



DNR Ends Efforts to Trap Black Bear Involved in Attack Near Scott Lake

The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR) has concluded efforts to trap the black bear involved in a recent attack in Barron County near Comstock. The sow and cub involved have not been observed since the attack.

The DNR, in partnership with the Barron County Sheriff's Office and U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) - Wildlife Services, has maintained and monitored a series of live-

traps and game cameras on the property since the attack occurred the afternoon of July 12, 2025.

The victim, 69-year-old Karen Frye, was attacked while in the backyard of her rural residence near the town of Comstock. Frye was transported to a nearby hospital for treatment. She is recovering, in stable condition and doing well.

"After two weeks of round-the-clock surveil-

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Sheriff's Department Seeking Information From Potential Victims of Sexual Assault

Robert Karstensen, 82, of Eau Claire, has been charged with 11 counts of crimes related to sexual assault of a child in Eau Claire County Circuit Court. The crimes he is charged with are alleged to have occurred in the 1990's and 2000's. During the course of the investigation leading up to these charges, it was dis-

covered that he may have victimized additional individuals through connections at the Chetek River Campground near Chetek from 1994-1998. If you believe that you are a victim of Karstensen and want to come forward, please contact Detective Jason Olson at 715-637-6747.

Reward Offered For Information in Fair Grounds Vandalism

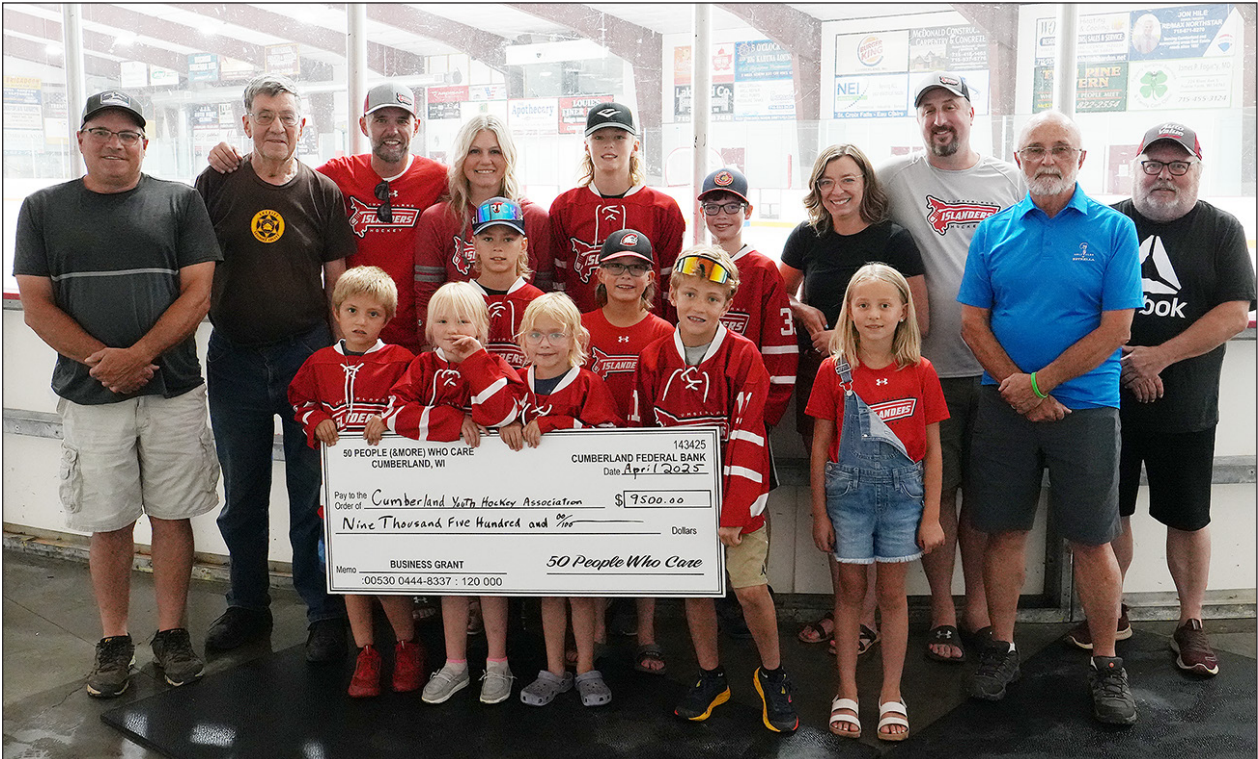
On Friday night, July 25th, 2025, an unknown amount of people broke in the youth building at the Barron County Fair Grounds discharging 20 plus fire extinguishers (waiting to be picked up), within the building. Therefore, all gates will be locked except the main gate. Anyone knowing anything, please contact the Rice Lake Police Depart-

ment.

Whoever the persons were, had to come home covered in yellow powder or ended up in the hospital.

The Barron County Fair board is offering a \$1,000 reward for information leading to the arrest of the person or persons involved in the defacing of our property.

\$9,500.00 Grant!



The Cumberland Youth Hockey Association was the winner of the second quarter 50 People & More Who Care grant. The grant in the amount of \$9,500.00 will help as the hockey association is trying to raise \$1.4 million dollars to upgrade the facility including a new concrete sub surface to make the arena available year round, adding locker rooms, repairing outdoor concrete, a new zamboni and much more. If you are interested in donating please visit <https://www.cumberlandyouthhockey.org/donate> or an account is set up at Cumberland Federal Bank and can be dropped off. Pictured here are members of 50 People and More Who Care as well as parents and youth hockey players. If you are interested in joining 50 People & More Who Care please visit 50peoplewhocare.org.

Tony Evers Announces He Will Not Seek Third Term As Wisconsin Governor

Gov. Tony Evers, 46th governor of the state of Wisconsin, 50-year public servant, former educator, lifelong Wisconsinite, and proud husband, dad, and grandpa, today released a message to the people of Wisconsin:

Hey, Wisconsin. Governor Tony Evers here.

You know, I was a scrawny kid with glasses who grew up scraping mold off of cheese. I never dreamed I'd end up governor of Wisconsin.

But here I am.

For the last six years, you've welcomed me into your churches, businesses, classrooms, farms, hospitals, and communities. I cherish every moment—every tour, visit, high five, question, and selfie. It's the honor of my life to be able to give back to the state that raised me.

I promised you when I ran for this office that I'd always work to do the right thing, that I'd always give it

to you straight, and that I'd always try to be a governor for all of Wisconsin. And I work every day to keep those promises. That'll never change.

I began my run for governor as a proud Plymouth Progressive, and that's still who I am today. I'm a science teacher at heart who ended up running for office and winning five straight statewide elections.

So, would I win if I ran a sixth time? Of course. No



Governor Tony Evers
question about that. But whether I'd win or not has
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Swearing In Ceremony!



Cumberland native Jodi Kummet was sworn in Monday, July 28th at the Barron County Government Center and is now officially the new Barron County Sheriff. Kummet replaces Chris Fitzgerald who announced his retirement in early May. Fitzgerald held the position for 17 years.

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Golden 'Baga Hunt 2025

Clue #1

The heat is on and the time is right
To search for the gold at a reduced height.
It's a tough one this year, tracking my path.
To disappoint most, the theme will be math.
Count on the grid and try to build squares,
the old has been lost but we always have spares.

REMEMBER!
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Cool To The Touch!



Cool To The Touch will be playing its eclectic mix of music at the City Beach Tuesday, Aug. 5, in the second-to-last Island City Music concert of the season. Jacobson's Advanced Eye Care is the sponsor. Food will be served by the Barronett Civic Club.

Cool To The Touch at the Beach Aug. 5

Island City Music's season. CTTT will play "big band" — Cool To The Touch — will be at the City Beach on Tuesday, August 5, for the second-to-last concert of the season. CTTT will play its eclectic mix of music from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Food will be served by the Barronett Civic Club. The sponsor is Jacobson

Advanced Eye Care. concert is part of ETC's Island City Music series. CTTT consists of Jeremy Westin on guitar and vocals, Stan Noshush on bass, Gerard Bents on guitar, Beth McClain on keyboard and vocals and Kaden Noshush on drums. They play rock from the 90s and earlier, and a little country. The



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Cash Preferred - No Checks Please

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✓ 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.





CUMBERLAND SCHOOL DISTRICT NEWS
COMMUNITY EDUCATION OFFERINGS
THURSDAY, JULY 31: • 6:30-7:30 am CCE Pickleball •
FRIDAY, AUGUST 1: • 6:30-7:30 am CCE Pickleball - ES Gym •
SATURDAY, AUGUST 2: • 11:00-1:00 am CCE Pickleball - ES Gym •
MONDAY, AUGUST 4: • 6:30-7:30 am & 5-7 pm CCE Pickleball - ES Gym •
6:00-7:30 pm Dawson Johnson Wrestling Practice •
TUESDAY, AUGUST 5: • 6:30-7:30 am CCE Pickleball - ES Gym •
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 6: • 6:30-7:30 am & 5-7 pm CCE Pickleball - ES
Kayaks and Music on Beaver Dam Lake
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.
Kayaks will be available on Tuesday's beginning: Tuesday, June 10, 2025
Cost: FREE however donations will be much appreciated! So come down, listen to some tunes and bring the whole family!
Launch located near the music on the shores of Beaver Dam/ Cumberland Beach
So that we are prepared and know you are interested, please reserve your kayaks by Tuesday morning of the week you wish to use them by calling the following number:
For questions or further concerns contact: Susan Bridger CCE Director HS 715-822-5121 ext. 403 or sbrid@csdmail.com

PUBLIC WELCOME & FREE OF COST!
DUE TO THE CUMBERLAND HIGH SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION... THE CUMBERLAND FITNESS CENTER IS NOW CLOSED FOR THE SUMMER. HOWEVER, IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN WORKING OUT WITH THE WEIGHT EQUIPMENT - IT WILL BE OPEN WITH AN ATTENDANT IN A TENT ON THE ENDEAVOR STADIUM SITE
MONDAY TO FRIDAY 5:15 AM - 7:00 AM

Northwoods Notebook: Funny Phil in another serious play

By Larry Werner

I got to know Phil Warner as a great comic actor.

He was hilarious in “Guys & Does,” in which he played a Texas game hunter and the white buck he was hunting. He was great as one of the “Packer Fans from Outer Space” and in a play, “Death by Design,” in which I shared the stage with Phil, who played a failed British playwright (and I an escaped mental patient).

Do you remember the scene in “Guys & Does” during which the white buck — Staghart of the Goldenhorns — slipped backstage with the white doe, played by Jeremy Westin? I’m told it was Phil who thought up the idea to emerge from the loud backstage lovemaking with a cigarette in his mouth.

Then, two years ago, he played Vincent VanGogh in “Vincent,” a one-man play about the life and works of the great Dutch painter. It was far from a comedy, but Phil was as amazing in that serious play as he was funny in his comic roles.

So I’m looking forward to the upcoming play, “Freud’s Last Session,” in which Phil is Sigmund Freud, the famous psychoanalyst, and

Ben Heer, another great local actor, plays C.S. Lewis, the British writer and theologian.

“Freud’s Last Session” will be performed at the Cumberland Arts Center Aug. 20, 21, 22 and 23 — during Rutabaga Festival. Tickets, which are \$12 for adults and \$6 for students, are available at Peter & Annie’s, or online at cumberlandetc.com.

The play, written by Mark St. Germain, is “an imagined meeting” between the two men who, on the day before England entered World War II, argued “about love, sex, the existence of God, and the meaning of life, just weeks before Freud committed suicide,” Warner said.

Yep. That sounds like a serious play all right.

“Historians have not found clear evidence that Freud ever met with Lewis,” Warner said. “However, that doesn’t mean it did not happen. The play’s strength is considering how Freud and Lewis would have interacted if they met since they had opposing ideas about religion. Freud held that religious faith is essentially an irrational response

connected to compensating for childhood trauma. Lewis had been interested in Freud’s views when he was an atheist but rejected Freud’s secularism by 1931 when he became a Christian.”

