 Cumberland hitters. Morgan Monchilovich took the pitching loss, giving up six hits and walking eight.

Spooner is currently 5 and 1 in HON play and atop the Conference standings. Hayward is 4 and 1 in second place, while Cumberland is 2 and 2 in the HON and 7 and 5 overall.

Beavers Drops Contest to Northwestern; Prepare for a Busy Week of Play

The Cumberland Baseball Team fought the rain last week and were only able to get in one contest due to wet fields. Their lone game was an 11-5 loss to Northwestern on Wednesday night. This week, the Beavers hope to host Chetek-Weyerhaeuser and Ashland on Monday and Tuesday, while heading to Spooner on Friday for a 3:00 pm doubleheader and River Falls on Saturday for a 3:30 road game.

Wednesday's contest in Maple was controlled by the Tigers, who used eight hits and five Cumberland errors to come away with a 11-5 victory.

The Tigers jumped to a quick 3-0 lead in the first

inning, but the Beavers rallied with three runs of their own in the top of the second to tie-up the contest. Two Northwestern errors and a pair of walks helped the Beavers score their three runs without a hit.

Unfortunately, Northwestern regained the lead with two runs in the bottom of the frame and never looked back, as they moved their record to 3 and 0 in HON play.

The Beavers managed two hits in the contest, singles by Landon Wickstrom and Cooper Schramski. Coach John Peterson used four pitchers in the game, with Uriah Johnson taking the pitching loss.



Beaver lefthander Morgan Monchilovich delivers a pitch during the girls 9-2 win at Barron.



Max Hoff hits his approach shot on hole 11 Thursday night at the Cumberland Golf Club.



Brody Chartraw tees off on hole 10 Thursday night as the Beavers took on the Spooner Railroaders.

Sports Calendar

Thursday, May 1

Track home 4:00

Soccer @ Osceola 7:00

Friday, May 2

Golf @ Bloomer 10:00

Baseball DH @ Spooner 3:00

Softball DH home vs Spooner 4:00

Saturday, May 3

Baseball @ River Falls 3:00

Monday, May 5

Golf @ Chetek 4:00

Tuesday, May 6

Golf vs Ashland home 4:00

Track @ Bloomer 4:00

Baseball @ Hayward 5:00

Soccer vs Ashland @ Barron 5:00

Softball home vs Chetek 5:00

Thursday, May 8

Track @ Barron 4:30

Softball home vs Chetek 5:00

Soccer home vs Spooner 5:00

Track Loses St. Croix Falls Meet to the Weather

The Cumberland Track Team had some time off last week, when their scheduled meet at St. Croix Falls was canceled due to rain.

The team was back in action on Monday with an

Invitational at Webster and then host four teams at the Cumberland Track this Thursday, May 1, with Conference foes Hayward, Cameron, St. Croix Falls and Ladysmith participating

in the five-team meet. Field events begin at 4:00 and running events at 4:30 pm.

“We are headed into the second half of our schedule and look forward to peaking as we move closer to

the Conference Tournament and WIAA Tournament events,” said Coach Ryan O’Connell.

Cumberland Area Fishing & Hunting Table

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An Outdoorsman's Journal

By Mark Walters

The Lure of the Bear

Hello friends,
I have been writing this column since I was 27 and as many of you probably know, one animal that I really enjoy pursuing is the black bear. When I started writing this column back in '89, I hand wrote it every Friday early evening from a high up in a jackpine over a bait pile for bear. No gun, just a tube of Ritz, two bottles of Labatts a pen and paper, kind of a crazy feeling when I had bear at the bait and had to get down, but never a problem.

This fall my bear hunting partner Doug Cibulka and I both have tags for Zone C and on April 15th. Doug and I started the job of running baits in Juneau and Wood Counties in a vast forest and swamp that covers more land than some counties in Wisconsin cover. This week I am going to write about how I feel a good bait setup is run.

**Tuesday, April 15th
High 58, low 34**

Not only do I have a Wisconsin bear tag but today I found out that I have a Montana elk and deer hunting license. Our oldest bait is 15 years old, and we call it Selina's Bait and that is because my daughter Selina killed a black bear over it. Baiting for black bear in my orbit is an adventure, first and foremost, it takes time, good health, money and the ability to handle setbacks. From the time that I pull out of my driveway to my return, I will drive 46 miles of which half of it is on gravel roads and now on day 10, I can already see that my 2017 GMC Sierra looks like a bear baiter's truck. Dust, used cooking oil, 5 gallon buckets both empty and full have replaced what used to be a "pretty" truck. No worries, the baiting season ends in mid-October and I can clean it up then.

Stumps- as in hollow, are the key tool and each stump as in bait site will have one stump that can hold up to at least 5-gallons of bait, as in granola, cookies and peanut butter. Each stump will have a cover for the top and bottom which in my case is a 3-to-4-inch slice of an oak log. The cover is as important as your bait, without a proper cover mice, porcupines,

raccoon, ravens, wolves and rain will either ruin your bait or consume it before your quarry can get to it.

Doug and I hike in up to a half mile and when we start our season we make sure that we have heavy logs up to 8-feet long that we put over the top of each stump to fully secure it so that wolves do not clean out our bait, once you get wolves, they are very hard to get rid of. Everything about bear baiting for us is physical and by mid-May includes at first black flies, then mosquitoes then deer flies.

I put a heavily sprayed "bug spray" hanky inside of my hat and down my back, it really works. Some people think this is crazy but I put a raunchy MGW t shirt at each site and that lets the bear know who I am and my thought pattern is that they associate zero stress from my smell.

When I pick a site to put a bait obviously I have to feel that there are bear there and no hunters, just importantly I want it to have a tree for hunting in that is downwind, in other words, east or north of the bait. East and north winds are the least common winds, and you do not want to be hunting down wind of your stump.

Why do I run baits for 5 full months? I do this because I have too much money and free time and I love to see my truck look beat to heck. No, I run bear baits because I love nature, I enjoy the physical challenge and mental, but since I am already a bit nuts the mental part is met. I feel that running baits the hard way like Doug and I do is probably the best way possible to realistically understand the seasons, every critter and insect possible and most importantly what you, yourself can handle.

I also would like to add that the myth that hunting over bait is killing bear that are stupid and just there to eat donuts! Walk in our shoes for 165 days and then figure that an early acorn drop, nocturnal bear or an animal that busts you when you are climbing out of your tree at dark and "the stupid donut eater theory" is for city slickers that do not know an acorn from a walnut.



This is how Mark Walters likes to leave a bait, basically it is rain, raccoon, crow, wolf, porcupine and squirrel proof.



If you want to become good at bear hunting over bait it takes time, money and the ability to adapt.

