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Memorial Day Observance
Monday, May 25, 2026
Cumberland, Wisconsin

Cumberland American Legion Post 98

PROGRAM AT LAKESIDE CEMETERY

Greetings Mr. Dennis Free

USN Retired Master Chief, Commander Post 98

Opening Prayer Mr. Al Jones

Chaplin of Post 98, USMC Veteran

"In Flander's Field" Ms. Sara Roff

"America's Reply" Mr. Calvin Cunningham

America The Beautiful CHS Band

Under the direction of Nathan J.W. Pierce

"Gettysburg Address" Mr. Carter Fauske

Memorial Day Address Assistant Pastor

Michael Sainburg, Northern Lakes Church,

USAF Veteran

Roll of 2025-2026 Deceased Veterans

Mr. Dennis Free,

USN Retired Master Chief, Commander Post 98

Placing of The Wreath Legion Veteran

Rifle Salute American Legion Honor Guard

Taps Mr. Alex Weise

RAISE FLAG TO FULL STAFF

Star Spangled Banner CHS Band

Under the direction of Nathan J.W. Pierce

Closing Prayer Mr. Al Jones,

Chaplin of Post 98, USMC Veteran

Potluck at American Legion

Everyone is welcome

BRING A DISH TO PASS

In case of inclement weather the

program will be held in the High

School Gymnasium

ALMENA

Shadyside Memorial Park

V.F.W. Post 8512 Assembly at 11 a.m.

Following the ceremony, there will

be a spaghetti dinner at the Catholic

Church.

VFW Post 8512 will dedicate this day, May

26, to all veterans who have made the

ultimate sacrifice for freedom.

Donations appreciated.

MAKING PROGRESS!



THE US HWY 63 BRIDGE REPLACEMENT PROJECT IS MOVING ALONG. EVERY WEEK WITH GOOD WEATHER HELPS TO SHORTEN THE LENGTH OF THE PROJECT WHICH IS EXPECTED TO BE COMPLETED IN EARLY SEPTEMBER.

Cumberland Healthcare Launches New Pain Management Service to Improve Patient Outcomes

CUMBERLAND, WI, MAY 2026 – Cumberland Healthcare is pleased to announce the launch of its new Pain Management service, designed to help patients find relief from acute and chronic pain and improve quality of life through compassionate, evidence-based care.

Cumberland Healthcare also welcomes advanced



CHRIS ERKKILA

DNAP and Chris Erkkila, CRNA, NPSM-C, DNAP, to the organizations growing team.

The Pain Management team includes board-certified CRNAs specializing in pain management, along with registered nurses and clinical support staff. The program offers comprehensive evaluations, personalized treatment plans, and a wide range of advanced techniques aimed at addressing the root cause

of pain whenever possible.

Patients experiencing back pain, joint pain, nerve pain, arthritis, migraines, and post-surgical discomfort can now access specialized care close to home from providers they know and trust.

"Our goal is to help patients regain comfort, mobility, and independence," said Emily Dilley, CEO of Cumberland Healthcare. "Pain can affect every aspect of a person's life, including work, daily activities, emotional and mental health, stress levels, and sleep. By offering these services locally, through the relationships our patients have come to know and expect from our team, we are making it easier for our community to receive expert care without traveling far so they can get back to living their lives."

The program follows a relationship, patient-centered ap-

proach that includes:

- Comprehensive pain assessments
- Evidence-based medication management
- Non-surgical treatment options
- Interventional procedures, when appropriate
- Coordination with primary care providers and specialists
- Lifestyle and rehabilitation recommendations

Advanced imaging techniques, including ultrasound and fluoroscopy, are used to guide treatment. Available procedures include:

- Epidural steroid & facet injections: Reduce inflammation and relieve spine-related pain, such as herniated discs or arthritis
- Medial branch blocks & radiofrequency ablation/RFA: Identify and treat nerves responsible for back pain

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BRIAN BIELICKI

practice providers, Brian Bielicki, CRNA, NSPM-C,

MEMORIAL DAY POPPY POSTER CONTEST WINNERS!



CONGRATULATIONS TO THIS YEARS POPPY POSTER CONTEST WINNERS. THE POSTERS WILL BE PROUDLY DISPLAYED AT ANDERSON THOMSON AMERICAN LEGION POST 98. PICTURED FROM LEFT ARE THIRD PLACE CARTER STEDRON, FIRST PLACE TAYLOR MCCARTHY AND SECOND PLACE GWEN WOHLK.

City of Cumberland Construction Update

Highway 63 Bridge Replacement: This week's work will be focused on concrete work for the north bridge abutment. Pouring concrete for the abutment itself commenced Tuesday with the work transitioning to wing walls later in the week. Next week, following the Memorial Day holiday, the crane will be moved to the south and piling installation for the

south abutment will begin (yes, more pounding!) The week of June 1st should see concrete pouring for the south abutment begin.

Highway 63 Resurfacing Charrie Lane to Washburn County Line: The mill and overlay is well underway. This project is still on schedule for completion by mid June.

City Issues Statement Addressing Concerns

We wanted to take a moment to address some ongoing concerns regarding the lack of an officially-designated local detour during the

Hwy. 63 bridge reconstruction project. Please be assured this has not been the result of a lack of planning

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Buckle Up: Wisconsin State Patrol’s Click It or Ticket campaign is underway; Click It or Ticket seat belt safety campaign runs through May 31

The Wisconsin Department of Transportation Division of State Patrol is joining law enforcement agencies across the state in the national Click It or Ticket campaign from May 18-31. The annual campaign reminds drivers that seat belts save lives with focused enforcement and education efforts to promote buckling up.

“With an influx of travel expected for Memorial Day weekend, the Click It or Ticket campaign is a timely reminder to motorists that wearing a seatbelt is one of the best ways to protect yourself on the road,” Wisconsin State Patrol Superintendent Tim Carnahan said.

“Whether it’s just a quick trip or you’re traveling across the state, always make sure everyone in the vehicle is buckled up.”

The Click It or Ticket campaign encourages motorists to buckle up to prevent crash fatalities and injuries. According to preliminary data, 7,636 crashes in Wisconsin last year involved motorists who were not wearing seat belts, resulting in 145 deaths and 1,876 injuries among unbelted occupants. Wearing a seat belt is one of the most effective ways to protect drivers and passengers from injury or death in a crash.

The Click It or Ticket campaign coincides with Memorial Day, which is the first long holiday weekend of summer. The roads are especially busy during this time, and motorists can expect to see more officers on patrol encouraging drivers and passengers to buckle up. Law enforcement may stop and cite motorists for failing to wear a seat belt, with higher penalties for transporting unrestrained children.

Buckling up is a simple step every driver and passenger can take to stay safe on the roads. For more information on Click It or Ticket, visit nhtsa.gov/clickit.

DHS Hosts Overdose Prevention Summits for First Responders; Emergency service workers from 130 agencies across Wisconsin gathered to learn how to respond to and prevent overdoses

The Wisconsin Department of Health Services (DHS) hosted a first-of-its-kind series of Overdose Prevention Summits for First Responders focused on overdose prevention training and education for emergency services workers and local leaders. The summits were held in each region of the state throughout April and brought together more than 250 first responders from almost 130 agencies to discuss local overdose prevention strategies.

“DHS continues to lead statewide efforts to further reduce overdose deaths and the impacts substance use has on Wisconsin communities,” said Paula Tran, state health officer and administrator of the Division of Public Health. “Still, this work cannot be done alone, and DHS recognizes that first responders and public safety officials are essential partners in saving lives. They are often the first on the scene and routinely respond to overdoses.”

The Overdose Prevention Summit for First Responders series allowed first responders to learn local solutions from their peers and network with others working in overdose prevention. A combined total of 43 speakers presented at the five summits, which were held in different parts of the state to maximize regional

participation.

The summit series comes at a time when Wisconsin and the nation are seeing a changing drug landscape. While fentanyl continues to be a concern, there is a growing problem of medetomidine being added to drug supplies. Medetomidine is a sedative that is not approved for human use and has been found mixed with fentanyl in the northeast part of the country. DHS continues to monitor drug trends and by strengthening relationships between public health and first responders, will continue to improve overdose response efforts to address the unpredictable nature of today’s drug supply to save more lives.

Preventing deaths from drug overdoses remains a priority for DHS through programs that span prevention, treatment, and recovery. DHS is committed to implementing evidence-based programming where public health and first responders can work together to prevent overdoses and improve the overall health and safety of Wisconsin communities. In recent years, this has included the implementation of the Wisconsin Suspected Overdose Alerts for Rapid Response (WiSOARR), a surveillance tool for local partners, including first responders. DHS continues to support the expansion of peer sup-

ports for people in recovery in multiple settings, including an additional \$1 million to fund people transitioning from jail back into the community to reduce recidivism. Further, a mobile response team is in its second year of providing needed essential services, including overdose prevention supplies, education, and wound care. Technical assistance centers have also been established to support local overdose prevention efforts.

“As a result of these efforts, combined with the work our partners are doing at the local level, overdose deaths in Wisconsin decreased by 42.5% in 2023-2024,” said Michelle Haese, director of substance use initiatives at DHS. “We are encouraged by this data—it tells us that what we are doing is working and to stay the course. And we need to look at ways to expand and innovate our programming.”