He says the play is “a well-written clash of wits and egos.” He also said it is “deeply touching” and “filled with humor and exploring the minds, hearts and souls of two brilliant men addressing the greatest questions of all time.”

The play was suggested by Heer, whom you’ve probably seen in comic and serious roles at the Red Barn Theater. Warner said Heer “is a well-trained, well-prepared and talented actor, with an extensive background of stage experience.”

He’ll be making his ETC debut when the two men take the stage on Aug. 20.

Heer said he wanted to do the play because “civilized debate between people is something hard to find these days. It’s a topic that I feel is important,” and, he said, he thought Phil Warner “would be a great Freud.”

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

First Confirmed West Nile Virus Activity Found in Barron County This Year

The Wisconsin Department of Health Services (DHS) has confirmed the first West Nile virus (WNV) activity in the state this year. A human case of WNV illness has been reported in a resident of Barron County, and mosquitos collected from Milwaukee and Lafayette Counties have tested positive for WNV.

“The first detections of West Nile virus this year are a reminder to take steps to prevent mosquito bites and possible disease. West Nile virus poses a risk to all Wisconsinites, but people who have weakened immune systems are at higher risk for serious illness,” said Paula Tran, State Health Officer and Administrator of the Division of Public Health.

WNV is spread to humans, birds, and other animals through the bite of an infected mosquito. Mosquitoes get WNV by feeding on infected birds. The virus is not spread directly from person to person, animal to animal, or animal to person.

Most people who are infected with WNV do not have symptoms. Those who become ill with WNV may experience fever, chills, headache, muscle aches, rash, and fatigue. Some people will develop severe illness with symptoms that include high fever, muscle weakness, stiff neck, disorientation, mental confusion, tremors, paralysis, seizure, and coma. Older adults and people who have compro-

mised immune systems are at greater risk of developing severe illness that can be fatal. It is important that people contact a health care provider if they suspect they have WNV illness.

DHS has monitored WNV since 2001, tracking confirmed cases in mosquitoes, animals, and humans across the state in order to alert health care providers and Wisconsinites about risk. An average of 18 cases of WNV illness are reported among Wisconsin residents each year. WNV cases in humans have been reported from June through November; however, most people with WNV report becoming ill in August and September.

The best way to avoid illnesses spread by mosquitoes is to reduce exposure to them and eliminate mosquito breeding sites. Mosquito activity and the risk of WNV will continue through the rest of the summer until there is a hard frost (temperatures below 28 degrees Fahrenheit for at least four straight hours). The Department of Health Services offers these tips to protect against mosquito bites:

Avoid mosquito bites Apply an insect repellent with DEET, picaridin, oil of lemon eucalyptus, or IR3535 to exposed skin and clothing.

Before heading outdoors, treat clothing with permethrin; do not apply permethrin directly to skin.

Consider rescheduling outdoor activities that oc-

cur during evening or early morning hours, when mosquitoes that spread WNV are most active.

Wear long-sleeves, long pants, and socks when outdoors to help keep mosquitoes away from skin.

Make your home mosquito-proof

Prevent mosquitoes from breeding around homes by removing stagnant water from items around the property. For example:

Empty standing water that has collected in tin cans, plastic containers, flower pots, discarded tires, roof gutters, and downspouts.

Turn over wheelbarrows, kiddie pools, buckets, and small boats such as canoes and kayaks when not in use.

Change the water in bird baths and pet dishes at least every three days.

Clean and chlorinate swimming pools, outdoor saunas, and hot tubs; drain water from pool covers.

Make sure window and door screens are intact and tightly fitted to prevent mosquitoes from getting inside.

Trim or mow tall grass, weeds, and vines since mosquitoes use these areas to rest during hot daylight hours.

Find more information on prevention and symptoms of West Nile virus (WNV) and additional ways to Fight the Bite on the DHS website.

DNR...

lance on the property and no additional signs of the sow involved, our current options are exhausted,” said Randy Johnson, DNR large carnivore specialist. “We’ve trapped and released two boar (male) black bears, two

yearling bears and two sows determined to be unrelated to the incident. We also collected a dead sow found along a roadway about 1.6 miles from the site of the attack. Initial necropsy results are consistent with injuries

from a vehicle collision and there is no evidence of it being the same bear linked to the attack.”

Although trapping efforts have ceased, the DNR will continue to monitor the area.

Red Cedar Symphony Celebrates American Jazz

The Red Cedar Symphony invites you to an evening of smooth melodies and soulful swing for a celebration of American jazz music at the free summer pops concert on Tuesday, August 5, at 7:00 pm at Veterans Memorial Park Bandshell in Rice Lake.

Enjoy arrangements of jazz legends like Duke Ellington, Scott Joplin, George Gershwin, and others in a relaxed outdoor setting. With its blend of

jazz rhythms and orchestral color, Gershwin’s An American in Paris Suite presents a playful medley, perfect for a summer evening.

The familiar tunes of Bill Bailey, St. James Infirmary, and When the Saints Go Marching In showcase the diversity of Dixieland in Bill Holcombe’s arrangement of International Dixieland Jamboree. And among others, sway along with the luscious melody of Moon-

light Serenade.

With the rich legacy of American jazz as its heart-beat, these and other musical selections blend the local artistry of the Red Cedar Symphony, conducted by Adam Bever, with timeless rhythms of a bygone era.

Be sure to bring your family and your lawn chairs for an evening of music, community, and the spirit of summer. The local Golden Kiwanis will be selling snacks during intermission.

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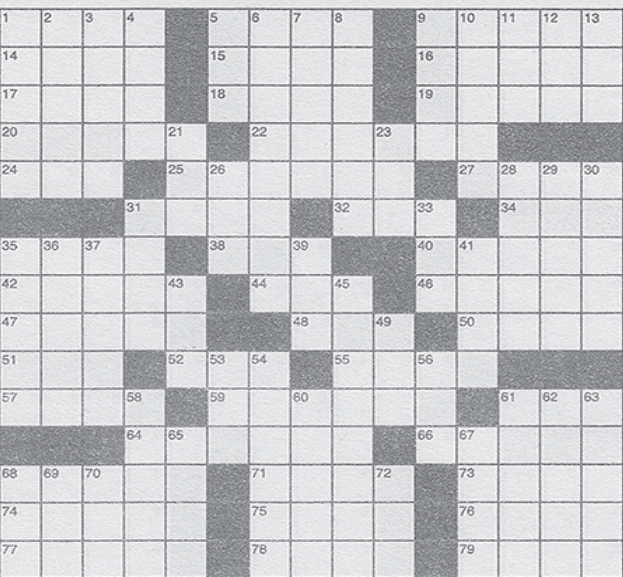
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PUZZLE 45



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1 Deal a blow to

5 Russian ruler

9 Tendon

14 Military officer

15 Pound

16 Tight at the top, flaring at the bottom (2 wds.)

17 Tiny insect

18 Honey makers

19 Keyboard key next to "!"

20 Inch forward

22 Seasickness symptom

24 Regret

25 Church usher

27 Removes the water

31 Oracle

32 Ball holder

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35 Hormone

38 Liberal (abbr.)

40 Strong drink

42 Tremble

44 Bolus

46 Lawn tool

47 Saudi Arabian citizen

48 Wing

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51 Vane direction

52 Nervous system

55 Usages

57 Air (prefix)

59 Doughnut-shaped rolls

61 Munch

64 Ready-made structure

66 Hot ____

68 Pope's governing organization

71 Famous cookies

73 Less than usual in size, power or character

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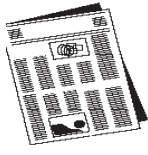
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Thank you for reading The Advocate



Opinion



Out My Window

by Paul Bucher, Editor

Well August is here. It won’t be long and the leaves will begin to change colors and the evenings will be cool and crisp. You know what that means, football season is on the way. Both the Packers and Vikings have started training camp, along with the Lions and Bears. I watch a fair amount of sports shows, and the prognosticators seem to be having a hard time picking the winner of the NFC North. All four teams look to be pretty solid. The Lions are the reigning Division Champs and will be good, the Packers are still the youngest team in the league I believe, but will almost certainly be in contention for the title, the Bears have all sorts of talent and a new offensive guru head coach, Ben Johnson and the Vikings have a solid roster on both sides of the ball, but a big question mark under center as JJ McCarthy takes the reigns having never taken an NFL snap. This year looks to be very fun in the NFC North. I’m thinking it will be a tight race with either the Packers or Lions winning the division. Coin flip between those two! Time will tell.

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Holy cow, I just drove through town with new blacktop the whole way. We were in desperate need of repairs to say the least, the new road, is fantastic. With that being said, please make an extra effort to visit our local stores. It has been and will continue to be a tough summer. It all helps, every little bit makes a difference!

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I know this happens every summer, but, I swear the deer flies are extra extra bad this time around. They absolutely drive me crazy. There are swarms of them every time I get a little ways from the house. I won’t even go for a walk out in the country right now. I walk in town. I have used the sticky pads on the back of a hat and a dryer sheet to keep them away, but they come in waves. My poor dog has tons of them around her ears almost immediately. She gets mad and tries to eat them. I can’t say I blame her. Hopefully they have about run their course for the summer.

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Just a few weeks away from Rutabaga Festival 2025! It is always a blast and I’m sure this year will be no different. I always look forward to it, but it also kind of signals the end of summer. Anyway, get ready, here it comes, the first clue for the Rutabaga medallion will be in this weeks paper! Have a great week!

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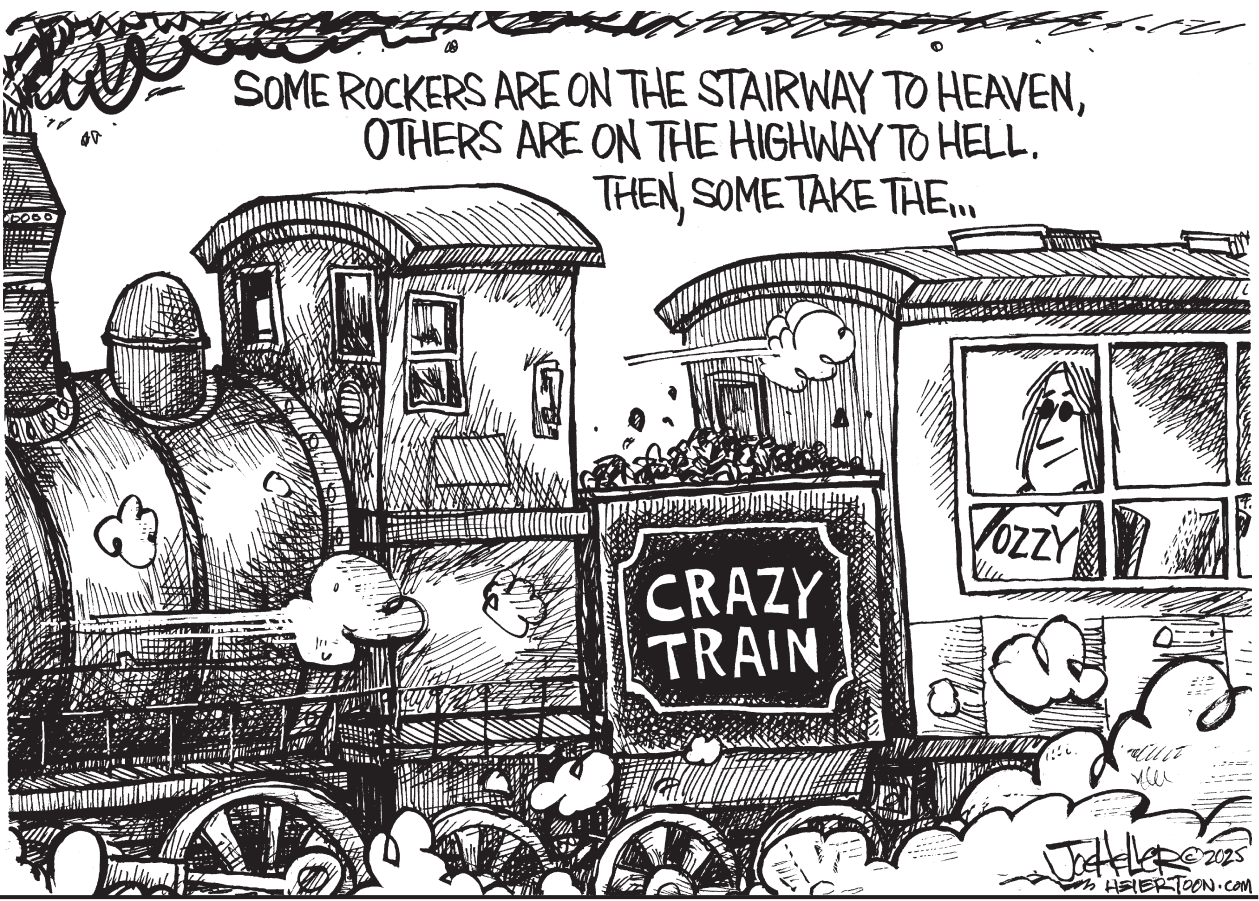
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Inside Wisconsin

by Tom Still

“Investing hub TitledownTech aims to give Green Bay another winner”

GREEN BAY, Wis. – The city of Green Bay and its surroundings in northeast Wisconsin are among the state’s most under-rated destinations. To be certain, the legend of the football Packers thriving in professional football’s smallest market is part of the lure – but a visitor to Brown County may also find art fairs and galleries; history spanning multiple cultures; restaurants and brew pubs; a working downtown harbor; and even a car museum with tricked-out vehicles from James Bond movies.