On September 3rd, Wisconsin's bear season opens, if I am still alive as well as Doug Cibulka, we will both be in the best shape we could possibly be in, both of us will be sitting in tree's with very high hopes, neither of us will be upset if we do not get a black bear and it will be "Bear Camp Time".

Live large, someday you're going to be in a coffin or a can!

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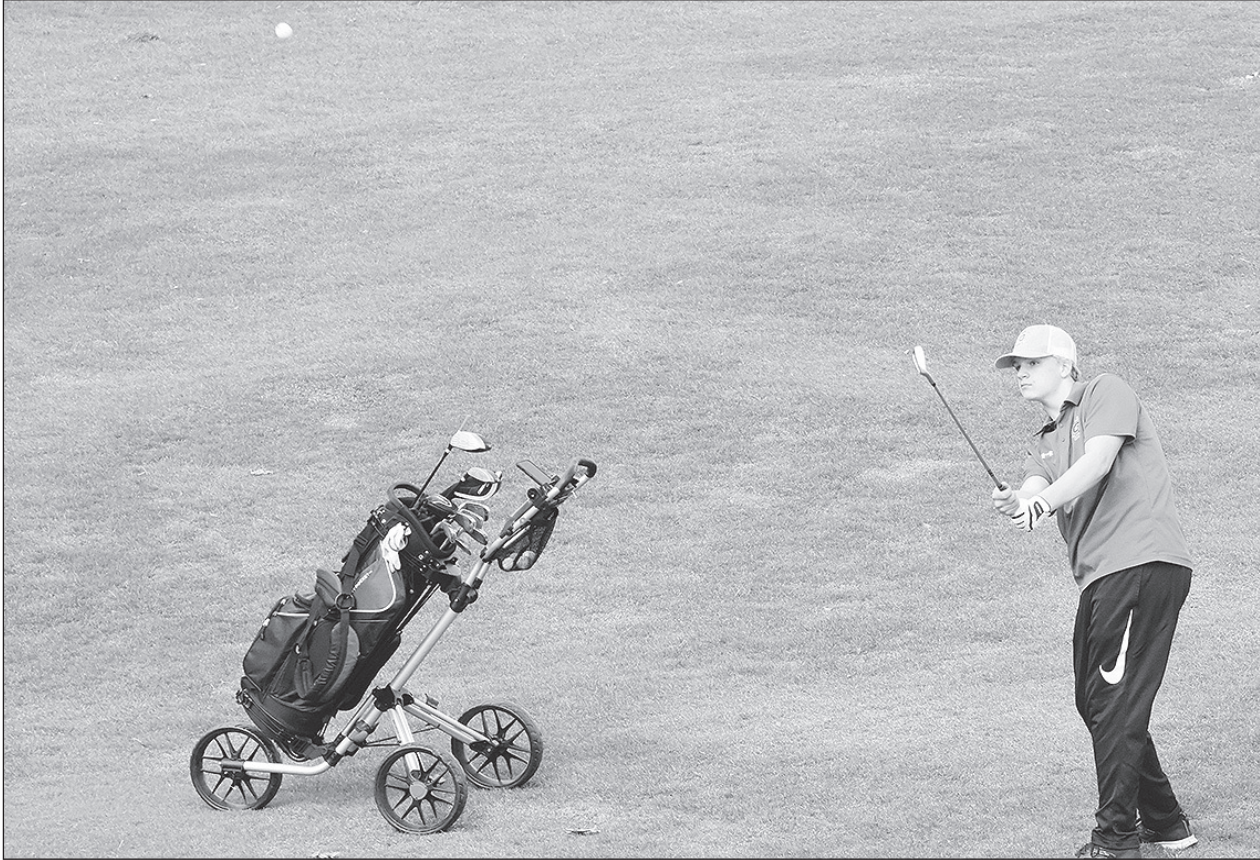
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John Richter keep an eye on his shot last Thursday as the Beavers beat Spooner on their home course.

Gideo Continues to Pace Beavers Golf Team

The Cumberland Golf Team was able to get on a course twice last week, finishing with a convincing 178-201 dual victory over the Spooner Rails and a 8th place finish in a 15-team Barron Invitational last Wednesday.

This week, the Beavers host their own Invitational beginning at 9:30 am on

Wednesday and then head to Bloomer for their Invite this Friday beginning at 10:00 am. The team is then off until Monday, when they head to Chetek for a dual meet.

Senior Derrick Gideo continues to play great golf for the Beavers, taking Medalist honors against Spooner with a 39 and shooting an

excellent 73 in the Barron Invite. His Barron score left him only one stroke behind Tomahawk Senior Medalist Sawyer Hanna, who shot a 72.

Against the Rails, Brody Chartraw shot a 44 and Jack Richter a 47. "We continue to get strong play from a number of our golfers," said Head Coach Mike Gideo.

The Barron Invitational was won by Chetek-Weyerhaeuser with a team-score of 304. The Beavers shot a 343. Besides Gideo's outstanding round, Brody Chartraw added an 85 and Max Hoff a 90. "I thought our team played a good overall round of golf," concluded Coach Gideo.

Sports Look Back, May 4, 2005

The Cumberland Baseball team won four straight games last week to raise their winning streak to seven this year. Their overall record climbed to 8 and 2, good enough for Honorable Mention ranking in this week's Division 2 State Poll.

The week began with a come from behind 6-5 victory over Hayward in frigid temperatures last Tuesday at Islander Park.

Trailing 5 to 3, entering the bottom of the seventh inning, Cumberland scored two runs to tie up the contest. A Hayward error, their only one of the night, helped key the rally.

Cumberland then won it in the seventh when Austin FollansbeeDeLong doubled and eventually came home with the winning run on a Jordan Erickson infield single.

Joel Cifaldi started for Cumberland before being replaced by brother Blake in the sixth. Blake Cifaldi took the win, pitching a 1-2-3 seventh inning.

Cumberland received two hits each from Erickson, FollansbeeDeLong, Derrick Zappa and Devon Anderson. Anderson also stole two bases in the contest.

Conditions were warmer on Thursday as the Beavers defeated Fall Creek 8 to 2 in the Metrodome in Minneapolis.

Fall Creek led early, but a two-run single by Pierce FollansbeeDeLong in the bottom of the first gave Cumberland a lead they'd never relinquish.

Devon Anderson had three hits to lead Cumberland hitters, while Michael Cifaldi had a pair of hits, including a triple. Jordan Erickson added another triple and

two runs batted in.

Michael Cifaldi was outstanding on the mound, allowing only two runs on five hits in six innings of work. It was his first pitching win of the year.

Cumberland completed their successful week by beating Chetek 13-2 and 7-6 on Saturday. The second game would last nine innings.

Joel Cifaldi was masterful on the mound in the opener, going the distance and giving up only five Chetek hits. He started slowly, but gave up only three Bulldog runners over the last six innings of the contest.

