



City of Cumberland Bridge/Road Construction Update

Hwy. 63 Bridge Replacement: Contractors are still wrapping up some of the final work on the bridge itself. The last of the temporary beams were removed Monday, and some concrete work on the parapets needs to be completed. There is a lot of general site work still being completed as well. The pedestrian lane was moved to the east side of the highway north of the bridge. The pouring of the final concrete bridge approaches on both the north and south side of the bridge is currently planned for August 5th. This work requires a minimum curing time before the emergency vehicle route can be moved to cross the new bridge, which will allow the Lake St. removals and channel dredging to begin. This will most likely now happen the week of August 17th. Once this work starts, the general contractor believes it will only take a week or so to complete--pending the results of testing.

Local Street Improvement Projects: Work on local streets will remain on hiatus until the Barron County Highway Department returns in early August.

Hwy. 63 Resurfacing south of Cumberland towards Turtle Lake: Work on this project is underway. Mill and overlay work is currently scheduled to begin the week of August 31st and last about 6-8 weeks.



A BDLMD MEETING IS SCHEDULED FOR SATURDAY AUGUST 8TH IN THE MIDDLE SCHOOL COMMONS AT 9:30 AM TO ADDRESS A POSSIBLE CONTRIBUTION TO THE HWY 63 BRIDGE PROJECT. THE PUBLIC IS ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND.

News From City Hall by Mayor Dan Shoemaker

BEAVER DAM LAKE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT MEETING SLATED FOR AUGUST 8 WILL ADDRESS POSSIBLE \$250,000 CONTRIBUTION TO OFFSET \$900,000 SHORTFALL ON BRIDGE PROJECT

As we approach the midpoint of summer, we are nearing completion of the three year street rehabilitation plan. This plan applied various forms of treatment to improve the condition of approximately 2/3 of the City's streets. As all readers are aware, this was done concurrent to the DOT improvements on Highway 63, and the current Highway 63 bridge reconstruction. While this has been disruptive to virtually all citizens, and especially our local businesses, we will enjoy a much better road system and full Beaver Dam Lake access. Economically, this will save the City significant dollars in future street repairs.

The Highway 63 Resurfacing and Bridge Replacement projects came with serious cost increases from those originally anticipated. During the final planning stages of Highway 63, we were notified of CMU (Cumberland Municipal Utility) changes required by the DOT. These changes were non-negotiable. The additional costs were for relocating street-light poles and fire hydrants. As the impact to 2nd Avenue became known, it was apparent that this was the time to make other Utility and Public Works upgrades as it is likely to be decades before there will be another chance to do this work. The additional Public Works costs were approximately \$900,000. The City/Utility made the decision to take advantage of this rare opportunity to make serious upgrades to "Main Street". The Bridge presents another financial challenge. As plans came to fruition in 2020 and 2021, including upgrading the bridge span to 52 feet to accommodate larger boat traffic, the City's share of the expenses grew from ~\$1.1 to ~\$1.7 million. For planning purposes, the City included ~\$2.0 million in anticipated bridge costs, plus the Highway 63 costs in the City 2025-2027 Finance Plan and Debt Plan. Then.... we received the 2025 Christmas Eve surprise. An additional

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School Board holds July Meeting; Ribbon Cutting for High School Being Planned

by Mark R. Fuller

The Cumberland Board of Education met on Tuesday, July 21, for its monthly public meeting. Five guests were in attendance as the Board recited the Pledge of Allegiance, passed the Consent Agenda, and went into District Reports.

First up was Tami Bowman, Director of Special Education, who gave the Board an update of a "Regulation Room" being planned for the Elementary School. Noting the difficulties regulating emotions, coping with changes in their environment and subsequent stress levels faced by her students, the calming center will allow students to self-regulate and re-center

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"ROCK THE DAM"



DOZENS OF PONTOONS AND BOATS WERE ON THE WATER NEAR THE "BEAVER DAM" FOR A FUNDRAISER TO BENEFIT CUMBERLAND YOUTH HOCKEY AND THEIR "SAVE THE ICE" CAMPAIGN ON SATURDAY, JULY 25TH. RAYA AND SLIM PICKENS PROVIDED THE MUSIC, BEAVER DAM LAKE PROVIDED THE RELIEF FROM THE HEAT. FOR MORE INFORMATION ON HOW TO DONATE TO CUMBERLAND YOUTH HOCKEY GO TO CUMBERLAND YOUTH HOCKEY ASSOCIATION DONATION PAGE OR MAKE A CHECK PAYABLE TO CYHA AND DROP OFF OR MAIL TO CUMBERLAND FEDERAL BANK, 1390 2ND AVENUE PO Box 338 CUMBERLAND WI. 54829. VENMO CONTRIBUTIONS CAN BE SENT DIRECTLY TO @CYHA54829.

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Island City Music Series Continues Aug. 4 with Polk Barron Street Project

The Island City Music Series continues Aug. 4 at Cumberland Tourist Park with Polk Barron Street Project, an acoustic electric duo performing original songs and reimagined covers spanning a century of music from the 1920s to the 2020s.

The Aug. 4 performance is sponsored by Jacobson Advanced Eye Care. Rex-Mex will be on site serving authentic Mexican food including tacos, nachos, burritos and more.

Gerard Bents and Jeremy

Westin founded the duo in 2020 and began performing in 2021, with Jeremy on lead and Gerard on rhythm. The two trade vocals and harmonies throughout their performances, drawing on diverse musical tastes that span genres and decades. Both are veterans of the local music scene, having performed at venues across Cumberland, Barronett, Turtle Lake and Rice Lake, and both have roots in the Cumberland ETC community.

The Island City Music Series, presented by Enrich-

ment Through Culture, runs every Tuesday through Aug. 11 at Tourist Park. Performances are from 6 to 8 p.m. Kayaks provided through the Cumberland School District's Community Education program are available for those who want to enjoy the music from the water. Admission is free, with donations encouraged.

For more information about the Island City Music Series or Enrichment Through Culture's programming, visit cumberlandetc.com.

Polk Barron Street Project !



The Island City Music series continues with Polk Barron Street Project, Tuesday, August 4, 2026 at 6:00 pm at Tourist Park. Jeremy Westin and Gerard Bents are an acoustic duo performing original songs and reimagined covers spanning from the 1920's to the 2020s.

Thinking about Homeschooling?

Come to the Thomas St. Angelo Public Library of Cumberland on Wednesday, August 12, at 2:30 PM to welcome homeschool advocate Karolee Taylor.

Karolee will provide a general overview of homeschooling and what families can expect. Topics will include legal requirements, getting started, time manage-

ment, curriculum options, and available resources.

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



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Curious about homeschooling? Join us in welcoming homeschool advocate Karolee Taylor as she shares a general overview of homeschooling and what families can expect.

- How to begin
- Legal requirements
- Time management
- Curriculum
- Resources & more



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FRIDAY, JULY 31: •6:30 am - 7:30 am pickle ball
SATURDAY, AUG 1: 11:00 am - 1:00 pm Indoor pickle ball @ ES Gym
MONDAY, AUG 3: • 6:30 am - 7:30 am pickle ball @ Elementary School • 3:45 pm CCE: Choose Fit @ Middle School
TUESDAY, AUG 4: 6:30 am - 7:30 am pickle ball @ Elementary School
WEDNESDAY, AUG 5: 6:30 am - 7:30 am pickle ball @ Elementary School • 3:45 pm CCE: Choose Fit @ Middle School • 5:00 pm Indoor Pickle ball @ ES Gym

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News From City Hall...

\$900,000 was added to the bridge project total—bringing the total city share to over \$2.9 million. Up to this point, the City was able to absorb the projects within the overall Finance Plan. We are now faced with some difficult decisions.