Innovative substance use prevention, treatment, and recovery support programming will be highlighted at the upcoming Wisconsin Substance Use Summit hosted by DHS August 5-6, 2026. All people interested in building healthy communities are invited to attend this event in Green Bay or virtually from any location. The agenda and information on how to register are available on the DHS website.

City Issues Statement Addressing Concerns...

or coordination. Well in advance of the closure, the City was actively working with the Wisconsin DOT, local and regional law enforcement, first responders, and surrounding townships regarding traffic management and public safety.

Because multiple jurisdictions are involved—including the DOT, townships, and local agencies—official detour routing requires substantial coordination and agreement. The Wisconsin DOT is limited to detouring state highway traffic onto other state highways. Likewise, local roads are owned and maintained by individual municipalities and townships--so the City can’t just send its traffic onto town roads.

A single designated local detour could place substantial traffic volumes on roads that were not designed for that level of use. Rather than directing all traffic

onto one or two local roads, motorists are currently dispersing across multiple available routes using GPS navigation and personal familiarity. Many local businesses and the Chamber are also helping visitors identify alternate ways to access destinations throughout the community.

We recognize Memorial Day weekend will likely bring additional traffic challenges, and City staff and partner agencies will continue monitoring conditions closely. We understand this situation is frustrating and inconvenient, but we appreciate the community’s patience and cooperation as this important infrastructure project moves forward. When completed, the improved bridge and roadway system will benefit the entire region for many years to come.

City of Cumberland

Card of Thanks

A big thank you to Barb and Louie Muench for replacing the bench at the Grove Street Bridge. IT had been taken out and not replaced. The bench was part of my Eagle Scout project and I was sorry it had been removed and not replaced.

Blake Talbot

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**CUMBERLAND SCHOOL DISTRICT NEWS**
COMMUNITY EDUCATION OFFERINGS

THURSDAY, MAY 21: • 6-7 am TRX • 6:30-7:30 am CCE: Pickleball • 9:00 - 5:00 pm Boys Varsity Golf Conference Meet @ Tee-A-Way Golf Course • 5:00 pm Girls Soccer vs Amery @ Barron High School • 5:00 pm Varsity and JV Baseball Home vs Ashland

FRIDAY, MAY 22: • 6:30-7:30 am CCE: Pickleball

SATURDAY, MAY 23: • 11:00 am to 1:00 pm CCE: Pickleball • High School Graduation

SUNDAY, MAY 24: • 7-9 pm CCE: Adult Volleyball

MONDAY, MAY 25: • 6:30-7:30 am CCE: Pickleball • Memorial Day

TUESDAY, MAY 26: • 6-7 TRX • 6:30-7:30 am CCE: Pickleball • 3:00 pm HS Regional Track and Field @ Cameron HS • 5:00 pm Girls Soccer vs Somerset @ Barron HS • 5:00 pm Varsity and JV Baseball Home vs Webster

WEDNESDAY, MAY 20: • 6:30-7:30 am CCE: Pickleball • 6-8 pm CCE: Pickleball • 6th Grade Beaver Ridge • 6:00 pm Athletic Code Meeting

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Cumberland Healthcare...

- Sacroiliac joint injections and ablations: Target pain in the joint connecting the spine and pelvis

- Trigger point and myofascial injections: Relieve painful muscle tightness and “knots”

- Peripheral nerve blocks and joint injections: Provide targeted relief for nerve and joint pain

- Occipital nerve blocks and migraine treatments (including Botox): Help manage chronic headaches and migraines

- Stellate ganglion and sympathetic nerve blocks: Treat certain nerve-related pain and circulation conditions

- Celiac plexus and trigeminal nerve blocks: Address pain in the abdomen and face

- Ketamine and lidocaine infusions: IV therapies for severe or chronic nerve-related pain

- Prolotherapy and regenerative injections: Stimulate the body's natural healing processes

By combining clinical expertise with compassionate care, the program aims to reduce pain, restore function, and support long-term wellness for patient throughout Cumberland and the surrounding communities.

Individuals interested in learning more or scheduling an appointment with a pain specialist may contact Cumberland Healthcare at 715-822-PAIN (7246). No referral is required, and self-referrals are welcome.

Scheduling opens on Thursday, June 4, which will also be the first day patients will be seen.

About Cumberland
Healthcare
Cumberland Healthcare
is committed to providing

high-quality, compassionate care to residents of Cumberland and the surrounding region. With a focus on patient-centered care, the organization offers a wide range of medical services designed to support the health and well-being of the community.

Additional services available at Cumberland Healthcare include endocrinology, orthopedics, podiatry, general surgery, cardiology, women's health, gynecology, ophthalmology, urology, oncology, sports medicine, wound care, pulmonary medicine, neurosurgery, pathology, and radiology. For more information about Cumberland Healthcare's Pain Management services, please call 715-822-PAIN (7246) or visit www.cumberlandhealthcare.com.

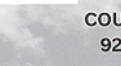
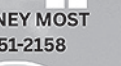


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Sudoku Puzzle #4147-D

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PUZZLE

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ACROSS

1 Fish

5 Dice game

10 Sweet potatoes

14 Bottom

15 Stays out of sight

16 Assure

17 Brand of sandwich cookie

18 Found

19 Item for sale

20 Polygon surrounded solid

22 Book by Homer

23 Drunkard

24 Not (refix)

26 Caustic substance

27 Hertz

30 Wide open

33 Avail

35 Den

37 Crustacean (2wds.)

42 Capital of Norway

43 Body of water

44 What a bald man is missing

45 Visited three bears (2 wds.)

49 Vegetable

50 Vane direction

51 Adolescent

53 Time zone

54 Hoopla

57 W.C.

59 River (Spanish)

61 Variety show

63 Twinge (2 wds.)

69 Concluded

70 Sporty car brand

71 Small pipe

72 Hum

73 Car parker

74 Bulb flower

75 Otherwise

76 Efface

77 Mold

DOWN

1 Cube

2 Air (prefix)

3 Rotate

4 Clever plans

5 Fast feline

6 Layer

7 Jewish calendar month

8 Pie nut

9 Fast plane

10 Ship's small boat

11 To no

12 Eel

13 Swedish citizen

21 Shoat

22 Institution (abbr.)

25 French "yes"

27 Jam

28 El

29 Window ledge

31 Mexican money

32 Construct

34 Reverberate

36 Traveled by car

38 Earn

39 Skim

40 Ventilates

41 Rascal

46 Island

47 Sign of the zodiac

48 Jagged

52 Snip

54 Got up

55 Lucifer

56 Bakers needs

58 Sesame Street's grouch

60 Ocular

62 Goad

64 hoop

65 Greek god of war

66 Nimbus

67 Wading bird

68 Bird's home

70 Street abbr.

Juvenile Killed in Skid Steer Accident Near New Auburn

On Saturday, May 16, 2026, the Barron County Sheriff's Department received a report of a juvenile involved in a skid steer accident in rural New Auburn.

Deputies from the Barron County Sheriff's Department, along with New Auburn Fire Department, Chetek Ambulance, and New Auburn First Respond-

ers were dispatched to the scene. Despite lifesaving efforts, the juvenile succumbed to their injuries.

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Opinion



Out My Window

by Paul Bucher, Editor

Tis the season, the season where hungry bears are out roaming around looking for an easy meal. Spring is the worst for bear encounters, they are just plain hungry. Our black lab Mollie, has been an absolute pain in the rear end for the last couple of weeks often coming unglued in the middle of the night. I mean running around the house barking like crazy, multiple times per night, its no fun at all. We had a pretty good idea it was a bear, and finally I got a photo of her on the driveway trail camera and lets just say she is not small. We live in the woods so we expect them to be around, but after the snow melts, we are careful to put away the bird feeders, the grill is in the garage and so is the garbage. Apparently, a neighbor has not yet figured it out. Multiple times last year and now again this year, his trash can is in the middle of the road with garbage spread all over. I’m pretty sure we would still have bears on our property, but that certainly doesn’t help I would guess. Both Sarah and I like to go for walks right past his driveway. Putting the trash out at night is asking for trouble, they are just looking for an easy meal.

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The Brewers took 2 out of 3 games last week-end against the Twins, that seems about right, they are a better club. All the games were 1 run affair so it was fun to watch. I tell ya, the Brewers front office and scouting department sure know what they are doing, no Corbin Burns, no problem, no Freddy Peralta, no problem, no Devon Williams..... you get the picture. They continually find great young arms and talent in general. If they had the Dodgers access to cash it would be scary. Anyway, it looks like the Crew and Cubs will battle all summer long!

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The official kick off to summer is here. The long weekend is enjoyed by almost everyone, please remember what Memorial Day weekend is all about. Take the time on Monday to go to a Memorial Day Program, you will be glad you did. It will make you appreciate being an American and living in the best country on the planet. Remember to thank a veteran the next time you see one, it will be appreciated. I can’t say it enough, thank you to all who served our country. As the saying goes, “All gave some, some gave all.” Remember to honor those who made the ultimate sacrifice for our freedom.

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I hope everyone has a chance to enjoy the long holiday weekend. Have a great week!