The key blow came in the fifth inning when Barry Rinaldo wiped out a 2-1 deficit with a long three-run homer to left. Cumberland would use this momentum change to record nine more runs over the games last two in-

nings.

The nightcap was much more difficult and only a two-run Beavers rally in the bottom of the seventh would keep Cumberland from a loss. Chetek would lead by as many as four runs early in the contest.

Cumberland's rally was keyed by a two-run double by Michael Cifaldi and three hits by Derrick Zappa. The game would go into extra frames.

The Beavers would finally win it in the ninth when Austin FollansbeeDeLong singled and scored on a Griffin Severson hit that went over the left fielders head. A happy crew of Cumberland players would celebrate the victory that kept the Beavers tied for first in the conference.

Blake Cifaldi took his third H.O.N. victory on the mound by going six innings and giving up only two Bulldog Runs.

Soccer Standings

TEAM	TEAM	W	L	T	PTS	+/-	STRK	OVERALL
Washburn	WASH	3	0	0	6	17	W3	3-1-0
Ashland	ASHL	3	0	0	6	6	W3	4-4-0
Hayward	HAY	1	2	0	2	-5	L2	2-3-1
Barron/Bloomer/Cumberland	BARRON	0	2	0	0	-3	L2	1-6-1
Spooner/Shell Lake	SPOON	0	3	0	0	-15	L3	0-7-0

Softball Standings

TEAM	TEAM	W	L	T	R	RA	+/-	STRK	OVERALL
Spooner	SPOON	5	1	0	67	19	48	W3	5-3-0
Hayward	HAY	4	1	0	58	18	40	W1	6-7-0
Cameron	CAMER	3	1	0	39	30	9	L1	6-3-0
Barron	BARRON	3	2	0	45	44	1	L1	6-3-0
Northwestern	NWERN	2	1	0	25	6	19	W2	3-1-0
Cumberland	CUMB	2	2	0	21	27	-6	W1	7-5-0
St. Croix Falls	SCF	2	2	0	28	20	8	L1	4-5-0
Chetek-Weyerhaeuser	CH-WY	1	4	0	40	69	-29	W1	1-7-0
Ashland	ASHL	0	4	0	11	67	-56	L4	0-5-0
Ladysmith	LADYS	0	4	0	28	62	-34	L4	1-6-0

Baseball Standings

TEAM	TEAM	W	L	R	RA	+/-	STRK	OVERALL RECORD
Spooner	SPOON	5	0	27	7	20	W5	8-1-0
Northwestern	NW	3	0	35	16	19	W3	4-2-0
Barron	BARRON	3	1	23	18	5	W2	8-2-0
Hayward	HAY	3	2	38	32	6	W1	6-3-0
Ashland	ASHL	2	2	26	23	3	L2	4-3-0
Saint Croix Falls	SCF	2	3	34	23	11	L1	5-6-0
Cumberland	CUMB	1	2	15	26	-11	L1	2-5-0
Chetek-Weyerhaeuser	CH-WY	1	3	18	29	-11	L2	2-5-0
Ladysmith	LADYS	0	3	4	30	-26	L3	1-5-0
Cameron	CAMER	0	4	15	31	-16	L4	2-6-0

CHS Trap

Week 2 Competition - April 27, 2025			
Athlete	Round 1 25 possible	Round 2 25 possible	Score 50 possible
RIEBE, BRAXTON	23	21	44
CARLSON, KYLE	20	23	43
RIEBE, BRENDON	22	21	43
KNUTSON, ELLIOT	22	19	41
CUNNINGHAM, CALVIN	21	19	40
JOHNSON, CAMDEN	20	20	40
MANOR, JACK	18	22	40
PETERSON, LOGAN	19	20	39
HOFF, MAX	16	21	37
WEAVER, MITCHELL	20	16	36
WOHLK, CAMERON	19	17	36
KNUTSON, AUGUST	15	20	35
RASMUSSEN, CODIE	18	17	35
ROUZER, IRA	14	21	35
MATHISON, COEHN	18	16	34
ODDEN, MAX	17	17	34
HARTMAN, DECLAN	17	13	30
MEWES, PATRICK	17	13	30
ROUZER, CASH	19	11	30
DONICA, AIDEN	16	13	29
EKENSTEDT, DANIEL	16	13	29
ERICKSON, LANE	13	16	29
ODDEN, JACK	12	17	29
WEAVER, GRIFFIN	11	18	29
GILBERTSON, JACOB	18	10	28
NYVOLD, BRADLEY	13	14	27
FLOTTUM, LONDON	14	10	24
MCMILLAN, TOWNES	11	13	24
FURSETH, MARCO	11	9	20
ODDEN, CHARLOTTE	10	9	19
HUBER, CARTER	9	5	14
Cumberland High School Trap Team			

Girl’s Soccer Team Loses Twice as They Struggle to Score

The Girl’s Soccer Team played through cold and wet weather last week, as they dropped a pair of contest to Superior and Washburn. The team found scoring difficult as they were shut out in both contests.

Superior scored twice in the first 11 minutes as they took a 4-0 decision over Barron-Cumberland on April 22. “We didn’t get many looks at the net against a quick Superior line-up,” said Coach Sarah Stauner.

Barron-Cumberland played better in the second half of the contest, holding the Spartans scoreless, but the damage had already been done.

Two days later, the Bears traveled to Washburn, where they dropped a 2-0

decision. “We started the game strong, playing great defense and getting some solid offensive looks, but Washburn broke through to score two goals late in the first half. Although we didn’t win, our coaching staff felt that the first thirty minutes of the game may have been the best we’ve played all season,” said Coach Stauner about the game.

She added, “While the score may not reflect it, this was a much-improved game against a talented, strong Washburn team that includes a solid group of players that have been playing together for many years.”

This week the team plays at Spooner on Thursday and host Medford in Barron on Friday at 5:00 pm.

Help Needed at Scouting Trail Pack 24

It’s been a busy few months along the Scouting Trail. February witnessed another Blue & Gold Dinner. Each year the founding of the Scouting movement is celebrated with a special dinner. One year I suggested, that instead of the usual Corner Bar chicken, we should feature Louie’s sausages. “Do your wurst!,” I shouted. The Cub Scouts responded with the Cub Scout motto “Do Your best!” So much for Cub Scout humor.

March featured the Pine-wood Derby. I’m sure that many former Scouts and Scout Dads have fond memories of the annual competition, where building your own race car from a block of wood was an exiting and competitive event. Pack 24 took home a number of trophies at the District level and will host the district event next year.

April and May wrap up the regular Scouting season. Many units will hold Crossover ceremonies at this time. Cub Scouts who have completed the Arrow of Light rank will “crossover” to a Scout Troop. Pack 24 has such a Scout this year and his ceremony will be held at Scoutland in May.