While it must be acknowledged that a tax increase, beyond inflation, is always an alternative, we remain committed to avoiding this if possible. Alternatively, we will look at scaling back other City plans. One of the largest targets is the budget for ongoing maintenance of the street system. Much of the financial benefit of the street restoration plan will be reduced if we cannot adequately fund an ongoing maintenance plan. Another option is to delay or downsize the plans for improvements at Tourist Park.

To help address these financial challenges, the Beaver Dam Lake Management District Commissioners are proposing a \$250,000 contribution to offset a portion of the bridge costs. They deemed their participation appropriate as the entire lake will benefit from the new bridge water access, and up until now the costs have been almost entirely borne by the City taxpayers. This proposal will be presented at the annual meeting on August 8.

The proposal more closely aligns costs with the beneficiaries of the project. Until now, the City has covered virtually 100% of the project costs. Proposed BDLM participation would move less than 9% of the costs to the broader Lake District. As the District Commissioners will present, this can be done with relatively low impact

on the District taxpayers. City taxpayers will still pay over 90% of the costs. City taxpayers who are also included in the BDLM will see a slight reduction in their total tax burden for this project, and BDLM members outside the City will see a relatively small increase.

Over the past three years, the City has made decisions with long-term impact. We took advantage of the opportunity provided by the Highway 63 project to restore a Main Street lined with broken curbs and sidewalks and and increasingly unreliable streetlight system. The results speak for themselves.

The Bridge project, with a life expectancy of 75 years, was proposed for decades. It will soon provide access to the entire lake, opening it up to the long anticipated economic and recreational benefits.

Sharing some of the bridge costs, as proposed by the BDLM commissioners, will provide much needed financial support for the City to continue to deliver on its vision of renewal and improvement of amenities provided to our residents and the surrounding area.

On behalf of the City, we sincerely appreciate the BDLM's consideration of this assistance. The details of the tax impact of this assistance will be addressed at the August 8 BDLM Annual Meeting. I strongly encourage attendance by all members of the Lake District.

The Beaver Dam Lake Management District Meeting is set for Saturday, August 8th in the Middle School Commons. Doors open at 9 am with the meeting at 9:30 am.

Almena Storm Shelter !



Construction began on Wednesday, July 22, 2026 on the FEMA-funded project to build a community safe room storm shelter at Shadyside Park in Almena.

Construction Begins at Shadyside Park in Almena for Community Storm Shelter

Construction began on Wednesday, July 22, 2026, on a FEMA-funded project to build a dual-purpose community safe room storm shelter and park pavilion/event center at Shadyside Park in Almena.

Behind the scenes, the village board and staff have been working to secure funding and actually begin construction for over four years.

The building will provide a refuge during inclement weather for Almena residents who do not have access to a basement, and the included full kitchen will be available to rent for events. Additionally, the finished building will include technology to allow presentations and educational programming to take place in its indoor/outdoor environment.

Northwest Builders, which was selected to serve as general contractor for the building project, began excavation this week, and they hope to have the structure completed by the end of the year.

Almena Fun Days will go on as scheduled, with the small work site being fenced off for event-goers' safety.

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Opinion



Out My Window

by Paul Bucher, Editor

Guess what time it is? Its political ads on television non-stop time. I was watching the news one night last week, when five consecutive political ads came on one right after the other. I can’t be the only one who thinks they all blend together after awhile. Its non-stop mud slinging back and forth. I generally hit the mute button and look at my phone. Funny thing there too, if I click on a YouTube video, guess what often time pops up, you guessed it, same stuff. Its hard to fathom how much money is spent bashing opponents, its crazy.

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When I looked at accu weather on my phone Monday morning at about 7 am, the temperature was 80 degrees with a heat index of 91. That has to be some kind of record heat index for that time of the morning in these parts. Every window in our house was fogged up terribly. It was absolutely gross outside. My garage floor was literally slippery. I don’t like hot to begin with, so this stretch of weather can go away anytime. I know winters are long, but this is just plain unhealthy. Can’t it ever just be 80? Seems like its rarely normal temps, either much hotter or much cooler. Grin and bear it as they say I guess.

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If you’re looking for something to do this weekend, you might want to head to Almena for the annual Fun Days Celebration at Shady-side Park. There will be a tractor pull on Friday night, with the action starting at 7 pm. Saturday starts with a pancake breakfast and fun all day, including a tractor parade, corn-hole tournament, kids games, a pedal pull and lots of food and refreshments. Cap the night off with a truck pull starting at 7 pm.

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As we near midway point of summer, it is so important to continue to make a point of going the extra mile to visit our stores and businesses on the north side of the bridge project. It is easy to do, and they sure will be happy and appreciative that you did. Main Street needs you as well, with detours going around town. Please help and shop local whenever you can. Every little bit helps.

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How about those storms over in the Appleton area, with the weather we have had it was inevitable that some severe storms were going to happen somewhere. Cumberland got hit last week pretty hard as well. I don’t know if its a miracle nobody got seriously hurt or worse, but no doubt these storms could have been much worse. Have a great week!



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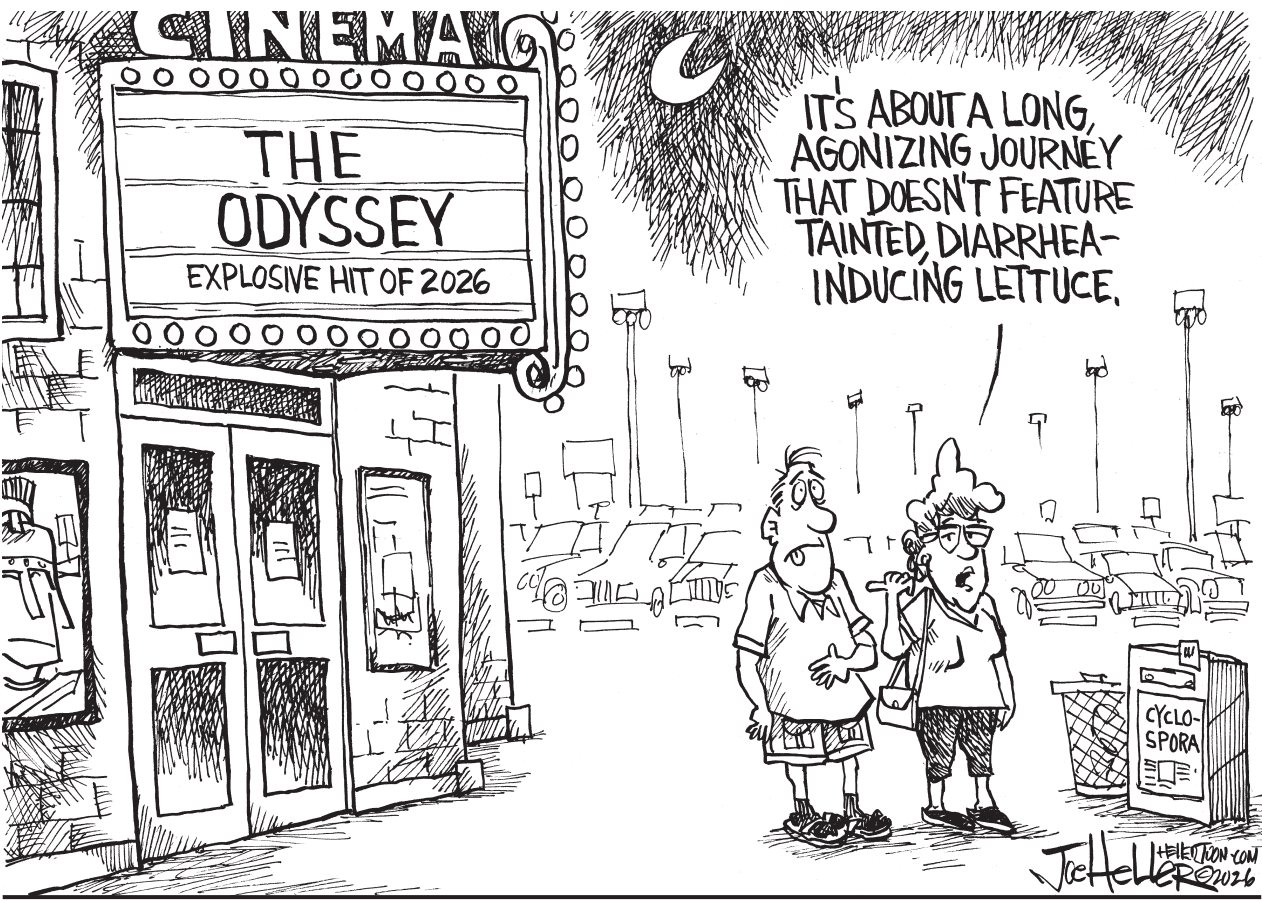
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Weekly deadline is 12:00 p.m. on Friday



