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School Board Holds July Meeting; Prepare for Opening of School

by Mark Fuller

The Cumberland School Board held their July Meeting on the 15th of the month, with numerous Action Items helping to move the District closer to the opening of another school year.

After the approval of the Consent Agenda and with no one in attendance asking to speak, the Board went immediately into District Reports. They included a brief summary of summer activities by Athletic Director Lorne Majewski and a Curriculum update by Director of Learning, Isaac Lundquist.

Majewski said that summer activities had, "Gone well," and announced the beginning practice dates

for fall sports with football kicking things off on August 5. Lundquist, meanwhile, advised the Board on the new English Language Arts Curriculum, that comes after much research and encompasses structured learning experiences designed to develop students' abilities in reading, writing, speaking, listening, and language use.

This took the Board into Action Items which began with the promotion of McKenna Rademacher from Administration/Clerical to Business Manager. Having recently added a Business Management Degree to three years of ex-

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Dave Karpenske Recalls his own Bear Encounter Near Scott Lake

by Mark R. Fuller

As prayers and good wishes continue to come in for Karen Frye following her recent bear attack, her neighbor Dave Karpenske recalls his own encounter with a bear very near where the recent assault took place.

"It was October 2, 1989, when I headed to my tree stand behind my home on Scott Lake. It was about 20 feet up an oak tree located behind two small cedar swamps," said Karpenske.

Approximately 30 minutes later, he heard the crunching of an approaching animal, but instead of a large whitetail, it was a large sow and two cubs. Soon, the sow was standing at the base of Karpenske's tree stand.

"She must have smelled the deer attractant I applied to cover my scent. For some foolish reason, I yelled at her to try and scare her off, but instead she vaulted up the tree in breath-taking speed and soon was within four feet of me," Karpenske said.

He would go on, "I had never felt fear like I experienced in the next few

seconds as I believed I may be facing serious injury or worse. I pulled back my bow, uncertain as to what to do. Fortunately, after a few seconds of a stare down, she inched her way down the tree and moved approximately 20 feet away, still observing my position."

With one of her cubs in a nearby tree, darkness began to fall and Karpenske added, "I was getting worried because it would soon be dark and I was uncertain as to how I would return to my home."

Thankfully, after about 10 minutes of waiting, the cub in the tree climbed to the ground and the three bears headed back from where they came. Karpenske lingered for a while and then scurried down the tree and headed home, all the while watching the shadows in the woods.

"I've thought about this incident a great deal since then and even more with the recent attack. I believe upon entering my house, I was the most grateful person in the State of Wisconsin," he concluded.

100 Years At The Barron County Fair!



To say the Barron County Fair is a big deal to the Riebe family would be an understatement. The Riebe family and Meadow Ridge Jerseys have been at the fair for over 100 years, now that's commitment! Pictured at this year's Barron County Fair are back row from left to right Mark Riebe, Tanya Riebe, Jordyn Anderson and Jamie Anderson. Middle row from left to right are Levi Riebe, Tani Riebe, Tamala Anderson, Alleah Anderson, Lexi Anderson, Kaity Riebe, Mark Riebe and Jaime Riebe. Front row are Darice and Roger Riebe. Congratulations!

Cooperative Efforts Provide Veterans with an Unforgettable Journey

Barron Electric Cooperative, Federated Youth Foundation, and Co-Bank's Sharing Success Program have generously donated \$15,000 to the Never Forgotten Honor Flight. Over the last five years, Barron Electric, along with their partners, have raised more than \$79,000, enabling 158 veterans the chance to visit memorials in Washington D.C. Aaron Torud, Barron Electric Cooperative General Manager, expressed, "We are pleased to support our veterans through

the Never Forgotten Honor Flight and demonstrate our gratitude for their service to our country." Jim Campbell, Never Forgotten Honor Flight's Co-Founder and VP of Marketing, stated, "Thanks to Barron Electric's contributions, these veterans have experienced a trip of a lifetime."

John Knight, a member of Barron Electric Cooperative, participated in the Never Forgotten Honor Flight #52, flying to Washington, D.C. this spring. He shared, "This was truly a

trip of a lifetime; I met so many wonderful people. I would encourage eligible veterans to take advantage of this opportunity. I sincerely appreciate Barron Electric's donation to this program and all of the work that goes into making this trip extraordinary." John served as a combat medic in the Army's 9th Infantry and spent a year in Vietnam.

Never Forgotten Honor Flight is a not-for-profit organization comprised of devoted volunteers who

honor veterans with respect and gratitude by providing free flights to Washington D.C. to visit their memorials. Barron Electric members are on the Honor Flight waiting list, and the organization eagerly anticipates sponsoring them.

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Awesome Donation!



Barron Electric Cooperative, Federated Youth Foundation, and Co-Bank's Sharing Success Program donated \$15,000 to Never Forgotten Honor Flight. Pictured are Dave Peterson, Barron Electric employee and Army veteran; Jordan Ellison, Barron Electric employee and Army veteran; Dave Olson, Barron Electric Director and National Guard veteran; Jim Campbell, Never Forgotten Honor Flight and Marine veteran; and Tim Kessler, Barron Electric Board Treasurer and Army veteran.

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Dustin DeGolier and Raya Madison, who perform as Bare Minimum, will be on the Island City Music Stage from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Tuesday, July 29, at the City Beach. The concert is sponsored by Cumberland Boat Storage, Dock & Lift. Food will be served by My Momma's food truck.

Bare Minimum on the stage July 29

Dustin DeGolier and Raya Madison, who perform as Bare Minimum, will be the Island City Music entertainment from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Tuesday, July 29, at the City Beach — unless it rains. If there is rain, as there was last Tuesday, the concert will be at the Cumberland Arts Center. The free concerts are presented by ETC, Cum-

berland's arts council, and local businesses. The Bare Minimum sponsor is Cumberland Boat Storage, Dock and Lift. Food will be served by My Momma's food truck. If the concert is at the beach, the school district's kayaks will be available for use during the music. Although the concerts are free, guests

are asked to drop free-will donations into the ETC Tip Jar. Bare minimum performs oldies, classic rock and country, with DeGolier on guitar and vocals and Madison on vocals. Both were members of Paisan & The Family Brass, which has disbanded after many years as Cumberland's premier musical group. My Momma's specializes in healthful foods, including gluten-free.

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Cumberland Community Education is proud to announce for the 9th year that Cumberland School District Kayaks and lifejackets will be available on Tuesday evenings during the Concert Series on the shores of the Cumberland Beach from 6-8 pm.
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Northwoods Notebook: Losses made me feel a part of this town

By Larry Werner

When I started writing this column in the fall of 2014, I called it “Northwoods Newcomer.” I had just moved to town a few months before, after 30 years living and working in the Twin Cities, and I wrote about the good people, places and events that make this place special.

I decided to rename the column “Northwoods Notebook,” in 2017, after I heard that John Hendricks had died. He and his wife, Gay, had been supporters of ETC, the arts council on whose board I had been serving for three years at the time, and I’d see them every week at our Island City Music concerts.

I’ll never forget the Tuesday that Gay showed up without John and reached out for a hug and condolence. Gay sold her Cumberland house and took an apartment in a Minnesota senior home. But she came to town occasionally to quilt with the Piecemakers and visit friends, including Ann and me. Then we heard she was in memory care and, then, that she had joined John on the other side.

So many people I got to know here passed from this place to the great beyond in 11 years, and their losses have made me feel more a part of The Island City, for some reason. Maybe part of me was buried here with them.

In any case, I got this feeling of belonging with each obituary: Roger Wistrill, father of my son-in-law, husband of Barb; Richard Kohn, Val’s husband; Kristina Knutson, whom I met on walks into town; Gene Buzzewitz, husband of Connie; Kathy Gannon, wife of Gary; David Husby, husband of Katherine, and Bobby Momchilovich, leader of the Woman’s Club and wife of Terry.

And several more my aging memory can’t recall at the moment.

We invest in this place by remembering them and consoling their survivors. I didn’t even know George Metzger, but feel I did as I listen to his widow, Mary, talk about her man.

I did know Mark Aderman, special friend of Bonnie Modjeski, ex-wife of Roger Wistrill, whose son is married to my daughter. The Adermans were involved in Shell Lake arts, and Mark came to our summer concerts — in a wheelchair during his last months. The first memorial I attended was that of Darrell Aderman, Mark’s father, whose name is on the Shell Lake Arts Center.

They pass, and we grieve them with the rest of the community of which we have become townfolk, not newcomers. My heart was pained by the shocking death of Chana Wood, founder of Sugar Wood candy company, and the sudden death of Cas Miloszewicz, owner of Cas’ Men’s Store.

“How are you, Cas?” I’d ask as we passed on Main Street. “Fat,” he’d say with a chuckle.

About a week ago, we got word that a neighbor had died. Barb Shea, who lived in our townhouse development since shortly after her husband died, is gone. I’ll no longer see her at neighborhood potlucks or having coffee with friends at Peter & Annie’s. As I drive past her house, I think about those times.