This brings to mind a problem. I am the Unit Commissioner for nine different units - pretty much all of Highway 63 from Minong to Turtle Lake. The ongoing difficulty for all units is adult leadership. Adult Leaders are needed at every level. Many of the Packs and Troops are in danger

of discontinuing operation due to the lack of Cub Masters Scout Masters and Assistants. Also, the lack of Committee Members endangers programs. Of the 40 Units in the Blue Hills District, I am the Commissioner of 10 of them.

Pack 24 is an example. Our current Cubmaster, Sarah Lloyd, will be joining the local Troop leadership in 24 months when her children will have crossed over. There are currently no other Den Leaders in the Pack; meaning that Sarah has been running all of the Dens by herself. This is way to much work for one person. Despite numerous pleas for parents to step forward, no one has volunteered. This year’s recruiting will begin in August. I will help as much as I can, but I’m also planning to re-start the Pack in Turtle Lake this year.

So I’m asking parents to consider being Den Leaders. You will receive all the training you need to be successful. I also want to encourage anyone to become a Unit Commissioner. This is especially a great position for retirees. It is especially rewarding to see a Unit thrive. You can reach me at - atallstick@Outlook.com

Sarah Lloyd can be reached at - CUMBERLAND-CUBSCOUTPACK@@GMAIL.COM

Be sure to wave when you drive past the Elementary school - it’s me, the crossing guard Mister K!

Jim Koenig
Blue Hills Unit
Commissioner



Members of American Legion Post 98 and the Sons of the American Legion gathered at the Legion Hall last Wednesday, April 23rd prior to heading out to pick up the ditches along Hwy 63 between Cumberland and Barronett.

Be Bear Aware: Take Steps Now To Avoid Potential Conflicts with Black Bears This Spring

MADISON, Wis. – As the weather warms and people across the state begin spending more time outside, the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR) encourages the public to be bear aware and take steps to prevent potential conflicts with black bears this spring.

Every spring, Wisconsin’s estimated 24,000 black bears emerge from their winter torpor and leave their dens in search of food and potentially new territory. These explorations sometimes cause unexpected interactions between black bears and the public. Bears are normally solitary forest animals, but their powerful sense of smell can lead them into urban areas in search of food, especially in the spring and fall.

To avoid potential conflicts, it’s important to recognize what attracts black bears and take steps to reduce these attractants whenever possible. Black bears are known for returning to locations where they’ve found good food sources, so prevention is the best tactic.

Although black bears are much more common in the northern half of the state, southern Wisconsin has seen more black bear activity in recent years. No mat-

ter where in Wisconsin you live or play, follow these basic steps from our friends at BearWise to avoid attracting black bears around your home or campsite:

Never Feed or Approach Bears – Never feed a bear, whether intentionally or not. The risk of unexpected interactions increases when bears begin to associate people with food. If bears find a consistent food source around people or people actively feed a bear, the bear will make a habit of visiting the area or approaching people.

Secure Food, Garbage and Recycling – Food and food odors attract bears, so don’t reward them with easily available food, liquids or garbage.

Remove Bird Feeders When Bears Are Active – Birdseed and grains have lots of calories, so they’re very attractive to bears. Removing feeders is the best way to avoid creating conflicts with bears.

Never Leave Pet Food Outdoors – Feed pets indoors when possible. If you must feed pets outside, feed in single portions and remove food and bowls after feeding. Store pet food where bears can’t see or smell it.

Clean and Store Grills – Barbeque grills and picnic tables often have leftover food scraps or residues on them that can attract black bears. Clean surfaces after use in public spaces to reduce negative human-bear interactions. Store clean grills and smokers in a secure area that keeps bears out.

Alert Neighbors to Bear Activity – See bears in the area or evidence of bear activity? Tell your neighbors and share information on how to avoid bear conflicts. Bears have adapted to living near people; now it’s up to us to adapt to living near bears.

Know What To Do If You Encounter A Bear

If a black bear is near your home or cabin, from a safe location, try to scare the bear away by making loud noises (like clanging pots and pans together) or throwing objects in the bear’s direction. Black bears tend to avoid interactions with people if escape is possible, so make sure it has a clear escape route – never corner a bear. Do not turn your back to a bear or run away. Once the bear is gone, remove any items that may have attracted the bear in the first place.

If you encounter a black bear while in the woods, stay calm and do not run. Wave your arms and make loud noises to scare it away. Back away slowly and seek a safe location from where you can wait for the bear to leave. Never approach a bear. For your safety, do not attempt to break up a fight between a pet and a bear.

Learn more about being BearWise in the outdoors and what to do if you encounter a black bear.

If unable to resolve a recurring issue with a nuisance bear, contact the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA)’s Wildlife Services toll-free lines:

USDA Wildlife Services, Northern Wisconsin: 800-228-1368 (in-state) or 715-369-5221

USDA Wildlife Services, Southern Wisconsin: 800-433-0663 (in-state) or 920-324-4514

For more information about avoiding unexpected interactions with black bears, visit the DNR’s Black Bear Management webpage or download the printable Living with Black Bears pamphlet.

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Aging and Disability Resource Center Launches “Connection Cafe for Brain Health” Monthly Program in Barronett

The Aging and Disability Resource Center (ADRC) is pleased to announce the launch of “Connection Cafe for Brain Health,” a new monthly program designed to promote cognitive wellness and social connections for community members of all abilities. The program will run from May through December 2025 at Bear Lake Coffee in Barronett.

Connection Cafe offers a welcoming environment where participants can engage in brain-stimulating activities, enjoy refreshments, and build meaningful social connections. Each monthly session features a different theme, from seasonal crafts to food tastings, providing variety and engagement for regular attendees.

“We’re creating a comfortable space where

people can exercise their brains while enjoying the company of others,” said Trisha Witham, program coordinator at the ADRC. “These gatherings are open to everyone, including those living with mild cognitive impairment or dementia, along with their family members and friends.”

Program Details:

- When: Second Thursday of each month, 12:30 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.
- Where: Bear Lake Coffee, 2980 US-63, Barronett, WI
- Cost: Free (complimentary coffee and bakery snacks provided)
- No registration required: Community members are encouraged to simply stop in

Upcoming Monthly Themes:

- May 8: Rock Paint-

ing

- June 12: Dairy Month “sample cheeses”
- July 10: Dog Days of Summer
- August 14: Apple Taste Testing
- September 11: Back to School
- October 9: Fall Activity
- November 13: Thanksgiving Centerpieces
- December 11: Holiday Cards

Research consistently shows that social engagement and mental stimulation are key factors in maintaining brain health as we age. Connection Cafe provides both in a relaxed, judgment-free environment.