Inside Wisconsin

by Tom Still

“Housing, schools and grocery stores key to building a stronger rural Wisconsin”

WOODRUFF, Wis. – Bill Sennholz doesn’t resemble the late Jimmy Stewart, who ran the fictional Bailey Bros. Building and Loan Association in the 1946 film classic, “It’s a Wonderful Life.” Nor is the Forward Bank chain led by Sennholz in northern Wisconsin on the cusp of bankruptcy like George Bailey’s beleaguered lender.

In fact, it’s the opposite for Forward Bank and its 15 locations because – a bit like Stewart’s movie character – Sennholz and team understand that investing wisely in the future of small towns and rural communities can pay back over time.

“Our motto is moving our communities forward and we really do it. We’re putting our money where our mouths are,” Sennholz said in a recent interview.

The strategy for doing so is embodied in what Sennholz calls “three and a half points” that can keep small towns alive, even vibrant, as depopulation threatens. Surprisingly, creating more jobs isn’t among those points.

“Jobs are not the problem. There are lots of employers here who can and will offer jobs,” Sennholz said. “In every community we’re in, it’s much

more about housing availability and affordability.”

Forward Bank helps directly by building residential projects, such as duplexes and other multi-family housing, and managing them in-house. A key is holding lot and construction costs to under \$300,000 and making them available for rent or purchase, whichever comes first.

“We have the assets to withstand a (housing) project that doesn’t go as planned,” Sennholz said. “We would love to sell them. If we can’t sell them, we will operate them.”

An ideal size for single-family housing is three bedrooms and two bathrooms, he said, but there’s a shortage in many rural communities because retirees aren’t selling existing units. That limits housing choices for families with school-age children, which is compounded by a general lack of residential construction in that price range.

Even in small towns bordering on undeveloped land, there’s a shortage of buildable lots – broadly defined as access to water and sewer lines, electricity and paved streets. Without state tax incentives to spread improvement costs

in advance, many small towns and villages can’t afford to speculate.

“There is a severe shortage of buildable lots,” Sennholz added. Communities such as Pittsville and Greenwood in the bank’s territory have gone so far as to offer free or very low-cost lots to attract more young families.

That leads to a second point on the bank’s rural prosperity list: Schools.

“There are declining enrollment trends in every community we serve. Most (school districts) would be happy to be just stable,” Sennholz said. Healthy schools are hubs for community activity and a point of pride to knit people together, he noted, especially when there are high-performing academic or athletic programs.

Point No. 3: Small communities need at least one grocery store. Sennholz said small, full-service stores are being run out of many towns by discount chains that don’t offer much beyond packaged foods.

“They’re killing mom-and-pop stores left and right,” he added. “One of the most important things we need is a source of fresh food and meats.”

Access to health care is “a half point” on Sen-

nholz’s rural prosperity scale, mainly because digital health innovation can take distance out of the equation. Little more than a storefront is needed to provide primary care through an onsite nurse who can refer more serious cases to a parent hospital.

Enlightened self-interest can motivate smaller financial players such as Forward Bank to examine community stress factors and adopt strategies to keep people in place.

“We don’t want people forced to leave, on a daily basis, the community they’re in. We want to see these local service centers thrive,” Sennholz said.

He described how Forward opened a branch in Rib Lake, Wis. (population about 1,000) when a larger bank pulled up stakes. With lower overhead costs and attention to services the community needed, Forward made it work.

There are as many theories about rural resurgence as there are small towns. In north-central Wisconsin, Sennholz and his bank are focused on Main Street experience over theory.

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A Look Back

10 Years Ago
August 3, 2016

Mark Thompson was selected as the 3M Cumberland Above and Beyond Program winner for the month of July. The purpose of the Above and Beyond Program is to recognize employees who have served 3M Cumberland in an exceptional manner by exemplifying outstanding service through his or her work and exhibiting a positive and supportive attitude.

20 Years Ago
August 2, 2006

The Internal Revenue Service has provided Barron and Cumberland tax specialist, Brenda Agen Kupferschmidt, the Individual Designation of Enrolled Agent. The Enrolled Agent Designation is a recognized symbol of expertise in the area of taxation and gives them the right to represent taxpayers before the IRS.

An apparent lighting strike on Tuesday morning, August 1, at the Kenneth Scheps Farm, caused a fire which resulted in the complete destruction of their barn.

30 Years Ago
July 31, 1996

Six people from Cumberland took part in the recently completed TRAM bicycle ride across Minnesota. The five day,

288 mile ride is an annual charity event that raises over \$500,000 for the Multiple Sclerosis Society. Roger and Barbara Wistrcill, Dan and Daniel Hoffman, and Mike and Paula Clay, all from Cumberland, were among 1500 riders who began the event in Red Wing, MN., on July 21.

40 Years Ago
July 30, 1986

Holly Sparish, daughter of Jim and Becky Sparish of Cumberland, was selected as a finalist in the Wisconsin Today’s Little Dream Pageant. This event is a preliminary to the national pageant to be held this fall.

Members of the Cumberland Veterans of Foreign Wars Post, were presented, at their July meeting, with an American Flag that had previously been flown from the Battleship USS Arizona. The Arizona was one of the ships sunk in the 1941 Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor. In now serves as a memorial for the servicemen killed during that attack.

50 Years Ago
July 29, 1976

The summer weather of pattern of dry and hot continued still another week in this area. Temperatures were in the 90’s for several days,

it was humid and little moisture was recorded. The total of moisture for the month of July to date is 1.51 inches, which is less than one third of the average for a July here.

The Peterson brothers from Comstock, Ben and John, joined all but one of their United States teammates with opening round victories Tuesday night in Olympic Freestyle wrestling in Montreal, Canada.

60 Years Ago
August 4, 1966

U.S. Air Force Lieutenant Howard J. Otis, son of Mrs. Frank D. Otis of Cumberland, has been awarded the Bronze Star Medal for meritorious service in Southeast Asia. Otis is a staff judge advocate at Tan Son Nhut AB, Vietnam. He is a member of the Pacific Air Forces which provides air offensive and defensive units in Southeast Asia.

70 Years Ago
August 2, 1956

Art Spoolman began his duties here as principal of the high school on August 1. Spoolman will teach and will be in charge of audiovisual aids, public relations and will assist Superintendent J.K. Hoyer.

80 Years Ago
August 1, 1946

The threat of polio in Cumberland and the surrounding territory is still serious with three more confirmed cases appearing within the last week, and death taking one of the children who came down with it. This brings the total cases in the Cumberland area to 12, with two deaths.