Newcomers aren’t affected the way I was by the news of Barb’s death, or the deaths of the others mentioned and those unremembered. We became part of this little town not just because we got involved in it, but also because we got to know people here who became part of our lives and left this good place for what they say is an even better place.

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

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would like to thank all the businesses and members for the generous donations that made the 19th Annual Dick Ruppel Scramble a huge success! The monies raised go to the purchasing of course equipment. Without such great community we wouldn't have such a great golf course!

A special thank you to our major donors: Ardisam, Lejune Steel, Cumberland Ace Hardware, Tom and Cori Hallgren, Brian and Nancy Keeler and Breakthrough Beverage.

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Opinion



Out My Window

by Paul Bucher, Editor

What in the world is going on with the Milwaukee Brewers, to say they are hot would be a gross understatement. The Crew moved to 20 games over 500 and 60-40 with a 6-0 shutout of Seattle Monday night. They have now won 11 games in a row and own the best record in all of baseball. I don't think anybody anywhere saw this coming, as I've heard them called a team of "average Joes." Sure they have some guys that can really pitch, including Brandon Woodruff, who just returned from injury. Freddy Peralta who has been consistently good and rookie phenomenon Jacob Misorowski. Their bullpen has been solid too. The thing that amazes me is the starting lineup, they just keep getting it done. If you look at it on paper, it doesn't look like murderers row, but they do the little things right, play excellent defense, steal bases, take the extra base and so on. It just goes to show if you play together as a team great things can happen. It will be fun to see what happens in the next couple of months.

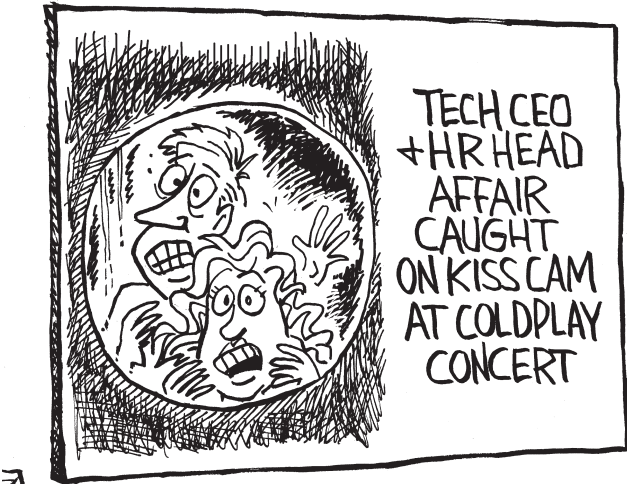
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I don't know what else to say about this next one, except that you have to be kidding me. The University of Minnesota is adding a \$200.00 annual athletic fee for campus students. The \$100.00 per term fee will go to pay student athletes and help with general cost increases within the athletic department. This goes along with a 6.5% to 7.5% increase in tuition. As a student, you might never go to an athletic event and yet you will be charged to help pay NIL money to athletes. Coming from someone who likes sports, I find this to be just plain wrong. Students pay great plenty already, find another "donor" or another way, it's just plain and simple a bad look!

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It's hard to believe we are almost through July already. The Barron County Fair has come and gone and soon Rutabaga Fest will be here. It is amazing how fast summers fly by. This week looks to be hot with plenty of rain mixed in. Speaking of rain, my yard has never been this green this time of year, I don't believe. I am mowing every five days and it needs it every time, it looks nice, but I wouldn't mind if it slowed down a bit. Hopefully the rain backs off a bit to help with the road construction as well. It will be so nice to get it done as I'm sure you all know! Have a great week!

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Inside Wisconsin

by Tom Still

““Will tariffs bring some industries back to America – or hurt what’s already here?””

MADISON, Wis. – Most of the discussion at the latest meeting of the Wisconsin Technology Council board of directors centered on topics one might expect to be covered – computing and artificial intelligence, engineering trends and university research.

A less predictable conversation involved how tariffs are touching many businesses in Wisconsin, from medical-related tools and products to commercial construction to custom lighting projects.

It was a microcosm of a growing national debate over whether President Trump's aggressive approach to global trade will bring production and jobs home to the United States – or raise prices for all consumers while disrupting vital supply chains.

Inflation rose in June to its highest level since February, with consumer prices climbing 2.7% on everything from groceries to apparel, and from furniture to appliances. That increase follows a 2.4% consumer price index in May, according to statistics gathered by the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.

It's not hard to discern the core philosophy behind Trump's reasoning for imposing tariffs,

which are taxes on foreign goods. He believes American interests are best served by leveling the playing field on a range of products, which can come from nations that pay workers less and subsidize businesses more.

The administration has quickened its pace on tariff threats in recent weeks, with announcements of 30% taxes on goods from Europe and Mexico starting Aug. 1, and similar warnings to Canada, Japan, South Korea, Brazil, Thailand and other trading partners. There are 25 nations targeted overall. Is it mainly a negotiating stance? It's no secret Trump loves to bargain, so his approach could lead to deals in some cases.

Many economists are not so sanguine. They have predicted for months that consumers would be the first to feel the effects of tariffs, with the stock markets not too far behind. The administration continues to argue that inflation is minimal and that a reduction in core interest rates by the Federal Reserve would cure whatever ails the economy.

What's missing in the equation – and voiced by some Tech Council board members during a July 15 meeting – is the vulnera-

bility of the supply chain. In many cases, there are no American-made sources for some of the materials that go into production at home. If these companies could order from suppliers in Wisconsin or Wyoming, for that matter, they likely would. However, some goods simply aren't mined, machined or manufactured in the United States, so domestic companies wind up paying tariff taxes on goods that must be imported.

Wisconsin's economy is diverse. It includes tech-based industry, forest and farm products and one of the nation's most concentrated manufacturing bases. That reality explains why the head of Wisconsin Manufacturers & Commerce commented on tariffs a few weeks back.

"We have members on both sides of the issue because tariffs affect businesses differently depending on what they make, grow or sell; where they sell it, and where they source components, parts and/or raw materials," wrote Kurt Bauer, WMC's president and chief executive officer. "Our members who oppose the tariffs are typically manufacturers who have supply chains overseas and can't find domestic alternatives

for specialty, precision or raw material inputs."

Bauer added that while many business owners understand the goal of "reshoring" elements of the supply chain, it's not an automatic.

"... That is easier said than done," he noted. "You can't just snap your fingers and find a new supplier, which often means you must pay the tariff. Those higher costs add up, eat into profit margins, and create inflationary ripples."

Another factor: Skill levels in parts of the U.S. workforce may not fully match what's available overseas, including those in some countries targeted for tariffs. It's hard to replicate existing supply chains in China, Japan or elsewhere when some of those nations have a head start on workers with specific skills needed in today's economy.

The tariffs debate is far from over, but the price pinch on consumers and a crimped supply chain might influence the conversation sooner than later.

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A Look Back

10 Years Ago
July 29, 2015

Former local resident, Russ Biros, won a Blue Ribbon in the annual "National Exhibition of Folk Art in the Norwegian Tradition" at Vesterheim, the national Norwegian-American museum and heritage center. With this award, he earned a Vesterheim Gold Medal. Biros won the ribbon in the woodworking category with a carved figurehead, "Viking Longboat."

20 Years Ago
July 27, 2005

Mary Ricci of Cumberland was recently recognized by the Board of Directors of the National Registry of Emergency Medical Technicians for an honor in her profession as a nationally certified CMT for 20 years. To maintain status as a Nationally Registered EMT, Ricci completed, on a biennial basis, the most comprehensive recertification program for Emergency Medical Technicians of America.

Clayton Wohlk, son of Glenn and Sue Wohlk of Almena, was named Outstanding Dairy Exhibitor at the 2005 Barron County Fair. This award is presented to dairy project members who excelled in showing dairy cattle and have displayed leadership in a wide range of Barron County dairy activities.

30 Years Ago
July 26, 1995

Three Cumberland Troop 24 Boy Scouts were "tapped out" at a camp fire ceremony and were inducted into the Order of the Arrow. The three boys are Randy Barker, Jay Gagner and Bill O'Dell. The Order of the Arrow is an elite scout organization of scouts who have demonstrated exceptional scouting, camping and leadership skills.

40 Years Ago
July 24, 1985

The Miss Cumberland contest drew a larger-than-usual number of entrants this year. The candidates are: Micki Ranallo, Michelle Leahy, Barb Dague, Jill Schneider, Marie Ranallo, Jennifer Scharmer, Tawni Zappa, Rhonda Helstern, Cathy Theese, Anna Poznikowich, Laura Grant, Wendy Riemer, Sunny Frazee, Jennifer Jacobson, Wndy Weiss, Della DeSantis and Jenny Baril.