For more information about Connection Cafe or other ADRC services, please contact Trisha Witham at 715-537-6225.

Barronett News

By Judy Pieper

Isn’t it great to have some nice warm, sunny weather again? The crocuses and daffodils in the flower garden on the south side of our house are blooming beautifully. There are signs of spring everywhere. It looked like there were a couple baby swans swimming by mama and daddy swan in a swamp on 8 ¼ street. Pastor Todd mentioned that he saw robins tending to a nest by his house, and some fox kits playing in the area. If you have ever watched little foxes playing, you know how fascinating that can be. They are absolutely adorable. A couple years ago Lynn Thon and I sat at the stop sign on the corner of county roads B and V watching three of them playing in the middle of the road. Luckily there were no cars behind us, but I bet if there had been, they would have been content to sit and watch too.

Ryan Lehmann loaded a wagon of black dirt for Duane to spread on our garden, and Duane got that taken care of last Tuesday afternoon. He has to wait for the ground to get a little drier now so that he can get it tilled. We are looking forward to a super good garden this year because we had a really bad one last year. Too wet, too cold, and too many days of not feeling like working. This year will be different.

I have been working on getting the strawberry patch all cleaned out. I worked on it Sunday afternoon and have most of the weeds taken out, but there are some stubborn little trees that have popped up in the rows and the roots are so strong I

couldn’t pull them. I will go back up as soon as the rain stops with a spade and take care of those nasty little things. The little strawberry plants are already peeking up through the dirt.

The rhubarb is coming right along too. We have some on the west side of our house, and some at the south end of the strawberry patch. There are so many people that like the rhubarb/strawberry jam that I have to make lots and lots of it every year. And, what is not used for jam is always good for pies – or for the rhubarb slush that is made at Sal’s on 63.

Speaking of Sal’s on 63, Tina Anderson, Lynn Thon, Geri Pittman and I had a girls’ night out there on Thursday evening. The food was delicious, as always, and we had a great time eating and catching up on all the local news. Duane decided to stay home, but Suzy had Alyse deliver a Philly sandwich to him – his personal favorite.

Duane and I stopped by Amery Auto Salvage for the Customer Appreciation Days this past Saturday. As I am sure you are aware, Cumberland Fire Department is trying to raise money to buy a water rescue craft, and Alec Adams, owner of the salvage yard, donated a certain amount of money for each ton of metal brought in this year. I haven’t heard yet what that amounted to, but I am so happy that Alec decided to do that. He is the chief of the Apple River Fire Department, and so I’m sure he knows how important it is for the departments to

have the right equipment. Great work, Alec!!

During his sermon on Sunday morning, Pastor Todd told a story that he had read many years ago. It was about a missionary in Africa who was trying to lead natives to Christ. One old man, who the missionary knew to be a non-believer, asked the missionary if he could have a New Testament. The missionary, knowing that the man did not believe, asked him why he wanted it. The old man said that the pages would be perfect for rolling his cigarettes. Well - - - the missionary thought about it for a bit and then told the man that he could have the New Testament on one condition. That was, before he tore the pages out of the book and used them for his cigarettes, he had to read each page. The man agreed to that, and was through Matthew, Mark and Luke before the words in the Book of John hit home and he was converted. I think that is one of those “The ends justify the means” deals, but in a nice way.

Pat Olson stopped by with some books for the little library outside our house on Sunday afternoon. We had a really nice visit and, when she left, I sent a garbage bag packed full of other plastic bags with her. Her church collects plastic and sends it to a company that makes the outdoor furniture. I’m so glad they do that – Anything to keep that stuff out of our landfills.

I’m going to go – Hopefully we will be able to get a little more prep work done in the garden and strawberry patch today. Have a great week.

Sudoku Puzzle #4147-D

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Friday, May 2

Egg salad and lettuce on a croissant, vegetable medley soup, cheese and crackers, fresh orange.

Monday, May 5

Cinco De Mayo shredded chicken, cheese and black bean taco bake, Mexican corn, key lime pie.

Tuesday, May 6

Sloppy joe on a bun, baked beans, potato salad, berry crisp.

Wednesday, May 7

Baked ham, scalloped potatoes, creamed peas, assorted bread, jello with fruit.

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.
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OBITUARIES



Lynette “Lynn” Miller

Lynette “Lynn” Miller, 83, passed away peacefully on April 20, 2025, in Fernandina Beach, Florida.

Lynette was born in 1941 in Boyceville, Wisconsin, and at age 20 married Vern Miller where they shared 63 years together, raising two children in Cumberland.

She served as a devoted nurse for decades at Cumberland Clinic and Lakeview Medical Center in Rice Lake. In retirement in 2003, she and Vern moved to Hot Springs Village, AR, where she enjoyed painting, golfing, and

her church community.

She is survived by her husband Vern; children Kent (Keri) Miller and Karen (Gerry) Norton; six grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

She is preceded in death by infant granddaughter, Cassidy Miller. A private family service will be held this fall, and she will be laid to rest in Spooner, Wisconsin. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Faith Fellowship Church, c/o Benevolence Fund, Hot Springs Village, AR.

David Ty Farlow

David Ty Farlow, 83, August 5, 1942 -- April 17, 2025. David was born in Cumberland, WI to Tyrus and Ruth (Rowe) Farlow of rural Barronett, WI.

David grew up on a dairy farm and from an early age loved learning, reading, art, music, the outdoors especially deer hunting, which he never lost his love for and

continued in them until his passing.

After high school graduation David attended Augsburg College to pursue a degree in the sciences. During that time, he decided to serve his country and joined the US army and was stationed in Germany and Vietnam. When David was honorably discharged his intention was to complete his college degree.

However, in August 1968 he sustained disabling injuries in an accident which changed the course of his life. David overcame many difficult obstacles. He drove his own vehicle and lived independently in his own home in Eau Claire. He was not deterred from living productivity and he helped on the farm in every way possible by repairing machinery, tractors, cars, as well as assist with building projects. David engaged with all his friends, neighbors both in Eau Claire and the Barronett area, and especially family; cousins, aunts and uncles, grandparents, siblings and nieces and nephews who fondly called him “Uncle D”.

He is survived by sister,

Katha (Ralph) Tjelta of Wisconsin, and sister, Marghi (Farlow nee) McKeon of Barronett, WI. David’s nieces are Sarah (Tjelta nee) (Joel) Kyrola and Martha (McKeon nee) (Brian) Lake and Jessica (Mick Hiber) Farlow. Nephews are Peter (Jodi Nelson) Tjelta and Ben McKeon.

David is also survived by many great nieces, nephews, extended family and many friends.

A burial will take place on the family homestead on May 3rd, at 1 p.m. with a Memorial remembrance in David’s honor at a later date. Skinner Funeral Home of Cumberland is serving the family.