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Date	Hi	Lo	Precip
07/21	85	67	0.00
07/22	72	52	0.01
07/23	69	53	0.00
07/24	75	57	0.00
07/25	77	59	0.00
07/26	77	66	0.00
07/27	90	71	0.00

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





Jim Doar: 2026 Cumberland Athletic Hall of Fame Inductee

By Mark R Fuller

In baseball, meanwhile, he was the team's best pitcher and a solid hitter. His work on the baseball diamond gained him a reputation throughout the area and when not playing high school or city league ball, he was sought out to play for teams such as Hay-

His body was returned to the city he grew up in and his funeral was held at St. Mary's Church, which was "Crowded to the utmost capacity." A group of mournful attendees said good-bye to a talented young man who had died way too young.



2026 Cumberland Babe Ruth Baseball Team pictured back row (L to R): Head Coach Barry Ranallo, Mason Hagen, Wesley Miller, Griffin Weaver, Carter Jackson, Keenan Shaffer, Brady Jackson, Assistant Coach Joe Miller, Matthew Peterson, Kdin Nieman, Head Coach John Peterson and Assistant Coach Alyssa Peterson. Front Row: Conner Ranallo, Jack Odden, LeShawn Dyer, Carter Huber, & Robert Brom. Congratulations on a great summer of baseball guys!

Cumberland Babe Ruth Baseball Team Finishes Excellent Summer

Unfortunately, the Beavers dropped the League finale to Spooner, 13-6. Spooner finished the season undefeated. "We had our chances, but we gave Spooner a lot of credit, they are a nice team. Nevertheless, we are very proud of

"It was a great summer of baseball. All the kids really got along and were great to work with. Also, a big thanks to the parents for their support. We're looking forward to next summer to see how much we can continue to improve," concluded Coach Peterson.

LONG HOME RUN!



REID OLSON CELEBRATES AT HOME PLATE AFTER LAUNCHING A LONG HOME RUN TO CENTER FIELD IN THE ISLANDERS WIN OVER HAUGEN ON SUNDAY AT ISLANDER PARK.



FORMER BEAVERS WYATT TIFT (LEFT) AND REID OLSON HIGH FIVE AFTER A 8-1 ISLANDER WIN OVER HAUGEN. TIFT WAS EXCELLENT ON THE MOUND STRIKING OUT TEN AND ALLOWING BUT 4 HITS AND ZERO WALKS AND ZERO EARNED RUNS IN THE COMPLETE GAME GEM. OLSON HAD 4 HITS ON THE DAY INCLUDING A A HOME RUN TO THE BIGGEST PART OF THE PARK, CENTER FIELD.

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An Outdoorsman's Journal

By Mark Walters

For the Love of the Trail

Hello friends,
Like last week I am writing to you about my observations and some of the hard work that I took part in with up to 60 volunteers and a few of the paid staff from the Ice Age Trail Alliance. Folks I have to tell you, if you are a hard worker, like the outdoors and get along well with people, volunteering with The Ice Age Trail Alliance www.iceagetrail.org may be something that you would like to check out.

The goal of everyone involved is to build trail, to finish this roughly 1200-miles of hiking and additional day walking trail that runs along the southern edge of the last glacier in Wisconsin.

**Thursday, July 9th
High 83, low 55**

My crew boss for the next two days would be Theron Nash, who is 74-years young, calls Stevens Point home and like his brother Fred Nash from Ladysmith is about a billion percent dedicated to The Ice Age Trail Alliance.

Our task with a crew that totaled six, there were 10 crews today, was to build a 52-foot boardwalk over a wetland that can have water in the spring and during heavy rains. First everyone went through the morning "Roundup", which is stretching exercises, introductions and the days plan for each crew which some days numbered 10 and others as few as 5. It was during each mornings Roundup that I began to realize how absolutely efficient that the leaders are with coordinating volunteers from as far away as Hendersonville, NC. And are at each day's end with completing the task of building trail in a safe and fun manner.

To start our workday after Roundup, about 15 of us made two, 600-yard treks carrying lumber on our shoulders to the job site. We did not have all the lumber where we needed it and I would complete that task as I was the least experienced at building boardwalk and enjoyed the bullwork.

Everything from screws to skill saws, hand tools and drills has to be hiked in, there has to be plenty of extra batteries and then the task of laying out the boardwalk with a string and level starts. Next,

sections that are 8 feet long are built and then wetland pans are used which is basically a steel bed to place an 8-foot 4x4 into which in the end will support the boardwalk. Folks, can you say tear apart, rebuild and keep your happy face on? That my friends can be a part of volunteering on the Ice Age Trail.

I would like to write about some of the volunteers and after 4 days and nights I had a lot of these people somewhat figured out. Jim Mooney is a pure gentleman from the Waukesha area who is 80, and was a prep cook at Champs American in Brookfield. I spoke with Jim every day and I noticed he was always working and proud of what he accomplished. The first thing Jim told me is "I don't know how much longer I will keep being able to do this" but his pride and enjoyment was always evident.

Rich Bowerman is a middle school teacher from Hendersonville, NC who spends a lot of time on The Mountain to Sea Trail and is about retire. Rich is from Iowa and try's to spend a few days each summer as a trail volunteer on one of the generally six projects a season when he comes home to visit friends and family and also go to a Cubs game.

Brenda Marquart has section hiked the entire trail and was an elementary school teacher at Kushing Elementary in Delafield. Brenda originates from Hayward and her family still has a cabin near Hayward. Brenda's smile and positive attitude and work ethic always made the day better no matter how much, muck and sweat you could accumulate.

Our camp manager was Pam Smith Silk, Pam and her staff are responsible for feeding the troops twice a day and cleaning up afterwards and this is a massive job at our home at Langlade Counties, Camp Susan.

Matthew Christians is a pastor at Hatley Lutheran Church and also I believe the Lutheran church in Wittenberg. Matthew took vacation to work with large hand tools and build trail. Matthew and I had a lot of excellent conversations and this man with a home full of family, worked hard and was very pleasant to be around.

Last week I wrote about Patrick Gleissner a



Building this 52-foot section of boardwalk was a physical and challenging task by Ice Age Trail volunteers.



Patrick Gleissner was the Team Leader on a segment of the Antigo Heights section of the Ice Age Trail in Langlade County that was recently completed by about 60 volunteers.

bit. Patrick was the boss on this job, laying out proposed trail and making sure the task is completed correctly. When you look at completed hiking trail, please think like the lead person has to in that trails creation, maximum views, enjoyment, safety and just as importantly drainage while working with an almost all volunteer crew.

We built a loop trail and finished a section of the Ice Age Trail and I made a whole bunch of new friends!

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DOMINATE PITCHING LEADS ISLANDERS TO PAIR OF WINS

Cooper Schramski led the local nine as the lefty didn't allow a single run as the Islanders defeated the Spooner Cardinals 6-0 on Friday night under the lights in Spooner. Schramski allowed just seven hits in going the distance on the mound.

The Islanders got on the board in the first inning with a Reid Olson sacrifice ground ball. The Islanders added to their early lead in the top of the third inning when DaShaun Ames homered to center field, and Schramski singled to the right side of the infield, each scoring one run. The Islanders would tack on 3 more throughout the game

Trevor Brimblecom took the loss for the Spooner Cardinals. The Cardinal pitcher went five innings, giving up four runs on nine hits, striking out four and walking one.

Cumberland piled up 13 hits in Saturday's game.

Ryan Lundmark had three hits, Uriah Johnson, Jerrad Lindfors and Ames had two hits apiece with Ames going deep and adding a triple. Cumberland turned 1 double play in the game.

Sunday afternoon Wyatt Tift led Cumberland past the Haugen Knights at Islander Park.