A newer feature likely to pay dividends to the city and the state for decades to come is TitledownTech.

On Lombardi Avenue within sight of Lambeau Field, TitledownTech is part innovation hub and part early stage venture capital firm with eclectic target industries that is part of its allure to young portfolio companies, many of which call its 46,000-square-foot facility home.

Unlike some venture capital firms that specialize in one sector or another, TitledownTech is willing to invest in manufacturing and construction; supply chain and logistics; emerging

technologies; agriculture, water and energy; digital health; and sports, media and entertainment. That list is representative of Green Bay itself and includes 40 investments to date.

TitledownTech was formed out of a partnership with the Green Bay Packers and Microsoft, but works with many other community groups, corporations, academia and beyond. It invests only in the United States and Canada and has a bias toward putting money in Wisconsin companies, but it has yet to make locating in Green Bay a requirement.

Quite a few companies have done so, however, with Lyndon Lattie and his team from Aramid Technologies being a recent example. With roots in Arizona, the company has opened an office in TitledownTech to continue refining its “SmartCert” platform of digitizing and streamlining processes across the supply chain. It addresses the challenges companies face in receiving, reviewing, managing and creating quality certifications.

“We felt it was an excellent place from which to continue our work,” Lattie said. “TitledownTech

is creating a tech hub that has a definite Midwest flavor to it.”

In April, nearly 1,000 startups applied to take part in the TitledownTech “Startup Draft,” which was timed to correspond with the actual NFL player combine. Seven companies made the cut and two – Ateios Systems and Ubicept – were “drafted,” with the payoff being a total of \$2.7 million in investments and cloud resources.

Microsoft vice chairman and president Brad Smith, who grew up in Appleton, later said the TitledownTech draft “exceeded our expectations and imaginations.”

Someone who has watched the growth of TitledownTech since its founding in 2019 is Matthew Kee of Tundra Angels. Kee is an entrepreneur who came to Green Bay in 2016. He recalls the startup and tech scene as being “sorely lacking... If greater Green Bay did not have a dramatic pivot, I was concerned about the long-term relevance of Green Bay (in) the innovation and tech ecosystem.”

That changed in short order, said Kee, whose angel fund has invested about \$4.5 million in

startups over time.

“From my perspective, TitledownTech has done wonders for the Wisconsin startup ecosystem,” Kee said. “It has captured the continual attention of two of the largest brands in the world – Microsoft and the Green Bay Packers. TitledownTech has catalyzed, and continues to catalyze, an awareness and appetite for venture capital in the region but also (attracts) high-caliber talent... The reverberations and success of TitledownTech are felt not only in the entire region, but also the entire state.”

With a team that includes experienced managers, investors and mentors, perhaps it’s no surprise that TitledownTech has moved the ball downfield in just six years. The same Green Bay that defied the odds to become a football icon may be on its way to doing something similar in a venture industry where most “stars” come from the East and West coasts. TitledownTech has a chance to change that playbook.

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

A Look Back

Look Back 1985

Many Civic and businessmen’s organizations existed in this city since its infancy and the Cumberland Civic Club was the immediate predecessor to the Cumberland Chamber of Commerce.

The first organizational meeting of the Cumberland Chamber of Commerce was held at the American Legion Club on April 25, 1966. Lloyd Wickre was elected temporary chairman and Alvin Bratten temporary secretary of the new organization.

On June 28, 1966, a second meeting took place and nine local men were elected to serve on the first board of directors of the group. They were Jack Benjamin, Norman Oslund, Lawrence Mayer, Marvin Jones, Charles Christensen, Dr. Harold Jirsa, Alvin Bratten, Nilo Nelli and Sam Donatelle.

The board met the following day and elected their first permanent officers. They were Sam Donatelle, president; Marvin Jones, vice president; and Norman Oslund, treasurer. In July, Mayer resigned as a director and Robert Gochanour was named to replace him. Gochanour was then elected to serve as Chamber secretary.

While the Chamber is comparatively new as far

as organizations are concerned, it has done a fine job in promoting Cumberland in its short lifetime. It has been active in promoting retail trades events with various deals such as Dairy Days, Krazy Days, Turkey Days, Christmas, etc.

Tourism is promoted by the publication of a brochure sent to anyone requesting information on resorts, campgrounds, other accommodations or just general information on the Cumberland area. Many hundreds of these are sent out annually. These brochures are also strategically placed in convenient locations around the state to attract Wisconsin vacationers to our area.

The Chamber sponsors Industry Appreciation Day and the Rutabaga Festival, gives an athletic citizenship award to an outstanding high school senior, and recognizes an outstanding citizen each year. It also co-sponsors a Farm-City Night for area residents.

Advertising and general correspondence with people regarding specific inquiries helps the Chamber promote this city and this area.

The Chamber has shown excellent growth these past years and the future

of this city is brighter because of its efforts.

Past presidents of the Cumberland Chamber include Sam Donatelle, Phil Mayer, Louis DeGidio, Ernie Ranallo, Charles Anderson, Kenneth Barrows, Gary Stevens, Robert Skinner, Lois Thompson, Tom Burt, Leighton George, Dale Decker, Lowell Dague, Ron Johnson and Steve Wickre.

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Tony Evers...

has never been part of my calculus about running again.

Here’s the truth: Wisconsin, the only thing I love more than being your governor is being a husband, a dad, and a grandpa.

I’ve spent 50 years in public service. I’m damn proud I devoted my entire career—and most of my life—to working for you. And from Plymouth to Baraboo, Tomah to Oshkosh, Verona to Madison, and everywhere in between, Kathy and my family supported me all the way.

Marrying Kathy is the greatest accomplishment of my life because it gave me a lifetime with her, three amazing kids, and nine incredible grandkids. For five decades, my family has sacrificed to give me the gift of service. They’re my world. And I owe it to them to focus on doing all the things we enjoy and love doing together.

It’s why, Wisconsin, I’m announcing that I will not be running for a third term.

I’m so humbled to be your governor. This is the best job I’ve ever had. And folks, we are not done yet.

There is, as always, much work to do. And, Wisconsin, I’ll be working just as hard as I have for the last six years to keep doing the right thing and deliver for you.

So, let’s get back to work. Forward, for you and for Wisconsin, always.

Thank you.

Court News

Barron County Circuit Court

Traffic Court

Teobaldo Juarez-Martinez, 25, Rice Lake, resisting/failing to stop, \$957.00. Terra V. Lindemans, 43, Rice Lake, operating while revoked, \$516.00. Vance E. Alleman, 18, Saint Croix Falls, operating a motor vehicle without insurance, \$200.50. Hurshle S. Becker, 17, Rice Lake, failure to wear a seat belt, \$10.00 and speeding, \$200.50. Reilly E. Becker, 25, Chicago, IL., speeding, \$200.50. Dominick G. Breeden, 22, Webster, non-registration of vehicle, \$175.30. Tasha M. Brueggen, 44, Bangor, WI., speeding, \$200.50. Joshua R. Chandler, 45, Rice Lake, speeding, \$175.30. Kim R. Christenson, 72, Stillwater, MN., speeding, \$175.30. Timothy B. De-shaney, 45, Hortonville, operate without carrying a license, \$150.10. Noah C. Fritsche, 26, Chisago City, MN., speeding, \$225.70. Brian T. Fuller, 29, Glen Flora, refuse to take test for intoxication after arrest, \$50.00. Angel Guajardo, 43, Kewanee, IL., operate with restricted controlled substance, \$968.00. Deven J. Guggenberger, 25, Barronett, operate motorcycle without valid license, \$200.50. Gavan C. Hanson, 18, Ridgeland, operate a motor vehicle without proof of insurance, \$10.00. Erik M. Hanson, 59, Spooner, operate a motor vehicle without insurance, \$200.50. George R. Hislop, LI., 64, Clear Lake, operating left of center, \$213.10. Casey B. Johnson, 31, Turtle Lake, OWI, \$936.50. Dustin S. Kalien, 34, Eau Claire, speeding, \$263.50. Zoe M. Kulzer, 26, Savage, MN., speeding, \$225.70. Isaiah K. Lane, 27, Rice Lake, speeding, \$175.30. Paul N. Lawson, 54, Shell Lake, speeding, \$175.30. Nathaniel R. Lenhart, 31, Dallas, fail/equip vehicle fenders, \$175.30. John M. Llamas, 31, Barron, speeding, \$175.30. Timothy J. Lloyd, 40, Cumberland, failure of occupant to notify police of an accident, \$389.50, and failure to keep vehicle under control, \$213.10. Chad A. Manor, 46, Chetek, OWI, \$986.00. Erin W. Maroney, 31, Burnsville, MN., speeding, \$175.30. Tyler J. Melton, 20, Rice Lake, speeding, \$200.50. Eduardo A. Merlo-Umanzor, 34, Richfield, MN., speeding, \$225.70. Teagan S. Monson, 20, New Richmond, speeding, \$225.70. Timothy J. Nelson, 43, New Auburn, failure to wear a seat belt, \$10.00. Jason D. Oleson, 21, Rice Lake, failure to wear a seat belt, \$10.00. Joseph H. Paul, 55, Birchwood, operating a motor vehicle without proof of insurance, \$10.00. Tammy J. Paulus, 50, Minnetonka, MN., failure to wear a seat belt, \$10.00. Andreana C. Rodriguez-Guzman, 30, Justice, IL., failure to wear a seat belt, \$10.00. Guadalupe Rosas-Vazquez, 18, Barron, failure to wear a seat belt, \$10.00. Jeffrey M. Roth, 61, Eden Prairie, M., speeding, \$225.70. Mehujael Sanchez-Flores, 29, Hillsdale, operating a motor

vehicle without insurance, \$200.50, operate without a valid license, \$200.50 and failure of transferee to obtain title, \$175.30. Timothy D. Wren, 31, Amery, windshields-tinting-critical area, \$175.30.