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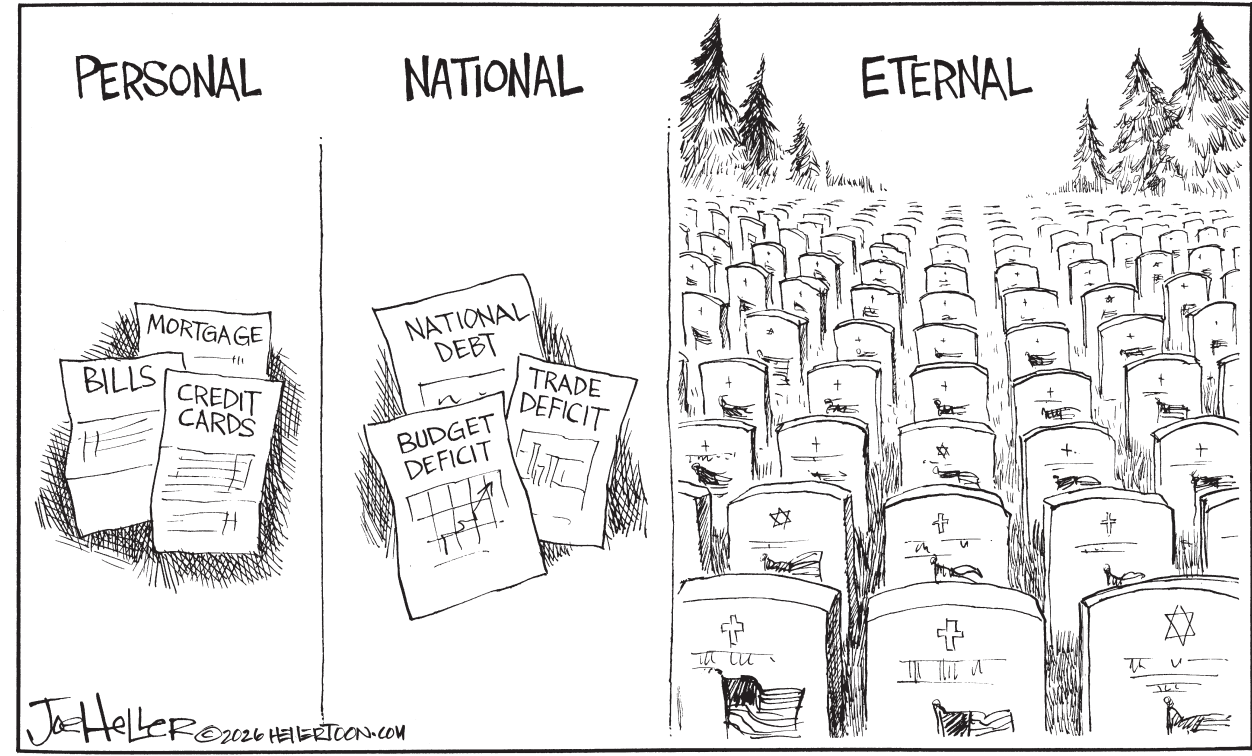
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Inside Wisconsin

by Tom Still

“This ‘pajama party’ is one way how AI enhances rural healthcare”

MARSHFIELD, Wis. – Many medical terms are rooted in Greek or Latin, such as ischemia for lack of blood flow or subcutaneous for under the skin. Others are reduced to acronyms, such as CT scan to describe “computed tomography” imaging of body parts.

Here’s one that’s much easier to translate: “Pajama time.”

That describes the after-hours time many doctors and medical professionals spend writing and editing their notes from patient visits earlier in the day. It’s time away from family, friends and household tasks the rest of us take for granted – and it can contribute to physician “burnout” over time.

Artificial intelligence is dramatically shortening “pajama time” in health systems and clinics where certified note-taking technology is adopted. It’s an example of how AI is helping patients and medical professionals alike, improving efficiency and making it easier for rural health systems to hire and retain quality staff.

“We’re definitely seeing it on the recruitment end,” said Dr. Samantha Klebe, chief medical officer for the Marshfield Clinic Health System, which covers

much of northern, central and western Wisconsin and parts of Michigan’s Upper Peninsula. Marshfield is now part of the larger Sanford Health network, also a predominantly rural provider in the upper Midwest. “It helps us stand out,” Klebe added. “You will actually see recruits who will not go to hospital systems that don’t invest in this.”

That’s a competitive edge when it comes to attracting physicians and other medical talent to rural settings. It’s also important to patients – many of whom are older – who often travel longer distances for care and hope to hold return trips to a minimum.

Here’s how it works: Marshfield uses an Oracle system called Cerner Clinical AI Agent to record and transcribe medical appointments between its 1,200 professionals and patients who give express permission to do so. It meets requirements for patient privacy while making it easier for doctors to focus on patients instead of staring into a computer screen while typing.

A process that usually took between 10 and 20 minutes of “pajama time” to transcribe and edit in the past now takes under a minute to chart in most cases.

Formally called “automated clinical documentation” or “ambient scribing,” it’s more accurate and can better manage how providers use their time while on duty.

“We see it as providing the right tools (providers) need to help the community. The quality of patient experience goes up ... the job satisfaction of the providers goes up,” Klebe said.

It’s one of many evolving uses for AI in Wisconsin healthcare, with many major systems adopting it for patient-facing care. Marshfield will soon open a satellite virtual clinic in Pittsville (population: 2,500) and use AI to expand access. Another close-to-home example involves UW-Stout students, who are using AI to design custom nutrition products for patients on GLP-1 anti-obesity drugs such as Ozempic.

Other emerging applications include analyzing medical imaging for more accurate diagnostics and using predictive analytics to identify patient risks, such as sepsis, before they get out of hand. Drugmakers are using it to refine safer, more effective medicines.

Wisconsin has its share of companies that make healthcare products, including diagnostics, therapeutics, medical devices,

biotechnology products and pharmaceuticals. Artificial intelligence can play a role in each.

As with any new technology, there are those who urge caution. Privacy concerns were highlighted during a recent panel discussion at the Medical College of Wisconsin, hosted by the Wisconsin Technology Council and others. Panelists also voiced concerns about physicians getting assigned more work because ambient scribing is saving time.

For Klebe, it comes back to investing in a certified system, not just using an off-the-shelf ambient scribing function embedded in a smartphone.

“Lean into (AI), find the right partners and always be cautious,” she said.

That’s good advice as AI arrives at an inflection point for many industries, healthcare included. There’s a difference between being cautious and being scared. Rural healthcare delivery has many challenges; carefully adopting AI and other new ways of doing business can help.

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

A Look Back

10 Years Ago
May 25, 2016

Cumberland Federal Bank is pleased to announce the recent promotions of Shay Horton and Barry Ranallo. Shay has been promoted to Executive Vice President and Barry has been promoted to Vice President.

The Class of 2016 Valedictorian is Kallai Hokanson, daughter of Craig and Paula Hokanson, and the Salutatorian is Elliana Vesey, daughter of Ronald and Christine Vesely. The 2016 Graduate of Achievement is Charles “Chuck” Christensen, graduating class of 2016.

20 Years Ago
May 24, 2006

Each year, the Island City Women solicit nominations for the Island City Woman of the Year. They search for women dedicated to the community, women who do remarkable things for others, and women who are an example to others. This year, Heather Friess, a Special Education Teacher at Cumberland Middle School was selected, after being nominated by Amber and Ruby Ritchie.

Reid Tice is this year’s Wisconsin Academic Excellence Scholarship recipient from Cumberland High School. He is the son of Scott Tice and Jean Buchanan. This award is

presented to the number one raked student of each graduating class in Wisconsin.

30 Years Ago
May 22, 1996

If golf is your bag, then the NCAA Golf Tournament should really suit you to a tee this year. This year, you will have someone familiar to cheer for. Molly Jacobson, daughter of Dr. Lee and Judy Jacobson, will be playing with the team from New Mexico State which qualified for the prestigious NCAA tournament.

40 Years Ago
May 21, 1986

Two Cumberland residents received the Gold Award, Girl Scouting’s highest honor. Jennifer Jacobson and Ann McLellan were the first Cumberland Scouts in several years to receive the award, which was created in 1982. This award takes time, talent, and hard work. To qualify for the award, Jacobson and McLellan were required to excel in leadership, service and self development.

50 Years Ago
May 20, 1976

On Monday, at 10:25 am, Cumberland firemen were summoned to an old cabin owned by Jim Bolin west of the city. The building which had partially burned before, was completely

destroyed. The cause of the fire is undetermined at this time, and is still under investigation.

Howard (Bud) Lang, Commander of Anderson-Thomson Post 98, is one of 25 post commanders in the United States to win an expense-paid trip to the Legion’s national convention in Seattle, WA.

60 Years Ago
May 26, 1966

The Board of Education of the Cumberland Community Schools this week announced the hiring of John W. Simonds of Dubuque, Iowa. He will replace J.K. Hoyer, who held the post since 1955.

70 Years Ago
May 24, 1956

Robert McFadden, Cumberland, a freshman at Wisconsin State College at Eau Claire and a member of the student newspaper staff, was given a bronze service key in recognition of his activities with the publication.

80 Years Ago
May 30, 1946

Mrs. B.W. Pritchard has announced that she will open a gift shop in the newly remodeled addition to the pool hall. The shop will be called “Jenny’s Gift Shop” and will feature baby’s gifts, stationery, figurines, and hand made work.

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2026 WEATHER

Date	Hi	Lo	Precip.
05/12	61	38	0.04
05/13	67	43	0.00
05/14	68	42	0.00
05/15	72	46	0.19
05/16	82	51	0.00
05/17	74	47	0.00
05/18	59	50	1.10

Temperature and precipitation readings are taken at 7 a.m. for the previous 24 hours and are provided by the Cumberland Utility Office.

