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Cumberland High School Marching Band Captures Class "A" State Championship

The Cumberland High School Marching Band brought home top state honors on Saturday, October 17, taking first place in the Class "A" division at the 41st annual Wisconsin School Music Association (WSMA) State Marching Band Championships at UW-Whitewater's Forrest Perkins Stadium.

In what proved to be the state's most competitive division, Cumberland edged out a tight field of contenders with a total score of 76.863. The performance was anchored by the "Best Music" award, alongside powerful programs in both visual presentation and percussion.

The final Class "A" standings were:

1. Cumberland — 76.863
2. Columbus — 75.731
3. Baldwin-Woodville — 73.344
4. Portage — 73.331
5. Platteville — 62.450
6. New Berlin West — 59.169

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State Champions!



Proudly displaying the First Place and Best Musical Presentation trophies from last Saturday's State Marching Band Championships held in Whitewater are Elsa Carlson (Drum Major), Willow Franc (Drum Major) and Addison Shaffer (Colorguard Captain). It was Cumberland's 16th State Marching Band Championship! Congratulations on a great season and carrying on the tradition of excellence!

Cumberland Volleyball Team Holds Annual Dig Pink Event

The Cumberland High School Volleyball Team hosted their annual "Dig Pink" event at their game against the Barron Bears. Prior to the event, the high school players sold "Together We Fight" t-shirts, as well as a basket raffle and a 50/50 drawing.

During the match, players also ran a "Miracle Minute," where the players ran through the stands to collect donations. After all was said and done, the Volleyball program donated a generous total of $2,814.81 to Cumberland Healthcare to help in the fight gainst breast cancer.

"A huge thank you to everyone that participated and donated to the cause," added Cumberland Head Coach Erin Miller.

Dig Pink Fundraiser!



$2,814.81 was raised at the annual "Dig Pink" fundraiser to help in the battle against breast cancer. Pictured here coaches and players hosting a basket raffle, 50/50 drawing and the sale of t-shirts.





Free Pumpkins!



The Cumberland Chamber of Commerce hosted the annual "Free Pumpkin Giveaway" this past Saturday morning in front of the Chamber of Commerce office. A big thank you to Bob's Barronett Produce for providing the pumpkins, the kids had a great time picking out a pumpkin!

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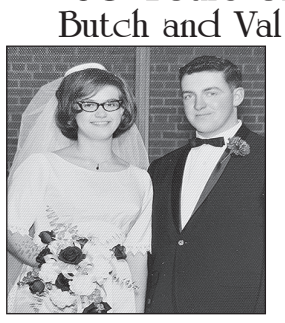
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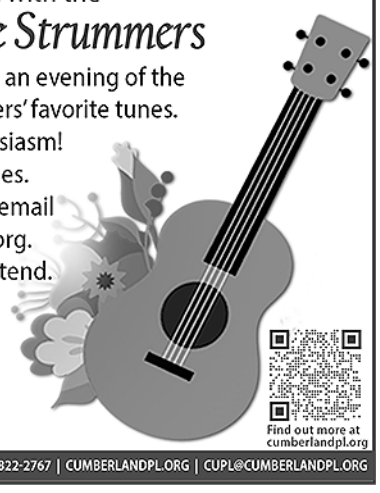
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Friday, October 23
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Monday, October 26
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Tuesday, October 27
Tator Tot Hotdish, Simply Steamed Green Beans, Handcrafted Whole Wheat Bread.
Wednesday, October 28
ES/HS: Honey Garlic Chicken Bowl. MS: Mandarin Orange Chicken, Hearty Brown Rice, Homestyle Corn, Black Beans.

All meals are served with a variety of 1/2 pints of milk, seasonal fresh, frozen and canned fruits & fresh garden vegetables. Fresh salad bar available daily in all schools. A la carte menu available in High School.
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CUMBERLAND SCHOOL DISTRICT NEWS

COMMUNITY EDUCATION OFFERINGS

THURSDAY, OCT. 22: ES/MS/HS Parent/Teacher Conferences
FRIDAY, OCT. 23: NO SCHOOL/Teacher In-Service Day
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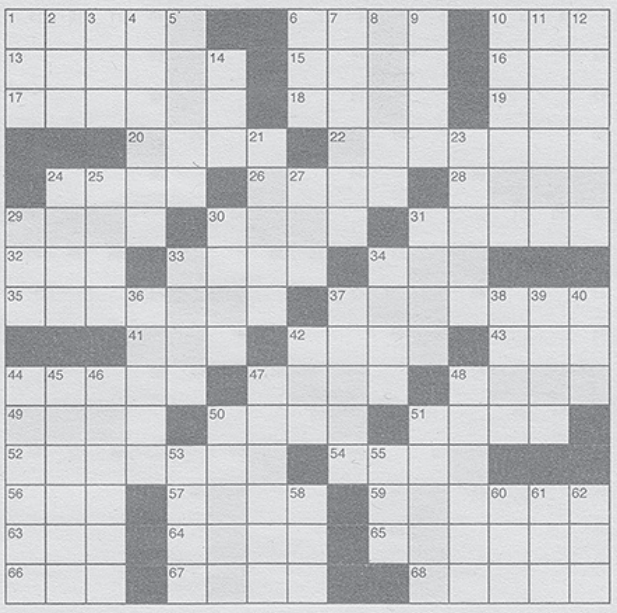
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10 MGM's Lion
13 Poise
15 Eating house
16 And so forth
17 Music player
18 Aegis
19 Yes
20 Shellfish
22 Granny
24 Stimulate
26 Fencing sword
28 Long time
29 African country
30 Mix
31 Nets
32 Not (prefix)
33 Descry
34 Escudo
35 ___ Cactus Blossom, AZ state flower
37 Plotting out
41 Air
42 Exclamation
43 Border
44 Sugar-free brand
47 Potter's oven
48 There's four in a quart
49 Thousand (abbr.)
50 Be angry
51 __ Major (Big Dipper)
52 Joins two railroad cars
54 Spare
56 Owns
57 Alack's partner
59 Slapped
63 Building addition
64 Evils
65 Toast
66 Henna
67 Khz
68 Cupid's dart

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1 Vapor
2 Choose
3 Roberto's yes
4 Unnatural
5 Refine ore
6 Genius
7 Dirk
8 Alight
9 Plateau
10 Director
11 Earlier form of a word
12 Bodies of water
14 Snake
21 Ditto (2 wds.)
23 Association
24 Horse command
25 Drape
27 Cavity
29 Nervous system
30 Energetic
31 Sports channel
33 Rice wine
34 Take in
36 Sap (2 wds.)
37 Men
38 Colored part of eye
39 One of Columbus' ships
40 Greenwich Mean Time
42 Darken
44 Engraved
45 Shallow
46 Dishevel
47 Charles __
48 Like better
50 Slang term for man
51 Screamer's throat dangler
53 Den
55 American College of Physicians (abbr.)
58 Compass point
60 Popular president's initials
61 Freudian term
62 Morning moisture

Cumberland School District's Annual Child Development Days

The Cumberland School District is offering a free screening for our district's students ages Birth to 48 months (4 years, 0 months). Parents must attend with their child. There will be free hearing and vision screening, an opportunity to meet staff from the 4K and Early Childhood program, and your child will take home a bag full of goodies!

The screening will take place on Thursday, November 19, from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. at the Cumberland Elementary School!

This is the beginning of your child's path to learning, and it's a great opportunity to get information on your child's development! All children will be screened in the following areas: social/emotional, motor, speech/language and problems solving skills. Children will get a chance to color pictures, stack blocks, create with play dough, crawl through obstacle courses and many more fun activities!

Contact the Cumberland Elementary School office at 715-822-5123 to register. When scheduling your appointment, please provide the following information: child's name and spelling, parents names, address, birth date and phone number. If you need to leave a message, please provide your name and phone number. Each appointment slot is one hour in length and they fill up fast!

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Cumberland Elementary School

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Who is invited to attend?
- Children ages Birth to 4 Years old and their parents who live in the Cumberland School District or will attend under open enrollment are invited!
- A fun and exciting time for all children and families to learn about their child's development and growth. All children will be screened in the following developmental areas: social/emotional skills, motor skills, speech/language and problem solving skills.

Why should I bring my child?
- Free hearing and vision testing for all children
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Opinion



Out My Window

by Paul Bucher, Editor

It's the Brewers vs the Tampa Bay Rays starting this Friday night in Milwaukee. I have so many friends who are stoked, I can't even imagine how electric it will be at the ball park, Brewers fans have waited since 1982 for another shot at a World Series Title. I did see ticket prices on the secondary market are sky high, to be expected I guess. It has been 46 years since two teams met in the World Series that have never won it all, it should be a blast. I wonder if the "Miz" will hit 105 with the first pitch of the game, must watch TV for sure, Go Brewers!

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Well, if you own a home long enough, bad stuff is bound to happen, as we found out this week that we have a problem with our septic line leaving the basement, the guys will be there on Thursday to dig it up, hopefully the repairs go smoothly. One thing for sure, all the work I did on the landscaping in that area is going to be destroyed, so that is a bummer, plus the yard will be a mess. I guess if there is a silver lining, I couldn't pick a better time of year to do it, fingers crossed.

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This next Saturday is the annual Safe Trick or Treat in Cumberland. It is so much fun to watch all the little kiddo's dressed up making the rounds. Thank you to the firefighters who man the street corners and thank you to the business owners who make this possible handing out candy. It isn't cheap anymore to say the least.

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A big congratulations to the Cumberland High School Marching Band on claiming an amazing 16th championship this past weekend in Whitewater. The kids put in a ton of time to make this possible. I'm sure it was sweet for band director Nathan Pierce to claim his first championship, he had big footsteps to fill following now High School Principal Dan Hopkins. Congratulations to all involved. Well done!

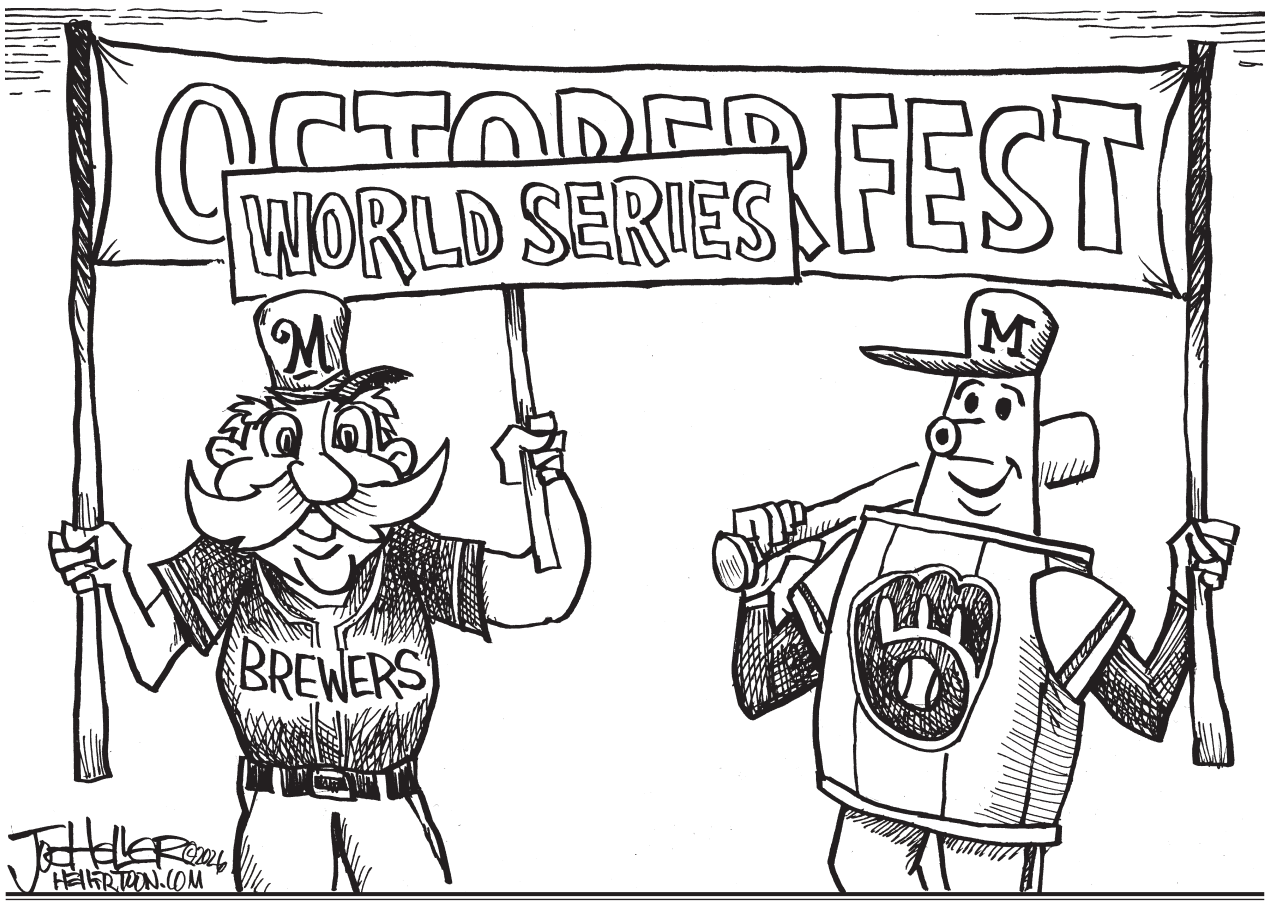
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Congratulations also goes out to Adam Diesterhaft, Alyssa (Lundquist) Peterson and Randy Capra for being inducted into the Cumberland Athletic Hall of Fame. All three were fantastic athletes and are much deserving of the honor.