Complaints

Adam J. Fawley, 40, of Cameron, has been charged with criminal damage to property and domestic abuse. His court date was scheduled for July 16, 2025. Daniel J. Vetter, 45, of New Hope, MN., has been charged with disorderly conduct. His court date is scheduled for July 30, 2025. Benedict J. Jiskra, 41, of Cumberland, has been charged with disorderly conduct. His court date was scheduled for July 23, 2025. Kaitlyn R. Robarge, 17, of Rice Lake, has been charged with disorderly conduct and criminal damage to property. Her court date is scheduled for August 6, 2025. Devyn J. Sandstrom, 21, of Rice Lake, has been charged with disorderly conduct. Her court date is scheduled for August 29, 2025. Haley L. Paulus, 36, of Rice Lake, has been charged with possession of marijuana and possession of marijuana. Her court date was scheduled for July 17, 2025. Aurielle C. Hultman, 17, of Amery, has been charged with underage drinking. Her court date is scheduled for August 20, 2025. Devon R. Lehnartz, 19, of Turtle Lake, has been charged with underage drinking. His court date is scheduled for November 26, 2025. Arthur L. Strenke Jr., 61, of Turtle Lake, has been charged with deposit or discharge solid waste on public or private property. His court date is scheduled for September 17, 2025. Astrid T. Limon, 25, of Minneapolis, MN., has been charged with possession of marijuana. Her court date is scheduled for October 1, 2025. Daniela L. Nunez, 22, of New Hope, MN., has been charged with possession of marijuana. Her court date is scheduled for October 1, 2025. Onyx D. Potts, 28, of Barron, has been charged with disorderly conduct and domestic abuse. His court trial is scheduled for October 20, 2025. Jhonny R. Jaquez, 29, of Rice Lake, has been charged with criminal damage to property and domestic abuse. His court date was scheduled for July 21, 2025. Tina L. Gray, 40, of Barron, has been charged with animal care violation. Her court date is scheduled for September 10, 2025. Sarah M. Setayeshi, 30, of Chetek, has been charged with disorderly conduct and domestic abuse. Her court appearance was scheduled for July 22, 2025. Caitlyn A. Sistad, 18, of Ridgeland, has been charged with underage drinking. Her court date is scheduled for August 13, 2025.

Criminal Traffic

Michael M. Maimer, 46, of Spooner, has been charged with OWI. His adjourned initial appearance is scheduled for September 3, 2025.

Dwight A. Glover, 26, of Rice Lake, has been charged with OWI and operating with PAC. His adjourned initial appearance is scheduled for September 3, 2025. Michael W. Stauner, 30, of Turtle Lake, has been charged with operating while revoked and ignition interlock device tampering/failure to install/violate court order. His adjourned initial appearance is scheduled for September 3, 2025. Tabatha R. Coaty, 34, of Rice Lake, has been charged with operating while revoked and ignition interlock device tampering/failure to install/violate court order. Her initial appearance is scheduled for September 10, 2025.

Criminal Complaints

John H. Savelkoul, 54, of St. Paul, MN., has been charged with resisting or obstructing an officer and disorderly conduct. His court hearing is scheduled for October 3, 2025. Brennon P. Foster, 30, of Rice Lake, has been charged with possession of THC, possession amphetamine/LSD/Psilocin. His adjourned initial appearance is scheduled for August 22, 2025. Jesse L. Slayton, 19, of Rice Lake, has been charged with battery and disorderly conduct. His adjourned initial appearance is scheduled for September 3, 2025. Ethan M. Mullikin, 17, of Rice Lake, has been charged with disorderly conduct. His initial appearance is scheduled for August 13, 2025. Brittney A. Swan, 37, of Amery, has been charged with OWI, operating with PAC and operate firearm while intoxicated. Her initial appearance is scheduled for July 30, 2025. Joseph R. Hill, 40, of Rice Lake, has been charged with disorderly conduct, domestic abuse and criminal damage to property. His adjourned initial appearance is scheduled for July 30, 2025. Lillionna S. Wickware, 25, of Rice Lake, has been charged with carrying a concealed knife. Her adjourned initial appearance is scheduled for September 3, 2025. Troy E. Johnson, 55, of Mora, MN., has been charged with possession of methamphetamine, possession of THC and possession of drug paraphernalia. His adjourned initial appearance is scheduled for July 30, 2025. Jacki L. Weber-Hancock, 70, of Conrath, has been charged with possession of methamphetamine. Her preliminary hearing is scheduled for August 21, 2025. Timothy D. Glewwe, 64, of Saint Paul, MN., has been charged with possession of methamphetamine and possession of drug paraphernalia. His adjourned initial appearance is scheduled for September 3, 2025. Michael F. Gappa, 40, of Eau Claire, has been charged with possession of methamphetamine, repeater and possession of drug paraphernalia. His adjourned initial appearance is scheduled for July 30, 2025. Christopher M. Karpowicz, 44, of Rice Lake, has been charged with OWI, possession of methamphetamine and possession of drug paraphernalia. His adjourned initial appearance is scheduled

for September 3, 2025. Glenn C. Bugg, 60, of Chetek, has been charged with possession of methamphetamine, possession of drug paraphernalia and possession of THC. His adjourned initial appearance, is scheduled for August 20, 2025. John D. Ray, 35, of Barron, has been charged with OWI and operating while revoked. His adjourned initial appearance is scheduled for July 24, 2025. James L. Peppin, 53, of Chetek, has been charged with identity theft-avoidance, possession of methamphetamine, operate a motor vehicle while revoked, failure to install ignition interlock device, possession of THC and possession of drug paraphernalia. An officer with the Turtle Lake Police Department, reports on July 15, 2025, at approximately 5:14 pm, he was working for the Turtle Lake Police Department, when he observed a SUV traveling southbound on U.S. Highway 8. The officer reports he observed the vehicle to have a defective high mount brake lamp and observed it deviate from the left lane to the right lane when it passed through a roundabout. The officer reports he ran the attached registration and learned the vehicle was registered to a female from Minnesota. The officer reports he activated his emergency lights and initiated a traffic stop near the intersection of U.S. Highway 8 and Poplar Street. The officer reports as he approached the vehicle, he observed the operator was searching his mirrors. The officer reports the operator was eventually identified by verbal statements and booking photo as the defendant, Peppin. The officer reports when he approached the vehicle, he observed Peppin in the driver's seat and no one else in the vehicle. The officer reports he observed a collection of rocks in the center console. The officer reports he knew from his training and experience it is common for users of illegal drugs to collect rocks, which are commonly referred to as agates. The officer reports he observed a torch lighter which was partially concealed in the cup holder. The officer reports he knew from his training and experience that users of illegal drugs use torch lighters to smoke drugs as they produce higher heat than that of normal lighters. The officer reports after introducing himself and explaining the reason for the stop, he asked the driver for his license and proof of insurance. The officer reports Peppin stated he did not have his driver's license and that he was coming from work. The officer reports he asked the driver for his name and date of birth and he stated, "J.P." The officer reports he asked for his date of birth and the driver paused and said, "uh, uh, December 25, 1972." The officer reports he asked if he was lying and that he would be requesting a driver's license photo to confirm his identity. The officer reports Peppin stated, "yup, yup, yup." The officer reports he told Peppin he found it odd that he stumbled over his date of birth like he did and Peppin stated, "I don't know why I did."

The officer reports as he spoke with Peppin, he observed that his speech appeared rapid which, based on his training experience, the officer knew to be a common indicator of someone who is either nervous or under the influence of a central nervous system stimulant. The officer reports he observed Peppin's arms to be shaking and his eyes would occasionally dart away from the officer and dart around the vehicle. The officer reports he asked Peppin who the vehicle belongs to, and Peppin stated, "I just bought it, I don't know if I'm gonna buy it because the transmission was slipping." The officer reports he clarified if Peppin had purchased the vehicle or not and Peppin stated, I haven't bought it yet." The officer reports he asked again who the vehicle belonged to and Peppin stated, "actually I bought it from a car lot guy over in Minnesota. I didn't buy it, I'm trying it." The officer reports he asked why the vehicle was registered to a female and Peppin stated he didn't know. The officer reports based on Peppin's behavior and rapid speech, it was apparent that he was extremely nervous about being contacted by law enforcement. The officer reports the nervous behavior, including seemingly forgetting his date of birth, rapid speech, the torch lighter and the inconsistent story regarding the vehicle, the officer believed Peppin was involved in illegal drug activity. The officer reports he asked Peppin to step out of the vehicle and requested consent to search him and Peppin complied with both requests. The officer reports he asked Peppin to stand at the front of his patrol vehicle while the officer ran his information. The officer reports he ran the information provided for Peppin. The officer reports he requested a Department of Transportation photo for this information and he observed a return that resembled Peppin. The officer reports he then asked Pepin what his current address was and Peppin stated he did not know the exact number as he had not lived there for a long time. The officer reports this information matched the return he observed. The officer reports he asked why the address had not been updated on his driver's license and Peppin stated he had not had a primary residence. The officer reports during this conversation, he observed Peppin to appear even more nervous as his arms were shaking even more as they were speaking. The officer reports he observed Peppin was tightly hugging himself which the officer recognized as self grooming like behavior which is observed in nervous individuals. The officer reports he requested a deputy of the Polk County Sheriff's Office to respond to his location along with his K9 Partner. The officer reports he asked Peppin why he was so nervous and Peppin said he wasn't. The officer reports he informed Peppin that his behavior is that of someone who is extremely nervous and out of the normal from the majority of people he interacts with and Peppin stated, "I guess cops just do that to me." The officer reports he began searching the vehicle. The officer reports he opened the center console and observed a glass bubble pipe that contained a white residue located on top of the tray within the center console.

The officer reports based on his training and experience, he recognized the pipe used to smoke methamphetamine and he recognized the residue within the pipe to be consistent with methamphetamine residue. The officer reports he returned to Peppin and advised him that he was under arrest for the possession of methamphetamine and handcuffed him. The officer reports Peppin denied ownership of the pipe. The officer reports within a compartment directly in front of the cup holder he located a plastic gem baggie that contained a white crystalline substance. The officer reports based on his training and experience he recognized this substance to be consistent with methamphetamine. The officer reports under the driver's seat of the vehicle, he located a cardboard box that contained an unknown metal item as well as a pipe, that based on his training and experience, he recognized to be a marijuana pipe, commonly referred to as a "one hitter." The officer reports he used methamphetamine swipe tests to test the glass pipe and gem baggie. The officer reports he observed positive test results for the presence of methamphetamine on both items. The officer reports he returned to his patrol vehicle and Peppin spontaneously stated, "I'm going to be honest with you. I am Jim, J.P., that's my brother." The officer reports he then advised Peppin of his Miranda Rights. The officer reports after Peppin stated he understood his rights, he asked him for his real name. The officer reports Peppin stated, "I ain't got a driver's license, that's why." The officer reports Peppin also advised him that he is on probation for drug related offenses. The officer reports Peppin also advised he lied about his name because he did not want to receive a citation. The officer reports he asked Peppin if his brother was aware that he was using his information and Peppin said his brother was not aware and they do not talk often. The officer report he ran Peppin's real information through dispatch and they advised Peppin's driving status is revoked, he is on probation and he is required to have an ignition interlock device in his vehicle. The officer reports there was no ignition interlock device installed. The officer reports he contacted the Wisconsin Department of Corrections and they advised they would be placing a hold on Peppin. If convicted for identity theft-avoidance, Peppin may be fined not more than \$10,000 or imprisoned for not more than six years or both. For possession of methamphetamine, he may be fined not more than \$10,000 or imprisoned for not more than six years or both. For operate a motor vehicle while revoked, he may be fined not more than \$2,500 or imprisoned for not more than one year or both. For failure to install ignition interlock device, he may be fined not less than \$150 nor more than \$600, or imprisoned for not more than six months or both. For possession of THC, he may be fined not more than \$1,000 or imprisoned for not more than six months or both. For possession of drug paraphernalia, he may be fined not more than \$500 or imprisoned for not more than 30 days or both. His preliminary hearing was scheduled for July 28, 2025.

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By Judy Pieper

Members of the congregation of Barronett Lutheran will be manning Louie’s Brat Stand this Thursday, July 31st, starting in plenty of time for lunch and running into the late afternoon/early evening. In addition to enjoying Louie’s amazingly delicious brats, you will be able to chat with the friendly, welcoming servers. We hope you will stop by!