Sports

Softball Team Concludes Regular Season on Tuesday; Tournament Play Begins on May 26

The Cumberland Softball Team went one and two last week and concluded their regular season with a game on Tuesday against Hayward. The team now waits for their first WIAA Tournament game, which will take place in Cumberland on Tuesday, May 26, against the Northwestern Tigers. A victory there will send them into a Regional Championship game the following night.

Their three games ended with an 8-3 loss to St. Croix Falls and a split of a doubleheader against Northwestern, winning 10-3 and losing 7-6.

In the loss to St. Croix Falls, five Cumberland errors hurt their ability to pull out the victory as the Saints scored six unearned runs. Liliana Murphy had a big day at the plate for Coach Anderson with three hits, including a solo home run. Raegan Beecroft added a double for the Beavers.

Last Thursday, Cumber-

land took on the Tigers in a doubleheader, winning the second game 10 to 3 as Hailey Paulson took the pitching victory, scattering five hits and striking out five Tiger hitters.

Paulson also had a big day at the plate in the contest with two hits and three runs-batted-in, while Andi Olson and Olivia Villarreal added two hits each. Among Paulson's safeties was a triple.

The first game of the day proved less successful as the team dropped a tight 7-6 contest to the Northwestern, as a four-run Tiger fifth inning proved too much for Cumberland to overcome.

Both teams struggled on defense with 11 total errors committed in the game. Presli Butzler had an outstanding day hitting for Cumberland with four safeties including a double. Maci Anderson took the pitching loss, giving up only two earned runs in six innings of work.

Youthful Baseball Team Struggles in Conference Play

The Cumberland Beavers Baseball Team took on some of the HON's best teams last week and could not come away with a victory. The Beavers now have only three games remaining on the regular season schedule before WIAA Tournament action begins, starting with a road game in Hayward on Tuesday and continues with a home contest against Ashland this Thursday at 5:00 pm. Another home game against Webster on Tuesday, May 26, ends the regular season play.

Things started last week with a 7-5 loss to Cameron on Monday, May 11. The Beavers led 5-4 after four innings, but saw the Comets rally to take the victory. Max Peterson and Tucker Wickstrom each picked up a pair of hits for the Beavers in the contest, while Troy Majewski took the pitching loss.

On Tuesday, the Beavers traveled to league-leading St. Croix Falls, where they dropped two games to the Saints, one the conclusion of a contest started earlier in the year and suspended

by rain. A strong Saints team won the two contests, 15-2 and 16-8.

The Beavers could only manage three hits in the first game, including a double by Parker Peterson, while they managed nine hits and eight runs in the second contest of the day, but could not keep up with a potent St. Croix Falls offense, who scored 16 runs on 15 hits

Senior Troy Majewski and Freshman Jack Manor knocked out two hits each for Coach John Peterson in the game, while Max Peterson added a double.

Things were tough on Thursday, as the Beavers played their fourth and fifth games in four days, dropping a doubleheader to the Northwestern Tigers, 15-3 and 14-3.

Short of pitching, Cumberland battled, but could not keep up to a solid Tigers squad. Gabe Graf had a big day at the plate for the Beavers in game one with three hits, while Calvin Cunningham went three for three in game two and Max Peterson concluded a big week at the plate with two hits.

SAFE AT THE PLATE!



RAEGAN BEECROFT SLIDES HOME SAFELY IN THE GIRLS WIN OVER NORTHWESTERN THURSDAY NIGHT AT ISLANDER PARK.



BEAVER CATCHER LILIANA MURPHY MAKES A NICE CATCH OF A FOUL BALL VS NORTHWESTERN.



CUMBERLAND SENIOR KAELY WENZEL SWINGS AND LINES A SINGLE UP THE MIDDLE THURSDAY NIGHT VS THE TIGERS.



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SPORTS CALENDAR

THURSDAY, MAY 21

GOLF CONFERENCE MEET @ TEE-A-WAY 9:00

BASEBALL HOME VS ASHLAND 5:00

TUESDAY, MAY 26

TRACK REGIONAL @ CAMERON 3:00

SOFTBALL REGIONAL HOME VS N. WESTERN 4:30

SOCCER VS SOMERSET @ BARRON 5:00

BASEBALL HOME VS WEBSTER 6:00

WEDNESDAY, MAY 27

GOLF REGIONAL @ LUCK 8:00

THURSDAY, MAY 28

BASEBALL REGIONAL TBD

SOFTBALL REGIONAL TBD

FRIDAY, MAY 29

TRACK SECTIONAL @ MARATHON 3:00

SOCCER VS AMERY @ BARRON 5:00



Attention Sports Fans!

All Cumberland athletic events are free this year!

Come out and support the Beavers!



HON Softball STANDINGS

TEAM	CONF	OVR
Spooner	16-1	16-1
St. Croix Falls	12-3	14-7
Hayward	12-5	14-10
Cameron	11-5-1	14-9-1
Cumberland	10-7	12-11
Northwestern	5-6-1	6-10-1
Ashland	3-10	4-11
Barron	3-10	3-14
Unity	1-13	2-14
Ladysmith	0-13	0-17

9 TEAM INVITATIONAL!



FRESHMAN MILES LEHMANN ON THE GREEN AT THE BEAVERS HOME INVITATIONAL.



GAVIN LEHMANN ON HOLE 10 WEDNESDAY, MAY 13TH.

TOURNEY CHAMPS!



THE CUMBERLAND U8 SOFTBALL TEAM CLAIMED THE CHAMPIONSHIP LAST WEEKEND AT THE WILDCAT WALK-OFF TOURNAMENT HELD IN RIVER FALLS. PICTURED ARE FROM LEFT TO RIGHT COACH EVAN STRANGSTALIEN, RILO THORP, HARPER HAUGEN, GRACE MAZUREK, MIA RANALLO, COACH ISAAC LUNDQUIST, VIOLET LUNDQUIST, BRIA GARDNER, COACH ZACH STOWELL AND HARPER STOWELL. WAY TO GO GIRLS!

RUNNER UPS!



THE 10U CUMBERLAND CHAOS FASTPITCH SOFTBALL TEAM BATTLED THEIR WAY TO AN IMPRESSIVE SECOND-PLACE FINISH AT THE WILDCAT WALK-OFF TOURNAMENT IN RIVER FALLS THIS PAST WEEKEND, BRINGING HOME SILVER MEDALS AFTER SOME TOUGH COMPETITION. PICTURED FRONT ROW LEFT TO RIGHT: HEATHER, NORA, AND AVA. BACK ROW LEFT TO RIGHT: HARTLEY, POPPY, FIONA, HAVEN, ADELINE, TESS, KIRA, AND ALIVIA.

HON BASEBALL STANDINGS

TEAM	CONF	OVR
Saint Croix Falls	15-0	18-1
Northwestern	13-3	14-5
Hayward	9-6	10-9
Ashland	9-6	9-9
Cameron	7-7	7-10
Barron	7-8	10-9
Unity	7-9	8-12
Spooner	6-8	6-12
Cumberland	2-13	3-16
Ladysmith	0-15	0-17



AUSTIN JOBE TEES OFF ON HOLE 10.

Cumberland/Turtle Lake Hold Invitational at Cumberland Course

On Wednesday, May 13, the Cumberland and Turtle Lake Golf Teams hosted a nine-team Invitational at the Cumberland Golf Club. Clear Lake was the team winner with a 334, while Turtle Lake/Clayton finished 2nd and the Beavers 8th. Medalist for the day were teammates Nolan Arcand and Max Everts of Clear Lake, who shared 80s. Andrew Buck of Turtle Lake/Clayton was third with an 83, while Beavers Fresh-

man, Miles Lehmann came in 18th with a 96 and Gavin Lehmann was 23rd with a 99. Next up for the Beavers is the HON Conference Meet, which will be held this Thursday, May 21, at Tee-A-Way Golf Course with the first golfers heading out at 9:00 am. The Beavers will then be participating in the D3 Luck Regional on Wednesday, May 27, with tee times also beginning at 9:00 am.

Sports Look Back, May 25, 2016

The Cumberland Beavers Baseball Team has taken home the 2016 Conference Baseball Championship. The Beavers finished out the regular season on Monday holding a two-game lead with one regular season game left of play. The Beavers took two out of three games last week to secure the title. They defeated Northwestern 8-0, Chetek-Weyerhaeuser 11-1 and then dropped a 6-5 decision to Bloomer on Thursday. Tyler Landsworth was superb on the mound at Northwestern, where he used only 91 pitches to shutout the Tigers. He scattered five hits, while striking out 10 batters. Cumberland scored a run in the first and three more in the second inning to take a commanding lead. Landsworth and Dylan Feiertag each added three hits to a solid Cumberland offense. The team was aggressive on the bases,

stealing four in the contest. Isaac Bucher took the mound on Tuesday against C/W giving up only 1 unearned run over five innings of work to help the Beavers take the Conference outright title in an 11-1 victory. Payton Rose, Myles Erb, and Feiertag each knocked out a pair of hits in the game. Rose had a two-run triple and Erb a double in the contest. Thursday, a Beavers leaky defense committed five errors in a loss at Bloomer. Jared Lindfors took the pitching loss for Cumberland. Dylan Feiertag led Cumberland hitters with two safeties, including a double. Sunday, the All-Conference Baseball Team was named, with six Beaver players getting recognition. Named First Team were Tyler Landsworth, Jerad Lindfors and Payton Rose. Isaac Bucher was named a Second Team Pitcher, while Dale Griffith and Max Narges were named as Honorable Mention outfielders.