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Boy oh boy has this stretch of weather been fantastic, besides the wind we can't ask for much more. I know I say it a lot, but get out and enjoy while its still nice outside. I know I have some walleye's to catch yet before I put the boat away!

Have a great week!





Inside Wisconsin

by Tom Still

"Trump's diesel deal with Russia will barely move dial in Wisconsin"

MADISON, Wis. – The federal government's latest inflation report showed the largest monthly increase in five months, with energy costs leading the way. Pushing the energy "pain meter" was the cost of diesel fuel, which powers three-quarters of the U.S. commercial trucking fleet and accounts for more than 40% of all energy used on farms.

High diesel costs stand out like a Freightliner in the drive-through lane at a fast-food restaurant. The roughly 75% rise in pump prices since January is hurting Wisconsin's economy, from its farm fields to its trucking firms to what you pay for groceries and other goods.

Even if President Trump's deal to lift sanctions on Russian diesel exports stands up in a skeptical Congress, it's only a few gallons of relief in a huge tank.

"My take is the diesel volumes announced under the Russia deal are probably not large enough to create a long-term reduction in diesel prices," said Dan Johnson, president of the Wisconsin Motor Carrier Association. "The total volume equates to only about 10 days of U.S. diesel demand, which may only create a modest wholesale price relief."

The Russian deal is contingent on a refinery ceasefire in its war with Ukraine, which has used drone strikes to reduce the output of refineries inside Russian. A bipartisan group of U.S. senators have called it "a gift to our adversary and a betrayal of our allies."

Johnson said association members haven't communicated with him about the geopolitics of the deal one way or the other. However, he noted "there could be some unease" among carriers about easing sanctions and providing "revenue to Russia while the war in Ukraine continues."

One Wisconsin trucking executive agreed price relief from deal would "just be a blip," in part because much fuel used in the Midwest comes through Canada, which has crude oil refineries that can produce diesel.

"... This is more political showmanship than a meaningful, real long-term solution," said Nancy Jourdan, chief executive officer for BCP Transportation in Deerfield. "At best it may provide a few days to a week of temporarily relief. The administration hammered European countries publicly last year for buying oil from Russia, arguing those purchases were helping fund Russia's war against Ukraine."

Jourdan also noted she has "questions on how much oil and refined fuel the U.S. is still exporting," which likely affects supply and costs at home.

The U.S. Energy Information Administration has reported that American refineries are operating at roughly 97% of capacity and that exports of diesel and related fuels have grown by about 28% over last year. Meanwhile, U.S. inventories of such fuels have fallen.

That has led to proposals by some elected officials and others to ban U.S. diesel exports until the current price crisis ends.

Another contributing factor is the cost of building new refineries that produce diesel and other fuels. The U.S. Energy Information Administration has reported the last new major refinery was built in Louisiana in 1977. However, other major full-scale refineries have been upgraded since then.

Owners of such refineries don't want to invest the billions of dollars needed to open new facilities unless they know demand for fossil fuels of all types will remain strong.

Small trucking firms (10 truck or smaller) make up about 90% of American trucking companies. They were already dealing with a post-pandemic freight recession that crimped rates and forced some out of business.

Small farms are also feeling the pinch. The Eau Claire Leader Telegram reported Oct. 11 on a rally by farmers who feel caught between what they can earn from their products and what they pay for supplies such as diesel.

"The challenge (of diesel) prices is getting it paid for," dairy farmer George Polzin was quoted as saying. "We're selling our product for the same price (as) last year and the year before" while input costs has risen sharply.

Inflation has many fathers, from wars in Iran and Ukraine to other supply-and-demand triggers. Trump's deal with Russia may only serve to call more unfavorable attention to a problem that may define the Nov. 3 elections.

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

A Look Back

10 Years Ago
October 26, 2016

Two Cumberland Middle School students were the winners in the 2015 Fire Prevention Poster Contest. They were recognized for their achievements at last month's Wisconsin State Firefighters Convention. The framed and matted posters were presented to the girls courtesy of American Family Insurance. The winners were 6th grader Aimee West and 8th grader Madison Hullander.

20 Years Ago
October 25, 2006

Tyler Lynch, a 1997 CHS graduate and Assistant Vice President in the Investment and Division at M&I Bank in Milwaukee, has earned the prestigious Chartered Financial Analyst Designation. Recipients of the CFA charter have successfully completed a graduate level, self-study curriculum and series of three intensive examinations taken sequentially over at least two years.

In an effort to bring back Beaver Dam Lake's reputation as a walleye hotspot, Heath Benike, Department of Natural Resources fisheries biologist, arranged for the stocking of 334 brood stock lake trout. The trout will be delivered on Friday. The goal of the stocking is to reduce smelt numbers over time by allowing the larger size trout to eat them.

30 Years Ago
October 23, 1996

An Arabian "Estoriah" was named U.S. National Champion Futurity Sweepstake Filly be five judges at the 30th U.S. National Arabian Horse Show in Louisville, KY on October 11. The horse is owned by Lida and Herman Blaser of Cumberland. This is the second horse they have owned which has brought home national honors.

40 Years Ago
October 22, 1986

The Junior Beavers recently won a first place dairy promotion award at the NW District Banquet in Menomonie. The Junior Beavers were Teri Odden, Jana Greener and Kim Owens.

Cumberland Fire Chief Bob Mack reported a fire Saturday evening at approximately 10:30 pm at the Frank Daniels cabin. Mack said the fire apparently started when some leaves Daniels had been burning earlier in the day got under the building. There was only minor damage.

October 21, 1976
50 Years Ago

The 1976 Homecoming Court has been announced. The court members are Ken Sparish, Kathy Tobish, Joe Clark, Louise Savage, John Peichel, Joan Odden, John Walsh, Joan Capra, Vince Lepak, Connie Ruppel, Holly Walters and Kevin Barrows.

Ol' man winter paid an early and surprise visit to northern Wisconsin the first part of this week-probably a bit ahead of the usual schedule. The snow started falling Monday morning and by mid-afternoon it started to accumulate. It continued through a good part of the night and by Tuesday it broke. A couple of inches had fallen throughout that time.

60 Years Ago
October 27, 1966

Terrance DeNucci, son of Martin DeNucci and Joy DeNucci of Cumberland, has been promoted to airman second class in the U.S. Air Force. He is a communications specialist at Sembach AB, Germany.

70 Years Ago
October 25, 1956

The front of the Heinecke-Cotone Barber Shop was damaged last early Tuesday morning when a 1957 Ford ran into the building. The driver of the Ford left the scene and disappeared and has not been located since.

80 Years Ago
October 24, 1946

Cumberland's red-uniformed band won first place in Class A at the American Legion Tenth District Conference Parade in Menomonie last Sunday. They were awarded the honor and the substantial money prize which goes with it for excellence in playing while marching.



WEATHER

Date	Hi	Lo	Precip.
10/13	70	46	0.00
10/14	56	44	trace
10/15	53	40	0.00
10/16	49	44	0.97
10/17	49	32	0.00
10/18	58	36	0.00
10/19	66	39	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.

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Court News

Barron County Circuit Court

Traffic Court

Alexandra I. Llugcha, 31, Rice Lake, resisting/failing to stop, $894.00. Lindsay R. Applebee, 42, Birchwood, operating while suspended, $200.50. Tristan L. Balser, 18, Prairie Farm, OWI, $968.00. John R. Bear, 62, Carmel, IN., speeding, $225.70. Abby E. Bergman, 25, Hartland, speeding, $200.50. Haylee E. Booth, 19, Clayton, speeding, $175.30. Olivia C. Broeski, 24, Verona, speeding, $276.10. Catherine M. Buckwalter, 74, Almena, failure to wear a seat belt, $10.00. Michael E, Buhrow, 30, Rice Lake, speeding, $175.30. Brian L. Buhrow, 65, Rice Lake, possess open intoxicants in motor vehicle, $200.50 and vehicle passenger failure to wear a seat belt, $10.00. Joshua P. Buss, 43, Bloomer, speeding, $250.90. Kristine K. Carmeli, 59, Stillwater, MN., speeding, 200.50. Cameron L. Chapman, 23, Siren, speeding, $200.50. Noah D. Christner, 25, Luck, failure to wear a seat belt, $10.00. Charles L. Demontigny, 22, Cumberland, non-registration of vehicle, $175.30. Angela M. Derousseau, 31, Clayton, operating a motor vehicle without proof of insurance, $10.00. Elizabeth A. Duffy, 33, Barron, operating while revoked, $389.50. Shaely E. Duffy, 29, Barron, operate without a valid license, $200.50. Violet R. Fasbender, 23, Cameron, operating a motor vehicle without proof of insurance, $10.00. Jake E. Fechter, 34, North Branch, MN., operate without carrying a license, $150.10. Jerrold J. Fix, 63, Byron, MN., non-registration of vehicle, $175.30. Bailey M. Franzen, 32, Ladysmith, operating a motor vehicle without insurance, $200.50. Justin R. Gaede, 33, Clayton, operating a motor vehicle without proof of insurance, $10.00. Justine E. Ganski, 25, Merrill, operating left of center, $213.10. Lindsey K. Hahn, 20, Rochester, MN., operating while suspended, $200.50. Zakary R. Henning, 26, Bruce, operating a motor vehicle without proof of insurance, $10.00. Adrianna E. Hochstetler, 19, Rice Lake, automobile following too closely, $200.50. Andrew L. Hoff, 22, Rice Lake, speeding, $200.50. April R. Huffman, 52, Weyerhaeuser, operating a motor vehicle without proof of insurance, $10.00. Luis E. Jimenez Quesada, 25, Chetek, operate without a valid license, $200.50. Marvin D. Johnson, 30, Cameron, failure to wear a seat belt, $10.00. Lynn E. Kallenbach, 73, Hillsdale, failure to wear a seat belt, $10.00. Jack P. Knoebel, 51, Marseilles, IL., speeding, $200.50. Jack A. Larson, 20, Isanti, MN., operating while revoked, $200.50. Marcia K. Lewis, 51, Somerset, failure to wear a seat belt, $10.00. Feng Lin, 49, Eau Claire, speeding, $200.50. Jacob T. Lokken, 18, Eau Claire, fail/slow vehicle-passing stopped/emergency vehicle, $263.50. Chad C. Magle, 54, Rice Lake, operator violate red traffic light, $175.30. John Maline, 77, Barronett, refuse to take test for intoxication after arrest, $50.00. Robert D. Mathews, 62, Mikana, failure to wear a seat belt, $10.00. Kevin C. Meister, 23, Danbury, operating while suspended, $200.50 and non-registration of vehicle, $175.30. Alexander V. Meister, 23, Duluth, MN., speeding, $200.50. Jennifer L. Monson, 38, Barron, failure to wear a seat belt, $10.00. Kelly M. Morrison, 48, Cameron, operate without a valid license, $200.50. Michelle F. Natrop, 70, Rockford, MN., speeding, $225.70. Hoa T. Nguyen, 29, Rice Lake, violation of child safety restraint requirements, $263.50, operator failure to have passenger seat belted, $10.00 and speeding, $175.30. Keenan J. Nyren, 21, Eau Claire, operating a motor vehicle without proof of insurance, $10.00. Kenneth W. Pardun, 34, Webster, inattentive driving, $389.50. Robert P. Reed, 55, Cameron, operating a motor vehicle without proof of insurance, $10.00. Cori A. Richardson, 34, Marshfield, speeding, $250.90. Courtney E. Roat, 29, Comstock, speeding, $175.30. Annmarie P. Rupp, 64, Palos Park, IL, speeding, $200.50. Bredon J. Scherer, 21, Hillsdale, fail/equip vehicle fenders, $175.30, windshields-tinting-critical area, $175.30 and vent/side window excessive tinting, $175.30. Emmelee E. Shipley, 22, Ridgeland, OWI, $968.00. Amber R. Skarlupka, 19, Deer River, MN., speeding, $200.50. Scott J. Stoeberl, 46, Rice Lake, refuse to take test for intoxication after arrest, $50.00. Markis C. Stoll, 26, Barron, operating while revoked, $200.50 and operate motorcycle without valid license, $200.50. Jason L. Wiley, 27, Rice Lake, speeding, $200.50. Ross D. Wilson, 62, Spooner, speeding, $250.90. Nicole L. Wood, 43, Saint Paul, MN., speeding, $175.30.