Tina Anderson and three of the people from Oak View Adult Family Home were among the throng having a wonderful time a week ago Saturday at the family picnic in Shell Lake, sponsored by the Shell Lake Lions Club. Tina said that the food was wonderful – hot dogs, brats, potato salad, beans, and a drink. The best thing, naturally, was dessert, which was a root beer float. The picnic tables were set up under tents in case the weather turned nasty, and for entertainment, there was a DJ playing music. Tina and the clients enjoyed themselves and are hoping that the Lions Club members will decide to do the same thing again next July.

Miriah and Jeremy Olson have both been doing a lot of calf roping this summer, Jeremy doing the regular roping and Miriah doing break-away. They text videos of the events so that we can enjoy them too, and it is amazing to me how they can get out of the chute (I think that is what it is called) and have that calf roped – and in Jeremy’s case tied – in just a few seconds. My goodness, I would still be trying to get my feet right in the stirrups. I am glad they are so into rodeo. What an exciting life for young people.

After almost a year of hard work, Nathan Hargrove and Alyse and Tru Lehmann have finally moved into Nate’s grandparents’ (Wink and Mary Jane Arnes) place. The entire house has been remodeled. It was a joint effort, but Alyse admitted that most of the work was done by Nate. It is so nice that they will be living there – I just hope Nate decides to have those cute little baby pigs out by the pond like his grandpa used to. Nate, Alyse and Tru moved in on Sunday, and Duane and I are looking forward to seeing the finished product.

When Wink and Mary Jane were there, I had such a hard time keeping my eyes on the road when the little baby pigs were in the field. One day I was driving past there at about five miles an hour, watching the pigs instead of the road, and heard a “beep.” I looked up and another woman was coming straight at me, also going about five miles an hour. I pulled up beside her car and apologized profusely for being in her lane, and she smiled and said it didn’t matter at all – that she had been guilty of doing the exact same thing many times. It’s great living here – that’s not exactly the response a person would get in downtown Atlanta.

My friend, Julie, from Fort Lauderdale, Florida, texted me on Saturday evening. She had been checking out the menu at Sal’s on 63, and saw that the dessert that evening was oatmeal cake and said that she wanted a piece. I told her that if she could come up, I would be glad to take her there for supper and dessert. Well, I knew that was not going to happen that evening, so I sent her the recipe instead. We chatted back and forth

for a while, and she told me that her nephew had proposed to his girlfriend, and that she would, naturally, be up for the wedding and that she would be visiting us at that time. (I hope it’s not a long engagement!) Anyway, when she comes up, I plan to take her to Sal’s on 63, Summer’s on Long, Lakeview and the Hilltop Retreat. It’s nice to have so many relatives that are such great cooks. Makes life very easy for me.

I haven’t been able to get as much gardening done as I would like to, so Suzy and Ryan went up one day this past week and picked some tomatoes and a cucumber. Do you have any idea how much better they taste fresh from the garden. The produce in the grocery stores is nice, but you just can’t beat home-grown vegetables. I made Duane’s favorite salad with them and it was delicious.

Lynn Thon had a terrible experience while trying to do a good deed on Saturday. Even though it was way to hot to be working outside, after she finished mowing her yard, she went to our garden/treehouse/orchard area and mowed that. The grass had gotten out of control and was so high that it was hiding objects beneath it. She ran over the hose, got stuck in a huge hole, and got stuck on a stump. Nate Hargrove came and helped her off the stump, and I think she finally decided that was enough for one day. That is one of those “no good deed goes unpunished” things, I think.

I’m going to go – try to stay cool and remember to drink lots of water. See you next week.

OBITUARIES



Raymond D. Kellogg

Raymond D. Kellogg, age 94, formerly of Cameron, WI died Monday, July 21st, 2025 at Cornell Health Services. He was born June 16th, 1931 in St. Paul, MN. He was raised by his grandparents, James & Nellie Lingle, while his mother, Alma Lingle, worked to provide for the family during the great depression. Ray served in the US Army from 1951-1953 during the Korean War. When he came home he couldn’t find work, but eventually in 1954, he found a job at Pevey’s Paper Mill in Ladysmith where he worked for about 6 years. It

was at Pevey’s where Ray met his beloved wife, Dorothy Day. The couple were married on August 19th, 1958 at Pine City, MN.

For 58 years, they never went to bed mad at each other. Ray worked many jobs throughout the years. He managed the former Holiday Station in Cameron, was shipping foreman at the former Holsum Bakery in Rice Lake & provided maintenance at the old Barron County Courthouse. Ray retired in 1993 & traveled extensively with his wife, most memorably to Hawaii & Alaska. He also loved deer hunting & trout fishing. Ray faithfully served our veterans & the local community as the member of the Piper-Marsh American Legion Post 194 of Cameron for 70 years. He was also a life member of the VFW & Disabled American Veterans in Rice Lake. Ray’s hope & comfort was to be with our Lord & Savior in eternity.

Ray is survived by his

daughter: Sherry Kellogg, granddaughter: LaToya Kellogg, great grandson: Onyx Kellogg, daughter: Geraldine (Jerry) Chartraw, brother: Ronald (Bev) Baguhn, as well as many more grandchildren, great grandchildren, a great great grandchild, nieces, & nephews.

Funeral services were held Monday, July 28th at the Rausch-Lundeen Funeral Home in Cameron with Chaplain Michelle Earls officiating & interment following in the Northern Wisconsin Veteran’s Memorial Cemetery at Spooner.

Ray & family would like to express special thanks to friend, Jill Fenske, for many years of help, service & visits. In lieu of flowers, memorials are preferred to the Rice Lake Cat Coalition. Arrangements are with Rausch-Lundeen Funeral Homes, Cameron & Dallas.

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Back to School with Support: Embrace Provides Critical Services for Area Youth

Rice Lake, WI — Youth in our communities continue to experience high rates of violence. Nationally, one in ten high school students report physical abuse by a dating partner, exceeding other forms of youth violence. Embrace, a local nonprofit serving survivors of domestic and sexual violence, offers critical support to young people while working to prevent future harm through education and outreach.

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eral area schools to increase accessibility and support.

To address period poverty, Embrace also partners with local schools to provide free period products to students. This initiative ensures young people can stay engaged in school without being held back by a lack of access to basic hygiene supplies. The program is largely driven by community donations.

As youth continue to face challenges related to violence, identity, mental health, and access to resources, Embrace remains committed to being a trusted partner in healing and prevention.

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Donna L. Organ

Donna Lynn Organ, 78, of Cumberland died Saturday, July 26, 2025, at Care and Rehab-Cumberland. She was born October 24, 1946, in Nashville, TN to Almond and Gertrude Curtis.

She was married on May 31, 1985, to Jeff Organ who preceded her in death on December 19, 2021.

Donna worked at Cumberland Healthcare for 36 years and had a strong work ethic. During her time at the hospital she was able to make an impact on many lives and made many close friends. Donna enjoyed cooking, gardening, camping, and especially

shopping. She loved spending time with her family and spoiling her grand and great grandchildren.

A long time member of Augustana Lutheran Church, Donna was very strong in her faith. She enjoyed attending services at St. Paul Lutheran church with her husband, Jeff.

She is survived by her children: Alan (Rhonda) Holmes, Jim (Molly) Holmes, and Michelle Holmes (Mike Strenke); grandchildren: Adam, Aaron, Kerri, Trey, Austin, Kristin, Michela, Erin, Emma, and Seth; great-grandchildren: Jackson, Lincoln, Laken, Grayson, Asher, and Kolyns; brother, Patrick Curtis; one nephew, and other family and friends. She was preceded in death by her husband, Jeff Organ; sister-in-law, Stacia Super-Curtis; and parents, James and Gertrude Rossi.

An open house visitation will be held from 4-7 PM Wednesday, August 6, 2025, at Skinner Funeral Home in Cumberland. A private fam-

ily burial will be in Lakeside Cemetery.

Skinner Funeral Home of Cumberland is serving the family.



Anthony L. "Tony" Luciano

Anthony L. "Tony" Luciano, age 80, and a resident of Mayfield, KY., passed away at his home on Monday, March 31, 2025.

He was born in Cumberland, WI., on June 30, 1944. He was a retired Forester with the KY Division of Forestry and a parishioner of Saint Joseph Catholic Church

in Mayfield.

Tony graduated from the University of Minnesota with a bachelor's degree in forestry, thus his love of trees. He was District Forester headquartered in Mayfield, covering 13 counties. Tony loved softball, bowling and tennis. He also had a love for music and learned his piano skills from his maternal grandmother, Marie Bennington, who played background for silent movies and later performed on Vaudeville with her family. He also played a mean trumpet. Later in retirement, Tony took up bass fishing. He and his wife spent many hours on KY Lake as well as Beaver Dam Lake in Cumberland.

Tony is survived by his wife of 58 years, Lindsay Luciano. They were blessed with two sons, Ross Anthony Luciano (Susan) and Joseph Wade Luciano (Vicki); and six grandchildren, Nicolas Luciano, Courtney Marshall, Jordan Luciano, Maria Luciano, Lydia Luciano, and Bella Luciano.

He was preceded in death

by his parents, Frank and Mabel Luciano; and three siblings, Jack Young, Bill Young, and Helen Talbot.

Interment will take place at St. Anthony the Abbot Catholic Church Cemetery in Cumberland at a later date.





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“The Enduring Light: The Significance of Christian Life in Today’s World”
by Pastor Matthew Earls

Northern Lakes Community Church

In an era marked by rapid change, uncertainty, and division, the Christian life stands as a beacon of hope and stability. As a pastor, I’ve witnessed firsthand how embracing faith in Christ transforms individuals and societies. The significance of Christian living isn’t confined to ancient texts; it’s profoundly relevant to the challenges we face today—from moral dilemmas to global crises. Scripture reminds us, “You are the light of the world. A town built on a hill cannot be hidden” (Matthew 5:14). This call to illuminate darkness is as urgent now as it was in Jesus’ time.

At its core, the Christian life is rooted in love, grace, and redemption. The Bible teaches that, “God so loved the world that He gave His only Son, so that whoever believes in Him shall not perish but have eternal life (John 3:16)”. This foundational truth offers purpose in a world often dominated by materialism and self-interest. Today, amid economic pressures and mental health struggles, Christianity provides a framework for finding meaning beyond fleeting successes. It encourages us to prioritize relationships, forgiveness, and service, countering the isolation fueled by social media and our modern busy lifestyles.

Consider the relevance to social justice. In a time of inequality and unrest, Christians are called to act as agents of change. Micah 6:8 instructs, “He has shown you, O mortal, what is good. And what does the Lord require of you? To act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God.” This verse inspires believers to advocate for the marginalized, whether through our local food banks, anti-poverty initiatives, or even peaceful protests. In our community, we’ve seen church members volunteer at Ruby’s Pantry, embodying Christ’s compassion in addressing issues like homelessness and hunger that plague modern society.

Moreover, Christian principles nurture ethical living in an age of moral relativism. Romans 12:2 urges, “Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind.” This transformation equips us to navigate ethical gray areas or moral dilemmas. By stewarding creation as outlined in Genesis 1:28, Christians contribute to sustainability efforts, recognizing the planet as God’s gift. In today’s polarized politics, faith promotes unity over division, echoing Ephesians 4:3: “Make every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace.”

The Christian life also offers resilience against despair. With rising anxiety and global conflicts, Philipians 4:6-7 provides solace: “Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.” This peace isn’t escapism; it’s empowerment to engage the world positively.

Yet, relevance demands authenticity. Hypocrisy has tarnished the Body of Christ’s image, but true Christian living—marked by humility and integrity—rebuilds trust. As we face technological revolutions and cultural shifts, the Gospel’s message of hope remains unchanging. It invites all to a personal relationship with Christ, nurturing personal growth and communal harmony.

In conclusion, the Christian life isn’t a relic; it’s a vital force for good. By living out scriptural truths, we can heal divisions, promote justice, and inspire hope. I encourage you, dear readers, to explore this faith—attend a church service at any local house of worship, read the Bible, or simply reflect on these verses. In doing so, you’ll discover its timeless significance for our world today.