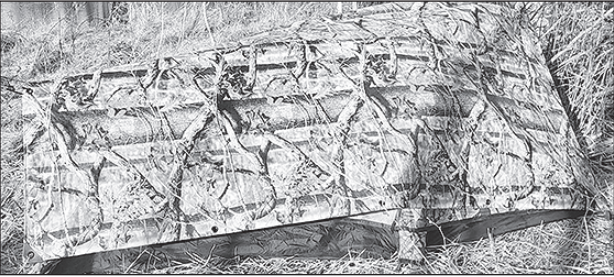
An Outdoorsman's Journal

By Mark Walters

Backpacking on the Lumbercamp Segment of the Ice Age Trail

Hello friends,
Just as important to me as hunting and fishing are the silent sports such as canoeing and backpacking. In 1987 I attempted to canoe up the Mississippi River and put on 980 miles before I sustained a trip ending injury.
In 1991 I hiked 1244 miles of The Appalachian Trail and I can honestly say that those two adventures are what made me realize that making a lot of money was not a goal for me, I just wanted to be independent and outside.
This week I did a very simple and yet perfect two night backpacking trip on the Lumbercamp Segment of the 1400 mile, all in Wisconsin, Ice Age Trail.
I have to admit that when I woke up the day that I started this journey I did not even know where I was going hike. I worked my phone for info and chose a stretch of trail that is between Antigo and Crandon in Langlade County and every part of this simple journey was just about as perfect as I could hope for.
Monday, May 11th
High 63, low 27
My house is on my back along with my food and clothes. My golden retriever Red is my companion, and I have zero goals for hiking big miles. My goal is simple, hike, find a really cool place to make a camp and then day hike the next day and return to my truck on day 3. I would also be checking out waterfowl hunting and bow hunting possibilities.
First thought, my pack is too heavy, but I can handle that. This would be a high of 60ish low in the mid-30s with rain both days so I had to have plenty of clothes as well as a tarp for my backpacker tent. As I started my journey in the midafternoon I soon realized that both the Ice Age Trail volunteers that maintain this section of trail and the WDNR biologists and field staff that manage this forest and marsh are on top of their game.
I had only hiked about 2 miles and I took a break at a small but beautiful lake that was loaded with waterfowl. While on break I came up with a brainstorm and that was I should build my camp. This would be the first trip of my backpacking career

that I was not mile hungry and I was loving it.
There was weather coming and I put up my “coffin,” tent no larger than a coffin, tarped it and then watched nature until dark. There is a pair of I believe trumpeter swans nesting here, there are lots of wood duck nest boxes on the wetlands here and I had a really cool experience when I saw a pair of bluebill flew into the lake and the female landed perfectly on the box and disappeared for a night of sitting on eggs.
Though I did not see much for deer sign I watched an extremely large deer walk the shoreline and the variety of waterfowl and amount of geese had me thinking, I should come back here and do a hunt this fall.
Well after dark a cold rain began and lasted for about 5 hours, no worries my camp was dry.
Tuesday, May 12th
High 58, low 36
I left my camp and had basics in my backpack such as rain gear, food and water. All I wanted to do was explore and see some country and then return to camp for another night. I do not believe the deer numbers are large here and this last winter was a tough one but since you cannot use a motorized vehicle, a hunter could have his or her own hunt. Then there is the potential for waterfowl hunting, what I did today besides trail hike was bushwhack and follow wetlands. Most of the water is too far to hike in and do a morning or evening waterfowl hunt, but if a red-neck named MGW came in with his trusty pup and built a camp, there are ducks and geese to harvest.
The most interesting part of my day and the saddest is when I came across either a crow or a raven on the ground about 10-feet away. Directly in front of it maybe 4-feet was another and they were really messing up a hen turkey who was sitting on a nest of 6 eggs.
I knew there had to be a nest and that is what the predators were after.
The crow/raven behind her had been at it a while as there were a lot of feathers where it was pulling them off the hen to try to get her to fly.
When I returned to camp a solid rain and wind-



This camp withstood 2 nights of wind and rain



The hen turkey that was sitting on this nest was taking a heck of a beating from 2 crows.

storm began that would last much of the night. Red and I had no choice but to enter our very dry coffin and hunker in.
Backpack, explore, respect the trail and those that make it happen!
Sunset

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Track Team Participates in Conference Meet; Cameron Regional Next Tuesday

The Cumberland Track Team is busy preparing for the WIAA D3 Regional Track Meet in Cameron next Tuesday after running in Tuesday’s Conference Meet at Unity High School. Results of the HON Meet will appear in next week’s Advocate.
To prepare for the HON Meet, the Beavers participated in meets in both Barron and St. Croix Falls last week. The Cumberland Boy’s Team had an outstanding seven-days in which they won both meets.
In Barron, Coach Ryan O’Connell received first place finishes from Senior Tommy Dettinger in the 800m run, Bryce McNaulty in the 110 hurdles, and the 4x200m relay team of Elijah Jain, Bryce McNaulty, Andrea Santangelo, and Austin Hornstein to spearhead their team victory.
Just missing first place and coming in second was Max Odden in the discus, Mitchell Monchilovich in the pole vault, Tommy Dettinger in the 1600m run, Bryce McNaulty in the triple jump, and the 4x100 and 4x400m relay teams. “It was a great team performance by our boys,” said Coach O’Connell.
The girls finished third in the six-team meet behind Bloomer.
Taking first was talented freshman Jordyn Olson with a high jump of 4-07. Lauren McCreary took a second in her specialty, the discus, while adding a third in the

triple jump. Other second-place finishes came from Elsa Carlson in the triple jump and the Girl’s 4x800m relay team comprised of Jasmine Delgado, Alexis Peterson, Ashley Yungco, and Alezae Gonzalez.
Following a successful meet in Barron, the boys also picked up another victory over four other teams in St. Croix Falls two nights later, edging the Barron Bears, 83-80.
Taking firsts were Max Odden in the shot, Tommy Dettinger in the 3200, Evan Hornstein in the 100m dash, and three Beavers relay teams, the 4x800, the 4x200, and the 4x100. Tommy Dettinger, Ben Dettinger, Nick Wells, and Alex LaBlanc each ran on two of the winning relay teams. “Our relays continue to be a strength of our team,” added O’Connell.
The girl’s Team finished fifth, receiving one first, by Lauren McCreary in the discus. The 4x200m relay team, made up of Kennedy Campbell, Kylee Jackson, Yahaira Martinez, and Anahi Gonzalez added a second, while Kiera Fox also had a nice day with thirds in both the 100m and 300m hurdles.
“We have had so many of the kids improve, set personal bests, and even set school records. It has been a great year and we are looking forward to the Conference and WIAA Tournament Meets,” concluded Coach O’Connell.



On Thursday, May 14, at the St. Croix Falls Heart O’ North meet, Elsa Carlson broke the Freshman Pole Vault record. She had a vault of 7’ 0”, passing the previous record of 6’ 6”. That record was held by Mya Gardner, which she set in 2023! Congratulations Elsa!

Barron/Cumberland Soccer Team Wins one, Ties one, and Loses Two

The Barron/ Cumberland Soccer Team was busy last week, winning one, tying one, and losing two games.
First up was a 3-3 tie with Medford on Monday, May 11. The contest was tied 1-1 at halftime and stayed close throughout. Bella Meza scored all three goals for the Bears, while goal-tender Ruwayda Salad had eight saves in goal.
The following night, the team lost a 4-0 decision to a strong Washburn team. Barron/Cumberland managed only three shots on goal against solid Washburn defense.
Last Thursday, a Parent’s Night crowd saw the team defeat Arcadia, 2-0. Hailey Flick and Mezza scored the teams two goals in the victory. “It was a big win for seeding purposes,” said

Head Coach Sarah Stauner. Last Friday, the team dropped a 3-1 decision to Regis/McDonell to finish the week. After their opponent scored three goals in the game’s first eight minutes, the Bears rallied to

play good soccer the rest of the contest. “Our defense, led by Graycin Miller, Josi Ramirez, Linsey Balts, Cassidy Herrman, and Abby Elliot, played well the rest of the evening,” added Coach Stauner.

The teams next game is Tuesday, May 26, in Barron against Somerset at 5:00 pm. The WIAA begins its Tournament play on June 2 against an opponent yet to be determined.

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05/22 Fri	11:32	5:19	11:58	5:45	05:31	08:37
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LUNAR TIMES

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05/21	10:23a	1:11a	6:10p	5:42a	*
05/22	11:43a	1:40a	7:01p	6:36a	*
05/23	12:58p	2:03a	7:47p	7:24a	*
05/24	2:09p	2:22a	8:30p	8:09a	*
05/25	3:16p	2:39a	9:12p	8:51a	*
05/26	4:23p	2:55a	9:53p	9:33a	*

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Barronett News

By Judy Pieper

The congregation of Barronett Lutheran Church thoroughly enjoyed Sunday morning's visit by Bishop Halom. He told us how many churches are in our synod, and I can't remember the exact number, but he said that he visits one each week. He gave the morning's sermon, and his enthusiasm is wonderful – and contagious. It made us feel as though we can really make a difference in the lives of others. We will try our best.