The spotlight was on Judy Jacobson of Cumberland last week, as she was honored for being one of the top saleswomen in the 150,000 - member Mary Kay Cosmetics sales organization.

50 Years Ago
July 24, 1975

Navy Airman Recruit Theodore W. Newhouse,

son of Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Newhouse, was graduated from recruit training at the Naval Training Center, San Diego. Classes included instruction in seamanship, military regulations, fire-fighting, close order drill, first aid and Navy history.

60 Years Ago
July 23, 1965

One of the worst hail storms in years hit this year last Thursday evening leaving heavy crop damage behind as well as ruining a number of gardens and stripping trees. About two inches of hail, all the way from a size of a pea to an inch and a half in diameter covered the ground. Along with the hail, 1.47 inches of rain was recorded.

A new business will be open to the public in Cumberland next week when the newest Sears, Roebuck and Co., Catalog merchant store will have its grand opening.

70 Years Ago
July 28, 1955

Cumberland's Dr. I.N. Toftness, who has distinguished himself as a leader in the profession of chiropractic, recently received additional national recognition when he attended a convention at St. Louis. He was presented with the degree of Ph.C. (Philosopher of Chiropractic).

80 Years Ago
July 26, 1945

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Court News...

A.R.L. on the van’s blue-tooth system via phone. He said that A.R.L. gave Roberge permission to spank K.E.L. The officer reports he asked K.E.L. if A.R.L. knew about him being physically assaulted and he stated that Roberge never told her that.

K.E.L. stated that this is when Roberge started to hit him with a wooden board. The officer believed, by K.E.L.’s description of the board, this was some sort of craft board about a foot in length, a couple inches wide, and not very thick. K.E.L. reported that Roberge attempted to hit him on the butt but then swatted at his shoulder and then his head.

K.E.L. reported that Roberge eventually got out of the vehicle again, opened the rear door, lowered a seat, and at this point, K.E.L. got out, put his shoes on and started to walk away.

C.B. reported that she did not know what happened until the date of the report, July 15, and that K.E.L. started to tell her more and more information throughout the day.

The officer reports he spoke with a male, who stated he lived with Rob-

erge and the female. The male reported that on July 14, 2025, Roberge told him there was an incident with K.E.L. and that K.E.L. wasn’t allowed in the house anymore. The male reported that Roberge futher told him that he hit K.E.L. with a closed fist, choked him, and hit him with a board due to K.E.L. telling them, “shut up.”

The officer reports that he went with deputies to Roberge’s residence. He reports that C.B. knocked on the door and advised the female, who answered, that she was there for J.J.L. and for the kids’ belongings. The officer reports that he advised the female he needed to speak with Roberge. The officer further reports asking the female what happened and that she gave a similar story as K.E.L. but that she never mentioned the physical altercation.

The officer reports Roberge eventually spoke with him outside. The officer reports he asked Roberge what happened between him and K.E.L. and that Roberge stated they were on their way home and that K.E.L. wasn’t wearing a seat belt. The officer

reports Roberge told him that K.E.L. has a thing against authority and that he acts out. Roberge reported that they eventually got to Cameron and pulled into the church parking lot and that he went to the back to put a seat belt on K.E.L. but K.E.L. kept fighting with him. Roberge reported that he called A.R.L. and got permission to spank K.E.L.

The officer reports Roberge stated he didn’t remember when asked if he put his elbow on K.E.L.’s chest and that he had an adrenaline rush while it happened. Roberge stated that it probably happened by accident when he slipped. The officer reports he asked Roberge if he hit K.E.L. with a board and he stated A.R.L. told him to spank K.E.L. with a belt and since he didn’t have one, he grabbed the board.

Roberge was arrested and transported to the Barron County Jail without incident.

If convicted for physical abuse of a child-intentionally cause bodily harm, Roberge may be fined not more than \$10,000 or imprisoned for not more than six years or both.

His adjourned initial appearance is scheduled for July 30, 2025.

Barronett News

By Judy Pieper

This is the week for the Washburn County Fair – Yay!! Duane and I really enjoy going up to Spooner to see all the things the 4-H kids have done – and the open exhibits of crafts that anyone can enter. One of my personal favorites in the “open” category is the building where there are lots and lots of knitted, crocheted, quilted and macrame items. That is where visitors are asked to vote on their favorite item – and it is almost impossible to pick out just one. I like to knit and crochet, but I do very basic things – not the impossibly beautiful kind on display there.

And, we like to go through the animal barns – especially the horses and chickens. I would like to put a few chickens up at the garden and orchard to keep the ticks down, but have not gotten around to doing that yet. Maybe this year, at the auction, I will bid on a hen and a rooster and get a flock started up there. Hmmm – good idea.

The congregation of Barronett Lutheran Church would like to thank Boyd Aarestad and crew for removing the humongous tree stumps from the church yard. They did a beautiful job smoothing down the site. It won’t be long before we have nice green grass growing in those spots.

Geri Pittman stopped by the Sweet residence one day this past week to welcome Pat home. Geri said that Pat is getting around well, was very happy to have a visitor, and is overjoyed to be at home again.

Curt and Dawson Adams, Wendy Coss and her granddaughter, Rilynn, and Jesse and Rachel Adams took

advantage of the beautiful weather we had on Sunday to do some 4-wheeling. They trailered their 4-wheelers up to Trego and did a lot of riding on the trails. What a perfect way to spend a beautiful afternoon.

Lynn Thon had a houseful of very welcome guests over the weekend. Her granddaughters, Kaitlynn and Jessica Holmen stayed with her from Thursday to Sunday while their mom and step-dad, Jamie and Kurt Anderson, went to Rockfest. Lynn’s grandsons, Kane and Pierce Thon, also came over and visited a couple times. The kids had fun – Lynn has a very large trampoline with basketball hoops at each end, and the boys practiced shooting baskets and, of course, doing front and back flips. Man, I wish we could bottle up some of that energy and use it for ourselves. It would certainly help when we go out to the garden and try to get stuff done.

Kurt and Jamie had a great time at Rockfest, by the way. They took Lynn’s motorhome to stay in, Jamie did some volunteer work for Benjamin House, and they enjoyed listening to the music and hanging out with other music lovers.

Roger and Sue Pieper traveled down from Moose Lake, Minnesota to visit with us on Saturday. We had a very nice visit – we were hoping to take them to dinner at Sal’s on 63, but they had to leave before Sal’s opened so they would get home before dark. You know how old people are – we can’t see that great in the day-time, but when it gets dark, if we are driving, we should probably park the car and save others who happen to be on the road

at the same time.

We had one surprise guest too – While Roger and Sue were here, Ryley Otto stopped by. He was home from Fargo for a couple days, and brought back a pint jar that, when I gave it to him, was full of jelly. We tried to send more jelly with him, but he said he still had two jars at home, so, when he runs out, he will call me and I will send him some via UPS. Ryley is studying mechanical engineering in Fargo, and is interning this summer up there, learning some hands-on stuff to further his education.

Our raspberries are ready to pick. Suzy Lehmann and Lynn Thon were in the berry patch one day and picked about a half-gallon for us. I made pancakes for breakfast the next morning and had fresh raspberries on them. They were delicious!

Oh, speaking of pancakes, do you know why they always win at baseball? They have the best batter. (That was one of those “oh, groan” jokes.

Jerry Marsh and Jodi Ladd stopped by with their friends Bob and Deb on Sunday afternoon. They rode their motorcycles up from the Twin Cities area, and spent the weekend riding from place to place showing Bob and Deb all the beautiful sights in our area.

Well, I had better get going – things to do, people to see, garden to weed, etc. I hope to see you at the Washburn County Fair this weekend. We will be wandering around up there on Saturday and will be at the livestock auction that evening. Have a great week.

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Cumberland Rotary Impact Club announces launch party

The Cumberland Rotary Impact Club, which is a satellite club of Barron County Sunrise Rotary is hosting a launch party at Harvest Grill on Wednesday Aug 6 from 5:30-7:30 pm. Reservations can be made by calling 715-822-2569. Tickets are limited. If you are interested in learning what Rotary is about and how you can serve locally please consider attending .

The Cumberland Rotary Impact Club has 14 official members and has already completed a service project with assisting with set-up for the Taste in Cumberland, a fundraiser for Barron County Boys and Girls Club. Our next service project is an outdoor fun fair for Boys and Girls Club mem-

bers on Tuesday July 29 from 1 pm to 3 pm at Cumberland Middle School. A forest hike, yoga, nature art and lawn games will be available for children grades 1-5 to enjoy.

Another project that the Cumberland Rotary Impact Club is planning is a school supply drive from late July through Aug 15. There will be boxes for your school supply donations at Dollar General, Family Dollar, Nilssen’s Grocery and Thomas St. Angelo Public Library. More details to come soon. The supplies collected will be made available to those children in need locally. If you have a service project or see a local need please contact us a Cumberlandrotaryimpact@gmail.com.