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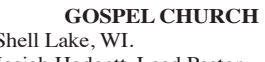
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PUBLIC NOTICES

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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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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NOTICE
STATE OF WISCONSIN
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BARRON COUNTY
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
(INFORMAL ADMINISTRATION)
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
Tucson, AZ 85704
Ph: 218-340-1542

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

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Statewide public notice website
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Northwest Region Construction Update

Barron County
Highway: US 53
Location: Bridges over 22½ Avenue north of Rice Lake
Schedule: May 14 to early August
Cost: \$770,405
Description: Replacing the concrete deck overlays, replacing the bridge approach slabs, repairing bridge wing walls, repairing cracks on girders and parapet as necessary and replacing guardrail as necessary.

Traffic impacts: US 53 remains open to traffic, but:
The highway is reduced to a single lane in both directions.

Traffic control could be pulled from both structures by the end of next week.

Highway: US 53 South
Location: Bridges over US 8, 20th Street, Knapp Street, County I, Chetek River, County A, County AA and Carlson School Road between Cameron and New Auburn
Schedule: May 5 to mid-November, 2025 construction; March 1 to late September, total project completion.
Cost: \$10.91 million
Description of 2025 work: Replacing the decks on the bridges over County AA and County A; overlaying the decks with concrete on structures over Carlson School Road, Knapp Street and US 8; making miscella-

neous repairs to bridges; completing prep work for 2026 construction on the bridges over the Chetek River, County I and 20th Street; and replacing guardrail at the structures.

Traffic impacts: US 53 South remains open to traffic, but:
Motorists will encounter lane closures and a reduced speed limit of 60 mph in work zones.

- o US 53 South reopens to two lanes of traffic, with a 70-mph speed limit between closures.
- There is a maximum width of 15 feet 3 inches on the open lane on most bridges.
- Motorists also will encounter intermittent day-time closures of the roads below the bridges during the work week.

Highway: US 63
Location: Just west of WIS 48 West to Charrie Lane in Cumberland
Schedule: April 28 to mid-September
Cost: \$3.68 million
Description: Removing 3.25 inches of the existing pavement and placing 3.25 inches of new asphalt pavement; closing access to the roadway at various locations to improve safety; upgrading pedestrian curb ramps to current Americans With Disabilities Act standards; repairing or replacing curb, gutter and sidewalk; repairing sanitary sewer manholes and storm water inlets as needed; extending the two-

way left-turn lane pavement markings between 3rd and 5th avenues; and replacing pavement markings and signage.

Traffic impacts: US 63 remains open to traffic, but:
North- and southbound traffic has 12-foot travel lanes through the entire project.

- The parking lane and shoulder are closed along the northbound lane.
- Motorists will encounter lane closures controlled by flagging for paving operations.

Washburn County
Highway: County K
Location: US 63 in the city of Spooner to Sunset Lane
Schedule: June 2 to late August
Cost: \$2.01 million
Description: From US 63 to Division Street: Removing and replacing the existing pavement and base course, replacing curb and gutter, making spot sanitary sewer improvements, completing storm sewer repairs and placing new pavement markings and signage. From Division Street to Sunset Lane: Pulverizing the existing pavement and repaving it.

Traffic impacts: County K is:
Closed to through traffic from US 63 to Division Street.

Open from Division Street to Sunset Lane, but motorists will encounter lane closures controlled by flagging during paving operations.

ATV And UTV Safety Is A Must For Children This Summer

MADISON, Wis. – With thousands of children and teens across Wisconsin gearing up for outdoor adventures this summer, the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR) urges families to take ATV and UTV safety seriously.

Each year, the number of youths on ATVs and UTVs continues to grow, and so does the importance of proper training, supervision and gear.

“We want every ride to be a safe one,” said Lt. Jacob Holsclaw, Wisconsin DNR off-highway vehicle administrator. “Most ATV and UTV crashes involving youth are preventable with

basic safety steps and education.”

So far this year, 21 people have been killed in ATV/UTV crashes. Most of them were not wearing seatbelts or helmets, and alcohol and speed were also contributing factors.

Key safety reminders for families:
Helmets are required by law for all riders under age 18.
Parents and mentors are encouraged to set a positive example by modeling proper helmet and seatbelt use.
Youth under 16 must operate age-appropriate vehicles and follow all manu-

facturer restrictions.

ATVs are typically designed for one rider only. UTVs may carry passengers only if seatbelts are available and used.

Wisconsin law requires anyone born on or after Jan. 1, 1988, and at least 12 years old, to complete an ATV safety certification course before operating alone on public trails.

Parental supervision is strongly encouraged, even for certified riders.

Safety certification courses are available online and in person. Visit the Wisconsin DNR website for more information or to enroll in a course.

DNR Urges UTV Riders To Buckle Up As Fatal Crashes Climb

MADISON, Wis. – As residents and summer visitors alike enjoy Wisconsin’s trails and backroads, state officials remind utility terrain vehicle (UTV) riders to focus on safe operation – starting with the simple step of wearing a seatbelt.

So far in 2025, there have been 23 fatal UTV/ATV crashes in Wisconsin. Only five of those individuals were wearing seatbelts at the time of the crash. UTVs have also been involved in the majority of fatal ATV/UTV incidents this year – accounting for 86% of all fatalities.

“UTVs are designed with key safety features, like roll cages and seatbelts, that are

there to protect riders in the event of a crash or rollover,” said Lt. Jacob Holsclaw, Wisconsin DNR off-highway vehicle administrator. “But those features can only help if they’re used.”

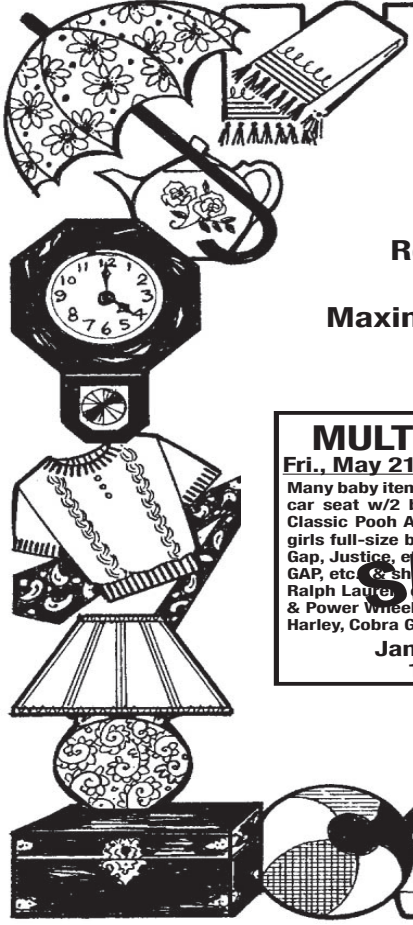
Unlike traditional ATVs, UTVs are equipped with seatbelts for all passengers. Proper use of seatbelts significantly reduces the risk of being ejected during a crash, a leading cause of serious injury or death in off-road vehicle accidents. But that’s not all – it’s the law. In Wisconsin, all UTV passengers are required to wear a seatbelt.

“While these numbers are concerning, they also highlight a clear opportunity for

prevention,” said Holsclaw. “Wearing a seatbelt is one of the simplest and most effective ways to stay safe while riding.”

Officials also remind parents and guardians that Wisconsin law restricts youth UTV use. Operators must be at least 16 to operate a full-size UTV in public areas. ATV/UTV operators born on or after Jan. 1, 1988, and at least 12 years of age must complete a DNR-approved safety course.

Learn more about ATV/UTV riding in Wisconsin, including how to sign up for a safety class on the DNR’s ATV/UTV webpage.



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1932: A busy July in the Island City

by Mark R. Fuller

The month began as the City put on a great July 4th celebration, despite the fact that the Country was going through some of the toughest days of the Depression. The Dow Jones Industrial Average had recently reached its lowest point, closing at 41.22 points, while in Washington D.C, the Bonus Army, a group of World War I veterans seeking early bonus payments, was forcefully removed by the military, in an event that drew national attention.

One of the day’s biggest highlights, the closing fireworks, were briefly in doubt due to the economic times. The American Legion, however, received tremendous support from the community as both businesses and individuals contributed to its costs. The largest donation was \$50 from the City Council, while in some cases, as little as \$1.00 was given to sponsor the event. Held at a time when the average annual income in the United States was \$1,368, the communities generosity allowed for a great close to the evening.

The day involved music by the high school band, a clown band from Shell Lake, a baseball game, street sports, a parade, both a modern dance in the Sherman garage and an old-time dance at the Legion and the fireworks. The Advocate would say, “A large crowd enjoyed the numerus attractions.”

We weren’t the only local community who celebrated the 4th. In McKinley, there was a picnic style affair, followed by races and a baseball game against Barronett. The Weaver family, meanwhile, used the opportunity to hold a family reunion as numerous visitors were part of the day’s activities.

Once the 4th was over, it was time for the School District to hold its Annual Meeting. Three hundred people attended the July get-together as the District passed an expected expenditure of \$37,050 for the upcoming school year. During the meeting, Principal Fred Moser drew a large applause when it was announced he donated a check of \$304 to the District.

The City Council also held their monthly meeting, run by Council President A. J. Hilton in absence of Mayor Babcock. Among their night’s activity was a unanimous vote to investigate the installation of the water meters of 1932 and compare the cost of water used with the flat rate. A County Highway Commission bill of \$63 was tabled until the next meeting, while John Erickson reported on the Work Relief Commission in the County, who was in charge of various organizations focused on providing employment and relief during the current economic hardship.

As for our residents, the July weather provided numerous opportunities for recreational activities and a chance to forget the problems in the country for an hour or two.

Golf was a popular activity and for those that liked increased competition, the Cumberland Course established a number of competitions against neighboring communities. July saw a 16-member Cumberland

squad lose a close match against Barron but rebound to defeat Bloomer 1502 to 1550 two weeks later. Bert Hines, Earl Thompson and H. Whitnack led the Cumberland crew to their victory.

An eight-team Kittenball League saw the Pioneer Market edge White Eagle for the first half Championship. Held at Tourist Park on July 11, the paper called the crowd at the contest, “The largest to ever assemble there.” With the first half completed, White Eagle quickly picked up three straight victories before the month was over to take the second half lead.

Others played baseball, attended movies at the Zim Zim Theater like “Ride Him, Cowboy” starring John Wayne, attended the many dances around the area, or fished and swam in our many lakes.

Unfortunately, some ignored the rules of our lakes and woods in search of food. In May alone, The DNR prosecuted nine hunting violations, 13 violations of trapping laws, and 159 fishing violations in Wisconsin, with four arrests in Barron County.

For those looking for a cheaper option to travel outside the city, the Railroad was offering a round-trip to Duluth on Sunday, July 23 for \$1.50. Leaving at 9:44 am, the train would return from Duluth at 5:15 pm. Once there, two-hour Harbor trips could be secured for 50 cents.

As the month drew towards a close, two more upcoming opportunities for family enjoyment became known to our residents.

The Barron County Fair would return after a year’s absence with the dates set for August 29 through September 1. The general admission was to be dropped to only 25 cents with hopes that it would lead to only a small deficit for the Barron County Agricultural Society.

Meanwhile, the Cumberland Business Men’s Club announced the Rutabaga Festival, which made its inaugural appearance in 1932 would return in September. The 2nd annual festival would be held on one-day, Saturday September 30. The decision came following a survey by Committee Chairman Eckland, who reported, “A very favorable sentiment for the festival.”

Yes, the City of Cumberland was providing as many activities as it could, during the summer of ’32, to enjoy all that we had, not what we didn’t. The upcoming November Presidential election indicated some potential help to the situation as Franklin Roosevelt was running on a program he called “The New Deal,” offering relief, recovery, and reform.

Until this help came, the residents of the Island City were enjoying this summer the best they could.

In 1932, the United States was deeply immersed in the Great Depression, a severe economic crisis that had begun with the 1929 stock market crash.

Here’s a snapshot of the United States in 1932:

Economy and society

• Deepening Depression: Unemployment

reached unprecedented levels, with roughly 24% to 25% of the workforce jobless. Many individuals and families faced foreclosure, eviction, and hunger, leading to the creation of makeshift shantytowns known as “Hoovervilles”.