Tift was dominant on the mound, as the righty rang up 10 strikeouts in the Islanders's 8-1 victory over the Knights. Tift surrendered just four hits and zero earned runs over nine innings while walking none.

Reid Olson collected four hits in five at bats in the win to pace the offense. Olson hit a solo homer, a double and had a pair of singles. Cumberland got on the board in the third inning after Olson singled, driving in one run.

Two more Cumberland runners crossed the plate in the sixth inning to extend the lead to 3-0. Olson hit a solo home run to center field, and

Jack Martens grounded out to the right side to score another. The Islanders used a big 5 run eighth inning to put a close game away.

Easton Stone took the loss for Haugen on the mound. The starter went three innings, allowing one run on two hits, striking out three and walking three.

Cumberland tallied 10 hits in the game. Troy Majewski collected two hits in four at bats. The Islanders stole 4 bases in the contest. The Islanders travel to Osceola next Sunday for a 1pm game. Playoff shedsules will be released soon. Although the Islanders finished 4-8 in league play they lost two extra inning games along with a pair of 1 run games in a tight Independent League. Final Standings are Brill Millers 8-4, Hayward Hawks 6-5, Haugen Knights 6-6, Spooner Cardinals 5-6 Cumberland Islanders 4-8.



WYATT TIFT DELIVERS A PITCH ENROUTE TO A COMPLETE GAME WIN OVER HAUGEN.

Sudoku Puzzle #4151-D

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	9			8			6	

PUZZLE

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ACROSS

- Catch some Z's
- At sea
- Signal lights
- Epoch
- Lounge
- Spring flowers
- American College of Physicians (abbr.)
- Rebuff
- Render able
- Neck gland
- Admiral (abbr.)
- Not there
- Penny
- Entire
- Aged
- Roman three
- Gone by
- Fairy
- Animal
- Nerve fiber
- Pessimistically
- Permanently joining
- Am not

DOWN

- Under, poetically
- Bow and arrow user
- Paper from papyrus
- Ditto
- Audible
- Shirk
- Loose gown worn at mass
- Animal insect
- Gourmet chocolate brand
- "Remember the ___"
- Bone
- Moray
- Compass point
- Replicate
- Cut
- Knots
- Cab
- Competition at the Greek games
- Linear
- Moose relative
- Object
- Doggy door

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- European clover
- Wire projection
- In ___ of
- Ceases
- Christmas
- Electric spark
- Cheat
- Poke holes in a lawn
- Selection
- Ad
- Warble
- Avid
- Excite
- No longer wild
- Portend
- Witch's concoction
- Chicken creation
- Body of water
- Motor vehicle
- College football conference (abbr.)

School Board...

themselves as needed.

The room will help staff be more proactive than reactive and Bowman and Elementary Principal Dr. Heidi Miller are working on staffing and training for staff with input from Ashley Speros of Cumberland Healthcare, whose specialties include Occupational Therapy.

New Director of Learning, Mr. Ben Kisling, spoke next on his work since joining the District and his long-term preparation for State and local testing during the upcoming school year.

The Board then moved into Action Items, beginning with the early preliminary approval of the budget, prior to the Annual Meeting this fall. The projection is made without knowing the final State Aid numbers which will be released in early October.

Administrative Assistant MaKenna Rademacher gave the Board an update on expectations, saying she expects Special Education reimbursement for the District to rise. The State Government has already announced an additional \$500 million to special education by increasing the reimbursement rate for those programs from 32 percent to 42 percent in the first year and 45 percent in the second year.

She went on to say that the costs of health care make things difficult, but added, "We are in a better spot than most Districts." Early figures indicate a \$147,000 deficit, not including final State aid numbers, while

announcing "Revenues should increase." Expectations of the mill rate currently stand at \$7.42, up slightly from the \$7.23 of last year. Following a discussion, the Board voted to accept the early Budget leading up to the Annual Meeting.

The Board concluded Action Items by raising the Adult breakfast cost from \$2.95 to \$3.05, by voting to approve the 2026-2027 Wisconsin State Standards, and approving changes in signees for building level activity from the previous Principals to the current Administration.

Next up were the Discussion Items, which began with the first reading of the States Neola Policies and Special Education Updates for the upcoming school year. The Neola Policies are designed to uphold the highest standards of teaching and learning while fostering a safe and effective school environment for students. The reading took place and a vote on their approval will take place at the August meeting.

This was followed by a Construction update from Superintendent Dr. Barry Rose.

Dr. Rose discussed the many moving parts and upcoming work which saw the pouring of sidewalks on Monday, the posting of new outdoor signage, and the installation of turf on the outdoor learning area. Additionally, brick layers have been given an August 7 deadline, while furniture is being delivered to the second floor,

garage doors will soon be installed in the automotive area, while locker rooms have been basically finished. Dr. Rose then offered a tour of the building following the meeting for all in attendance.

The evening concluded with the Administrative reports.

Elementary Principal Dr. Miller gave an update on her first month on the job, saying she was, "Extremely impressed with the community and the many children she'd met." She discussed the ongoing Foundation Camp at the school, involving 111 students and 10 staff.

Middle School Principal Isaac Lundquist gave a similar update on his first month in his Administrative position, while High School Principal Dan Hopkins told of a busy summer for High School students in the fitness center and the beginnings of Band Camp.

The meeting concluded with Dr. Rose announcing the departure of a School Psychologist and the search for a replacement, while asking the Board to look at a potential date for a ribbon citing for the new school, with the first day of classes scheduled for September 1. A tentative date was scheduled for the evening of August 31, with the finalizing of the event date will be further discussed.

August 18 was the chosen as the date for the next meeting before the Board concluded the evening. Dr. Rose then took the Board, five attendees, and the Advocate on an in-depth look at the high school construction, which all called an "Impressive building."

Barronett News

By Judy Pieper

Gage and Molly (Griffin) Adams, who were married in a wonderful, but very warm, ceremony at Oehme Oasis in New Richmond, Wisconsin on Saturday. The bride was lovely in her white dress, and the groom looked pretty special in his wedding finery too. Molly and Gage had picked out a very appropriate Bible passage, which was read by Molly's Godfather/uncle, and a poem to be read by Gage's aunt during the ceremony. There were stories about how they had met, trips they had taken and funny things that have happened to them included. The ring bearer, flower girl, and miniature brides were all adorable. (I love weddings.) It was so nice.

After the ceremony we all went into the building, where we had a chance to visit with lots of relatives and friends. A delicious meal was served, of course, and a wedding dance ended the evening. We all wish Gage and Molly years and years of happiness.

Jim Copus and family had traveled up from Brooklyn, WI to attend the wedding. Actually, Jim's son and grandsons, Mark, Dalton and Logan, had been up in Superior at an archery competition a few days last week, and came down just to see Gage and Molly get married. Mark said they had to leave the competition before the final tally, so he wasn't sure where they placed in that.

Kenny Adams traveled up from Jamestown, Missouri to attend his nephew's wedding. He spent Friday night up here, and then left

for home right after the wedding. Quick trips are not unusual for Kenny – He drives up at least once a year for just a day to buy corn from Barronett Bob. I guess if I didn't live right here, I would probably do the same thing. Bob's corn is worth the trip.

Duane and I were not able to go to the Washburn County Fair this year, but heard lots of good stuff about it from Suzy and Ryan Lehmann, Tina Anderson and Mike Hagelberger. We enjoy the fair so much, but it was just too warm and we're getting so old that we would rather be comfortable in the air-conditioned house. One of the exhibits we especially like to go through when we do go is the arts and crafts displays in the old school house. And, of course, the flower and plant exhibits. Oh, and the fair food and ice cream – I guess there isn't much we don't like about the fair. 2027 is another year, of course, and, hopefully, we will be going then.