Barron County National Day of Prayer Gatherings

This Thursday, May 1st, 2025 thousand of prayer gatherings will take place throughout our nation. The National Day of Prayer tradition predates the founding of the United States of America as evidenced by the Continental Congress proclamation in 1775 setting aside a day of prayer. In 1952, Congress unanimously established into public law, an annual day of prayer and in 1988 the law was amended, designating the NDP as the 1st Thursday of May. Each gathering is designed to be bi-partisan and emphasizes seeking God for guidance, help and blessing.

The 2025 theme is based on Romans 13:15. “NOW MAY THE GOD OF HOPE FILL YOU WITH ALL JOY AND PEACE IN BELIEVING, THAT YOU MAY ABOUND IN HOPE BY THE POWER OF THE HOLY SPIRIT.” Our hope is in the Lord.

This is your invitation to join a Barron County Gathering on Thursday, May 1st.

Cumberland – Northern Lakes Church at 7 p.m.

Rice Lake – Maranatha Evangelical Free Church at 6:30 p.m.

Barron – 1st Baptist Church from 12- 1 p.m.

Chetek – Main Street Park(624 2nd Street) from 12-1 pm led by Pastor Paul Poppe

Chetek- The Refuge Church from 6:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

Joleen Helbig, our WI NDP State Coordinator will be hosting a public gathering at the Capitol in Madison at the King Street Entrance from 12 – 1 p.m. Local leaders and pastors will lead in prayer and worship outside. Inside in the North Hearing Room, 2nd floor we will have a prayer room open for the public to join anytime from 9 a.m. – 3 p.m. with local ministries leading 30 minute prayer slots for the 7 spheres of influence. (Business.Education.Government.Church.Media/Entertainment. Fam-

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Church Directory



“Jesus the Light Gives Spiritual Sight” by Pastor Jared Andrea Cumberland Baptist Church

5 “...I am the light of the world...” 38 ...He [i.e. a man born blind] said, “Lord, I believe,” and he worshiped him. 39 Jesus said, “For judgment I came into this world, that those who do not see may see, and those who see may become blind” (John 9:5, 38-39)

Jesus brings spiritual light to those who are spiritually blind and dwelling in darkness. One Sabbath day, the Light of the world came to a man that was born blind. Jesus spit on some dirt and made mud,* put it on the man’s eyes, and told him to wash. The man listened, went, washed, and came back seeing for the first time in his life!

Jn. 9:38-39 reveal that this man, once blind, came to see in an even greater way. The man born blind received spiritual sight. By God’s grace, he humbly acknowledged that he needed light (Jn. 9:35-36), he saw and believed that Jesus was the Light. He called Jesus Lord and He worshiped Jesus as Lord and was not judged/condemned in sin. He received both sight and life from Jesus.

Many of the Jewish leaders, however, rejected Jesus. They were very religious. They insisted that they already had spiritual sight. In their religious arrogance, they rejected the Light because He revealed their blindness and darkness. Their refusal to acknowledge their blindness, sin, and need for Jesus sealed their judgment.

Oh how many today are very religious yet are spiritually blind! How do you know if you have received sight or not? If you see your need for Jesus to save you from your sins, if you trust that He alone is the Light and the Life, and you love and worship Him as Savior and Lord, then the Lord has given you sight. But if you are resistant to Jesus and insist that you already have eyes to see and are clinging on to religious practices, if Jesus Himself is not the One you love and worship, then you are still in the dark. The Light of the world still shines bright in the Bible. Ask the Lord to give you sight and then open up His Word. The gospel according to John is a good place to start.

*This was seen as working on the Sabbath (and thus breaking it) according to the Jewish religious leaders of Jesus’ day.

AUGUSTANA LUTHERAN CHURCH (ELCA) 1025 Second Avenue Phone: 715-822-2890 Pastor Shane Anderson Worship Service: 9 a.m. Sunday School 10:15 a.m. Holy Communion at all services.

BARRONETT LUTHERAN CHURCH (ELCA) 776 Prospect Ave., Phone: 715-822-3511, cell:715-671-3197 Minister: Todd Ahneman Sunday: Worship 9 a.m.; Holy Communion 1st & 3rd Sundays.

CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH, LCMS, Pipe Lake See us on Facebook Polk County Hwys. “G” and “T” christlutheranpipelake.com Steve Miller, Pastor Phone: 715-822-3096 Worship Service, 10:30 a.m. All Year; Sunday School/Bible Study: 9:00 am. Sept. -May.

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FIRST LUTHERAN (ELCA) Elm and Eighth Avenue Timothy Schmidt, Pastor Phone: 715-822-4416 Worship Times: Sunday 8 am, 10:30 am; Sunday School 9:15 am Communion 1st and 3rd weeks of the month.

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ST. ANN CATHOLIC CHURCH 320 Pine St., Turtle Lake, Father Jayanna Kanna Phone: 715-822-2948 Masses: Saturday: 4:00 p.m; Sunday: 8:30 a.m.

ST. ANTHONY ABBOT CATHOLIC PARISH 900 St. Anthony Street Father Jayanna Kanna Phone: 715-822-2948 Weekend Masses: Sat. 6:00 p.m. Sunday: 10:30a.m.

ST. JOSEPH’S CATHOLIC CHURCH 502 Second St., Shell Lake Father Edwin Anderson Phone: 715-635-3105 Saturday Mass; 4:30 p.m.

ST. MATTHEWS LUTHERAN CHURCH Missouri Synod (LCMS) Almena, WI. Vacancy Pastor: Isaac Nicholson Sunday: Sunday School: 9:00 a.m. Divine Service: 10:30 a.m.; Wednesday’s 6:00 pm-Vesper Service ST. PAUL LUTHERAN Missouri Synod 1 mile East on Hwy. 48 John Miels, Pastor Phone: 715-822-8690 Sunday morning traditional worship: 9:00 a.m.; Wed.evening contemporary worship: 6 p.m..

SEVENTH DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH Rice Lake, WI. Hwy. SS 1/2 mi. S. of Cedar Mall Pastor: Scott Manly Phone: 715-434-7798 Saturday: Sabbath School: 9:30 a.m. Worship Service: 11 a.m. Wed. Bible Study:7:15 pm.

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SILVER CREEK LUTHERAN CHURCH Missouri Synod (LCMS) 483 7th Avenue, Clayton Pastor: Rev. Quentin Buechner. Divine Service: Sunday 9 am; Holy Communion: 1st and 3rd Sunday of each month

STANFOLD LUTHERAN Hwy 48, 9 mi. E. of Cumberland Pastor John Bergson Phone: 262-354-4537 Sunday Service: 8:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.; Coffee & bible Study

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TRINITY LUTHERAN 10 mi. W on Hwy. 48, McKinley Pastor Diane Norstad Phone: 715-822-3001 Sunday Worship and Holy Communion: 8:45 am Sunday School: 10:00 am

UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST Blue Hills Fellowship Phone: 715-234-6337 www.bluehillsuu.org 230 W. Messenger St., Rice Lake Services Sunday 10 a.m.