• Widespread Poverty: Industrial production had fallen by nearly 45% between 1929 and 1932, and home building had dropped by 80% during the same period. Millions of people lacked a regular full-time wage earner in their families.

• Bank Failures: Thousands of banks collapsed, wiping out the savings of countless Americans, a situation aggravated by the absence of federal deposit insurance at the time.

Notable events

• Bonus Army: In June 1932, World War I veterans, known as the Bonus Army, marched on Washington D.C., demanding the immediate payment of their service bonuses. President Hoover ordered the U.S. Army to disperse the protestors, resulting in violence and further damage to his public image.

• Lindbergh Kidnapping: Charles Lindbergh Jr., the infant son of aviator Charles Lindbergh, was kidnapped in March 1932, a crime that garnered national attention. The baby was found dead in May.

• First Woman Elected to Senate: Hattie Caraway became the first woman elected to the United States Senate.

• Start of the Dust Bowl: Dust storms began in the Midwest, marking the onset of the Dust Bowl, a period of severe drought and dust storms that would have a devastating impact on agriculture and lead to significant migration.

• Tarzan the Ape Man Premieres: The classic film Tarzan the Ape Man, starring Johnny Weissmuller, debuted in 1932.

• Summer Olympics in Los Angeles: The 1932 Summer Olympics were held in Los Angeles.

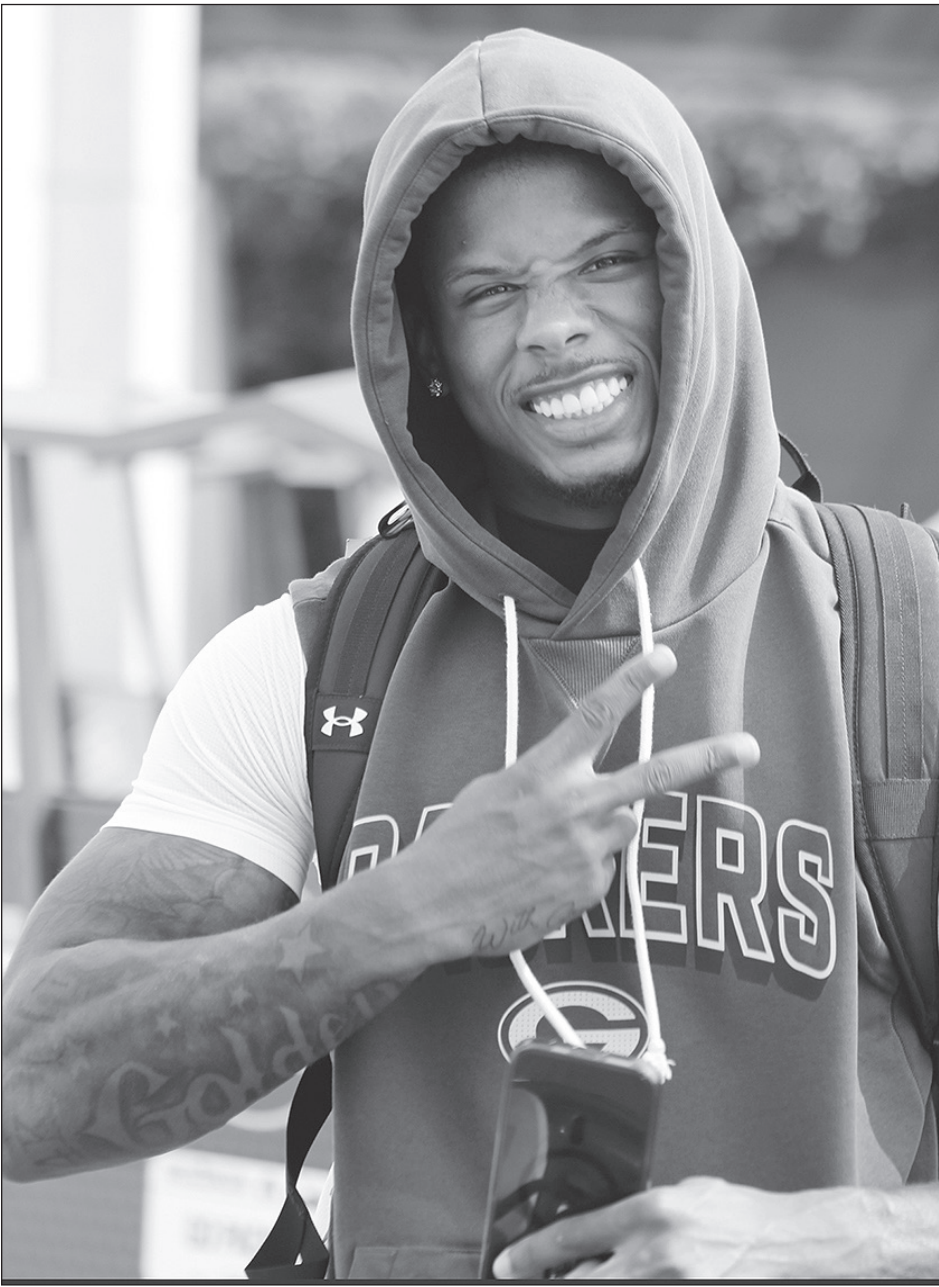
• Founding of Zippo Manufacturing Co.: The Zippo Manufacturing Co. was established.

The Dow Jones Industrial Average hit its lowest point during the Depression, and the country was deeply divided politically as the presidential election loomed.

On July 4, 1932, the United States celebrated its 156th Independence Day, marking the anniversary of the Declaration of Independence in 1776. This year was particularly significant due to the ongoing Great Depression and the upcoming presidential election. In the political arena, the Democratic National Convention had recently nominated Franklin D. Roosevelt, who pledged a “New Deal” for the nation.

• Government Response: President Hoover, facing immense pressure, ordered the Army to evict the Bonus Army from their encampment. The eviction was carried out by General Douglas MacArthur, and resulted in violence and negative public reaction.

2025 Packer Training Camp!



Thanks to Frank Cifaldi for an inside look at Packer's Training Camp. Frank has been attending and taking photo's for years. Top photo is Quarterback Jordan Love, middle photo is 2025 1st round pick wide receiver Matthew Golden and bottom photo is running back Josh Jacobs coaching up 2nd year running back MarShawn Lloyd.

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Sports

Abby Nelson Volbrecht: 2025 Cumberland Hall of Fame Inductee

Like her twin sister Amy, Abby Nelson had an outstanding career as an athlete at Cumberland High School leading to her upcoming Induction into the Cumberland Athletic Hall of Fame this October 18. Part of two Conference Champion Cross Country Teams, a two-time Track MVP, a 1st Degree Blackbelt in Tae Kwon Do, and a 9th place finisher at the State Cross Country Ski race were just a few of her accomplishments.

Abby would say of her running career with her sister, “Being an athlete in Cumberland was extra special because I got to do it all with Amy. We were super competitive, always trying to outdo each other, but that’s undoubtedly what made us better. Running together meant constantly pushing the pace, while also getting into classic sister arguments mid-stride. I can’t tell you how many times I found myself half-laughing, half-crying during a run over something completely silly. It was messy, fun, and unforgettable and I’m pretty sure we brought out the best and loudest out of each other.”

In Cross Country, besides the two team Championships, Abby individually finished with one third and one fourth at the HON Conference Meet. She would miss the State Tournament by one spot as a senior.

She would add, “We were an excellent Cross Country team because we were all totally in it together. Practices were full of ridiculous energy as we’d hoot at each other like weird birds and had a personalized song for every teammate that we’d belt out during runs and meets like our lives depended on it. We even had a team T-shirt that got passed around like a sacred artifact, and everyone took a turn wearing it. We were having the time of our lives.”

Coach Mike Clay would add of her, “Abby Nelson’s name is etched into the legacy of Cumberland High School Cross Country. Known for her unshakable determination and grit, Abby was more than just a top finisher, she was a leader who ran with purpose. Her passion for the sport showed in every practice and race, where she set the pace not just for the team, but for the culture of commitment and excellence.”

During the winter, Abby turned her attention towards the Co-op Cross Country Ski Team the Beavers shared with Spooner. The Co-op would ultimately qualify for the State Tournament in Minoqua and finish 5th as a team, while Abby was 9th as an individual. She would use this training to ski in the 51m Birkebeiner Ski Race her Senior year, finishing fifth in her age group.

Spring took her onto the track, where she was a two-time team MVP, a HON Conference Champion in the 3200, and a School Record holder. She would letter in track all four years of High School.

After High School, Abby headed to UW-Eau Claire, while her sister Amy headed to UW-River Falls. She ran on the Cross Country Team where she said, “running without my twin seemed weird.” She eventually hurt her leg and had give-up the rest of the season, but

moved on to the Swimming and Diving Team.

“I didn’t want to sit still, so I asked the swim team if I could train with them. They said yes, but only if I agreed to swim the mile at meets. The catch, I’m from Cumberland, where swimming laps wasn’t exactly a big thing. I had to sheepishly ask someone to teach me how to turn around at the wall. I’m pretty sure they thought I was joking at first, but I wasn’t,” she added.

She was able to go back out for Cross Country her Sophomore year, but decided she had enough of the sport and moved into her junior year as just a student. That changed after first semester however, when as a member of the Army Reserve, she found out she was being deployed to Afghanistan.

She would say, “I was honestly devastated at first, but also proud to be part of something that really mattered. I ended up working in an office with an Engineer battalion, where our soldiers did everything from clearing mines to building prisons. I even got to ride in a mine-clearing vehicle called a Casspir once, which was both awesome and slightly terrifying.

In my spare time, I ran the perimeter around Bagram Air Force Base with soldiers from all over the world and whenever I traveled to other bases, I’d run those perimeters too. One time I even had to do it wearing a Flak vest, not exactly ideal running gear.”

While there, she was able to hook up with her sister for Christmas. “Amy had been deployed too and we were able to meet for Christmas at an air base in Qatar. Now, women on the base were already a rare sight, but identical twins? We basically stopped traffic and ended up spending most of the trip hiding out like celebrities avoiding paparazzi.”

She would add, “On Christmas Day, we were “adopted” for the day by an American family living there. It was pure magic as we drank margaritas, laughed until we cried, and for a few hours, it actually felt like Christmas. They even let us use their phone to call home, which meant the world. It was weird, wonderful, and one of the most unexpectedly beautiful holidays I’ve ever had.”

Today, Abby Nelson Volbrecht is a CPA, working for an accounting firm in Eau Claire and living in Fall Creek. She lives there with her husband Aaron, a former Army Officer, and their two kids, Emily (15) and Easton (10).

She concludes, “When I’m not working, I love to stay active by running, biking, and skiing. It’s always been more than just a sport for me, it brings me peace, keeps me grounded, and gives me a sense of purpose. Through running, I’ve found lifelong friendships and a true sense of community. Now, one of the most meaningful parts is being able to share it with my daughter. Watching her discover the joy in it reminds me why I fell in love with running in the first place.”

Running will also soon put Abby in the Cumberland Athletic Hall of Fame in October. An honor which is well-deserved.



2025 Cumberland Athletic Hall of Fame member Abby Nelson Volbrecht and family. Pictured with Abby are husband Aaron and children Emily and Easton. Congratulations Abby!

Islander Baseball!



Uriah Johnson slides home safely in the second inning of Cumberland's 9-7 win over Hayward Saturday afternoon at Islander Park.



Derrick Gideo slides into second base with a double Saturday afternoon vs Hayward.

Islanders Close Out Season Beating Hayward and Splitting With League Champion Millers

The Cumberland Islanders closed out the regular season with a solid weekend beating the Hayward Hawks 9-7 on Saturday, and splitting with the Brill Millers on Sunday. Cumberland finished the season with a record of 5-7.

As is often the case, the Islanders fielded a young lineup with several regulars absent but the guys played solid ball.