D.N.R.

Michelle M. Boutwell, 57, of Trego, has been charged with place, use or hunt over illegal bait for bear. Her court date is scheduled for November 18, 2026.

Tyler S. Boutwell, 32, of Ridgeland, has been charged with place, use or hunt over illegal bait for bear. His court date is scheduled for November 18, 2026.

George B. Christenson, 72, of Prairie Farm, has been charged with place, use, hunt wild animals with bait (<5 gallons). His court date is scheduled for November 18, 2026.

Complaints

Rayford D. Langley, 59, no address, has been charged with obstructing an officer. His court date is scheduled for November 4, 2026.

Amanda L. Garcia, 36, of Comstock, has been charged with disorderly conduct. Her court date is scheduled for November 25, 2026.

Erik B. Whiterabbit, 35, of New Richmond, has been charged with disorderly conduct. His court date was scheduled for October 9, 2026.

Quentin N. Lopez, 29, of Barron, has been charged with disorderly conduct. His court date was scheduled for October 9, 2026.

Makayla E. Sadowski, 18, of Barron, has been charged with underage drinking. Her court date is scheduled for January 27, 2027.

Chanelle A. White, 19, of Almena, has been charged with underage drinking. Her court date is scheduled for January 27, 2027.

Ashley R. Schmitt, 35, of Almena, has been charged with ATV-operate/excess speed near person. Her court date is scheduled for November 18, 2026.

Abigail J. Medeiros, 43, of Barron, has been charged with disorderly conduct and domestic abuse. Her court trial is scheduled for November 4, 2026.

Criminal Traffic

Israel Coronadolorenzo, 55, of Arcadia, has been charged with OWI, operating with PAC and ignition interlock device tampering/failure install/violate court order. He has a warrant issued for his arrest.

Lee A. LeFevers, 37, of Dallas, has been charged with operating while revoked and ignition interlock device tampering/failure to install/violate court order. His adjourned initial appearance was scheduled for October 21, 2026.

Cedryk S. Smith, 43, of Almena, has been charged with operating while revoked and ignition interlock device tampering/failure to install/violate court order. His court hearing is scheduled for January 15, 2027.

William J. Roth, 43, of Comstock, has been charged with operating while revoked. His initial appearance was scheduled for October 21, 2026.

Joel L. Aldana, 44, of Zimmerman, MN., has been charged with operating commercial motor vehicle without a license. His initial appearance was scheduled for October 21, 2026.

Jared S. Jensen, 36, of Luck, has been charged with operating while revoked. His initial appearance was scheduled for October 21, 2026.

Frankie P. St. Germaine, 49, of Rice Lake, has been charged with operating while revoked. His initial appearance was scheduled for October 21, 2026.

Abigail A. Lumbi-Ibarra, 35, of Rice Lake, has been charged with operate without a valid license. Her initial appearance was scheduled for October 21, 2026.

Criminal Complaints

Terra V. Lindemans, 44, of Rice Lake, has been charged with battery, domestic abuse, criminal damage to property and disorderly conduct. Her adjourned initial appearance was scheduled for October 21, 2026.

Bredon J. Scherer, 21, of Hillsdale, has been charged with disorderly conduct, domestic abuse and criminal damage to property. His adjourned initial appearance was scheduled for October 21, 2026.

Patricia W. Idle, 38, of Rice Lake, has been charged with possess/illegally obtained prescription. Her adjourned initial appearance was scheduled for October 21, 2026.

David W. Hecker, 55, of North Branch, MN., has been charged with battery, domestic abuse, attempt battery, criminal damage to property, and domestic abuse. His court hearing is scheduled for November 11, 2026.

Donovan D. Nickell, 33, of Turtle Lake, has been charged with disorderly conduct and domestic abuse. His plea hearing is scheduled for January 15, 2027.

Robert J. Gallardo, 30, of Almena, has been charged with disorderly conduct. His initial appearance is scheduled for October 28, 2026.

Tyler J. Heram, 23, of Rice Lake, has been charged with disorderly conduct. His initial appearance is scheduled for October 28, 2026.

Dwight A. Glover, 27, of Rice Lake, has been charged with disorderly conduct and domestic abuse. His adjourned initial appearance was scheduled for October 21, 2026.

Randall A. Pease, 63, of Chippewa Falls, has been charged with possession of methamphetamine, party to a crime and possession of drug paraphernalia. His initial appearance is scheduled for October 28, 2026.

Guy R. Johnson, 48, of Chippewa Falls, has been charged with possession of methamphetamine, possession of drug paraphernalia and possession of illegally obtained prescription. His initial appearance is scheduled for October 28, 2026.

Steven J. Berry, 53, of Clear Lake, has been charged with possession of methamphetamine. His adjourned initial appearance is scheduled for October 21, 2026.

Jacquelyn A. Fisher, 41, of Spooner, has been charged with possession of methamphetamine. Her adjourned initial appearance was scheduled for October 21, 2026.

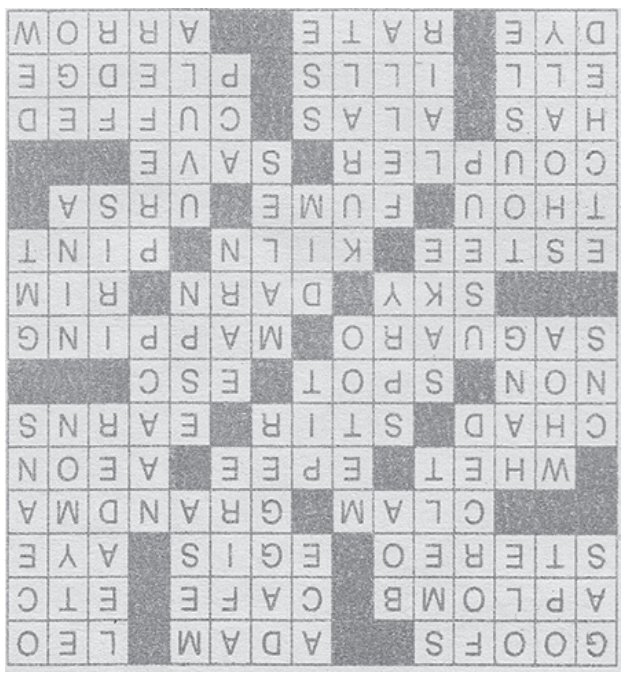
Joseph C. Harris, 43, of Spooner, has been charged with possession of methamphetamine. His preliminary hearing was scheduled for October 20, 2026.

Alesha N. Staley, 26, of Eau Claire, has been charged with possession of methamphetamine. Her adjourned initial appearance was scheduled for October 21, 2026.

Cassandra A. Swantish, 30, of Rice Lake, has been charged with retail theft-intentionally take. Her adjourned initial appearance was scheduled for October 21, 2026.

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Sudoku Solution #4150-D



Cumberland Man Sentenced to 18 Years in Prison after Assaulting Mother and Law Enforcement

Devin Baldwin appeared on October 14, 2026 in Barron County Circuit Court and was sentenced to serve an 18 year sentence with 12 years of initial incarceration followed by six years of supervision.

Baldwin was charged with a Class I felony Throw/Discharge Bodily Fluid at Public Safety Worker or Prosecutor, Class E Felony Aggravated Battery-Intend Great Bodily Harm, Class C Felony Mayhem, and Class H Felony Strangulation and Suffocation.

Minnesota Man Charged with Homicide in Washburn County; $5 Million Cash Bond Ordered

Twenty-five-year-old Colton Christopherson, of St. Michael, MN., is facing a homicide charge in Washburn County Circuit Court after allegedly admitting to killing a man at a Spooner residence and attempting to dispose of his body.

On September 26, 2026, Washburn County Sheriff's Office Deputies were dispatched to a welfare check on County Highway E in Spooner.

The 911 caller requested a welfare check due to strange behavior, possibly drug-induced, being exhibited by Christopherson.

The criminal complaint says Witness #1 stated that the person for whom the welfare check was requested, had been out hunting earlier with a second witness, but had gone home emotionally upset, saying he had to take care of some family business. The witness had been unable to contact them after that.

The criminal complaint goes on to say that Christopherson arrived a short time later, driving an SUV and stated, "Red red dead." The witness asked Christopherson what he was talking about, and Christopherson said, "Just text or call me if you see "Victim" and he left the property in the SUV.

Christopherson then called the second witness and asked if could follow Christopherson in his truck to the property while Christopherson drove the victim's truck, and then give him a ride back to the house. The witness declined and felt that something was very wrong.

Witnesses told law enforcement that they were unsure about firearms in the victim's residence, but that there should be a crossbow.

Once deputies arrived on scene, one of the deputies noticed a white SUV backed into the driveway and a Chevrolet truck backed up to the garage. The garage door was open and the truck's topper was also open.

The deputy observed a white male exiting the residence in the garage and walked out to the rear of the Chevy truck, just out of sight, and the deputy believed it to be Chirstopherson.

The deputy quickly exited to get a visual on the male, who came from behind the truck and began walking down the driveway toward the deputy. When deputies asked, the man confirmed he was Christopherson. The deputy asked Christopherson how his day was going, and Christopherson said it was fine and put his hand out to shake the deputy's. The deputy noticed Christopherson's hand was shaking erratically and he seemed to be very nervous.

The criminal complaint goes on to say the deputy asked Christopherson if the victim was around, Christopherson looked back at the house and said yes. The deputy asked if he could speak with the victim, and Christopherson put his head down, looked at the house and said he was dead.

According to the criminal complaint, the deputy asked how he was dead, and Christopherson said, "I killed him."

The deputy immediately told Christopherson to place his hands behind his back and handcuffed him.

Christopherson told the deputy that no one else was at the residence and that the victim had been dead for over an hour. The criminal complaint states Christopherson also allegedly stated that the victim had died by a knife. When the deputy asked Christopherson where the weapon was, Christopherson stated, "In the garage." Christopherson also told the deputy that the victim was in the laundry room.

When the deputy entered the basement, he observed bloody footprints and two knives. The deputy also noticed a strong metallic odor of blood and observed blood splatter on the walls near a pool table and on a door as he approached a closed door in the hallway. The deputy could hear the dryer running and opened the laundry room door.

When the deputy opened the door, he found the victim lying face down on a tarp, partially covered. The deputy observed blood on the back of the victim's head and could not find a pulse.

The deputy states that it appeared someone had been attempting to clean the floor by mopping it and a large open garbage bag was in the garage and appeared to have bloody clothing and shoes in it.