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PUBLIC NOTICES



NOTICE

BOARD OF REVIEW - TOWN OF LAKELAND

Pursuant to Wis. Stat. §70.47, notice is hereby given that the Board of Review for the Town of Lakeland will hold its initial meeting on **Tuesday, May 13, 2025, at 7:00 p.m.**, for the purpose of adjourning the Board of Review to a later date. This meeting will be held immediately prior to the regular Monthly Board Meeting which will commence following adjournment of the Board of Review.

This initial meeting is for the purpose of **adjourning the Board of Review to a later date, which has yet to be scheduled.**

Subsequent notice of Open Book and Board of Review will be published following receipt of the assessment roll.

For questions regarding property assessments, please contact Assessor Justin Servin directly at 920-749-1995 to schedule an appointment. For reference materials regarding property assessment and board of review, visit the WI Department of Revenue's website: <https://www.revenue.wi.gov/Pages/Municipalities/boardofreview>

For other inquiries and/or 48-hour Intent to File a Written Objection please contact the Town Clerk by emailing clerk@townoflakeland.wi.gov

Danielle E. Maxwell-Parker, Clerk

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NOTICE

BOARD OF REVIEW - TOWN OF MAPLE PLAIN

Pursuant to Wis. Stat. §70.47, notice is hereby given that the Board of Review for the Town of Maple Plain will hold its initial meeting on **Monday, May 5, 2025, at 7:00 p.m.**, for the purpose of adjourning the Board of Review to a later date. *This meeting will be held immediately prior to the regular Monthly Board Meeting which will commence following adjournment of the Board of Review.*

This initial meeting is for the purpose of **adjourning the Board of Review to a later date, which has been tentatively set for Saturday, September 20, 2025, 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.**

Subsequent notice of Open Book and Board of Review will be published following receipt of the assessment roll.

For questions regarding property assessments, please contact Assessor Eric Kleven by calling 715-529-1032. For reference materials regarding property assessment and board of review, visit the WI Department of Revenue's website: <https://www.revenue.wi.gov/Pages/Municipalities/boardofreview>

Other inquiries and/or 48-hour Intent to File a Written Objection, please contact the Town Clerk by emailing clerk@townofmapleplain.wi.gov

Danielle E. Maxwell-Parker, Clerk

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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 Monday, May 5, 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

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Cumberland Police Dept. 822-2754

Barron County Sheriff 537-3106

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Emergency 911

Notice of Public Hearing

before the City of

Cumberland Common Council

Tuesday May 6, 2025 at 6:00pm

Cumberland City Hall, 950 1st Ave.

Public Notice is given to all persons in the City of Cumberland that a public hearing will be held on Tuesday, May 6, 2025, at 6:00 pm at Cumberland City Hall to solicit comments and public input on the following:

- Ordinance 2025-810—An Ordinance Imposing a Room Tax in the City of Cumberland

Copies of the proposed ordinance can be requested at Cumberland City Hall during regular business hours. All persons interested are invited to attend this hearing and be heard. Written comments may be submitted to: City of Cumberland, 950 1st Ave., Cumberland, WI 54829.

Randall D. Reeg
City Administrator

* Please note that, upon reasonable notice, efforts will be made to accommodate the needs of disabled individuals through appropriate aids and services. For additional information, or to request this service, contact Arlene Frisinger, Clerk at 950 1st Ave., Cumberland, WI 54829; (715) 822-2752.

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CUMBERLAND SCHOOL DISTRICT

NOTICE OF SEALED BIDS

DISTRICT OFFICE BUILDING FOR SALE

The Cumberland School District is accepting sealed bids for the purchase of the District Office Building. Each bid must be in a sealed envelope marked "sealed bid." Bids are due in the District Office at 1010 8th Avenue, Cumberland by 4:00 p.m. on Thursday, May 22, 2025.

- The building will need to be removed from the site at the bidder's expense.
- Winning bidder must have proof of liability insurance at the time of removal.
- Bidders need to submit a plan for the removal of the building with their bid.

If awarded the bid, this building must be removed from the site by June 20, 2025.

If you have any questions, please call Brandon Johnson at 715-642-0364 or email him at bjohn@cstdmail.com.

Jennifer Hyatt, Clerk

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STAPLES LAKE PROTECTION DISTRICT COMMUNITY ANNUAL MEETING/PICNIC

Date: June 7, 2025
Time: 10:00 am-11:00 pm
Location: Mixed Up Staples Lake Restaurant & Bar 1977 Polk Barron Street Comstock, WI 54826

The Staples Lake Protection & Rehabilitation District will hold their annual meeting on **June 7, 2025**. The district continues to implement our Lake Management Plan that identifies strategies and resources that address the water quality challenges facing our lake. We have also been diligently meeting with both Polk & Barron counties to identify areas needing attention within our watershed. As a landowner in the lake district, your input on priorities and potential management options is very important.

Annual summer picnic to follow meeting.

Dan Fisher, Secretary
Staples Lake Protection District

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

STATE OF WISCONSIN SS COUNTY OF BARRON

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given to all persons in the County of Barron, Wisconsin, that a public hearing will be held on Monday, May 12, 2025 at 9:10 a.m. in Room 2106 of the Barron County Government Center, 335 E. Monroe Ave., Barron, Wisconsin, relative to a proposal for a variance to the terms of the Barron County Land Use Ordinance as follows:

Requests a variance to allow a retaining wall constructed within the 75' setback to the OHWM of Beaver Dam Lake, in a Residential-1 district on property described as part of Govt. Lot 5 in Doc #862099, located in Section 36, T36N, R14W, town of Maple Plain, Barron County, Wisconsin.

The Board of Adjustment reserves the right to view the property and may convene in executive session prior to rendering a decision. Contact Zoning Office staff at 715-537-6375 with questions regarding this appeal.

Property owners: Nel Nordic Trust

Property address: 547 24 ½ Avenue, Cumberland, Wisconsin.

All persons interested are invited to attend said hearing.

Dated at Barron, Wisconsin, this 23rd day of April, 2025.