On Saturday, the boys had their hitting shoes on, scoring early and often. After Hayward scored three in the top of the first, Cumberland came back with four of their

own in the bottom of the inning and then scored three times in the second inning to lead 7-4. The two teams would trade runs throughout the rest of the contest, with Cumberland hanging on for the 9-7 win. Uriah Johnson started and went 5 innings, while Wyatt Tift pitched the final 4 frames. Young players such as Troy Majewski, Sloan McCreary and Derrik Gideo came up big with some key hits in the win.

Sunday saw the locals head over to Brill to take on the Millers. Vaughn Johnson got the start and pitched a gem going all seven in-

nings in the clubs 6-1 win. Jerrad Lindfors got the offense going in the second inning with a big hit only to see the rest of the lineup put together good at bats in pulling away to the win.

Game two saw the Millers show why they are the 2025 League Champions as they shut down the Islanders winning 7-0 in a game that was called after 5 innings because of an injury to an umpire.

Uriah Johnson, Trystin Neitzel, Sloan McCreary and Cooper Schramski all made excellent defensive plays in the game that was

played in sweltering heat. All in all, it was a good first season back for the Islanders, playing some good ball against some solid teams. The Islanders should be back next year, looking for bigger and better things. Thanks to all who sponsored the club and the fans that made it fun.

Final Standings:
1st-Brill Millers 7-4
2nd - Spooner Cardinals 7-5
3rd- Hayward Hawks 6-6
4th- Cumberland Islanders 5-7
5- Haugen Hornets 4-7

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An Outdoorsman's Journal

By Mark Walters

Trail Riding

Hello friends,
Though I own a 500 Polaris Sportsman and a 570 two up Polaris Sportsman atv, I seldom use them for anything other than hunting, ice fishing and farm work. This week, I did some prior homework and headed up to Lincoln County where I camped and learned/experienced what it is that has created such an immense and popular pastime for thousands of people every weekend.
Saturday, July 19th
High 77, low 55
My first very cool find of this adventure would be Otter Lake Campground which is a beautiful 30 site county owned campground with no electric hookups (that really helps to keep the big units out). Folks, I seldom push a spot, but you could hunt here on this very large tract of public land, fish Otter Lake which does not allow motors or simply enjoy yourself with a simple picnic or camping getaway.
So I have to be really clear that I am very green to trail riding and the most important part of this experience next to my 570 Polaris was the map I would carry and really have to pay attention to reading.
Today I arrived, built camp and like I mentioned, I was really impressed with Otter Lake Campground and also felt comfortable with my very down to earth neighbors.
The first mistake I made was 100-percent my fault and something that I realized after about 10 miles. I am embarrassed to say this but until late in the day I had read my Harrison Hills ATV Club Routes and Trails map wrong and I did not hit the trails I

hoped to ride until the last 15 miles of a 32-mile tour. I was looking for nature as in a view, wildlife, interesting landscapes and a challenge with my driving.
That was all there but I was also on blacktop until I figured out my mistake.
Though I had my early failure in reading the map, I came out of it and was very psyched for the next day's ride.
Sunday, July 20th
High, 81, low 57
Last night my machine took me to Winding Trail Grill and Bar and that was where I had dinner and also witnessed a lot of riders having a very good time. Today, I had the map all figured out and was determined to explore as much as I could and see if I could keep from getting lost. In reality, where I was driving was almost 100-percent public land as in forest or marsh, with lots of up and down grade slopes with what seemed like a curve every couple hundred yards.
What this redneck on a machine learned the most is you can never stop being observant, always stay on your side of the trail and always expect the person that you cannot see, that is coming your way, is going to be in your path. I had probably five close calls today and generally it was drivers that were younger and just having a blast. There are going to be times that you do not see each other until you are 50-feet or less away.
I put exactly 50 miles on the 570 today. I probably stopped every 3 miles just to take in the view and the moment and have come up with a new idea



The utv/atv trails can be very beneficial to local businesses.



UTV's are much more common than ATV's on the trails.

for my next atv adventure and that is to travel with a small tent and a sleeping bag and go on a trail trip where I do not come back to a camp.
I have looked with interest and envy at the utv's and atv's on trailers heading for fun weekends and can now fully understand why people spend the money and time doing this very cool pastime.
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Brill Sportsmans Club - 553	Twin Town Tavern- 646
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Echo Valley Bear Hunters -541	Echo Valley Bear Hunters-626
Hotel Bar-520	Charlies Place - 611
Charlies Place- 520	Friess MinnowFarm - 603
Lake Country Dairy - 516	Hotel Bar - 601
Friess MinnowFarm - 511	Halco Press - 596
Halco Press - 508	Lake Country Dairy - 594
Spare Time - 504	Almena Meat Co- 590
Almena Meat Co - 504	4 1/2 Men - 589
4 1/2 Men - 503	Spare Time - 580
Vision Builders - 496	Vision Builders - 577
Rouzer Farms 2 - 492	Rouzer Farms 1 - 576
Rouzer Farms 1 - 490	Rouzer Farms 2 - 571
Toombs Septic - 485	Toombs Septic - 567
B n B Disposal - 475	B n B Disposal - 564
Cookie & Cream Dairy -466	Cookie & Cream Dairy - 543
5 Dipsticks - 454	5 Dipsticks - 528
Beckers Trucking - 449	Beckers Trucking - 513
Spray and Pray - 370	Spray and Pray - 427
Twin Pines Ladies - 326	Twin Pines Ladies - 394
BJ's - 220	BJ's - 257
Top Men	Top Men
John Ricci - 25	Bob Hardina - 25
Jason Murphy - 25	Jordan Olson - 25
Shawn Talbert - 25	John Ricci - 25
Dave Olson - 24	Jon Chartraw - 25
Jordan Olson - 24	Steve Scharmer - 25
Brady Blechinger-24	Dave Olson - 24
Greg Toombs - 24	Ethan Yeske - 24
Loopy - 24	Greg Toombs - 24
Bill Ricci - 24	Loopy - 24
Ron Giese - 24	Jason Murphy - 24
John Ahlm - 24	Tom Rouzer - 24
Brent Bohn - 24	Mike Rouzer - 24
Top Women	Top Women
Hayleigh Chartraw-24	Hayleigh Chartraw - 22
Jodi Carlson - 19	Allie Snowbank - 21
Kassy Coleman - 19	Amber Riebe - 21
Brenda Rouzer - 18	Kassy Coleman - 20
Ashli Hines - 17	JoAnn Scribner - 20
Top Youth	Brenda Rouzer - 18
Wyatt Klingelhoets-25	Top Youth
Ella Moen - 24	Nolan Bever - 24
Walker Nykanen - 24	Landon Hubbard - 23
Nolan Bever - 24	Brandon Wright - 23
Jade Schallcock - 24	Ella Moen - 23
Brandon Wright - 24	Vincent Stoll - 23
Luke Popenhagen - 24	Wyatt Klingelhoets - 23
	Walker Nykanen - 22
	Kyle Carlson - 22

Week 7 Scores

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Taking A Rip!



Vaughn Johnson take a rip at a high fastball Saturday afternoon vs Hayward. Cumberland beat the Hawks 9-7.

Special Fall Hunting And Trapping Season Deadline This Friday

MADISON, Wis. – The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR) reminds hunters and trappers Friday is the deadline to apply for bobcat and fisher permits or a chance to hunt sharp-tailed grouse this fall.
The harvest of bobcat and fisher is regulated through a special permitting system, and harvest permits are awarded through a preference point lottery system. To receive a permit, a hunter must apply by the Aug. 1 deadline and be a drawing winner.
Thanks to years of habitat work in the Northwest Sands region, hunters will have an opportunity to hunt sharp-tailed grouse in Wisconsin for the first time since 2018. Years of work restoring and reconnecting the fragmented habitat that

sharp-tailed grouse depend on has allowed the population to increase every year since 2021.
Individuals interested in sharp-tailed grouse hunting this season must apply by Friday, Aug. 1, to enter a limited permit drawing. The season will run from Oct. 18 until Nov. 9, and preference points from prior years will be honored. The application is open to both residents and nonresidents.
Applications for a permit can be purchased online in Go Wild or at your local DNR license sales location. For more information about trapping in Wisconsin, visit the DNR's Trapping Regulations webpage. For more information about sharp-tailed grouse, check out the DNR's Sharp-Tailed Grouse Hunting webpage.

Sports Lookback:Peterson Brothers July 1982

For the second time in four years, John and Ben Peterson, sons of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Peterson of Comstock, both won medals in the XXI Olympiad held in Montreal, Canada last week. Both were members of the United States Olympic Freestyle Wrestling Team.
In a reversal from their finish in the Olympics held in 1972 in Munich, Germany, this time John won the gold medal and Ben the silver. Both men competed in the same weight class as they did four years ago, when Ben, who was 22 years old,

Both Peterson's, who were Cumberland High School wrestlers a few years ago, had little trouble in reaching the finals with one exception. In the second round, Ben won in the final seconds with a two-point fall and a one-point decision over Choukir Lutview of Bulgaria. John pinned his opponent, Andre Bouchoulet of France, in the second round.
Round three action saw John decision Adolf Seger of West Germany, and Ben pinned Mircea Simon of Romania.

In the semifinals, John won 10-3 over Istwan Kovacs of Hungary and then in the finals easily defeated Mehmet Uzan of Turkey.
Four years ago, following the return of the Peterson's from Germany, a big homecoming celebration was held in Comstock in recognition of their achievements. While no such plans are yet underway for a repeat of this, the possibility of having some kind of recognition is being discussed in that community.

City of Cumberland Construction Update

Hines Lakeview Drive: City crews will be trimming some trees over the roadway early next week to create adequate overhead space for blacktopping operations. Impact will be minimized to the extent possible, but failure to do so will result in damaged trees and broken limbs rather than planned trimming. Pavement pulverization is planned for August 6th and 7th, weather permitting. Work on the new watermain (in the terminal ~950 feet of Hines Lakeview) is planned to commence between August 11th and 13th. Street resurfacing will occur after the watermain work is complete.

1st and Marshall: Following the recent completion of utility installations, work to bring the road surface to grade is ongoing. Stakers are here today (Monday) in preparation for installation of curb and gutter beginning Thursday. The first lift of blacktop is planned for late next week, followed by installation of sidewalk and some miscellaneous finish work, then followed by the final lift of blacktop. Substantial completion is still contemplated in two weeks

or so from now. Highway 63: Blacktop work should be completed by Thursday of this week, except for the parking lane on the east side of the downtown business district and some ancillary spots such as driveways and parking lots. Prep for the final sidewalk installation will commence Monday of next week, with concrete installation starting next Thursday (August 7th). The next round of concrete work will start with filling the remaining gaps on the west side of the downtown district, followed by sidewalk installation on the east side downtown, then moving to the east-west portion of Highway 63. Concrete work will be full-steam ahead the week of August 11th. If all goes according to plan, downtown sidewalks should be complete by Rutabaga Festival. Assuming the new downtown light poles are delivered on time, they will also be installed beginning the week of August 11th. Blacktop in the parking lane on the east side of downtown and in the ancillary areas will occur after the concrete work is complete.

Cumberland Rotary Impact Club announces launch party

The Cumberland Rotary Impact Club, which is a satellite club of Barron County Rotary is hosting a launch party at Harvest Grill on Wednesday Aug 6 from 5:30-7:30 pm. Wine and hors d'oeuvres will be served. patio side weather permitting. Reservations can be made by calling 715-822-2569. Tickets are \$15 which will be collected at the door. 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 13 official members and has already completed a service project with assisting with set-up for the Taste Of Cumberland, a fundraiser for Barron County Boys and Girls Club. On July 29 they are hosted an outdoor fun fair

for members of the Cumberland Boys and Girls Club. This event was a collaboration with Cumberland Area Trails Alliance and After School Art. A forest hike, yoga, nature art and lawn games were enjoyed by first through fifth graders.

Another project that the Cumberland Rotary Impact Club is planning is a school supply drive from late July through August 15. There will be boxes for your school supply donations at Dollar General, Family Dollar, Nilssen's Grocery and Thomas St. Angelo Public Library. 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.

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