SENIOR DINING

Thursday, July 24
Lemon baked cod with creamy dill sauce, boiled baby reds, California vegetables, assorted bread, pumpkin bar.

Friday, July 25
Salisbury steak, thyme herb potatoes, steamed corn dinner roll, fruit crisp.

Monday, July 28
Swedish meatballs over egg noodles, maple glazed carrots, banana bread, fresh melon.

Tuesday, July 29
Spaghetti with meat sauce, spinach, berry & feta salad, bread stick, blonde bar.

Wednesday, July 30
Entrée salad with hard boiled egg, beans, cheese, assorted veggies, yogurt, dinner roll, oreo fluff.

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

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Karen K. (Kohn) Zappa

Karen Kathleen Zappa (Kohn), age 84, of Comstock, Wisconsin, passed away peacefully on May 28, 2025 in Wyoming, Minnesota.

Karen was born in Crystal Lake Township, Wisconsin, and grew up on her family's farm in Barron. She graduated from Turtle Lake High School in 1959 and worked for many years as a talented and dedicated hairdresser.

On March 16, 1963, she married Boyd Zappa, and together they built a loving life rooted in faith and family.

Karen was a long-time member of Christ Lutheran Church-Pipe Lake in Comstock, WI, where she was active in the Ladies' Auxiliary group. She loved baking sweet treats, visiting with family and friends, and never missed watching her favorite Friday night wrestling. Her warmth, sense of humor, and giving heart made a lasting impact on all who knew her.

She is survived by her children: Brian (Sandra) Zappa and Sandra (fiancé Kevin

Johnson) Pizzuti, Grandchildren: Trisha (Neal) Andrews, Travis (Grace) Zappa, Dominic Pizzuti, Anthony Pizzuti, Nicco Pizzuti, Great Grandchildren: Mia Andrews, Giovanni Zappa and Angelo Zappa, Sisters: Doris Fisher (Kohn) and Carole Stokes (Kohn); Brother: Ron Kohn; She was preceded in death by her husband, Boyd Zappa, and parents, William and Elsie Kohn (Kunkel).

A funeral service to honor Karen and Boyd will be held at 12:00 p.m. on Friday, July 25, 2025, at Christ Lutheran Church-Pipe Lake in Comstock, Wisconsin. Visitation will be held prior to the service at 11 a.m. Interment and luncheon will follow at the cemetery at Christ Lutheran Church.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Christ Lutheran Church.



Barbara J. "Barb" (Benson) Shea

Barbara "Barb" J. Shea (Benson), age 84, of Cumberland, Wisconsin, passed away peacefully on July 11, 2025. Born in Wisconsin in 1940, Barb lived a full and loving life.

She is survived by six children: Michael Shea (Jerri), Timothy Shea, Susan Abdel-Ghani, Jamie Shea, Kelly Shea, and Patrick Shea (Joy). She is also survived by her sister, Sue Ramsey (Ollie), her brother, Doug Benson (Stevie), twelve grandchildren, and four great-grandchildren, all of whom brought her great pride and joy. Barb was preceded in death by her husband, John "Jack" Shea, her son, David

Shea, and her brother, John Benson.

Jack and Barb were married for 57 years. He was her greatest support and partner in life's journey. Jack left this world in 2018 leaving a gap within the family.

For many years, Barb was an administrative assistant with Columbia Heights Schools. There she made many friends that she stayed in contact with up to her passing. Barb and Jack vacationed extensively in northern Wisconsin. After they retired, they moved to Turtle Lake. After Jack's passing, Barb moved to Cumberland. She and Jack were longtime friends with members of their "bridge club". Barb was a dedicated reader and loved word puzzles. Later in life she cherished her coffee visits and lunches with close friends. Barb will be dearly missed by family and friends.

Details regarding a memorial service will be shared at a later time.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Alzheimer's Association.



June R. (Alich) Roberts

June R. (Alich) Roberts, Age 70, of Little Canada, MN, passed away on July 18, 2025.

She is preceded in death by parents, Rudy Alich & May (Delno) Geiger.

She is survived by husband of 46 years, Wayne Roberts; children, David Roberts & Lisa (Brian) Thompson; grandchildren, Addison June, Evan Wayne, Lily May, Caleb Gene, Payton Jane; siblings, Jan (Curt) Olejniczak, Jackie Alich, John (Kay) Alich; and many nieces & nephews.

June grew up in Cumberland, WI and graduated from Cumberland High School

Wednesday, July 23, 2025 9 (Class of 1973). She met Wayne at W.I.T.C (New Richmond) in 1977 and they were married in 1978. She worked in nutrition services and ultimately retired from Roseville Schools after 25 years of service. In her free time, she loved gardening, traveling, and spending time with her family, especially her grandchildren. She will be deeply missed by her family and friends.

Memorial visitation will be held from 4:00 - 7:00 pm Friday, August 8 at Mueller-Bies Funeral Home (Roseville), 2130 N. Dale St. at County Rd. B. Private interment at Ft. Snelling National Cemetery.



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The verse from Philippians 4:6 is a wonderful reminder that feeling anxious and overwhelmed is a normal response, especially when life gets tough. It encourages us to turn to prayer and share our thoughts with God, helping us express our needs, fears, and hopes honestly. By being open in this way, we can transform our worries into something that brings us strength and clarity, leading us to understand better what we're going through.

This uplifting approach fosters a sense of inner peace, creating a cozy emotional space where we can feel safe and supported. It reassures us that we have the strength to weather life's storms with confidence and calm. During those tough times when everything feels overwhelming, this verse invites us to lean into our spiritual practices. They can become a source of hope and resilience, offering us comfort in chaos.

Through prayer, we find our center and gain clarity, even when our thoughts feel jumbled and our emotions are all over the place. Surrendering our struggles in prayer doesn't just ease immediate tension; it also empowers us, giving us the strength to face each day with renewed purpose.

In the end, embracing this spiritual practice nurtures a sense of trust and faith within us, reminding us that we're never truly alone on our journey. It shows us that by placing our burdens in God's hands, we open ourselves up to grace and guidance, deepening our connection with the divine and making it easier to handle life's ups and downs. It's perfectly okay to seek comfort and support, and we can always find it in our faith.

Prayer:

Gracious and loving God, when our hearts are heavy and our spirits tired, we seek Your comfort and healing. Surround us with Your peace, calming our worries and reminding us that we are safe in Your care. Fill us with hope in our darkest moments. Guide us, knowing You walk with us and light our path. Give us the strength to face each new day with faith and patience. Thank you for listening to our prayers and renewing our strength. With grateful hearts, we share our worries with You, trusting in Your peace and hope for our future. Amen.

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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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GOSPEL CHURCH
Shell Lake, WI.
Josiah Hodgett, Lead Pastor
Worship Service: Sundays at 10 am; Kids for Christ: Sundays at 10:30 am, Uturn Student Ministries: Sundays at 6 pm.
SILVER CREEK LUTHERAN CHURCH
Missouri Synod (LCMS)
483 7th Avenue, Clayton
Pastor: Rev. Quenten 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 Bergeson
Phone: 262-354-4537
Sunday Service: 8:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.; Coffee & bible Study

TIMBERLAND RINGEBU FREE LUTHERAN
12 miles north on "H"
Timothy Carlson, Pastor
Sunday School, all ages 8:15 a.m. Worship 9:30 a.m. Holy Communion 2nd Sunday of each month.

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.bluehillssuu.org
230 W. Messenger St., Rice Lake
Services Sunday 10 a.m.

ZION LUTHERAN
Wi. Ev. Lutheran Synod
715-641-0945
3 miles NW of Almena
Worship Service: Saturdays 11:00 am; Holy communion 1st and third Sunday

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PUBLIC NOTICES



PUBLIC NOTICE

COMBINED NOTICE OF FINDINGS OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT ON THE ENVIRONMENT AND NOTICE OF INTENT TO REQUEST RELEASE OF FUNDS
City of Cumberland

Date of Posting: July 23, 2025
TO ALL INTERESTED AGENCIES, GROUPS AND PERSONS:
The above named UGLG has prepared an Environmental Assessment (EA) for the following project. The EA is on file at the address below and is available for public examination and copying.
Project Title: Mill Hill Infrastructure Improvements and Highway 63 Boring
Purpose: The purpose of the project is to replace undersized water mains, aged sanitary sewer, and redirect and replace storm sewer, along with the boring of a water main under Highway 63.
Location: City of Cumberland, Barron County, Wisconsin
Estimated Cost: \$3,474,342.00

The UGLG has determined that such request for release of funds will not constitute an action significantly affecting the quality of the human environment and, accordingly, the UGLG has decided not to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (PL 91-190).
The reason for such decision is: The project consists of a community-wide benefit project that includes improvements to the existing water mains, sanitary sewer system, storm sewer system, and the boring of a water main under Highway 63, to address low water flow issues, water main breaks, aged sanitary sewer, sanitary sewer back-ups and redirect storm sewers to an existing stormwater pond for treatment prior to discharge to Beaver Dam Lake.