When John Maline and his dog, Tater, go out to get a little exercise, they like to walk through our garden/orchard area. Well, the other day when I was busily weeding the onion patch, I heard a noise, and saw them strolling past. John had no idea I was in the garden, and when I called his name to say hello, I think I scared him. It was pretty funny. It is always nice to see them, and I was so glad he stopped to talk for a minute because he told me he had made a mistake about seeing a fisher in one of our trees. It

was up pretty high, and he couldn't get a real good picture of it, thought it was a fisher, but when he checked further, he found out it was just a groundhog. You have no idea how happy I was to hear that. My cat, Matilda, loves to go to the garden with me, but when I thought there was a fisher hanging out up there, I quit taking her with me. Now I let her roam around to her heart's content again – She finds all kinds of things to search for and sneak up on – not that she catches much. A big game hunter she is not. Good thing we have plenty of cat food at home.

The cucumbers are ready!! Pretty soon we won't be able to keep up with them. I picked four or five cucumbers and a few onions on Sunday so that I could make a cucumber/onion/tomato salad for supper. (Our tomatoes are not ripe yet, so I had to buy those, darn it.) We invited Suzy and Ryan Lehmann, Lynn Thon and Tina Anderson to join us for supper that evening. It was so nice to have so many relatives around the table. After supper Suzy, Ryan, Duane and I played a game of smear. I know I usually say it doesn't really matter who won or lost, it's just fun to play. Well, I have to confess that that usually means the guys won, but on Sunday evening, we ladies won by a landslide. So, if you see Ryan or Duane, you have my permission to give them a little grief because they lost to us.

I'm going to go – I hope you have a wonderful week. Stay cool and drink plenty of water. See you next time.

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Friday, July 31
Pulled Pork on a Whole Wheat Bun, Steamed Corn, Asian Coleslaw, Cheesecake w/ Fruit Topping.

Monday, August 3
Creamy Chicken & Mixed Vegetables served over a Biscuit, Cottage Cheese, Mandarin Oranges.

Tuesday, August 4
Pork Stir Fry, Brown Rice, Oriental Vegetables, Vegetable Egg Roll, Pineapple Cake.

Wednesday, August 5
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OBITUARIES



Jean A. Gurtner

Jean Ann Gurtner passed July 23, 2026 at the age of 88 at Dove in Rice Lake WI surrounded by loved ones. Jean was born on December 02, 1937 in Rice Lake to Paul and Ester Byhre. Jean grew up in Canton, WI along with her 2 brothers. She was in 4-H as a youth and graduated from Cameron School District in the top 15 of her class. Jean always had a love for animals (especially her horses), softball, skiing and cooking. She attended college in River Falls receiving her teachers certificate, she also took additional classes at the county campus, while at that same

time started her 67 years of being a 4-H volunteer. She taught school at numerous locations in the Rice Lake School District. Jean married John A Gurtner in 1964 at the Little Brown Church in Iowa. She stopped teaching full time so she could help farm and train horses alongside John and raise their girls. She did continue to substitute teach for a few years.

She dedicated herself to 4-H, Horse Clubs, Youth, Children, Farming, being a Loving Wife and a MOM to so many youth. So many people say “They are one of John and Jeans Kids” and are so very thankful for the effect John & Jean had on their life-not just the horse part, but being a better person part. Jean was inducted into the Wisconsin 4-H Hall of Fame in 2024. Jean always invested into the future of children, whether by being a mentor or helping their future education in the form of scholarships. Since John passed in 2015 Jean has been sponsoring

a scholarship for the Cumberland FFA along with other youth donations.

Jean finally got her book “Buster John Allen and his Pony Meg” published early 2026. So she adds Published Author to her achievements.

Jean is survived by her 3 daughters Anna Gurtner, Diana (Dusty) Bazewicz and Janna (Ian) Shotton and 5 grandchildren Dallas Bazewicz, Dana Bazewicz, Morgan Titel, Kyla Shotton and Hayden Shotton and many family and friends.

Jean was preceded in death by her parents, brothers Robert Byhre and John (Jack) Byhre and her beloved husband, John Gurtner.

Funeral services will be at 11 AM Saturday, August 1, 2026, at Hosanna Lutheran Church in Cumberland. Visitation will be from 4-7 PM Friday, July 31, 2026, at Skinner Funeral Home in Cumberland and one hour before the service Saturday at church.

Skinner Funeral Home of Cumberland is serving the family.

1898 Residents Give Their Opinions on what Cumberland Needs

by Mark R. Fuller

The Advocate asked the following question to the residents of the Island City in their January 20 and January 27 editions of their 1898 paper: “What can be done in 1898 to advance Cumberland’s Interest.” Let’s take a look at some of the answers given and how their views and observations came out 128 years later.

Charles Hagborg-Cumberland’s greatest need in my opinion is a new school house, a public library, and a city ordinance requiring a \$10 a day license to be paid by all fake doctors, electric belt, and medicine shows that come here to exhibit.

A.H. Kellerman-Let everyone pay cash for every article they buy so far as possible. Be loyal, honest, pull together, don’t kick, sell goods at reasonable prices, trade at home, and encourage new enterprises.

P. Jacobson-I have been a kicker on high taxes, but I have studied the matter over very carefully and I have come to the conclusion that high taxes are all right if the money so raised is judiciously spent in public improvements

that will enhance the value of property. In my opinion, it is better to keep the city alive and progressive, even it increases our taxes a little, then remain dormant and dead and let the grass grow in our streets, our property depreciate in value, and some of our people move away because we are not up with the times.

Dr. W. B. Hopkins-Do we appreciate the value of our water system? How many appreciate the amount of sickness we have escaped by the purity of our water. Our schools are second to none in the county, our churches are all in healthy condition and are exerting a good amount of untold influence over our young people and in the religious and moral atmosphere of our city. Of the things we need, I am convinced that a creamery can and should be a success.

H.S. Comstock-Hustle! Pull Together! Drop differences! Be broader minded! Don’t conclude your neighbor is dishonest or untrustworthy because he doesn’t see the world through your particular piece of colored glass. When the time comes, erect

a school building that will fill the needs of our city for years to come. When spring comes, let there be a concerted action in the line of painting buildings and beautifying lawns.

A.D. Willard-The removal of the livery stable on 2nd Street would be one of the best things to do to advance the interest of Cumberland. It has already been declared a nuisance by the Board of Health, not only on account of its closeness to school rooms, but also as causing a blockade of carriages and sleighs in the street as ladies do not like to pass through.

Peter Wachter-Nothing attracts visitors to a city more than nice residences with well-kept lawns.

W.T. Ream-Intelligence is the mark of a true and lasting prosperity. A public library, wisely established and judiciously administered, would be the best advancing agent of true and lasting prosperity.

E. Huser-Every man, woman, and child should plant a tree. Tear down, burn-up, clean all dilapidated old fences and sheds.

Church Directory

“Cleave to one another.”

by Pastor John Miels
St. Paul Lutheran Church

One of my favorite Hebrew words stands in the background of every Christian wedding service when the pastor quotes Genesis 2:24: “Therefore a man shall leave his father and his mother and cleave (hold fast) to his wife, and they shall become one flesh.”

The Hebrew verb translated “hold fast” is דָּבַק (dāvaq). It carries the idea of sticking to, clinging to, adhering to, or being joined closely to another. In the literal sense, it can describe as skin clinging to bones. But it is often used metaphorically. In Genesis 2:24, a husband and wife dāvaq to one another. They are bound together in a union so intimate that they become “one flesh.”