Barron County Board of Adjustment
Gary Nelson, Chairman

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STATE OF WISCONSIN

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

PUBLIC NOTICE OF INTENT TO REISSUE A WISCONSIN POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM (WPDES) PERMIT No.WI-0020354-11-0

Permittee: City of Cumberland, 1165 Saint Anthony Street, Cumberland, WI, 54829

Facility Where Discharge Occurs: City of Cumberland, 1165 Saint Anthony Street, Cumberland, Wisconsin

Receiving Water And Location: Hay River in the Hay River Watershed within the Lower Chippewa River Basin, Barron County

Brief Facility Description and Summary of Proposed Changes: The City of Cumberland owns and operates a wastewater treatment system designed to treat 400,000 gallons per day currently treats an average of 238,000 gallons per day (2020-2024 data). The facility consists of a headworks system followed by a Membrane Biological Reactor (MBR). A MBR is a combination of activated sludge treatment together with separation of the sludge by filtration to produce particle-free effluent. Effluent is discharged to the Hay River. The solids (sludge) that can't pass through the membrane will be either returned to the aeration zone to re-seed the new wastewater entering the system while the rest of the sludge will be treated in an aerobic digester prior to land applied as a soil conditioner on land approved by the Department. To receive a list of approved sites, or to be notified of potential approvals, contact the below-named basin engineer.

It is the Department's intention to renew the permit for another term. The proposed new permit expiration date will be March 31, 2030. Limitations and conditions which the Department believes adequately protect the receiving water are included in the proposed permit. Changes from the previous permit include:[1] Influent monitoring for copper, zinc and hardness are not needed this permit term. [2] Effluent temperature limits for October through December will become effective at the end of the "Temperature Limits and Dissipative Cooling Evaluation" schedule. [3] Effluent Escherichia coli (E. coli) monitoring and limits will become effective at the end of the "Effluent Limitations for E. coli" schedule. [4] Effluent daily maximum chloride concentration and mass limits and a variable weekly average mass limit have been added this term. [5] Effluent PFOS and PFOA monitoring once every two months is included in the permit. [6] Effluent annual Total Nitrogen Monitoring (TKN, N02+N03 and Total N) monitoring is required. [7] Two Acute and three Chronic WET tests of the effluent are required. [8] Annual sludge monitoring of PFAS is required.

Permit Drafter's Name, Address, Phone and Email: Sheri A. Snowbank, DNR, 810 W Maple St, Spooner, WI, 54801, (715) 635-4131, Sheri.Snowbank@wisconsin.gov

Basin Engineer's Name, Address, Phone and Email: Carson Johnson, DNR, 810 W Maple St, Spooner, WI 54801, (715) 205-7507, carson.johnson@wisconsin.gov

Persons wishing to comment on or object to the proposed permit action, or to request a public hearing, may write to the Department of Natural Resources at the above-named permit drafter's address. All comments or suggestions received no later than 30 days after the publication date of this public notice will be considered along with other information on file in making a final decision regarding the permit. Anyone providing comments in response to this public notice will receive a notification of the Department's final decision when the permit is issued. Where designated as a reviewable surface water discharge permit, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency is allowed up to 90 days to submit comments or objections regarding this permit determination. If no comments are received on the proposed permit from anyone, including U.S. EPA, the permit will be issued as proposed.

The Department may schedule a public informational hearing if requested by any person and shall schedule a public informational hearing if a petition requesting a hearing is received from 5 or more persons or if response to this notice indicates significant public interest pursuant to s. 283.49, Wis. Stats. Requests for a public informational hearing shall state the following: the name and address of the person(s) requesting the hearing; the interest in the proposed permit of the person(s) requesting the hearing; the reasons for the request; and the issues proposed to be considered at the hearing.

Information on file for this permit action, including the draft permit, fact sheet and permit application, may be inspected and copied at either the above-named permit drafter's office or the above named basin engineer's office, Monday through Friday (except holidays), between 9:00 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. Please call the permit drafter or basin engineer for directions to their office location, if necessary. Information on this permit action may also be obtained by calling the permit drafter at (715) 635-4131 or by writing to the Department. Reasonable costs (15 cents per page for copies and 7 cents per page for scanning) will be charged for information in the file other than the public notice, permit and fact sheet. Permit information is also available on the internet at: <http://dnr.wi.gov/topic/wastewater/PublicNotices.html>. Pursuant to the Americans with Disabilities Act, reasonable accommodation, including the provision of informational material in an alternative format, will be made to qualified individuals upon request.

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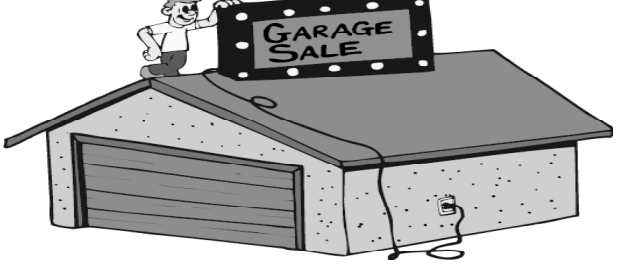
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National Day of Prayer...

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The National Prayer Gathering will be held virtually at the Museum of the Bible beginning at 7 p.m Central Time. NDP President Kathy Branzell and Tim Teboe will host this time with many influential leaders. This can be watched from the comfort of your home at www.nationaldayofprayer.org. You are invited to attend anyone of these gatherings. Your prayers make a difference!

Support your friends and neighbors!

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Turtle Lake School District Holds Groundbreaking for Track Revitalization

Administration and board members from the Turtle Lake School District were joined by donors and community members to celebrate the groundbreaking of the district's track and field revitalization project.

"This achievement would not have been possible without the generous support of our sponsors," expressed Kent Kindschy, District Administrator. "Through everyone's collective efforts, we successfully raised \$266,000 for this project." According to Mr. Kindschy, the project has been nine years in the making and is finally coming to fruition due to the generous support of the community and numerous fundraiser events.

The revitalization project will include a new 8-lane track with rubberized coating, field events with safety fencing, drainage to extend track life, along with pole vault, long/triple jump, shot put and discus areas. Cooperative Service Agency #10 (CESA 10) is serving as the District's construction manager on the project. "We are honored to help the district with this historic project that will benefit area students and community members for the foreseeable future," said Luke Schultz, Facilities Director at CESA 10.

To learn more about the District's track and field revitalization project, along with view a list of donors and fundraisers that help fund the project, please visit <https://www.turtlelake.k12.wi.us/activities/track-and-field.cfm>.

Groundbreaking Ceremony for Turtle Lake Track!



A groundbreaking ceremony for our track that was held on April 22. It has been a community project with huge support. We have raised \$266,000 in donations and fundraisers for the Track Revitalization Project. Pictured from left to right are: David Marsland - Monarch Paving Company - \$15,000 donation, Chad Andersen - Sanmina - \$10,000 donation, Sue Friday - Synergy Cooperative - \$10,000 donation, Bill Muench - School Board President - Louie's Finer Meats \$2,500 donation, Linda Flottum - School Board Clerk, Gary Gousda - Lake Country Dairy 0 \$50,000 donation, and Kent Kindschy - Superintendent.

April 28th Widespread Wind Storm!



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