After worship service we all met in the church basement for coffee hour. Because it was May 17th, Norwegian Constitution Day, we had a Scandinavian type lunch. It was so nice because we were all able to visit with Bishop Halom and get to know him a bit. Everyone had a wonderful time, and we all appreciated the time Bishop Halom spent with us.

Spooner Middle School students hosted a STEM (science, technology, engineering, math) event on Wednesday, May 13th. Lynn Thon's grandson, who is also our great-grandson, Kane Thon, and his group erected a (I called it a water-slide, Kane said it was a roller-coaster) which was very impressive. It was made of empty toilet tissue rolls and tape. There was a little ball to put in the top end and it traveled down and around and finally ended up in a little bucket. Pretty ingenious for sixth grade kids. Hopefully they loved doing it and will go on to school to be engineers or something else just as exciting.

The next day, May 14th,

Kane was part of a concert given by the Spooner Middle School band and chorus students. The kids are unbelievably talented and we all enjoyed the concert. Kane's little brother, Pierce, brought one of his friends over to where we were sitting and made me feel so proud when he took time to introduce him to me as his "Grandma Judy." Well, that proud feeling disappeared suddenly when he said, "And this is my Real Grandma, Grandma Lynn." Wait a minute – I'm a real grandma – just a with "great" in front of that title. I was really not upset – it was so adorable. Grandkids and great-grandkids are the best things about living this long.

And, as long as I'm bragging about grandchildren again – Olivia Dawn Marsh received her diploma from law school in Boston on Sunday, May 17th. With top grades, I must add. She will be returning to our area – either Wisconsin or Minnesota – to take her Bar. We are unbelievably proud of her and are so happy that she wants to come back here to practice law.

Jerry Marsh came by on Saturday to get our garden all prepped for planting. Marvin Straw sent over some great black dirt, which Jerry spread, before he started tilling. Suzy and I are going to get the onions planted this week, but we will be waiting until the first of June to set out plants and plant seeds. Nate Hargrove came over to start the little rototiller one day last week so I could till around the asparagus. I really enjoy till-

ing, and I can start the tiller again after it has been started once, but I'm so glad that Nate doesn't mind coming over to get it going. I am hoping that EGO will make a battery powered tiller so I can do it myself.

I went up to the garden Sunday evening to water the apple trees, and was surprised to find John Maline and his sister, Carol, there. They were in the tree house area, and I hope he had taken her inside so she could see how much fun it is to have a tree house. Anyway, we had a nice visit, I was glad to meet Carol, and I hope they stop by for coffee soon.

Our snowbird neighbor, Tom Lifo, is home from his winter stay in Texas. He arrived home in the middle of the week, and within a couple days we put him to work. He always volunteers to help if we need it, and we were out in the garage trying to change the air filter on the riding lawn mower, he saw us struggling with it, and walked across to help out. By the time he was finished the mower looked almost new again. It's so nice to live in our little town where people care about their neighbors.

I am so sorry to report that Pat Sweet passed away on Saturday morning. Pat was born and raised in this area, and she and her husband, Doug, raised their family on their farm by Shallow Lake. Pat was a wonderful woman and was loved by everyone who knew her. She will be sadly missed. Please keep the family in your prayers as they go through this time of sorrow.

I am going to run. I hope you have a wonderful week, and I'll see you next time.

OBITUARIES



Patricia A. Sweet

July 13, 1938 – May 16, 2026

After a lifetime defined by family, hard work, and a selfless devotion to others, Patricia Ann Sweet passed away peacefully at her home on May 16, 2026. She was surrounded by the love of her family and the peace of her faith.

Pat was born at home on July 13, 1938, to Milton and Anna Mae (Randall) Semm in Sarona, WI. The values she would carry throughout her life were rooted in a childhood filled with farm chores, caring for her five younger siblings, and learning early how to put family first.

After graduating from Shell Lake High School, Pat moved to St. Paul, MN, where she found work in a knitting mill and later at a hearing-aid company. In 1958, she married Douglas Sweet, and together they built a life on the Sweet family farm outside of Barronett, WI. The early years were marked by raising children and making

the best of a home life with few conveniences—running water and indoor plumbing wouldn't come until 1966.

Pat juggled a number of jobs over the course of her life, sometimes as many as three at a time. She had a natural gift for making people feel welcome, a quality that served her well across years of restaurant work. She worked first as a waitress at the Tower House for 10 years and later at Spanky's Supper Club for more than two decades. There she served tirelessly as a hostess, making neighbors, friends, and out-of-town visitors alike feel at home. She also worked many years at the Coast to Coast Hardware store in Cumberland. Pat was perhaps best known for her decades at the Barronett Post Office, including 15 years as postmaster, becoming a friendly, familiar, and trusted presence in the everyday life of the community.

In retirement, Pat often set a daily goal for herself, writing it down and checking it off when achieved. She enjoyed traveling, drawing, doing puzzles, planting flowers, sewing blankets and other handmade gifts, playing games and taking classes at the senior center, watching birds (especially cardinals), writing countless notes, cards, and letters to others, and laughing and cooking with family. Anyone who stopped by the Sweet

home knew there was a good chance Pat would have dessert ready—or even whip up a full meal—just because that was her way. Above all, Pat considered her family her life's greatest blessing.

Pat was preceded in death by her parents, her sister Carol Johnson, and Carol's husband, Lee.

She is survived by her husband of 68 years, Doug of Barronett; children John of Barronett, Julie (John) Stoner of Spooner, Janet (Reese) LeaVesseur of Billings, MT, Joanne of Cameron, and Jason (Cree) of Cross Plains, WI; grandchildren Justin (Nicole) Gensing of Cameron, Ashley (Nick) Parker of Billings, and Alyssa (Myles) Hiebert of Billings; five great-grandchildren—MacKenzie, Mason, Jenessa, Jeremiah, and Emil; siblings Bradley Semm, Janice (Larry) Sutherland, Sandy Chartrand, and Rocky (Pat) Semm; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Pat will be remembered for her warmth, her enduring spirit, and the constant, loving way she showed up for her family and friends every day.

A celebration of Pat's life will be held on Friday, June 19, 11 a.m.–1 p.m., at the Skinner Funeral Home in Cumberland.

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Embrace's Free Yoga in the Park is Back!

Rice Lake, WI— Get ready to unwind, stretch, and soak up the summer sun with Embrace's FREE yoga in the park series! If you're ready to reduce stress and embrace mindfulness in the great outdoors, look no further! Join us for a rejuvenating yoga experience hosted by Embrace and led by experienced yoga instructor, Christy Moravitz (200-hour RYT) from 4Ever Fit/Eden Yoga! We are excited to announce this year's series will be held on June 8th, June 15th, June 22nd, and June 29th, 5:30pm – 6:30pm, at Veterans Memorial Park.

Picture this: gentle yoga poses, a soothing breeze, and the serene backdrop of Rice Lake. What could be better? Whether you're a seasoned yogi or just dipping your toes onto the mat, everyone is welcome. New to yoga? No problem! Professional step-by-step guidance will be provided. Studies show that be-

ing fully present in the moment enhances social bonds. In addition to leaving each yoga session feeling refreshed and rejuvenated, you'll also get the opportunity to talk with advocates about the free support services available through Embrace. Advocates can provide you with community resources on the spot to help support your needs. As one past yoga participant stated, "This is such a great way to get members involved in the community that may not always be reachable through teaching healthy coping mechanisms...I truly enjoy taking part in yoga in the park and hope that it can continue..."

All you need to do is bring along your water bottle, a yoga mat, towel, or blanket, and wear comfy clothes that let you move freely. We'll take care of the rest! Let's make this summer one to remember together. See you on the mat. Have questions or need

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Mercedes L. (Dieckman) Wickstrom

Mercedes Louise (Dieckman) Wickstrom was born to Walter and Amelia (Haas) Dieckman at their home in Emerson Community, Cumberland, WI, on August 11, 1927, the youngest of six daughters. She attended Emerson School and graduated from Cumberland High School in 1945. Mercedes was a baptized and confirmed member of St. Paul Lutheran Church, in Cumberland. On June 15, 1946, she married Roy Wickstrom at St. Paul Lutheran Church. They later joined Trinity Lutheran Church in Mc-

Kinley. She was employed for thirteen years as a night server at the Tower House, then retired after thirteen years at 3M in Cumberland. She devoted her spare time to her family and enjoyed entertaining family gatherings. The grandchildren and great grandchildren were all so special to her. Care and concern for others was always a priority in life.

She felt the love and closeness of a supportive family. She did not acquire a definite hobby, but was a talented seamstress, artist, and housekeeper, who also loved to cook, bake, and can food for the family. Her home was her castle.

She is survived by her sons, Fred (Lou), Barry (Debbie), and Kevin (Diane); grandchildren, Lesa (Mickey) Allen, Brian (Jamie Sue) Wickstrom, Jamie Lee (J.R.) Shaffer, and Cole Wickstrom; great grandchildren, Jillian (Justin) Knutson, Landon and Tucker Wickstrom, and Addison and Keenan Shaffer; and great great grandchild,

Sadie Knutson.

Mercedes was preceded in death by her parents; husband, Roy Wickstrom; daughter, Karen Wickstrom; sisters, Alberta Loverude, Marie Hanson, Dorothy Johnson, Lucille Wahl, Marcella Dieckman, and half brother, Roy Dieckman.