Christopherson was then transported to the Washburn County Sheriff's Office, where he agreed to speak with an investigator.

In the interview, Christopherson told the investigator he was in Minnesota and traveled to the victim's cabin on County Highway E. When he arrived and saw cars traveling down the roadway, that were certain colors and license plates had certain meanings, Christopherson believed that the victim had hired someone to kill him.

Christopherson told the investigator the purpose was to travel to the residence and ask the victim if he had indeed hired someone to kill him. Christopherson stated that the victim said yes and Christopherson killed him, and it was better that he did than someone else.

Christopherson allegedly stabbed the victim two times in the neck.

Christopherson went on to explain that he moved the victim's body and put him into the back of the white SUV, with a shovel, and drove him to the hunting land with the intention of burying the victim on the property. However, Christopherson said that he was not able to carry this action out because one of the witnesses was at the property when Christopherson arrived.

Christopherson then brought the victim back to the house, put the victim face down on a tarp in the laundry room and began to clean the basement by washing rugs and wiping the bloody floor with beach towels.

Christopherson admitted that he removed his clothing and placed them in a garbage bag and took a shower and put new clothes on.

On September 29, 2026, at a bail bond hearing, the Honorable Judge Angeline Winton-Roe ordered a $5,000,000 cash bond for him. He is scheduled for a competency hearing in December 2026.

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Sports

Beavers Football Season Ends with 49-7 Loss to Ashland

The Cumberland Football Team saw the 2026 season come to an end last Friday night with a 49-7 loss to the Ashland Oredockers. Ashland will take a 6-3 record into the WIAA Playoffs this Friday, while the Beavers end their year with a 2 and 7 mark.

The Beavers started the year with a pair of victories, but saw injuries thin out an already small roster, making it tough to compete against the rest of the league. The Beavers played a solid first half against the large Ashland squad, trailing only 14-0 at halftime, but again, found injuries and a thinned-out roster causing them to struggle after intermission.

The Beavers lone touchdown was an 18-yard touchdown pass from Sophomore quarterback Colton Gramberg to Senior Max Odden. Gramburg completed five of 10 passes in the contest for 35 yards while Odden caught two balls for 20 yards. For the season, Odden caught 13 balls for 356 yards and five scores.

Mitchell Monchilovich rushed 12 times for 43 yards to lead the Cumberland ground game, which had 52 yards in 18 carries over the game. For the season. the Cumberland senior led the Beavers with 402 yards in 84 carries as the Beavers averaged 203 yards of total offense per game on the year.

Defensively, Cumberland had strong efforts from a number of players including Sophomore Jake Gilbertson, who had 13 tackles and a sack in the contest. Odden and Monchilovich added 11 tackles each and Junior Rhowan Ruppel seven. Odden had a strong final campaign, leading the Beavers with 79 tackles on the year, while Gilbertson added 59.

Coach Lauterbach loses eight seniors off this year's team, Monchilovich, Odden, Hunter Fowler, Aiden Hartman, Jared Wilcox, Gabe Graf, and Brody Gilbertson. Gilbertson, missed all but the season's first game with an injury, costing the Beavers a two-time First Team All-Conference selection.

Lauterbach added, "I am proud of the fight we showed this year. A lot of adversity that we faced is out of our control, mainly injuries to a lot of starters. Young kids got a lot of varsity reps and that should help us moving forward. This season started hot and we saw what we could do and now we have to work all off season to get ourselves there again and further in 2027."

The Beavers have seven juniors and 10 sophomores listed on this year's roster.

Volleyball Team Ends Regular Season; WIAA Tournament Began Tuesday

When you play the HON's best two teams, you know it is going to be a difficult week. That's what happened last Tuesday and Wednesday, when Cumberland dropped matches to Barron and the 2026 Conference Champion, St. Croix Falls Saints.

"We played with great effort, but could not pull off an upset," added Coach Erin Miller. The team opened up WIAA Tournament action on Tuesday against Elk Mound and should they win, will play in Northwestern this Thursday night.

Against Barron, Natalie Anderson led the team with 10 assist and three service aces, while Hailey Paulson had a team-leading nine kills. Against the Saints, Anderson led the team with 12 assists, while Lily Murphy had 13 digs.

Soccer Team Finishes Regular Season; WIAA Playoffs Started Tuesday

The Cumberland Soccer Team's regular season came to an end last week with a 6-0 loss to Barron. The Beavers held the Bears scoreless for 30-minutes before they began their scoring binge over the game's final 55-minutes. "We couldn't match their skill and quickness on all parts of the field," said Head Coach Brent Sellent.

Cumberland opened WIAA Tournament action on Tuesday with a home match against Faith Christian Academy. A win there would send the team into a second-round match-up against Barron this Thursday in Barron at 4:00 pm.

Spare Time Monday Night Ladies Bowling League Standing

Team Standings
Spare Time - 38
Northwoods 2 - 36
Bowlin' Buddies - 34
Big Bear Express - 32
Becker's Trucking - 27
Infinity - 26
Austad's Super Valu - 18
Northwoods Septic - 5

5 High Scratch Games
Brenda Levine - 237
Sam Munkelwitz - 210
Donna Berquam - 181
Patty Kalkbrenner-181
Heidi VanHeuklom-178

5 High Scratch Series
Brenda Levine - 590
Patty Kalkbrenner - 530
Sam Munkelwitz - 513
Donna Berquam - 497
Heidi VanHeuklom - 491

Sports Calendar

Thursday, Oct. 22
Soccer Regional @ Barron with win on Tuesday 4:00
Volleyball Regional @ N.Western with win on Tuesday 7:00

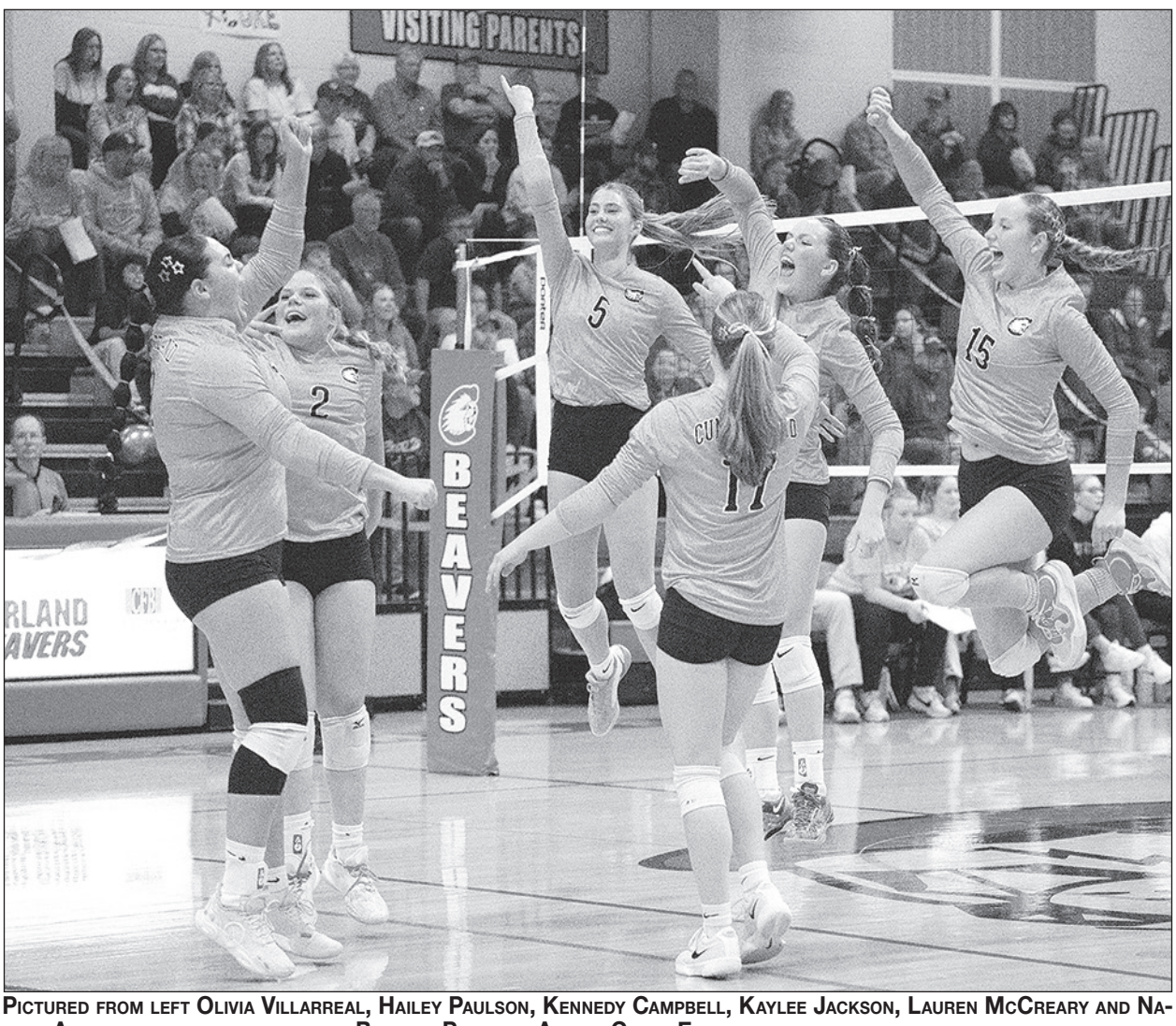
Season Comes To A Close!



Gabe Graf looks for some running room behind linemen Brett Talbot and Hunter Fowler Friday night vs Ashland. Photo by Jocelyn Guerra.



Beaver defenders Rhowen Ruppel, Jake Gilbertson, Vince Avilia-Gonzalez and Jack Manor prepare to take down an Ashland running back Friday night at Endeavor Stadium. Photo by Jocelyn Guerra.



Pictured from left Olivia Villarreal, Hailey Paulson, Kennedy Campbell, Kaylee Jackson, Lauren McCreary and Natalie Anderson celebrate a point vs Barron. Photo by Aiyana-Chloe Escolano.

Cumberland Area Fishing & Hunting Table

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DATE	AM Minor	AM Major	PM Minor	PM Major	Sunrise	Sunset	MOON Rise	MOON Up	MOON Sets	MOON Down	DST
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10/22 Thu	2:26	8:37	2:48	8:58	07:32	06:10	4:28p	3:23a	10:24p	10:02a	*
10/23 Fri	3:04	9:15	3:26	9:37	07:34	06:09	4:46p	4:33a	11:09p	10:46a	*
10/24 Sat>	3:44	9:55	4:07	10:19	07:35	06:07	5:06p	5:46a	11:56p	11:32a	*
10/25 Sun>	4:28	10:40	4:53	11:06	07:37	06:05	5:28p	7:03a	NoMoon	12:21p	*
10/26 Mon	F 5:18	11:32	5:46	-----	07:38	06:04	5:55p	8:24a	12:48a	1:15p	*
10/27 Tue>	6:17	12:02	6:46	12:31	07:39	06:02	6:31p	9:48a	1:44a	2:13p	*

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



An Outdoorsman's Journal

By Mark Walters

Five Kids and a lot of Hunts

Hello friends,

This past weekend I participated as a mentor in Wisconsin's Youth Deer Hunt. Once again, I was fortunate enough to help Kensie Reifsneider on what would be her final youth hunt as she will be 16 next July and aged out of what I feel is a really great way to help our youth hunt deer and at other times ducks and turkey.

We would be hunting on the Jeff Pausma dairy farm which is located in Dodge County between Burnett and Fox Lake. Jeff and his family love their land and their animals and it was a good day several years ago when Jeff reached out to me as a reader and we have since become friends.

We would be staying in a small and very comfortable shack that is the headquarters of the Fowl Mouth Hunt Club and is run by Tyler Thiede of Mayville and several friends and family members. Tyler would be this weekends' cook and also helped mentor 12-year-old Bennet Reifsneider. We hunt and laugh a lot both at night and between the morning and afternoon hunts.

Saturday, October 10th

High 82, low 52,

I am going to dedicate this column to writing about Kensie and some of the experiences that I have had with her, her 17-year-old brother Joey, 12-year old brother Bennet and cousins Carsyn 16 and Conner 14 all of whom I have helped mentor. Kensie is a sophomore at Beaver Dam High School and loves animals and also very much enjoys hunting, cross country, being on the Beaver Dam High School trap shooting team and playing softball.