All agencies, groups or individuals disagreeing with this decision are invited to submit written comments to the address below. Such written comments should be received on or before August 25, 2025. All such comments will be considered, and the UGLG will not request the release of funds or begin the project prior to such date.
On or about August 25, 2025, the UGLG will request the Division of Energy, Housing and Community Resources (DEHCR) to release Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds under Title 1 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 (PL 93-383) as amended for this project.

The UGLG is certifying to the DEHCR that it and its chief executive officer, in their official capacity as Mayor, consent to accept the jurisdiction of the federal courts if an action is brought to enforce environmental review responsibilities, decision-making, and action; and that these responsibilities have been satisfied. Upon certification, the UGLG may use the CDBG funds, and DEHCR will have satisfied its responsibilities under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969. DEHCR will accept an objection to the release of funds and certification only if (a) the certification was not executed by the chief executive officer or other officer of the UGLG approved by DEHCR; or (b) the UGLG's EA indicates omissions of a required decision, finding, or step. Objections must be prepared and submitted in accordance with 24 CFR 58, and may be addressed to the Division of Energy, Housing and Community Resources, Attention: Environmental Desk, P.O. Box 7970, Madison, WI 53708-7970 or DOAEnvironmentalDesk@Wisconsin.gov.

Objections for reasons other than those stated above will not be considered by DEHCR. No objections received after August 25, 2025 will be considered by DEHCR.

Daniel C. Shoemaker, Mayor
City of Cumberland
950 1st Avenue
Cumberland, WI 54829
715-822-2752
cityadmin@cityofcumberland.net

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Notice of Public Hearing
before the City of Cumberland Zoning Board of Appeals
Thursday July 31, 2025 at 9:00am
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 Thursday, July 31, 2025, at 9:00am at Cumberland City Hall to solicit comments and public input on the following:

An application for a variance by Tom Gerlach for the property located at 1700 Superior Ave. Applicant is seeking a variance from setback requirements required under Section 17.36(6) of the City of Cumberland Code of Ordinances.

Copies of documents related to this topic may 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 at 950 1st Ave., Cumberland, WI 54829; (715) 822-2752.

* Please also note that it is possible that a quorum of the City of Cumberland Common Council could be in attendance at this, or any meeting of city committees, commissions, or boards. No formal action by the Common Council shall be taken should such a situation arise.

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Beaver Dam Lake Management District 34th
Annual Meeting
Saturday August 2, 2025
Cumberland Middle School
Cumberland, Wisconsin 54829

Doors open at 9:00 AM, Meeting begins at 9:30 AM

1. Welcome and Introductions – Tom Schroeder
2. Approval of 2024 Annual Meeting Minutes – Tom Schroeder
3. Annual Treasurer's Report – Dr. Alan Carlson
4. Audit Report – submitted by Mary Biros Rogers, presented by Dr. Carlson
5. Jay Michels – EOR, update on SE Storm Water Pond and present 4 Beaver Dam Lake Management Plan goals
6. Present Budget for 2025-2026, discussion, approval – Dr. Alan Carlson
7. Election of Commissioners – Tom Schroeder
8. Review of District Activities – Tom Schroeder
9. Other discussion as needed
10. Adjourn

Note; the 2025 Annual Letter with the agenda and Draft 2025/2026 budget plus the 2024 Annual Meeting minutes can be found at beaverdamlake.org

BDLMD Board Meeting
August 2, 2025
Cumberland Middle school

Approximately 15 minutes following the adjournment of the 2025 Annual Meeting the BDLMD will hold a brief Board meeting with the following agenda.

1. Approve minutes.
2. Treasurer's Report – Dr. Alan Carlson
3. Election of officers
4. Discuss and approve funding for projects approved at the Annual Meeting
5. Set next meeting date
6. Adjourn

Note: additional agenda items may be added up to 24 hours in advance of the meeting. The new agenda will be posted on the BDLMD Website, City Hall, Nielsen's and the City Library.

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Appeal #3993

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, August 11, 2025 at 9:00 a.m. in Room 2106 of the Government Center, 335 E. Monroe Ave., Barron, Wisconsin, relative to a proposal for a special exception to the terms of the Barron County Land Use Ordinance as follows:

Requests a special exception to allow a welding business in an Agricultural-2 district, property described as part NE-SW shown as Lot 1 CSM 34/46, consisting of 5 acres, located in Section 10, T35N, R13W, Town of Cumberland, 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 owner: Kevin & Shalain Wiebe

Property address: 941 22 ½ Avenue, Cumberland, Wisconsin

All persons interested are invited to attend said hearing.

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

Barron County Board of Adjustment
Gary Nelson, Chairman

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PUBLIC NOTICE

On behalf of Tillman Infrastructure, LLC for ASR filing

Tillman Infrastructure, LLC is proposing to build a 235-foot self-support tower (245 ft w/appurtenances) located east of 5th St, approximately 237 feet south of 2245 5th St, Cumberland, WI 54829. Structure coordinates are: (N45-31-48.4)/(W92-03-04.3). The tower is anticipated to have FAA Style E (dual medium intensity) lighting. The Federal Communications Commission (FCC) Antenna Structure Registration (ASR Form 854) file number is A1319063. Environmental Effects: Interested persons may review the application at www.fcc.gov/asr/applications by entering the file number. Environmental concerns may be raised by filing a Request for Environmental Review at www.fcc.gov/asr/environmentalrequest within 30 days of the date that notice of the project is published on the FCC's website. Online filings are strongly encouraged. Mailing address for a paper filing is: FCC Requests for Environmental Review, ATTN: Ramon Williams, 445 12th Street SW, Washington, DC 20554.

DMS Consulting Services, INC

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NOTICE
STATE OF WISCONSIN
CIRCUIT COURT
BARRON COUNTY
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
(INFORMALADMINISTRATION)
CASE NO. 2025 PR 74

In the Matter of the Estate of Salita S. McManus.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:

1. An application for informal administration was filed.

2. the decedent, with date of birth 05-25-1931 and date of death 06-16-2025, was domiciled in Barron County, State of WI, with a mailing address of 1563 Forest Circle, Cumberland, WI 54829.

3. All interested persons waived notice.

4. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate is October 29, 2025.

5. A claim may be filed at the Barron County Justice Center, 1420 St. Hwy 25 N, Barron, Wisconsin, Room 2700.

Lorelei Hilton
8460 N. Coral Ridge Loop
Tuscon, AZ 85704

Ph: 218-340-1542

Filed: July 16, 2025
Circuit Court
Barron County, WI
Deanne E. Larson,
Probate Registrar

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ATTENTION - PUBLIC NOTICE

The Beaver Dam Lake Management District announces that the Draft of the Beaver Dam Lake - Lake Management Plan has been posted to their website at www.beaverdamlake.org for public review and comment. Hard copies of the Draft Plan are available at the Cumberland Library and at City Hall. Comments will be received until 3:00 pm on August 22, 2025. Please address comments to Jay Michels at jmichels@eorinc.com.

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Cumberland School District
BIDS REQUESTED

- 2025-2026 School Year -

1. Snow removal.
2. Gasoline and diesel fuel.

Deadline for submission: Thursday, August 7, 2025 at 10:00 a.m.

For bid forms contact:
District Office
Cumberland School District
1010 8th Avenue
Cumberland, WI 54829
(715) 822-5124

Bid documents can be printed off our website at the following link: www.cumberland.k12.wi.us

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NOTICE

First Published
Tillman Infrastructure, LLC proposes to build a 245-foot self-support communications tower at the approx. vicinity of 5th Street, Cumberland, Barron County, WI 54829; Lat:45-31-48.44N, Long: 92-3-4.31 W Public comments regarding potential effects from this site on historic properties may be submitted within 30 days from the date of this publication to: Trileaf Corp, Lauren, l.serenio@trileaf.com, 1821 Walden Office Square, Suite 500 Schaumburg, IL 60173; 630-227-0202.

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REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

Barron County is accepting sealed proposals for the purchase of one (1) new mid-size vehicles 2024 or newer. Specifications and bid instructions can be received by calling 715-537-6841 or at www.barroncountywi.gov

Proposals must be submitted to:
Barron County Dept. of Administration
335 East Monroe Avenue, Room 2130
Barron, WI 54812

Proposals must be received by **Friday, August 1, 2025, by 11:00 a.m.**

The envelope in which the proposal is sealed shall be clearly marked on the exterior of the envelope **“Vehicle Proposal”**.

Barron County reserves the right to reject any or all proposals, or accept the proposal(s) most advantageous to the County.

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CUMBERLAND BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES
Tuesday, June 17, 2025
Regular Board Meeting

Middle School Commons, 6:00 p.m. Open Session, Closed to Follow

Present: Board – Gideo, Hyatt, Rieper, Skinner & Stone
Administration - Rose, Ferguson, Green & Hopkins

President Stone announced that this was a legally and properly noticed meeting.

Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

1. Motion was made by Gideo, seconded by Rieper, to approve items a-e on the Consent Agenda as presented. All voting aye, motion carried.

- a. Isaac Lundquist, Curriculum update
- b. Daniel Hopkins, Athletic update

3. Motion was made by Gideo, seconded by Skinner, to approve the 2025-2026 Administration, Professional, and Associate Staff wage increase as presented. All voting aye, motion carried.

4. Motion was made by Hyatt, seconded by Rieper, to approve the 2025-2026 Professional and Associate Staff Handbooks. All voting aye, motion carried.

5. Motion was made by Rieper, seconded by Hyatt, to approve Kristal Thompson's resignation as National Honor Society and Students Offering Support Advisor. All voting aye, motion carried.

6. Motion was made by Skinner, seconded by Gideo, to approve Desirae Nichols as High School English Teacher. All voting aye, motion carried.

7. Motion was made by Gideo, seconded by Rieper, to approve Ryan Zemke as High School Head Boys' Basketball Coach. All voting aye, motion carried.

8. Motion was made by Hyatt, seconded by Skinner, to approve Erik Ethun as High School Assistant Football Coach. All voting aye, motion carried.

9. Heard various discussion items, administrative reports, and noted meetings/events.

Motion made by Rieper, seconded by Gideo, to adjourn to closed session. President Stone requested that the clerk conduct a roll call vote to adjourn to a closed session for the purpose of considering employment and compensation, performance evaluations, and discussing negotiations per Wisconsin Statute 19.85 (1)(c), specifically to discuss 2025 – 2026 staffing and personnel and District Administrator evaluation. By roll call vote, all voting aye, motion carried to immediately adjourn to closed session.

A motion was made by Rieper, seconded by Skinner, to reconvene to open session to adjourn the meeting. All voting aye, motion carried.

Having no further business to conduct, motion was made to adjourn by Hyatt, seconded by Skinner. All voting aye, motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

Jennifer Hyatt, District Clerk

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Statewide public notice website
www.wisconsinpublicnotice.org

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Barron County Sheriff 537-3106
Polk County Sheriff 485-8300

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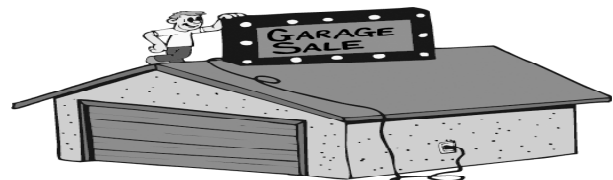
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EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY CUMBERLAND SCHOOL DISTRICT
Long-Term Substitute Elementary School ELA-Reading Teacher

Job Title: Long-Term Substitute Elementary School ELA/Reading Teacher
Job Description: The Cumberland School District is accepting applications for an elementary school English Language Arts/Reading long-term substitute teacher for grades Kindergarten through fourth grade, effective August 20, 2025, through November 2, 2025.
Qualifications: Wisconsin 316 Reading License
How to Apply: If interested in this position, applications are submitted through the WECAN website: <https://wecan.education.wisc.edu>. Applicants may also mail or email a resume, letter of interest, three letters of recommendation, and copies of transcripts from all attended universities to:
Abe Ferguson, Principal
Cumberland Elementary School
1530 2nd Avenue
Cumberland, WI 54829
aferg@cscdmail.com
Deadline: Until Filled
Website: www.cumberland.k12.wi.us

Cumberland School District is an equal opportunity employer.

Join Tavis Lynch, Chief Mycologist, at the Tri County Foray, which will take place August 28th through the 31st in Cumberland. Registration is open now. Please visit wisconsin-mycologicalsociety.org for more information.

Tri-County Foray Returns to Cumberland

The mushrooms are coming! The Wisconsin Mycological Society will again be conducting a foray and species survey in Cumberland this year. This will be the fifth time the club has descended onto the area to measure our fungal diversity. Last year the club documented 861 mushroom species around the state. 251 of those were found right here in Cumberland. Our heavily forested area and local accommodations have been the draw for the WMS. The Tri-County Foray is one of the premiere mushroom events in the Upper Midwest. There will be cooking demos, cultivation workshops, a children's hike, and tons of great food and lectures. The WMS brings some of the most experienced mushroom

identifiers in the United States including Mariah Rogers, Brennon Strnad, junior mycologist: Ronin Halverson, and chief mycologist: Tavis Lynch. A wild plant identification hike will be led by best selling author, Sam Thayer and a tree identification hike by the ever-popular Jaime Rockney (also known as Chick of the Woods). The event takes place from August 28th through the 31st. The mushroom displays are open to the public on Friday and Saturday afternoon. To be a part of the action, go to wisconsin-mycologicalsociety.org and search for the events page. With this recent rain, this should be a phenomenal year for mushrooms!

REAL ESTATE TAXES ARE DUE JULY 31ST!

Samantha Sommerfeld, Barron County Treasurer, is reminding you that the 2024 Postponed Real Estate Taxes are due on or before Thursday July 31, 2025. City of Rice Lake 2024 property taxes MUST be paid to the City of Rice Lake. All other real estate taxes in Barron County must be paid to the Barron County Treasurer. We also have a drop box by the main entrance of the Barron

County Government Center (on Monroe Ave). When mailing payments please enclose a self-addressed, stamped envelope if you want a receipt mailed to you. Payment options, tax amounts, and payment status can be found on the Barron County Website at www.barroncountywi.gov. Click on the "Tax Data" tab. Please call us at 715-537-6280 if you have questions.

Cheers to Red Barn's Fourth Show Opening July 30

The Red Barn Theatre will give audiences more laughter and entertainment with "The Savannah Sipping Society," running July 30–August 9. Playwrights Jones, Hope, and Wooten have collaborated once again for a touching comedy about four Southern women who bond over impromptu happy hours and life's challenges. Veteran director Terry Wiesner directs this small, but mighty cast who are all from Rice Lake. The storyline explores themes of friendship and community and also about finding joy after loss. The versatile Wiesner is also designing and building the set. The play centers around Randa Covington, a workaholic played by Kristi Gay. Also part of the group is recently widowed Dot Haigler portrayed by Jill Stearns and boisterous Texan Marlafaye Mosley played by Kate Worzala. Jinx Jenkins, a life coach who helps them navigate their individual struggles is portrayed by Sarah Church. Gail Gifford rounds out the cast with a non-speaking role. Gifford is also the Stage Manager for this show. Locally well known quilter Deanna McGinnis of Chetek will display her work in the Red Barn Gallery. The Red Barn Theatre is located northeast of Rice Lake at the junction of Highway 48 and County Trunk M. Curtains open each evening at 7:30 pm. There are no Sunday performances. The price of a single admission ticket is \$20. Reservations may be made

by calling 715-234-8301, going online at redbarntheatre-ricelake.com or in person at the ticket booth.

School Board...

perience with the District, Superintendent Dr. Barry Rose praised Rademacher for her three years of work under the tutelage of former Business Manager Steve Mann and highly recommended her for the position. The Board unanimously approved the recommendation and voted to add her name to District Financial accounts. Rademacher then presented the Board with a preliminary 2025-2026 School Budget, which will be voted on at the Annual Meeting in October. Saying the proposed budget was still preliminary and had some moving parts, Rademacher announced that the 2025-27 Wisconsin State Budget does not include an increase in general aid funding for K-12 public schools. This means public schools will receive the same amount of general aid funding per pupil as in the previous budget. The State Budget does increase special education reimbursement rates to 42%, although this falls short of the 60% reimbursement rate sought by some advocates. This lack of State per pupil increase is the reason the preliminary budget given to the Board by Rademacher shows a General Fund Revenue at \$14,747,785 and expenses of \$14,945,367. Dr. Rose told the Board this preliminary budget deficit is common among State Schools due to State Aid decisions and work would be done by the Administration, with hopes to lessen the current amount before certification in October. He also called the Cumberland Fund 10 budget, the primary account for regular education costs, including teacher salaries, textbooks, and utilities, "Very healthy," with intentions to keep it that way. The preliminary budget was passed.

Model Academic Standards for this year, along with changes coming from the National Model and adopted by the State. The Standards provide a guide for teaching and learning. The rest of Action Items involved a series of personnel moves. The Board accepted the resignations of Mike Gideo as Boy's Golf Coach, Jessica Olson as Head Softball Coach, and Dan Henken as Head Football Coach. They also voted to accept the resignation of Tia Olson as School Psychologist, thanking her for her five years with the District and wishing her good luck in her new position with CESA 11. The Board additionally voted to hire Maxwell Anderson to replace Olson, Samantha Bowers, Emily Bristlin, and Sadie Capra as Special Education aides, Derek Fennern as Chess Club Advisor, Shahla Brown as International Club/International Club/Global Scholars Advisor, Monty Peterson as Middle School Boy's Basketball Coach, and Bristlin as Assistant Boy's Soccer Coach. With Action Items completed, the Board heard an update from Dr. Rose on the plethora of things going on with Referendum Construction. Among the items he covered was the moving of the old District Office, West Wing progress, the laying of the foundation of the Green House, the wrapping up of Asbestos Abatement, sewer line relocation, and the preliminary purchasing of furniture for the new building. Dr. Rose completed his report by saying, "A lot is happening and going on and so far, so good."