This same verb is also used to describe the relationship between believers and God. Moses tells Israel, “Therefore choose life, that you and your offspring may live, loving the Lord your God, obeying his voice and holding fast [dāvaq] to him” (Deut. 30:19-20). Why? “For he is your life” (Deut. 30:20). This is no long-distance relationship. God’s people are joined to him. They cling to him because He first has hold of them.

This reaches its fullest expression in Jesus Christ. Through baptism into Christ’s body, we are united to Him. We become one with the one who is one with the Father. Joined to Christ, we cling to Him, and through Him we are joined to the Father and to all His people. So, every time you hear Genesis 2 read at a wedding, remember that the same Hebrew verb that describes a husband and wife holding fast to one another also describes the believer holding fast to God. We dāvaq to Him, even as He holds fast to us.



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Matthew Earls, Pastor
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Father Jayanna Kanna
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Missouri Synod (LCMS)
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Pastor: Rev. Quentin Buechner.
Divine Service: Sunday 9 am; Holy Communion: 1st and 3rd Sunday of each month

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PUBLIC NOTICES



BEAVER DAM LAKE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT 35TH ANNUAL MEETING
SATURDAY AUGUST 8, 2026
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 2025 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. Anna DeMers – Tamarack Wetland Services, presentation Native Plantings & Rain Gardens
6. Jay Michels – EOR, update on 2026-2027 projects
7. Present Budget for 2026-2027, discussion, approval – Dr. Alan Carlson
8. Motion to “Approve Commissioners transferring funds within the Approved Budget”
9. Election of Commissioner – Tom Schroeder
10. Review of District Activities – Tom Schroeder
11. Other discussion as needed
12. Adjourn

Note: Contact information for questions regarding the 2026 Annual Letter with the agenda and Draft 2026/2027 budget plus the 2025 Annual Meeting minutes can be found at beaverdamlake.org

BDLMD Board Meeting

Beaver Dam Lake Management District 35th Annual Meeting
Saturday August 8, 2026
Cumberland Middle School
Cumberland, Wisconsin 54829

REVENUES

Tax Levy	\$290,723
GRANTS REMAINING	
LPT 84424 Lib Lk Storm Constr 3 (40)	9,220
Cash Savings	357,146
Total Revenues	\$657,089

August 8, 2026
Cumberland Middle school
Approximately 15 minutes following the adjournment of the 2026 Annual Meeting the BDLMD will hold a brief Board meeting with the following agenda.

1. Approve minutes from last meeting.
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, Cumberland City Hall, Nilsen’s and the City Library.

Beaver Dam Lake Management District
Beaver Dam Lake Management District
Tom Schroeder – President; Alan Carlson MD – Treasurer; John Bavier – Secretary; Commissioners; Tim De-foe and Michael Benjamin, Craig Turcott-Barron County Rep, Doris Laursen, City of Cumberland Rep

Proposed Budget 2026-2027

EXPENSES	
Mailings, Notices, Mtgs.	\$ 4,500
Grant Matches	
LPT 84424 Lib LK Storm Constr 3 (40)	9,220
EWM, weed incl. Barr, Plant Surveys, legal	195,000
Aquatic Plant Mgmnt. Plan-ongoing	5,000
Insurance	9,800
Boat Landing Monitors	5,000
Fireworks	1,500
Water Safety	1,500
Website Updates	500
Shoreline Restoration Site	2,500
Wickre Harbor (46)	3,536
Storm Water Pond Maintenance	20,000
Hwy 63 Bridge Stonework (Non lapsable)	15,000
BDLMD Lake Planning Project. (38)	100
Library Lake Completion Plan/Engineer(43)	15,000
(44) Maple Plain Ravine review	29,500
Education/Conference.	2,500
QuickBooks Accounting	1,000
Avery Wetland development (45)	25,933
Grove Street Bridge dredging	15,000
New Bridge/interlake Channel obstr. remv	15,000
EAST LAKE WATERSHED PLANNING	30,000
Hyw. 63 Bridge funding	250,000
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$657,089

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Electronic Ballot Tabulation

Under Wisconsin State Statute 5.84(1), public tests of the electronic ballot tabulation system will be held to ascertain that the equipment will correctly count the August 11, 2026, 2026 Partisan Primary Election votes cast for all offices and on all measures. All tests are open to the public.

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950 1st Avenue, Cumberland, WI
Arlene Frisinger, Clerk
715-822-2752

Town of Crystal Lake
Saturday, August 1, 2026 at 8:00 a.m.
Town Hall
1876 Hwy. 63, Comstock, WI
Arlene Frisinger, Clerk-Treasurer
715-822-8039

Town of Cumberland
Monday, August 3, 2026 at 10:00 a.m.
Town Hall
902 20th Avenue, Cumberland, WI
Sara Mathison, Clerk
715-357-6154

Town of Lakeland
Wednesday, August 5, 2026 at 5:30 p.m.
Town Hall
791 29 11/16th Avenue, Barronett, WI
Danielle Maxwell-Parker, Clerk
715-529-2741

Town of Maple Plain
Thursday, August 6, 2026 at 4:00 p.m..
Town Hall
393 26th Avenue, Cumberland, WI
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-Food Service Helper/Server-
4.5 Hours per day, Monday - Friday on school days

Job Title: Food Service Helper/Server

Job Description: The Cumberland School District Food Service Department is looking for a part-time Food Service Helper/Server for the 2026-2027 school year. The successful candidate will perform a variety of support responsibilities for food service operations including things such as, food preparation, meal serving, and clean-up of kitchen areas and equipment. **Requirements:** Applicants must be able to lift 50 pounds. **How to Apply:** If interested in this position, an application can be found on the District website. Please mail or email your application, resume, letter of interest, and two letters of recommendation to:

Dr. Heidi Miller, Principal
Cumberland Elementary School
1530 2nd Avenue
Cumberland, WI 54829
hmiller@csdmail.com

Deadline: Until Filled
Website: www.cumberland.k12.wi.us
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Cumberland School District
EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY
- School Psychologist-
Full Time

Job Title: Full Time School Psychologist

Job Description: Desired candidates will have strong leadership and communication skills. Candidates should be student-centered and able to conduct educational evaluations, consult with staff and parents, provide psychological counseling, and provide leadership in school-wide educational interventions, including Response to Intervention, social-emotional learning, trauma-focused care, and school based mental health services. Candidates will work collaboratively with general and special education staff to help address the needs of our students. Experience in progress monitoring, completing functional behavior assessments, and creating behavioral intervention plans is desired. **Qualifications:** Must be Wisconsin DPI certified for School Psychologist (7062). **How to Apply:** If interested in this position, applications are submitted through the WECAN website: <https://wecan.education.wisc.edu>.

Dr. Barry Rose
Cumberland School District
1010 8th Avenue
Cumberland, WI 54829
mweav@csdmail.com

Deadline: Until Filled
Website: www.cumberland.k12.wi.us
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Cumberland School District
EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY
- Middle School Interventionist-
Part - Time

Job Title: Part - Time Interventionist

Job Description: Part-time Interventionist position at Cumberland Middle School, effective at the start of the 2026-2027 school year. The successful candidate will provide explicit, systematic instruction to students in grades 5-8 to improve their academic achievement. The individual will complete student progress monitoring and maintain records by following the district Multi-Level Systems of Support (MLSS) protocol. The ideal candidate is a dynamic, innovative middle school teacher with a strong background in RtI, Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports (PBIS), Science, Reading, and the use of FastBridge Learning as a universal math and reading screener and progress-monitoring tool. Candidates must be passionate about supporting student academic achievement. This teacher will work with individual students and small groups to close achievement gaps and help students become proficient in English/Language Arts and Math. The district’s MLSS process for providing systematic interventions to improve academic achievement for students will be followed. Interventions will be primarily focused in the areas of reading and mathematics. **Qualifications:** A Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction Certification/Licensure 1088 Pre K-8 or 1777-Regular Education. Additional certification(s) desired: Reading Specialist 1317 and Reading Teacher 1316. **How to Apply:** If interested in this position, applications can apply via the WECAN website: <https://wecan.education.wisc.edu>.