Kensie hopes to become a large animal veterinarian someday and I believe that she will as her love for animals was very obvious when I watched her with the Pausma's calves. After we left she told me she would like to volunteer on their farm. Kensie is also an officer in her schools FFA chapter and to top it off she has a pet turkey that she named Nugget, and she has every intention of making nuggets out of Nugget.

Last year on the last night of our hunt I watched Kensie make a 100-yard-shot on a doe and it was really sweet to observe, especially knowing how much her family enjoys venison.

My buddy Jeff Pausma had one small request on this hunt, in June while mowing hay he rescued 3 fawns from the mower and the mother observed the entire experience. The doe was off limits as were her fawns and for good reason as they had become regulars around the barn area and this request would not be a problem as we hunt a different part of the property.

Last year on Saturday night I sat with then 11-year-old Bennet Reifsneider and was very impressed when he made a 120 yard shot on a doe and the really cool thing about both experiences, both Bennet and Kensie were using rifles that they had won through KAMO "Kids And Mentors Outdoors" experiences

I have been running with these five young outdoorsmen and women and we always stay at the shack except for when we hunt KAMO's "Joe Hunt." I was sitting with Conner when he shot what woulda/shoulda been his first buck. When we walked up to it, the buck had no horns, was 2.5 years old and was registered as antlerless. I have also sat with Conner for several successful turkey hunts.

Then there is 17-year-old Joey Reifsneider who also attends Beaver Dam High School. Joey loves to duck hunt and had a great hunt while Kensie and I were hunting Sunday morning. When Joey was 15 and on his last Youth Deer Hunt, I mentored him and grunted in a 6-pointer which would be his first buck, like Kensie, Joey has the farming bug and milks cows on a local farm.

Last but not least is Carsyn Thiede, Carsyn is 16 so she is aged out of the Youth Hunts. I sat with Carsyn when she put a heck of a shot on her first buck when I believe she was 11 and that was a memorable experience. Twice her gun would not fire and it looked like the 8-pointer was going to live to see another day. I messed with the action and Carsyn did the rest.

Carsyn and Conner both attend Mayville High School and Carsyn is very active on the Mayville High School Ice Fishing Team and Conner will enter his freshmen winter doing the same. I was fortunate enough to spend the weekend with this team during the state championship and loved every minute of it.

As I am hoping that you can see, taking a young hunter hunting is not all about filling a tag, I feel it is about helping create a lifetime of shared memories and perhaps a lifelong interest in becoming an outdoors person.

Sunset



Kensie Reifsneider and her pet turkey Nugget.



Kensie Reifsneider plans on being a large animal vet someday.

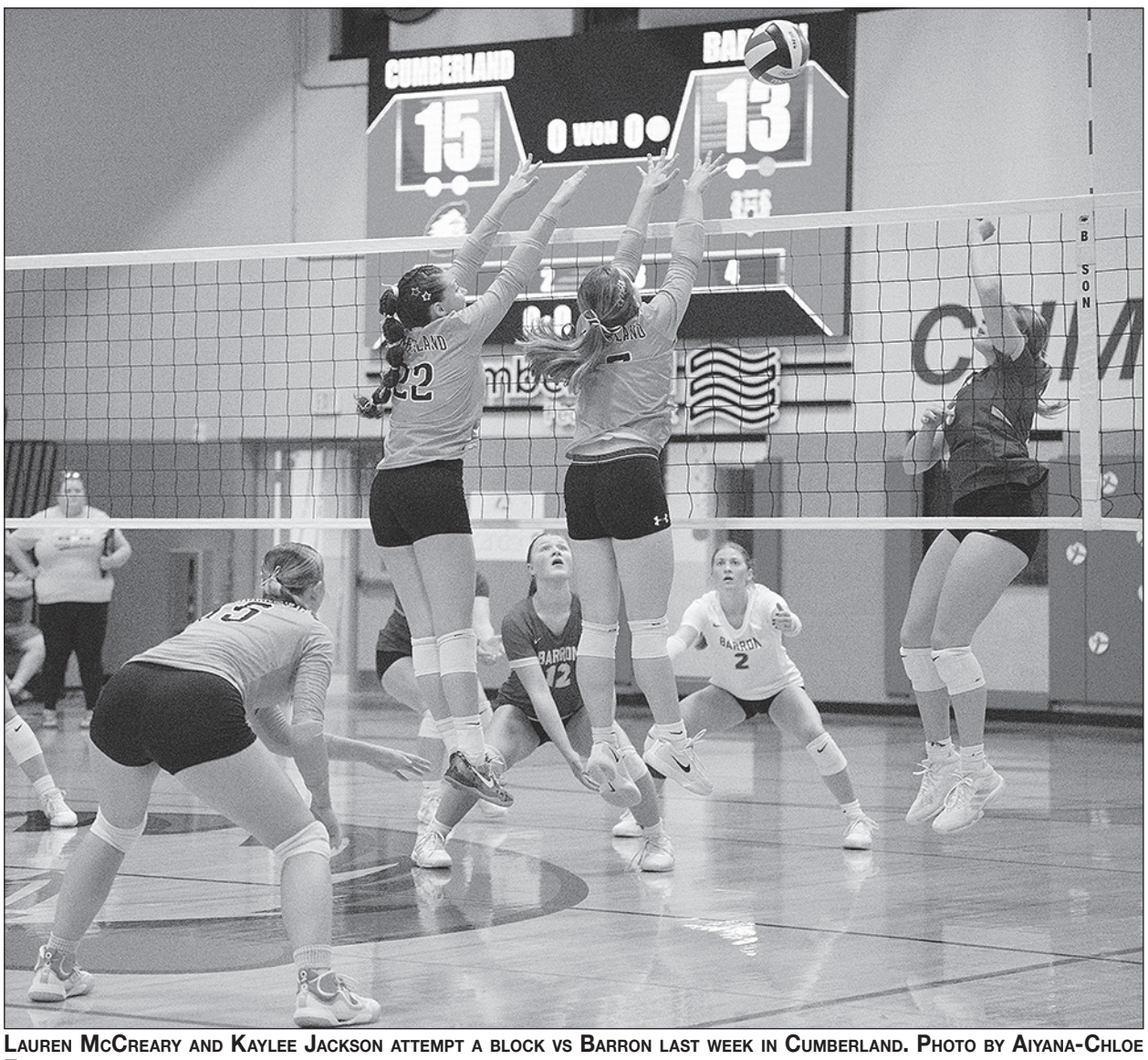
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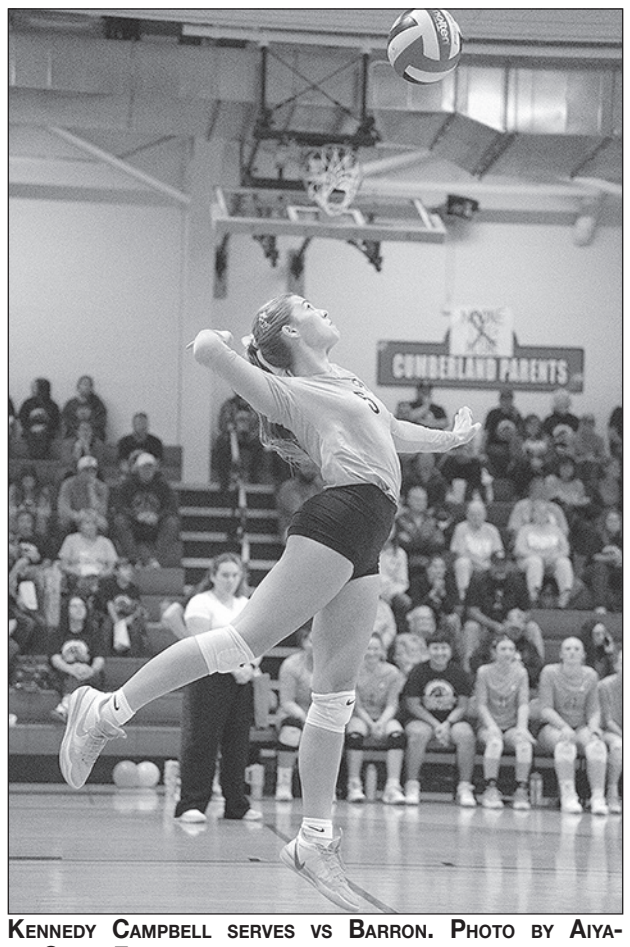
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Lauren McCreary and Kaylee Jackson attempt a block vs Barron last week in Cumberland. Photo by Aiyana-Chloe Escolano.



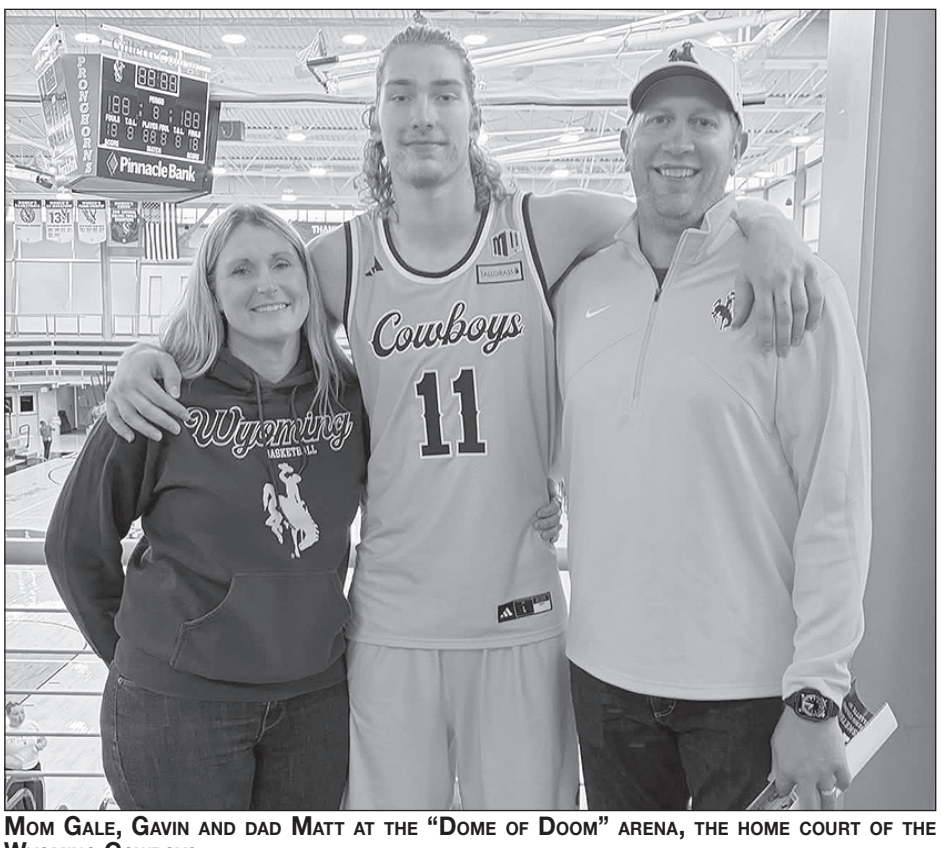
Kennedy Campbell serves vs Barron. Photo by Aiyana-Chloe Escolano.

Learn To Skate!



Cumberland Area Youth Hockey has welcomed more than 75 new skaters to the ice this month with their free Learn to Skate program. Be sure to check out the CYHA website for upcoming events including a free Learn to Play Hockey program and open skate hours for all ages.

Looking For A Big Season!



Mom Gale, Gavin and dad Matt at the "Dome of Doom" arena, the home court of the Wyoming Cowboys.

Gores Looks For a Big Sophomore Campaign

Gavin Gores, a 2025 Cumberland graduate, expects to have a big year for his Wyoming Cowboys Basketball Team. He appeared in 28 games and made eight starts during his freshman campaign, finishing the season averaging 7.3 points per game while also adding 3.4 rebounds per contest.

Gores scored the first basket of the year for the Cowboys as they opened their exhibition season with a 94-68 victory over Northern Colorado.