The evening moved into Principal's reports. High School Principal Dan Hopkins began things by covering the Bands recent trip to St. Louis, which he called, "Very Successful," and the FFA's final prep for the Barron County Fair. Middle School Principal Colin Green discussed Summer School and thanked Students who were involved the setting up for the Taste of Cumberland, while Elementary Principal Abe Ferguson discussed the upcoming Foundation Camp for which 120 students were signed up. He also updated the Board on the extensive construction going on in both the front and back of the school. With the Principal Reports concluded, the Board moved into Closed Session and set the August Meeting for August 19th.

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Next on the list for the Board was a vote to make the District part of the Universal Free Breakfast Program for the upcoming school year. Recommended for implementation by Dr. Rose, the program is Federally and State-funded and reimburses member schools for each breakfast served that meets federal requirements. The initiative aims to reduce childhood hunger and ensure students have access to nutritious meals to start their day, potentially improving focus and academic performance. Following discussion, the Board voted to join the program unanimously. Next up was the approval of the 2025-2026 Wisconsin

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Sports



Kyle and Tana Narges

Kyle Narges: 2025 Cumberland Athletic Hall of Fame Inductee

Kyle Narges, a 2013 Cumberland Graduate, looks back with gratitude at his time as a Cumberland Beaver. “Looking back at my athletic career, the first thing I think of are the Coaches and Administration and how lucky we were as athletes. Being around other High School Districts in the area, I have gained a new prospective on how lucky I really was during that time.

The teams Kyle played on were also lucky to have him as part of their squads. He would win three letters in football and four in baseball while helping both programs win Conference Championships.

In Football, Narges was a two-way starter as the team’s quarterback and defensive back.

As a Junior, Kye helped lead the team to a 7 and 3 record, while passing for 1,474 yards and 12 touchdowns. He was also the teams second leading rusher with 888 yards as a multiple talented quarterback. He would take his talents to another level as a senior while helping the team to a 7 and 2 record and a Conference Title. Named the team’s MVP, Narges completed the season with another 1,000 yards of passing and a position on the HON First Team All-Conference squad.

“I will always be grateful for Coach JR Buckley and Coach Dave Olson for everything they did for me on and off the field,” Narges would say about his football career, which ended as a member of the North in the Shrine Bowl in Oshkosh.

In baseball, Kyle was an excellent outfielder and hitter. He would receive multiple years of All-Conference recognition while hitting .352 as a Junior with 22 runs-batted-in and .380 in Conference play as a senior when the Beavers won both the Conference and Regional Titles. “Kyle could do many things with his speed, glove, or bat to help us win games,” said Coach Mark Fuller. Narges would re-

spond saying, “Many of my Coaching techniques I use today, come from Coach Fuller.”

After his excellent high school career, Kyle headed to UW-River Falls, where his outstanding football career ended up with recognition as a two-time First Team All-Conference Defensive Back with Second Team honors a third season. Finally, he was recognized with the incredible honor of being named a USA College Football Second Team All-American.

Asked what he would tell a Cumberland student today who was planning to participate in College athletics, Narges said, “I think it is important to know that it is mentally hard. You’re going to hate it your first year and you need to do whatever you can to get to year two. I think a lot about my first week as an 18- year old kid practicing against grown men and not knowing anybody. I called my dad the first week in tears and said this is not for me. He told me to stick it out one year and then make a decision after that. Probably the most important phone call I’ve had in my life.”

Today, Kyle is an Insurance Agent who owns Lake & Pines Insurance Agency in Hayward Wisconsin. He has also served as the Hayward High School’s Defensive Coordinator since 2022. Additionally, Kyle added the status of a married man, joining his wife Tana in nuptials on May 31st of this spring.

Kyle concluded by saying, “I consider myself very lucky to have grown up in the Cumberland community where there were so many unselfish teachers and coaches that impacted my growth in academics and athletics.” We would add, that we were also lucky to have you among our athletes and students and will look forward to celebrating your latest achievement on October 18.

Islanders Drop Contests to Haugen and Spooner

The Cumberland Islanders dropped a pair of games this past week in Independent League baseball. The club has been juggling lineups with several players missing games due to vacations and such.

This past Saturday, Haugen hammered the locals 10-0 and Sunday saw the Spooner Cardinals come to Islander Park and beat the locals 7-4. Stringing hits together has been a problem leading to a lack of scoring

runs.

This Saturday, the team hosts the Hayward Hawks, a team they split with earlier, at 2 pm. Sunday the Islanders travel to Brill for a doubleheader starting at noon. Jerrad Lindfors and Cooper Schramski have been the teams bright spots at the plate recently. Hopefully a few of the other guys will start to find a groove soon, as hitting can be contagious. Get out and watch a game, they are a good time!

Headed To Viterbo!



Derrick Gideo has signed with Viterbo University in LaCrosse to play golf. Gideo had an outstanding senior season winning several HON Golf Meets and being named All Conference. Pictured from left to right are dad Mike, Viterbo Golf Coach Taylor Hanson, Derrick, and mom Jonelle. Good luck Derrick.



Islander catcher Troy Majewski waits for the throw on a play at the plate Sunday afternoon vs Spooner. The runner was safe on the play. Spooner defeatd the Islanders 7-4.



Cumberland third baseman Jerrad Lindfors takes a rip and lifts a fly ball to right field Sunday vs Spooner.



Islander second baseman Wyatt Tift fields a ground ball in the hole and waits for first baseman Trystin Neitzel to get to the bag before recording an out Sunday vs the Cardinals.



An Outdoorsman's Journal

By Mark Walters

Twenty-Four Hours in a Tree

Hello friends,
Every few years I pick a cool part of Wisconsin to climb into a tree and watch what happens over a 24 hour period of time. Last week I gave my good buddy, Musky Joe Flater a call. Joe, who owns Flater's Resort which is a great place to hang your hat and is located on the shores of the Chippewa and Flambeau rivers, set me up for a big show!

Thursdays, July 10th
High 83, low 57
Here is the plan, Joe set me up on one of his food plots and would be very comfortable 18-feet up in the air, in a 2 man ladder stand. My diet would be a stick of garlic cheddar elk sausage, a zip lock bag of green beans that I had just picked, and a half a pound of cheese, I had a frozen one gallon jug of water for hydration which also kept my food chilled.

Clothing wise: mosquitoes, ticks, rain and heavy dew at night were all important so I wore layers and rain gear after dark as well as a gilly suit.

12:10 p.m. I was dropped off by utv and was very comfortable and looking forward to my challenge. My view is a t-shaped food plot planted in clover and grass that is 100 percent surrounded by forest. I think that it is worth mentioning that so far, this warm season I have had 13 separate experiences where ticks have lodged into my carcass and with each experience, it sucks for about 3 weeks.

Until 4:58 all I really observed besides a great view was a lot of robins. At 4:58 a large doe entered the food plot, did not like something and left.

During primetime I was very excited to see a bear, deer, turkey etc. but did not. I passed the time eating my snacks, especially the green beans. At dark I had not climbed down and realized with 9 hours in, I still had 17 to go and this was going to be a challenge.

11:58. pm There is a full moon and my eyes have adjusted to the forest and food plot as well as I could hope for. Four large deer are feeding within 30 yards of me. I can see the red of their bodies perfectly but cannot make out horns. There are no fawns and I am thinking bucks, they had no idea of my presence and

were communicating in snickers, it was very cool.

The deer kept me wide awake but by 2:00 am I was getting tired. Though I was strapped into my tree, if I would start to relax my legs would slip out from underneath me and thus, zero sleep would take place.

It started to become light at 3:15 and light was very obvious by 4:00. I was in an excellent mood at 6:05, when to my left I saw about a 250-pound sow with 3 cubs enter the plot 70 yards to my right. To watch the cubs was to watch an endless game of them playing with each other and exploring by themselves and they were making a sort of clucking sound to communicate to each other.

Kind of bad luck came my way when they started heading directly at my tree, things got a bit touchy when one of them climbed my tree and the other 2 tried climbing my ladder. So here is the scenario, I have a cub directly behind my head on the back part of my tree and the other 2 trying to climb the ladder.

Mama decided to mosey on over and see what is so exciting. She was 10 feet in front of the ladder, looking up and using her nose. The cub in the tree climbed down, the other two headed to mom and for the next half hour I was able to watch these four play and rest in the plot.