A Memorial Service was held on Tuesday, May 19, 2026 at Trinity Lutheran Church in McKinley.

Skinner Funeral Home of Cumberland served the family.



Roland J. Strickland

Roland James Strickland, 69 of Cumberland passed unexpectedly Tuesday May 12, 2026 at Marshfield Hospital in Marshfield, WI. After a year of struggles and blessings from a motorcycle accident in May of 2025, Roland had complications following another back surgery.

Roland had numerous passions in life. Hunting, Fishing, Playing Guitar, Riding Motorcycle with “brothers”, and he was gifted in custom steel fabrication and custom building. These all came second to his true passion of spending time with his grandsons. No one

told stories like grampa Rol. His imagination rivaled the greats, and all his grandsons knew they couldn’t believe anything grampa said.

Roland was many things. A strong, loving husband, an amazing and dedicated father, a doting grandfather, and a loyal friend. He was a hard worker, an artist, and a skilled craftsman. He was an avid dog lover and master of the charcoal grill. He loved the Lord and leaves a legacy of men seeking after the Lord.

Roland was born July 28th, 1956 to DuWayne and Esther (Ranallo) Strickland of Cumberland, WI. In 1981 Roland married Robin DeNucci of Cumberland. Roland and Robin were blessed with 2 children, son- Seth and daughter- Angela. Roland worked at Stella Cheese from 1982 to 1991. Upon closing he went back to school and became a fabricator, working at Johnson Truck Bodies until 2005 when he and Robin decided to start their

own construction business which he retired from in 2023.

Roland was preceded in death by his parents, DuWayne and Esther, in-laws, James and Darlene DeNucci, sister- Kathy DeNucci, brother Bob Strickland, and other relatives.

Roland is survived by his wife Robin, son Seth (Erika), daughter Angela (James), and grandsons Cadence, Orion, Levi, Gabriel, Anakin, and Torren. Two brothers, Arnie (Diana) and Tom (Pam), Brother in Law Mike, sister in law Judy, brothers in law Alan (Phyllis) and Kevin DeNucci. Aunt Sister Richelle Ranallo and many nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

Celebration of Life will be held Sunday May 24th from 2-5 PM with service at 3PM at High Valley Ranch- 729 23 3/4 & 23 1/2 Ave. Cumberland, WI

In lieu of flowers please direct gifts to “The Compassion Connection” 1031 W Cty Hwy B Shell Lake, WI 54871 in honor of Roland.

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“Come Inside and Live Forever”

by *Pastor John Miels*

St. Paul Lutheran Church

The absurdity of wanting heaven without Jesus: read Luke 15:11-32. When the older brother complains and confronts his father about the feast of joy he’s thrown in honor of the prodigal son’s return, after all these years of faithfully serving his father, his father never even gave him a young goat that he might celebrate with his friends. Again, with his friends. Not with his father.

The older brother reveals the wickedness of his heart. He wants his father’s glory, but not his presence. He wants the splendor of his father’s property but doesn’t want his father anywhere near it. He wants to be praised for his obedience but doesn’t want the love of the one he obeyed.

We see a perfect depiction of the absurdity of unbelievers who get angry at the notion that they must have faith in Christ in order to have eternal life. It might sound perfectly reasonable to their own ears when they say, “why shouldn’t I be able to go to heaven just because I don’t believe in Jesus? Why should I go to hell just because I’m not a Christian?” But if we use terms that describe what heaven and hell actually are, we begin to see the insanity of the request. Heaven is being in the presence of Jesus. Hell is being apart from Him.

Belief is ultimately wanting to be near Jesus, to receive His righteousness. And unbelief is wanting to be far from Him, wanting your own righteousness instead. Just like the older brother in the parable, such people want the glory of God without the presence of God.

This request is nonsense. If you want the Kingdom of God, you have to want Christ. And if you don’t want Christ, then you have already received your best life, only worse follows. The lie is that you’ve earned a goat with your friends when God wants to gift you much more. Leave your pride behind and walk into the kingdom where the Father has sacrificed His best. Where your Father’s love is radiating. Beg for the blood of Christ to clothe you and cover you, and your Father in heaven will show you that it is already the robe around your shoulders and the ring on your finger. Stop lingering outside the feast. Come inside and live forever.

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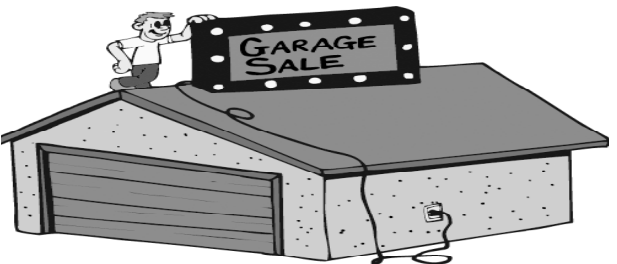
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Miscellaneous
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GARAGE SALE

Sat. May 23 • 8 am - 5 pm & Sun. May 24 • 8 am - 12 pm

Lots of tools, snowblower, wheelbarrow, shovel, rake, ladders, double light stand, table saw, ice fishing shack, rods, reels, Vexila camera, underwater camera, gun covers, furniture, 2 tall shelves, small humidifier, houseware, material, sewing items, ladies clothes, mens jackets, shirts, boots, shoes, Xmas and lots of misc!

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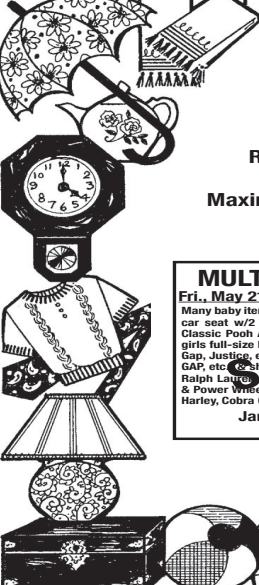
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Fri., May 21 • 4 - 7 pm • Sat., May 22 • 8 am - Noon
Many baby items (Lumparoo, exersaucer, bike, toys), 2 year infant car seat w/2 bases, White Simmons crib, 100% cotton baby car seat, Classic Pooh ABC crib bedding set, 100% cotton baby clothes, Boys and girls full-size bedding, 100% cotton baby clothes, Boys and girls baby clothes, GAP, Justice, etc. 100% cotton baby clothes, Ann Taylor, Ralph Lauren, etc. shoes. LOTS of toys including Talking Dora vanity & Power Wheels ride-on, 2 TV/DVD combos, DVDs, Wood Whip, framed Harley, Cobra GPS, holiday & home decor, books, board games & more.
Jane Doe & John Q. Public Families
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EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY
CUMBERLAND SCHOOL DISTRICT
Special Education Teacher

Job Title: Full-Time Middle School Special Education Teacher

Job Description: Full-time Special Education teaching position at the Cumberland Middle School. Applicants will have excellent communication, professionalism, and organizational skills. We prefer experience with special education paperwork and procedures, including functional behavior assessments and behavior intervention plans. Applicants must value meaningful connections with students and are adaptable in co-teaching and differentiating instruction. This position entails working with students in grades 5-8. The applicant is responsible for instruction, case management, communicating with parents and staff, writing and implementing IEPs, and completing other duties as assigned.

Qualifications: A Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction Special Education License to teach students in grades 5-8.

How to Apply: If interested in this position, applications are taken through the WECAN website: <https://wecan.education.wisc.edu>.

Colin Green, Principal
Cumberland Middle School
980 8th Avenue
Cumberland, WI 54829
cgree@csdmail.com

Deadline: May 26, 2026
Website: www.cumberland.k12.wi.us

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Cumberland School District
EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY
- High School Secretarial Position -

Job Title: High School Secretary

Job Description: The Cumberland School District is seeking applicants for a secretarial position (235 days per year, 8 hours per day) at the Cumberland High School. Strong technology and computer skills are essential, along with excellent written and oral communication skills. The successful candidate will maintain records in the area of student attendance, student transportation, school events, athletic activities, and other duties assigned by the high school principal.

Qualifications: A high school diploma is required, though preference will be given to those with advanced coursework and training. Candidates with work-related experiences performing secretarial duties and the ability to maintain confidentiality are preferred. Applicants must also possess the ability to process and enter data, be detail-oriented, and be able to manage multiple deadlines. Proficiency in Excel and Word is required; familiarity with Google, PowerSchool, and Skyward software products is a plus.

How to Apply: Applications can be found on the District website www.cumberland.k12.wi.us. Mail or email application, resume, letter of interest, and two letters of recommendation to:

Daniel Hopkins, Principal
Cumberland High School
1000 8th Avenue
Cumberland, WI 54829
dhopk@csdmail.com

Deadline: March 29, 2026
Website: www.cumberland.k12.wi.us

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City of Cumberland
Part-Time Court Clerk

Are you organized, detail-oriented, and committed to supporting the justice system? We are seeking a reliable and professional Court Clerk to join our team. This role is essential in ensuring the smooth operation of court proceedings and maintaining accurate legal records.