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Final HON Standings

Football Standings

#	Name	Season W	Season L	Season PCT	Conference W	Conference L	Conference PCT
1	Northwestern	9	0	1.000	7	0	1.000
2	Saint Croix Falls	8	1	.889	6	1	.857
3	Ashland	6	3	.667	5	2	.714
4	Bloomer	4	5	.444	4	3	.571
5	Hayward/Lac Courte Oreilles	3	6	.333	3	4	.429
6	Barron	1	8	.111	1	6	.143
6	Spooner	1	8	.111	1	6	.143
6	Cumberland	2	7	.222	1	6	.143

Volleyball Standings

TEAM	CONF	OVR
St. Croix Falls	8-0	26-8
Barron	8-1	31-4
Hayward	7-2	20-11
Unity	6-3	21-13
Cameron	5-4	14-15
Northwestern	4-5	14-15
Cumberland	2-6	9-23
Spooner	2-7	12-15
Ladysmith	1-8	12-25
Ashland	1-8	3-19
Chetek	0-0	0-0

Soccer Standings

#	Name	Season W	Season L	Season T	Season PCT	Conference W	Conference L	Conference T	Conference PCT
1	Barron	16	2	5	.804	11	0	1	.958
2	Hayward	10	3	2	.733	9	2	1	.792
3	Washburn	7	5	1	.577	7	3	1	.682
4	Unity/SCF	6	11	1	.361	5	5	1	.500
5	Spooner/Shell Lake	4	11	2	.294	4	7	1	.375
6	Cumberland	2	12	1	.167	2	9	1	.208
7	Ashland/Drummond	0	14	0	.000	0	12	0	.000

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Week #6 WINNERS!

1st Place — Kelly Slawter — 12

2nd Place — Jim Slawter — 10

3rd Place — * Darryl McCoy — 9

Barronett News

By Judy Pieper

Imagine a drum roll here – Members of the Rice Lake Middle School flag football team, the Bears, played an outstanding championship game against team Vikings this past Tuesday evening, and won by a large margin. Lynn Thon's grandson, Kane, is one of the players, and we (Lynn, Garett, Kandice and Pierce Thon, Tru Lehmann and me) had a fantastic time enthusiastically cheering the whole team on. This will be Kane's last flag football game, as he will be in tackle next year. Great job, Bears players. Good luck next year to those of you planning to go on in the sport.

Okay, we need another drum roll – Members of the Cumberland High School Marching Band traveled to Whitewater on Saturday to compete in the state band competition, and took first place in their division. Geri Pittman's granddaughter, Brooke, is one of the band members, and Geri was so proud and happy to report that they took first place again this year. Congratulations to all the Marching Band members. And, congratulations to band director, Mr. Pierce, on getting his first championship for Cumberland. Keep up the great work.

Be sure to check out the article in next week's paper about Marilynn Shaurette and Bonnie Pfaff completing the 1,200-mile Ice Age Trail. Congratulations you two. I think you should take a much-deserved rest.

The potluck dinner at Barronett Lutheran Church this past Wednesday evening was, once again, wonderful. There were so many different things to choose from – and plenty of desserts too. We had a few visitors, so that was very nice. Always great to see new people.

Joan Stetler brought in a nice surprise that evening. She had to separate her Christmas cactus, which had grown too big for the pot, and she brought in little Christmas cactus plants for us to take home and "try" to keep alive. I told her that I have had them before, and always ended up killing the poor things. Well, she told me not to water it too often, set it in a southern facing window, and just let it go. I'm going to try – I really like Christmas cacti, but, up to this point, have had to enjoy them at other people's homes.

And, one more thing about Wednesday evening – Katy Malone always brings in a bowl of wrapped candies and a basket filled with all kinds of goodies to the dinner. People write their names on pieces of paper and she draws a name later for the basket, and people guess the number of candies in the bowl to try to win that. Well – She picked Duane's name for the basket, and I guessed 78 pieces for the bowl of candy, there were 87 pieces in there, so we went home with both prizes. Last year Boyd Aarestad won both prizes so ----- eat your heart out, Boyd. Your reign of terror is over. Imagine an evil laugh here.

Lynn Thon hosted another cookout by the treehouse on Sunday afternoon. Her guests were Suzy, Ryan and Tru Lehmann, Tina Anderson, Kane and Pierce Thon and Duane and me. We were finally able to have a bonfire because it had rained and the wind wasn't too bad. We did have the garden hose hooked up and near the fire just to be safe. It was the perfect day to have a picnic – the sun was shining brightly and there was just enough of a breeze to keep us cool. The boys and Tru played badminton and roasted marshmallows for s'mores. We had a great day.

This spring Scott Copus gave us a watermelon plant that he had started at home, and we have been nursing it along for a few months now, hoping to get some watermelons that we can share with him and his new wife, Jodi. Unfortunately, our growing season was not long enough, but this weekend I moved the plant (in a HUGE planter) into our garage where I will continue to give it TLC and, hopefully, get at least one watermelon on it. I will let you know how that turns out.

While Sue Meier was visiting last week she, Geri Pittman and I went over to Haugen for breakfast at Lona's Café. I hadn't seen the Semm's for quite some time, and they were there having breakfast as well, so it was nice to be able to say hello to them. While we were relaxing and enjoying our coffee after breakfast, Romaine Quinn stopped by to say hello. It was so nice to see him too. It's fun to remember that he was the youngest mayor ever in Rice Lake – and that he is still working hard to keep things in Wisconsin running on an even keel.

And, speaking of Romaine, we are getting way to close to mid-term election day. I would love to tell you how to vote, but no one ever listens to me anyway, so, I don't need to know how you vote as long as you get out and vote. It's hard to know which are the better candidates by listening to political ads, so I try to fact-find as much as I can. I'll vote and hope for the best.

Going to run. Enjoy this beautiful fall weather. See you next time.

OBITUARIES



James "Jim" W. Steen

James "Jim" William Steen, 89, of Cumberland passed away on October 8, 2026, at his home. He was born February 9, 1937 to Albert and Ruby Sophia (Melby) Steen.

Jim was a quiet man who enjoyed being part of the Cumberland community. He will be remembered for serving his country in the Army, his time as an American Family Insurance agent, and for being an entertaining radio personality. After his retirement, he worked at HandiLift for a number of years. In his spare time, Jim also loved hunting for antiques, music, and working on genealogy.

He is survived by his children; nieces and nephews, Thomas Wheeler, Robert Steen, Kevin Steen, Kelly Reed, Andrea (Vern) Severson, Mitchell (Roxanne) Steen, Sandra (Don) Ekenstedt, Vincent Steen, Alison (Ken) Werner, Nathan Steen, and Eric (Lara) Steen; and sister-in-law, Mary Steen.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Donna Steen in 2023; parents, Alvin and Ruby (Melby) Steen; sister, Lorraine Nieman; and brothers, Robert Steen, Richard Steen, and John Steen.

Interment with military honors will be held at Northern WI Veterans Memorial Cemetery on October 27, 2026 at 11 AM.

Skinner Funeral Home of Cumberland is serving the family.

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Senior News

By Gloria Lindeman

THANK YOU to all who helped make our Fall Festival a great success. We had so many nice items to bid on from the business people and others who donated to us and also for raffles.

Thank you to all the people that helped set up and worked with us to get everything ready. Its many hours to get ready for an event like that. Chili was delicious, it was not a good chili day as it was very warm out but we sold out anyway. Treats were delicious.

It was nice to see everyone, some we haven't seen for a long time. Enjoyable time for all.

Next event we are having is a Watercolor class, Thursday, October 22nd starts at 1pm. .Michelle will be teaching us again. Shes a great teacher even if you haven't painted before she will show you. Sign up now it only costs $5 dollars for materials everything is furnished.

Call the center 715 822 8794 or call me at 715 822 8241 to join us.

Stop in at our center coffee bar open at ten on Mondays and any day you want, all days are good to come you are always welcome. Check the Review for our lunch menu call the day before if you want to come in and eat. Centers number is 715 822 8794, it's always a good tasting meal and price is only $7 cant beat that. Hope to see you soon.

THANK YOU again how every you participated at our center. Its much appreciated. Take Care See you at the center.

Share the road with farm vehicles, fall harvest underway; October Law of the Month: Farm vehicle safety

The Wisconsin State Patrol is reminding drivers and farm vehicle operators to share the road with the fall harvest underway. This is a busy time of year for farmers, requiring everyone on the road to be alert and patient to prevent dangerous crashes.

There have been 2,053 crashes involving farm vehicles in Wisconsin over the past five years, resulting in 650 injuries and 28 fatalities. Most of these crashes occur in September, October and November, with October being the peak month.

"We are in the middle of an especially busy time for farmers in Wisconsin, and drivers are likely to encounter large, slow moving farm equipment on the roads," Wisconsin State Patrol Superintendent Tim Carnahan said. "Staying cautious, patient and aware behind the wheel can go a long way in safely sharing the road."

Drivers should always scan the road ahead and be ready to slow down when approaching a slow-moving vehicle. Give farmers extra space and anticipate the possibility that they may slow down or turn into a driveway or field entrance. If you need to pass, do so with caution and only when it is legal to do so. In Wisconsin, it is illegal to pass an agricultural vehicle in a no passing zone.

Farm vehicle operators also have an important role in keeping the roads safe. When driving farm equipment, stay as far to the right as safely possible and be sure your vehicle meets all lighting and marking requirements. Be aware of weight restrictions for the roads you travel. The Wisconsin Department of Agriculture Trade and Consumer Protection provides a statewide map with information about weight limits. You can also find information about permits, exemptions and weight limits on the WisDOT website.

View the October Law of the Month video and news release at wisconsindot.gov/Pages/about-wisdot/newsroom/law/lom.

SENIOR DINING

Thursday, October 22
Build Your Own Burger w/ Lettuce, Tomato and Cheese, Baked Potato w/ Sour Cream, Three Bean Salad, Lemon Bar.

Friday, October 23
Fajita Chicken w/ Sauteed Peppers & Onions, Brown Rice, Steamed Corn, Mandarin Orange Whip.

Monday, October 26
Beef Sloppy Joe on a Whole Wheat Bun, Potato Salad, Green Beans, Fruit Cup.

Tuesday, October 27
Spaghetti w/ Meat Sauce, Steamed Peas, Garlic Bread, Vanilla Pudding.

Wednesday, October 28
Loaded Baked Potato w/ Diced Ham, Cheese, Sour Cream, Dinner Roll, Apple Sauce, Tomato Juice.

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

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OBITUARIES



Richard P. Sparish

Richard Paul Sparish, 75, of Comstock passed away on Tuesday, October 13, 2026, at his home. He was born February 2, 1951, in Cumberland, WI to Joseph and Evelyn (Wuorenma) Sparish.

Dick spent his younger years serving in the National Guard followed by becoming a Draftsman in Minnesota. He established permanent roots back in Comstock, using his draftsman skills to design his home. He worked for Stella Cheese before a career with 3M until his retirement.

Dick was an avid outdoorsman who found enjoyment in fishing, hunting, gardening, and 4-wheeling. He took great pride in his hunting accomplishments and in helping maintain the family hobby farm. He was a loyal Wisconsin sports fan, especially when it came to football. Though a private man, Dick enjoyed shooting the breeze with his buddies. He was known for his generosity, willingness to lend a hand, attention to detail, and the special experiences he created for those he loved. Most of all he was a loving father and grandfather to his 4 grandchildren. Spoiling them and bringing a smile to their faces was his ultimate joy.

He is survived by his daughter: Shani (Mark) Meyer; grandchildren: Hadley, Tatum, Dominic, and Ryker; brothers: James (Pam) Sparish and David (Debbie) Sparish; aunt, Louise Jennrich; nieces, nephew and godchildren: Shannon (Stacey) Tift, Melissa (Greg) Weaver, Holly (Marty) Schramski, Kahla (Justin) Gleiter; Samuel (Kalli) Sparish; great nieces & nephews, Kyle, Chantel, Wyatt, Morgan (Cole), Montana (Collin), Mitchell, Benett, Tierney, Cooper, Violet, Molly, Kinzie, Callen; great great niece & nephews, Parker, Wyatt, Wrenley, and Kannen; and many other relatives and friends.