That my friends could have become a very much different situation. Friends would ask me afterward if I was scared, I can honestly say that I was not. Some of the drivers and ice on the road scare me more. Technology puts fear in me as I have not kept up. The family of four experience was just one very cool memory.

I stayed in my tree until 12:10 p.m. changed into shorts at my truck and was consumed by mosquitoes. The drive home, I had been awake for 35-hours, I was fine until I hit Marshfield and just like that I simply could not rationalize driving, I pulled over at the zoo, took a 30 minute snooze and was good to go.

I want to thank "Musky Joe" for almost feeding me to the skeets and bears!

Sunset



This was home for exactly 24 hours.



Quite the show was put on by mama bear and her cubs.

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Almena Sportsman Club Summer League Week 5 Scores

Team Totals	Randy Zempke - 25
Hardina Septic - 479	Brady Blechinger - 25
Brill Sportsmans Club-464	Don Cordes - 24
Goonies - 463	Kevin Cordes - 24
Echo Valley Bear Hunters -456	Tom Baril - 24
Twin Town Tavern - 455	Jon Chartraw - 24
Hotel Bar - 441	Jason Murphy - 24
Charlies Place - 435	Ron Giese - 24
Halco Press - 433	Cory Koenig - 24
Lake Country Dairy - 429	Brent Scribner - 24
Friess MinnowFarm - 424	John Ahlm - 24
Spare Time - 420	Top Women
Almena Meat Co- 420	Kassy Coleman - 23
4 1/2 Men - 419	Hayleigh Chartraw- 23
Rouzer Farms 2 - 413	JoAnn Scribner- 21
Vision Builders - 409	Ashli Hines - 18
Rouzer Farms 1 - 405	Allie Snowbank - 18
B n B Disposal - 396	Top Youth
Toombs Septic - 396	Ella Moen - 24
Beckers Trucking - 381	Walker Nykanen- 24
5 Dipsticks - 381	Wyatt Klingelhoets - 24
Cookie & Cream Dairy-381	Landon Hubbard-23
Spray and Pray - 320	Kyle Carlson - 23
Twin Pines Ladies - 260	Nolan Bever - 22
BJ's - 182	Brandon Wright - 22
Top Men	Luke Popenhagen - 22
John Ricci - 25	
Body Peters - 25	

Chaos 8U Champions!



The Cumberland Chaos 8U Girls Softball Team won the Shell Lake Slamfest tournament. Pictured Back row from left to right are: Coach Zach Stowell, Coach Isaac Lundquist, Violet Lundquist, Poppy Zappa, Bria Gardner, Grace Mazurek, Harper Haugen, Rilo Thorp, and Coach Evan Strangstalien. Front Row left to right: Harper Stowell, Evianna Musil, Eve Lundquist, Hartley Cifaldi, Mia Ranallo, Emery Strangstalien and Emry Rinehardt.

Sports Look Back, July 24, 1985

The Cumberland Little League season is moving nearer to tournament play with the White Sox continuing to hold down first place in the standings. The White Sox (7-1) most recently victimized the Red Sox (3-5) on Monday night. The White Sox won the game, 11-2. Adam Rhode was the winning pitcher with help from Red Sox hurlers who walked thirteen. Billy Capra and Jim Daniels had the only White Sox hits.

The Mets, meanwhile, won their first game of the year, 18-9, over the Tigers (4-4). The Mets record stands at 1-7. Keith Poznikowich was the hero for the winners, gathering five hits on the night. John Anderson added four hits while Troy Anderson had a big three-run triple. Jamie Olson had a three-run double for the losers.

The Cubs (5-3) had the bye on Monday and remain in second place. Their last game was a 4-1 victory over the Red Sox last Friday. Andy Flottum had the game winning hit.

SR. BABE RUTH
The Senior Babe Ruth won one and lost two last week. Their record stands at 31-20 on the year.

The win was a 9-0 victory over Prairie Farm in which Mark Schoonveld gave a masterful one-hit, 15 strikeout, pitching performance. Schoonveld, who has been outstanding, was in complete control. Eddie Schoonveld had three hits for the winners.

The Beavers lost twice to Eau Claire on Sunday. They fell 5-0 and 8-6 in two fine games. Chris Murray had four hits on the day and Dean Bergstrom had three.

Non Emergency Phone Numbers:

Cumberland Police Dept. 822-2754
Barron County Sheriff 537-3106
Polk County Sheriff 485-8300

Emergency

911

Cumberland Area Fishing & Hunting Table

SOLAR TIMES		• Longitude 90.05 Latitude 45.53 •		LUNAR TIMES	
AM		PM		MOON	
DATE	Minor Major	Minor Major	Sunrise	Sunset	Rise Up Sets Down DST
07/23 Wed	> 4:19 10:34	4:49 11:04	05:42	08:45	3:46a 8:36p 12:17p NoMoon *
07/24 Thu	> 5:16 11:31	5:45 11:59	05:43	08:44	5:03a 9:11p 1:15p 12:46a *
07/25 Fri	N 6:13 12:00	6:39 12:26	05:44	08:43	6:23a 9:38p 2:09p 1:42a *
07/26 Sat	> 7:07 12:55	7:31 1:19	05:45	08:41	7:40a 9:59p 2:57p 2:34a *
07/27 Sun	> 7:59 1:48	8:21 2:10	05:46	08:40	8:54a 10:17p 3:42p 3:20a *
07/28 Mon	8:48 2:37	9:08 2:58	05:47	08:39	10:03a 10:33p 4:24p 4:04a *
07/29 Tue	9:34 3:24	9:54 3:44	05:49	08:38	11:09a 10:49p 5:05p 4:45a *

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

Memorial Quilt!



This beautiful quilt was raffled off at the 4th of July Firehouse Pancake Breakfast, the quilt was donated by the Island City Piecemakers. This particular quilt was made out of fabric from Carol Krueger, a Piecemaker member, who recently passed away as did her husband Jim who was a long time fireman. The quilt is a symbol of warmth and protection, it celebrates Jim’s many years as a fireman and his commitment to safety. It also celebrates Carol’s many contributions as a long time member of the Piecemakers who donate over 100 quilts every year. May their collective involvement in the community give us all strength to give and volunteer!

2025 Barron County Fair Memories!



Daniel and Aria Ekenstedt giving this girl a bath!



Brooklynn Nybeck and Lexi Anderson at the Barron County Fair!

Fairest Of The Fair!



Congratulations Tani Riebe (left) 2025 Junior Fairest of the Fair and to Ella Briggs 2025 Barron County Fairest of the Fair. Way to go girls!



This youngster was all smiles after feeding this beautiful horse at the fair.

Scouts to Host 10th Annual Clay Shoot Fundraiser

The Chippewa Valley Council, “Scouting America” provides Scouting programs to youth throughout ten counties in northwestern Wisconsin, including over 475 youth in Barron County. Scouting teaches youth important skills that provide a lifetime of benefits including leadership, communication, teamwork, setting goals, outdoor skills, importance of community service, and much more. 93% of Scouts agree that Scouting has positively impacted their lives. Scouting alumni share that the skills, confidence, and character gained as youth participants carry through into adulthood. They say they are better parents, employees, and citizens due to their involvement in Scouting. The Chippewa Valley Council is gearing up for an exciting event this summer, offering community members a chance to support local Scouting programs while enjoying a day of marksmanship. The 10th Annual Blue Hills Clay Shoot for Scouting, sponsored by Rice Lake Weighing Systems, will be held on Tuesday, August 12, 2025, at the Blue Hills Sportsmen’s Club in Rice Lake. This event offers flexible shooting times between 1 pm and 7 pm, with team (5 shooters) registrations at \$300 and individual entries at \$60. They also would accept raffle donations. Proceeds from this event will benefit the Chippewa Valley Council’s Scouting programs in Barron County, and surrounding areas. This event includes two rounds of clay shooting per participant, food and beverages, and chances to win prizes and awards. Novice shooters need not worry, as training areas with coaches will be available, along with loaner guns and ammunition at no additional charge. “This is a fun event that provides important support for Scouting activities across northwestern Wisconsin,” said Cumberland Eagle Scout Louis Muench, of Louie’s Finer Meats. “Come and have a great time. This event isn’t just about shooting – it’s about providing youth the opportunity to build character, strong family values, and encourage young people to reach their full potential.” For those interested in participating or sponsoring, pre-registration is required. Registration information can be found online at <http://bhclay.scouting.gives> or by calling (715) 598-9719. Or contact Mathew Riedel at 715-598-9719. Whether you’re a seasoned shooter or a newcomer to the sport, this event offers a unique opportunity to enjoy a day out while supporting a worthy cause. Mark your calendars and get ready to support Scouting!

2025

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Registration Includes: 2 Rounds of Shooting, Food & Beverages, Training & Coaches, and Loaner Guns

For Event Information & Registration: Register by phone, website, mail, or email with Chippewa Valley Council Mathew Riedel (715) 598-9719 mathew.riedel@scouting.org <http://bhclay.scouting.gives>

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