Isaac Lundquist, Principal
Cumberland Middle School
980 8th Avenue
Cumberland, WI 54829
ilund@csdmail.com

Deadline: Until Filled
Website: www.cumberland.k12.wi.us
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/S/ Deanne E. Larson
Probate Registrar
July 21, 2026

Andrew J. Harrington
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Bar# 1061492

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DNR Announces Results Of 2026 Operation Dry Water

MADISON, Wis. – The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR) today announced the results of this year’s Operation Dry Water campaign, held over the weekend of July 3-5.

Operation Dry Water is a national initiative dedicated to reducing alcohol and drug-related boating incidents and fatalities through education and enforcement. The goal is to provide safe waterways for all.

As part of the national event to educate boaters about the importance of sober operation, more than 1,700 boats were contacted for education and safety purposes, with 25 impaired boat operators apprehended by wardens. Wardens also issued nearly 900 warnings and more than 200 citations to boaters for safety violations. Wardens worked cooperatively with nu-

merous local law enforcement agencies across the state.

Warden Tim Price was patrolling in the right place at the right time to save a woman’s life on the night of July 4. Warden Price was on the Eagle River Chain when he noticed a person at the back of the pontoon but in the water. He approached the area and saw it was a person who had fallen off the boat without wearing a life jacket and was sinking. Warden Price pulled the person from the water and found the person was intoxicated.

Capt. Tyler Strelow and Warden Nick Engelhardt were on boat patrol on Lake Wisconsin when a man on a sandbar who appeared highly intoxicated began yelling to the wardens. The man then boarded a personal watercraft and began driving towards the wardens. The wardens arrested the man for operating a boat while intoxicated.

Wardens were also called in to help with other incidents. Wardens Mike Hirschboeck and Taylor Meinholz assisted the Racine County Sheriff’s Department with downed power lines and welfare checks after a severe storm powered through Racine, Kenosha and Walworth counties in the southeast. Additionally, Warden Brandon Smith, Lt. Jen Burrow-Niemeyer and Community Service Officer Jared Meinert joined Richard Bong State Recreation Area staff with their storm response, which included checking on campers and road closures to support clean-up and utility restoration.

Learn more about the campaign on the Operation Dry Water website.

Information on Wisconsin boating regulations and education courses can be found on the DNR’s Boating webpage.

Barron Electric Cooperative 2026 Vegetation Management Crystal Lake and Maple Plain Townships



Contractors for Barron Electric Cooperative will be clearing and trimming trees around power lines in Crystal Lake and Maple Plain Townships in Barron County. Every Barron Electric member in those townships received a postcard with their November 2025 Barron Electric bill providing notification of the Vegetation Management Program. Please e-mail operations@barronelectric.com if you have questions. Thank you for your cooperation.

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Scouting America
Chippewa Valley Council

11th Annual BLUE HILLS CLAY SHOOT

FOR SCOUTING

TUESDAY, AUGUST 11, 2026

Shooting Times Available
From 1:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Hosted at the
Blue Hills Sportsmen’s Club
1604 23rd/24 1/2 Street
Rice Lake, Wisconsin 54868

ALL LEVELS WELCOME

COACHES AVAILABLE

Registration:
Team of Five Adults: \$300
Individual Participant: \$60

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

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

Please Register By:
August 5, 2026

Thank you to our Major Sponsor

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Registration Form

I would like to participate in the 11th Annual Blue Hills Clay Shoot for Scouting.

☐ Individual Shooter - \$65
☐ Standard Team - \$325
☐ Trap Station Sponsor - \$625
☐ Hospitality Sponsor - \$1,250

I am unable to attend. Please accept my donation of \$.

Business/Name _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip Code _____

Daytime Phone Number _____

Email Address _____

Preferred Shooting Time:
☐ 1:00-3:00 ☐ 3:00-5:00 ☐ 5:00-7:00

Shooter's Name	Gun Loan	Coach Needed
1		
2		
3		
4		
5		

Payment Options:
☐ Please Bill Me
☐ Check Enclosed

Checks payable to:
Chippewa Valley Council
710 S. Hastings Way
Eau Claire, WI 54701

Please register by August 6th

Shooting Opportunities

Registration includes food, beverages, and 2 rounds of clay shooting with shells

☐ **Team Registration** \$ 325
• 5 adult shooters

☐ **Individual Shooter Registration** \$ 65
• Individuals will be placed in groups of 5

Unable to attend?

Please consider making a donation to support the young people of the Chippewa Valley Council, Scouting America through the gift of Scouting.
<http://bhclay.scouting.gives>

Sponsorship Opportunities

All sponsorship information must be received by July 27, 2026

☐ **Hospitality Sponsor** \$ 1,250
• Recognition on event signs/banners and on food table
• Special recognition during closing announcements and on the Chippewa Valley Council Facebook, Instagram, and website
• Sponsorship includes a Team of 5 Shooters

☐ **Trap Station Sponsor** \$ 625
• Name & logo at a trap station
• Special recognition during closing announcements
• Sponsorship includes a Team of 5 Shooters

DON'T MISS OUT!

Additional competitive shooting games and prizes available!

Life happens. We're ready.

When every minute matters, waiting shouldn't.
With experienced providers delivering compassionate care, here when you need us most.
Emergency care with short wait times, 24/7.

CUMBERLAND HEALTHCARE

1705 16th Avenue, Cumberland 632 US Hwy 8, Turtle Lake

715-822-7500
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American Legion Post 98 Annual FUN GOLF TOURNAMENT

WEDNESDAY AUGUST 19TH

CUMBERLAND GOLF CLUB

9 HOLES | 2PM SHOTGUN

Members and Non Members Welcome!

\$25 ENTRY FEE

INCLUDES PRIZES AND DINNER AT THE LEGION
(DOES NOT INCLUDE GREEN FEES)

LEGION OPENS 4PM | DINNER AT 5PM

Call Jim to Register
(715) 243-9959

LOUIE'S ON THE LAKE

— Wine Paired Dinner —

MONDAY, AUGUST 17
— 4:30 PM TO 7:30 PM —

ONLY 35 SEATS AVAILABLE! | GET YOUR TICKETS NOW.

With the dinner you choose, you will also get to choose one bottle of wine to pair with your dinner!

OPTION 1: HONEY PECAN CHICKEN

served with a vegetable blend rice and honey-glazed carrots.

OR

OPTION 2: LOUIE'S THICK-CUT SMOKED PORK CHOP

served with garlic mashed potatoes and southern corn.

== ★ INCLUDES DINNER SALAD AND DESSERT. ★ ==

== CHOOSE ONE OF THESE THREE EXCEPTIONAL WINES: ==

2021 ZINFANDEL
NAPA VALLEY

Rich and bold with flavors of blueberry, raspberry jam, sarsaparilla and cherry. Hints of cocoa, spice and eucalyptus with a long, smooth finish.

2024 ROSÉ
POCAI VINEYARD
CALISTOGA, NAPA VALLEY

Bright and refreshing with aromas of strawberry, raspberry and plum. Flavors of grapefruit, rose water and citrus zest with a clean, floral finish.

2023 CHENIN BLANC
BETTY'S VINEYARD
ST. HELENA, NAPA VALLEY

Crisp and vibrant with aromas of green apple, grapefruit and honey. Flavors of citrus, floral notes and a mineral-driven, refreshing finish.

TICKETS: \$40 EACH

Music by Dustin Degolier

DINNER TICKETS: Stop in or call -
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715-671-0186

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