Key Responsibilities

- Maintain and organize court files, records, and legal documents
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- Assist judge, attorneys, and the public with case information and procedures
- Schedule court hearings and manage calendars
- Record court proceedings and ensure accurate documentation
- Collect fines, fees, and payments as required

Qualifications

- High school diploma or equivalent (Associate's degree or higher preferred)
- Strong organizational and multitasking skills
- Excellent written and verbal communication abilities
- Proficiency in Microsoft Office and basic data entry systems
- Ability to handle confidential information with integrity
- Must be bondable

How to Apply
Submit your resume, cover letter and application to: Judge Bob Vogel, bob.vogel@cityofcumberland.net or drop it off with the City Clerk, by 2 p.m. on June 5, 2026.
Join us in serving the community and upholding the integrity of the court system—apply today!

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NOTICE
STATE OF WISCONSIN
CIRCUIT COURT
BARRON COUNTY
NOTICE AND ORDER FOR
NAME CHANGE HEARING
CASE NO. 26CV129

In the matter of the name change of Rylee Aspen Mahoney

NOTICE IS GIVEN: A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above from: Rylee Aspen Mahoney TO Rylee Aspen Elbe-Grinage.

Birth Certificate: Rylee Aspen Mahoney.

This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Barron County, State of Wisconsin: by Honorable Judge Maureen Boyle, 1420 State Highway 25 N, Barron, WI 54812 on **June 16, 2026 at 11:30 am.**

Sharon Millermon
Clerk
Circuit Court, Barron Co, WI.

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PUBLIC NOTICES



ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS
Sorenson Utility Extension
Cumberland, Wisconsin

Bid Opening: Wednesday, May 27, 2026 at 2:00 pm (local time)

The City of Cumberland, hereinafter referred to as the Owner, will receive and accept bids ONLY through QuestCDN.com via the online electronic bid service for the construction of SORENSEN UTILITY EXTENSION until Wednesday, May 27, 2026 at 2:00 pm (local time). All bids will be downloaded and publicly read aloud at CBS Squared, Inc., 770 Technology Way, Chippewa Falls, WI 54729, at that time.

The Project includes the following work: Extending water and sewer main north of Sorensen Street. Work must be completed by September 4, 2026.

Bids will be received for a single prime Contract. Bids shall be on a unit price basis as indicated in the Bid Form.

Bids shall be on the forms provided for that purpose and per the Contract Documents prepared by CBS Squared Inc. identified as "Sorensen Utility Extension".

The Issuing Office for the Bidding Documents is: CBS Squared, Inc. located at 770 Technology Way, Chippewa Falls, WI 54729. Contact person is: Tyler Hastings, 715.505.8633, thastings@cbssquaredinc.com.

Digital image copies of the Bidding Documents are available at <http://www.cbssquaredinc.com> for a fee of \$30. Documents may be downloaded by first selecting BIDDING from the menu tab, then selecting this project from the CBS SQUARED CURRENT BID INFORMATION link and by entering eBidDocTM Number 10183176 on the SEARCH PROJECTS page. For assistance and free membership registration, contact QuestCDN at 952.233.1632 or info@questcdn.com.

Contractors submitting an electronic bid will be charged an additional \$45 at the time of bid submission via the online electronic bid service via QuestCDN.com. To access the electronic bid form, download the project document and click the online bidding button at the top of the advertisement. All prospective bidders must be on the plan holders list through Quest CDN for bids to be accepted.

No proposal will be accepted unless accompanied by a certified check or bid bond equal to at least 5% of the amount bid, payable to the Owner as a guarantee that, if the bid is accepted, the bidder will execute and file the proper contract and bond within 15 days after the award of the contract. Bidder is required to deliver the original certified check or bid bond within 72 hours of the bid opening to CBS Squared, Inc. ATTN: Kristi Lentz, 770 Technology Way, Suite 1A, Chippewa Falls, WI 54729. The certified check or bid bond will be returned to the bidder as soon as the contract is signed, and if after 15 days the bidder shall fail to do so, the certified check or bid bond shall be forfeited to the Owner as liquidated damages.

The City of Cumberland reserves the right to retain the deposits of the three (3) lowest bidders for a period not to exceed 61 days after the date and time set for the opening of bids. No bids may be withdrawn for a period of 61 Days after the date and time set for the opening of bids.

Bidders must submit a Bidders Proof of Responsibility in accordance with the Instructions to Bidders. Bidders will be required to provide performance and payment bonds of 100 percent of bid amount.

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

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STAPLES LAKE PROTECTION DISTRICT COMMUNITY ANNUAL MEETING/ PICNIC
Date: May 30, 2026
Time: 10:00 AM – 11:00PM
Location: Mixed Up Staples Lake Restaurant & Bar
1977 Polk Barron Street
Comstock, WI 54826

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
STATE OF WISCONSIN SS
COUNTY OF BARRON
Appeal #4014
TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:
PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given to all persons in the County of Barron, Wisconsin, that a public hearing will be held on June 8, 2026 at 9:10 a.m. in Room 2106 of the Government Center, 335 E. Monroe Ave., Barron, Wisconsin, relative to a proposal for a special exception to the terms of the Barron County Land Use Ordinance as follows:
Requests a special exception to allow much bunkers in current location for safer traffic movement in a Recreational Residential district, property described as GL 5-1 Prt Govt Lot 5 Lyg N USH 63 & E of 1 ¼ St & S CSM 30/89 #4340 DOC 633962 (MOS #9391 & #9577) consisting of 4.89 acres, located in Section 08, T34N, R14W, Town of Almena, Barron County, Wisconsin.
The Board of Adjustment reserves the right to view the property and may convene in executive session prior to rendering a decision. Contact Zoning Office staff at 715-537-6375 with questions regarding this appeal.
Property owner: Thomas B & Victoria West
Property address: 1637 1 ¼ Street, Turtle Lake, WI
All persons interested are invited to attend said hearing.
Dated at Barron, Wisconsin, this 20th day of May, 2026.

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Dummy Lakes Management District Board of Commissioner's Meeting
Cumberland City Hall and Virtual
Cumberland WI 54829
Saturday, May 23rd 2026
@ 10:00 am

Type of Meeting: Annual Meeting
I. Call to order
II. Treasurer's Report- Tom Boecker
a. 2025 Expenses
b. 2026 Forecast
c. 2027 Budget Approval
III. Secretary report-Mindy Brown
IV. Open Issues
a. Kids Fishing Tournament/Block Party
b. Bass fishing tournament
c. Golf Outing
d. Weed Spray
e. Oxygen sensor for water testing
V. New Business
a. Open Discussion
b. Future Meetings
VI. Election of 1 Commissioner for a 3-year term
VII. Adjourn

Mindy Brown, Secretary
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www.wisconsinpublicnotice.org

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DNR Reminds Hunters To Apply For A 2026 Elk Hunting License By May 31

MADISON, Wis. – The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR) reminds Wisconsin hunters that they have until May 31, 2026 to apply for a chance at a 2026 elk hunting license.

Wisconsin’s elk hunting season is a unique hunting opportunity, open only to Wisconsin residents. With a few clicks, Wisconsin-ites can purchase their elk license applications online through Go Wild. Application purchases are also available in-person at license agents across the state.

There are some changes to the elk application process for the 2026 season. Applicants will now have the choice to apply for a bull and/or an antlerless license for units with a huntable quota. Hunters will also need to select the hunting unit grouping when applying.

Additionally, selected elk hunters will have one continuous season, opening Saturday, Oct. 17, and continuing through Sunday, Dec. 13, eliminating the split-season structure that was in effect from 2018-2025.

The application fee is \$10 for each of the bull elk and antlerless elk drawings and is limited to one application per person, per authorization type. The DNR recommends that all applicants check and update their contact information to ensure contact with successful applicants.

For each application fee, \$7 goes directly to elk management, monitoring and research. These funds also enhance elk habitat, which benefits elk and many other wildlife. If selected in the drawing, an elk hunting license costs \$49.

Wisconsin residents can only draw an elk license once in their lifetime, and declining the antlerless license will not count against this limit. Winners will be notified by DNR staff in early June.

All winners must participate in a Wisconsin elk hunter education course before obtaining an elk hunting license. The class covers Wisconsin elk history, hunting regulations, biology, behavior and scouting/hunting techniques.

Visit the DNR’s Elk Hunting webpage for more information about hunting in Wisconsin’s elk management zones.

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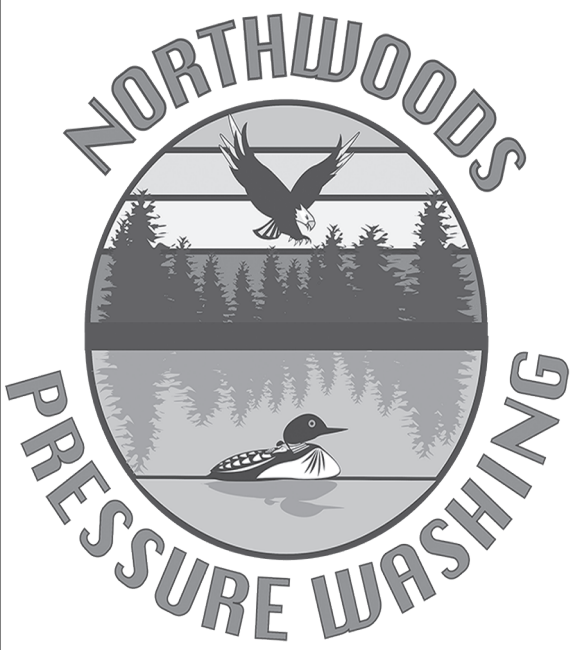
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