Dick was preceded in death by his parents, Joseph and Evie Sparish; grandparents, William and Olga (Autio) Wuorenma; and Fred and Christy (Conzone) Sparish.

Funeral services will be held at 11 AM Friday, October 23, 2026, at St. Anthony Catholic Church. Burial will be in St. Anthony Cemetery. Visitation will be from 4-7 PM Thursday, October 22, 2026, at Skinner Funeral Home in Cumberland, and one hour before the mass.

Skinner Funeral Home of Cumberland is serving the family.





PD (Pam) Strickland
November 11, 1967 – September 22, 2026

PD (Pam) Strickland, age 58, of Cumberland, Wisconsin, passed away on September 22, 2026, after a courageous battle with cancer. She faced her illness just as she lived her life: with an indomitable sense of humor, unyielding strength, and a sharp, rapid-fire wit.

For nearly three decades, beginning in 1997, P.D. was a familiar and reassuring presence as a security guard at the St. Croix Casino in Turtle Lake. To her, protecting and helping others was a true calling. She was a real-life hero who performed life-saving CPR on a woman who had collapsed at the casino, directly saving her life. Her job also perfectly matched her love of laughter and music; because the casino hosted touring acts, PD had the unique opportunity to meet many of her favorite comedians and musicians who performed there.

PD's passions were as vibrant as her personality. She was a die-hard Cincinnati Bengals fan, an avid collector of tiger memorabilia, and a massive fan of the rock band KISS. Halloween was her absolute favorite holiday, and she took great joy in surprising people with her elaborate, contest-winning costumes.

As the unofficial family photographer, PD was rarely seen without a camera. She spent countless hours traveling the United States and walking through local woods, capturing the quiet beauty of nature. Her breathtaking work lives on through her dedicated Facebook page, Strick's Pics by PD Strickland, where her legacy of capturing beautiful moments remains for all to see.

Above all, PD was a wonderfully giving person who thought entirely of others. Fiercely devoted to her family, she never missed an event for her many nieces and nephews, and always showed up for family gatherings. PD would help anyone in need and left a lasting impact on everyone she met.

Pam was preceded in death by her beloved parents, Gwen and Jack Strickland., and step-mother Diane Strickland.

She is survived by her siblings: Deb Strickland of Bloomer, WI, Jeff (Donna) Strickland of Cumberland, WI, Dean (Kelly) Strickland of Oak Grove, MN, Scott (Dawn) Strickland of Cameron, WI, Alan (LorRae) Strickland of Blaine, MN, Troy (Ashley) Strickland of Hayden, CO, and Kim Jilek of Haugen, WI, her step-siblings: Scott (Heather) Jerry of Wheeler, WI, Shelly (Tim) Lystrom of St. Croix Falls, WI, and Jack (Jane) Jerry of Chippewa Falls, WI. She also leaves behind her dear friend Ellie Hill of Cumberland, WI, and family, alongside many cherished nieces, nephews, and close friends who will miss her desperately.

Celebration of Life

Please join us in celebrating PD's life on Saturday, October 31, 2026 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

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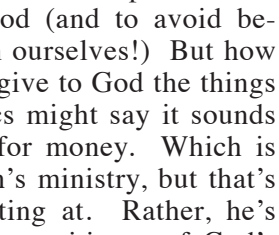
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PUBLIC NOTICES

STATE OF WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES PUBLIC NOTICE OF INTENT TO MODIFY A WISCONSIN POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM (WPDES) PERMIT No.WI-0020354-11-2

Permittee: CITY OF CUMBERLAND, 1165 SAINT ANTHONY STREET, CUMBERLAND, WI, 54829

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

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

Brief Facility Description: The City of Cumberland owns and operates a wastewater treatment system that treats wastes generated from homes and businesses in the community. The facility consists of headworks followed by a Membrane Biological Reactor (MBR). Effluent is discharged to the Hay River. Sludge treated via aerobic digester is land applied as a soil conditioner on land approved by the Department.

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

Basin Engineer's Name, Address, Phone and Email: Edwin Bruntvedt, 810 W Maple St, Spooner, WI 54801, () -, edwin.bruntvedt@wisconsin.gov

Proposed Modification: The permit modification is in response to the City of Cumberland's request to incorporate the approved Water Quality Trading Plan using the Wisconsin Water Quality Trading Clearinghouse into their permit to meet phosphorus limits

The Department has tentatively decided that the above-specified WPDES permit should be modified.

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

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

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

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NOTICE STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT BARRON COUNTY NOTICE TO CREDITORS (INFORMAL ADMINISTRATION) CASE NO. 26PR92

In the Matter of the Estate of Charles T. Boe. Case #2026PR92

An application for informal administration was filed. The decedent, with date of birth December 29, 1956, and date of death September 5, 2026, was domiciled in Barron County, State of Wisconsin with a mailing address of 816 Elm Street, Cumberland, WI 54829.

All interested persons waived notice.

The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate is January 21, 2027. A claim may be filed at the Barron County Justice Center Court House, 1420 St. Hwy 25 N., Barron, Wisconsin, Room 2700.

Sarah Lynn Palodichuk
N5625 1245th St.
Prescott, WI 54021
651-724-8749
Bar #1105190

Date Signed: October 8, 2026
Deanne E. Larson
Probate Registrar

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING STATE OF WISCONSIN SS COUNTY OF BARRON

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given to all persons in the County of Barron, Wisconsin, that the Barron County Zoning Committee will consider at public hearing on Wednesday, November 4, 2026 at 10:30 a.m. in the Room 2106 of the Barron County Government Center, 335 E. Monroe Ave., Barron, Wisconsin, the following request relative to rezoning amendments of the official zoning maps:

Request to rezone the following parcels: Plat 1-1 frac NE-NE lyg N&W of RR ex hwy 63; Plat 2 frac NW-NE 33 acres mfl-c and Plat 3-1 prt SW-NE lyg nwly of hwy 63 row consisting of 106.60 acres in total, all parcels located in Section 04, T34N, R14W, Town of Almena, to rezone approximately 70 acres from the Agricultural-2 and Residential-1 to the Mineral Reserve district.

Property owned by 1764 Ranch LLC

Applicant: Matt Torgerson

The Zoning Committee reserves the right to view the property and convene in executive session prior to rendering a decision.

All persons interested are invited to attend said hearing.

Dated at Barron, Wisconsin, this 21st day of October 2026.

Barron County
Zoning Committee
Audrey Kusilek, Chair

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BDLMD East Lake Open House Thursday, October 29th, 2026 4 pm - 6 pm Cumberland City Hall

As the kick off for the East Lake Watershed Planning Effort, the Beaver Dam Lake Management District will be hosting an open house/listening session to gain perspective of issues that should be considered in the development plan.

Please reach out with any questions to Jay Michels at 651-261-4546 or jmichels@eorinc.com

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING before the County of Barron Wisconsin Zoning Committee Barron County Government Center 335 East Monroe Ave Barron, WI 54812

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given to all persons in the County of Barron, Wisconsin, that the Barron County Zoning Committee will consider a public hearing on Wednesday, November 4, 2026 at 10:00 a.m., in room 2106 of the Barron County Government Center, 335 East Monroe Ave, Barron Wisconsin, for the following matter:

COUNTY OF BARRON FLOODPLAIN ZONING ORDINANCE

The Zoning Committee proposes to rescind the existing County of Barron Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance, Chapter17.42, and to adopt a new County of Barron Code Chapter 19 entitled Barron County Floodplain Ordinance, Chapter 19, and a portion of the code of ordinance of Barron County.

The proposed ordinance is required for county adoption by state law. The proposed regulations are intended to protect life, health, and property in floodplain areas and will govern uses permitted in the floodplain. The proposed ordinance is available for viewing in the office of Barron County Land Service during normal business hours.

All persons are invited to attend this hearing and be heard. Written comments may be submitted to: ben.cole@co.barron.wi.us

Dated at Barron, Wisconsin, this 21st day of October, 2026.

Audrey Kusilek, Chair
Barron County Zoning Comittee

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Notice Town of Maple Plain Budget Hearing

Notice is hereby given that the Town of Maple Plain will hold a Budget Hearing concurrently with the monthly meeting on **Wednesday, November 11, 2026, at 7:00 p.m.,** held at the Town Hall, located at 393 26th Avenue, to hear public input as relates to the Proposed 2027 Budget. The hall is accessible to all persons. The Town Monthly meeting will follow the budget hearing. The budget summary is posted and is available on the Town's website, www.townofmapleplain.wi.gov

Notice is further given that the Board of Supervisors for Town of Maple Plain will hold its monthly meeting on **Wednesday, November 11, 2026, at 7:00 p.m.**, at the Town Hall, located at 393 26th Avenue. The hall is accessible to all persons.

The agenda will be posted no later than 24 hours in advance of the meeting and on the Town's website, www.townofmapleplain.wi.gov

Danielle Maxwell-Parker
Clerk
Town of Maple Plain

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Notice Town of Lakeland Budget Hearing

Notice is hereby given that the Town of Lakeland will hold a Budget Hearing concurrently with the monthly meeting on **Tuesday, November 10, 2026, at 7:00 p.m**., at the Town Hall, located at 791 - 29 11/16th Avenue, to hear public input as relates to the Proposed 2027 Budget. The hall is accessible to all persons. The Town Monthly meeting will follow the budget hearing. The budget summary will be posted and is available on the Town's website, www.townoflakeland.wi.gov, after October 22.

Notice is further given that the Town of Lakeland will hold a Special Town Electors Meeting on **Tuesday, November 10, 2026, at 7:00 p.m**., immediately following the budget hearing, at the Town Hall, located at 791 - 29 11/16th Avenue. The purpose of this meeting is to vote to approve the levy for the 2027 budget. The hall is accessible to all persons.

Notice is finally given that the Board of Supervisors for the Town of Lakeland will hold its monthly meeting on **Tuesday, November 10, 2026, at 7:00 p.m**., at the Town Hall, located at 791 - 29 11/16th Avenue. The hall is accessible to all persons.

The agenda will be posted no later than 24 hours in advance of the meeting and can also be found on the Town's website, www.townoflakeland.wi.gov

Danielle Maxwell-Parker
Clerk
Town of Lakeland

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INVITATION TO BID

The Housing Authority of Cumberland invites sealed bids from contractors to supply and install a combination air conditioning / heating rooftop unit at Lakeview Apartments, located at 1295 6th Avenue, Cumberland, WI 54829.

Bids are subject to state law.

Plans and specifications can be viewed and bidding documents obtained by calling the Housing Authority of Cumberland Office at 715-822-2005 to schedule an appointment.

Bids will be received at the Housing Authority Office at 1295 6th Avenue, Cumberland, WI until 11:30 a.m. on November 17, 2026. Bids will be publicly opened on November 18, 2026 at 9:30 a.m. in the Lakeview Apartments Community Room at the address above.

Lisa Janssen
Executive Director

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PUBLIC NOTICE 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 November 3,2026, 2026 Fall Election votes cast for all offices and on all measures. All tests are open to the public.

City of Cumberland
Tuesday, October 27, 2026 at 3:00 p.m.
Municipal Administrative Building
950 1st Avenue, Cumberland, WI
Arlene Frisinger, Clerk
715-822-2752

Town of Crystal Lake
Saturday, October 24, 2026 at 8:00 a.m.
Town Hall
1876 Hwy. 63, Comstock, WI
Arlene Frisinger, Clerk-Treasurer
715-822-8039

Town of Cumberland
Monday, October 26, 2026 at 10:00 am.
Town Hall
902 20th Avenue, Cumberland, WI
Sara Mathison, Clerk
715-520-0435

Town of Lakeland
Wednesday, October 28, 2026 at 4:30 p.m.
Town Hall
791 29 11/16th Avenue, Barronett, WI
Danielle Maxwell-Parker, Clerk
715-529-2741

Town of Maple Plain
Monday, October 26, 2026 at 4:00 p.m.
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City of Cumberland Street Crew/Equipment Operator

The City of Cumberland is now accepting applications for a full-time Street Crew/Equipment Operator position. A complete job description and application materials can be found online at https://cityofcumberland.net/forms-permits/ or at City Hall during regular business hours. Starting wage: $20.45-$27.64 per hour, depending upon qualifications.

To apply, please submit a resume, completed job application, and a signed copy of the job description in person or by mail to City Hall (950 1st Ave) or by email to cityadmin@cityofcumberland.net .

Application deadline will be Thursday October 29, 2026 at 4:30pm.

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This position involves processing loan documents and accurately inputting information into a loan origination system, communicating with borrowers and loan officers to request documentation and set expectations, prioritizing tasks based on importance, and other duties as assigned.

Successful candidates should possess excellent computer, problem solving, oral and written communication skills. In addition, candidates must be detail oriented, be able to multi-task and work independently. Prior experience with appraisal, financial and real estate documents is preferred, but not required.

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If you have any questions, please direct them to Michelle Beyreis at 715-822-2249. Interested candidates should send their cover letter and resume to mbeyreis@cumberlandfederal.com no later than Friday, October 30th to be considered.

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While Cumberland claimed the overall championship trophy and the "Best Music" award, other schools also captured specialty awards: Columbus earned the "Best Visual" award, Baldwin-Woodville secured "Best Colorguard," and Portage took home "Best Percussion."

After the police and fire department lead the band through main street, a large crowd of enthusiastic parents, students, and community members gathered at the high school to welcome the champion musicians back to town.

Addressing the supporters, Cumberland Band Director Nathan Pierce commended the students for their tireless effort throughout the fall season. "These students have worked extremely hard all season long," Pierce told the crowd. "They never gave up and continued the Cumberland tradition of excellence."

Pierce expressed appreciation for his instructional staff: Meghan Waite, Nick McCarthy, Bailey Sellent, and Lucas West, crediting their dedicated instruction with pushing the students toward success. He also offered sincere thanks to the parents and the Cumberland School District for their unwavering support of the band program.

The annual WSMA championship serves as the grand finale of the Wisconsin fall marching band season, which runs from mid-September through mid-October. This year's event drew more than 40 high school bands and over 15,000 spectators to Perkins Field.

Bands are organized into four enrollment-based divisions: Class A, AA, AAA, and AAAA. During the event, each ensemble is allocated up to 13 minutes on the field to execute its full show, evaluated by a panel of eight national judges covering music performance, visual performance, music general effect, visual general effect, percussion, and colorguard.

"We were excited to celebrate our annual WSMA State Marching Band Championships with the outstanding youth musicians and educators who make this event possible," said WSMA Executive Director Laurie Fellenz. "For over four decades, this state-level showcase of music, creativity and dedication has brought communities together and highlighted the many opportunities that marching band provides for students."

Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza Confirmed in Barron County

MADISON — The Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection (DATCP) has identified a case of highly pathogenic avian influenza (HPAI) in a commercial poultry flock in Barron County.

DATCP and the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) animal health officials are working together in a joint incident response. The affected premises has been quarantined to restrict movement of poultry and poultry products. Birds on the property were depopulated to prevent the spread of the disease. Birds from the flock will not enter the food system.

The HPAI virus has continued to circulate in both wild and domestic birds in North America since December 2021. HPAI viruses are highly contagious and often fatal to domestic poultry. Caused by influenza type A viruses, the disease varies in severity depending on the strain and species affected. The disease can be spread by contact with infected birds, commingling with wild birds or their droppings, equipment, or clothing worn by anyone working with the animals.

DATCP continues to urge all livestock owners to implement strong biosecurity measures to protect their flocks and herds from the disease. This includes washing hands, disinfecting equipment, restricting access to animals, and separating new additions to the flock or herd for at least 30 days. Poultry owners are asked, when possible, to keep their birds indoors.

When HPAI is diagnosed in a Wisconsin poultry flock, a control area is established within a 10-kilometer area around the infected premises, restricting movement on or off any premises with poultry. To help producers determine if their poultry are located within an active control area or surveillance zone, poultry owners are encouraged to use DATCP's mapping tool.

DATCP reminds Wisconsin livestock owners to register their premises. State law requires that all livestock owners register where their animals are kept. Poultry is included in the definition of livestock for premises registration. Registration helps animal health officials communicate with flock and herd owners during disease outbreaks.

To report increased mortality or signs of illness among domestic birds, dairy cattle, or other animals, contact DATCP by following the instructions on the Animal Disease Reporting webpage. For updates on how the virus is affecting domestic birds in Wisconsin, and to find resources on protecting Wisconsin poultry, visit DATCP's HPAI in Poultry webpage.

HPAI in Other Species

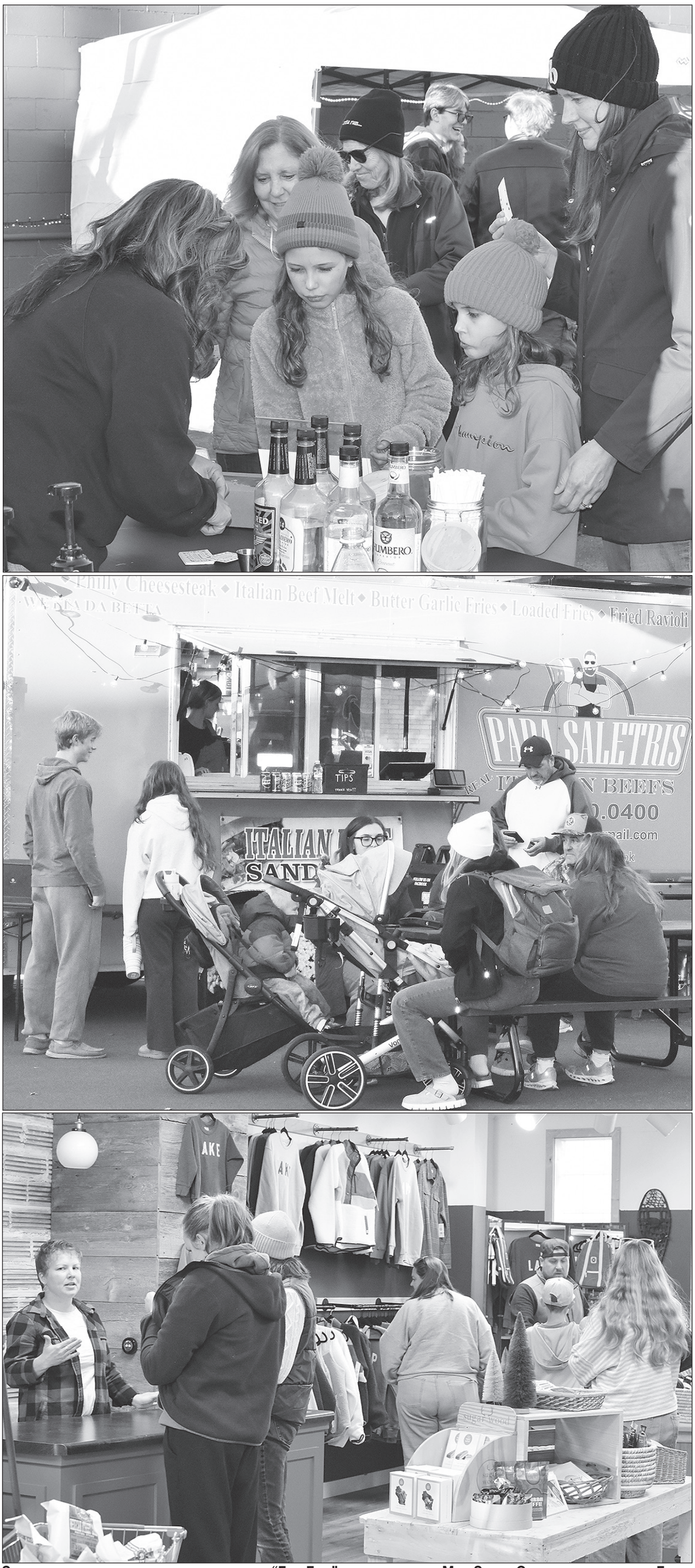
The HPAI virus has continued to circulate in both wild and domestic birds in North America since December 2021. Since that time, the HPAI virus has also affected other species, including mammalian species. DATCP continues to work with USDA to conduct testing for HPAI, encourage biosecurity, and provide resources to producers.

For updates on how the HPAI virus is affecting dairy cattle across the country, and to find resources on protecting Wisconsin dairy cattle, visit DATCP's HPAI in Dairy Cattle webpage.

GO BEAVERS!

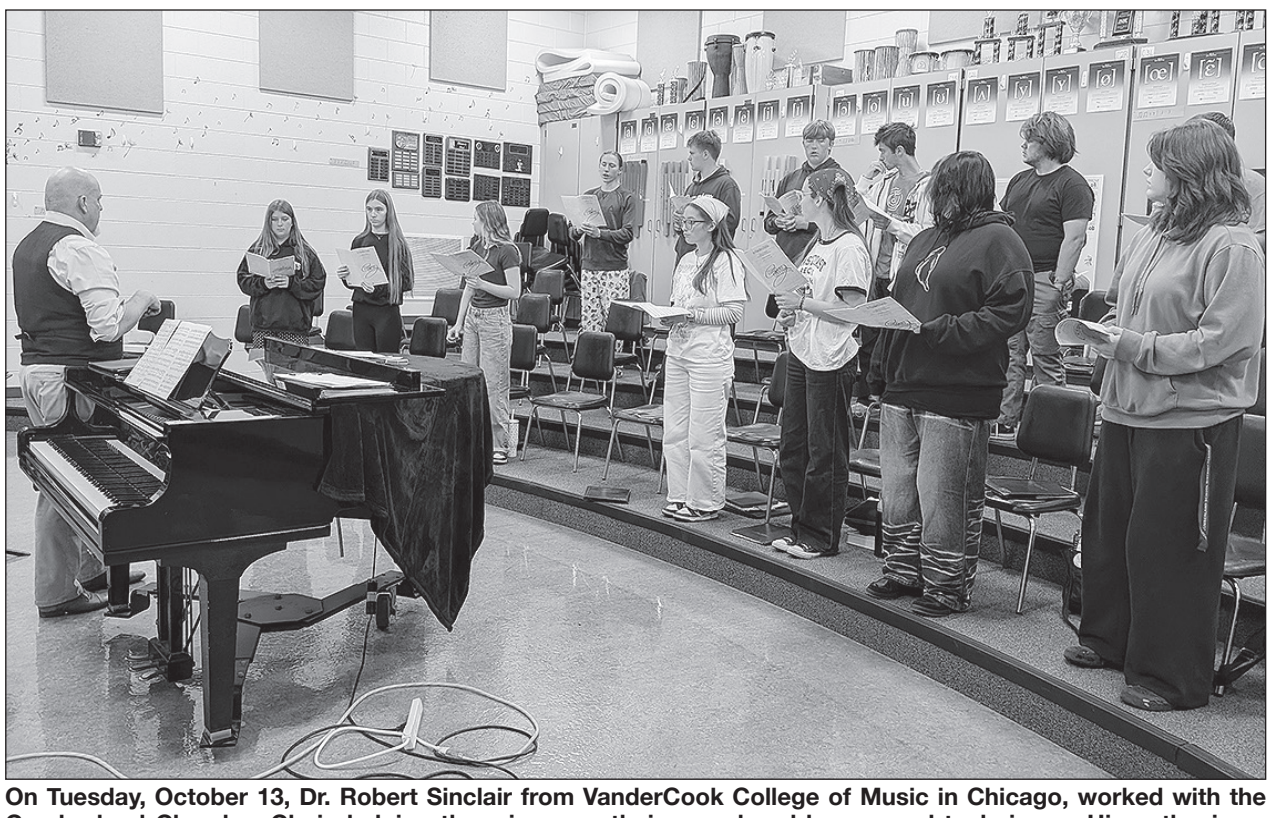
Reminder that all Cumberland High School Varsity and some lower level home events will be live streamed via YouTube, search Cumberland School District or go to the Athletics Page under High School on the District Website. Away events can also often be seen using the visiting school website.

Fall Fest 2026!



Shopping, food, music and fun were all part of "Fall Fest" sponsored by the Main Street Collaberative held last Friday night in Cumberland.

Special Instructor!



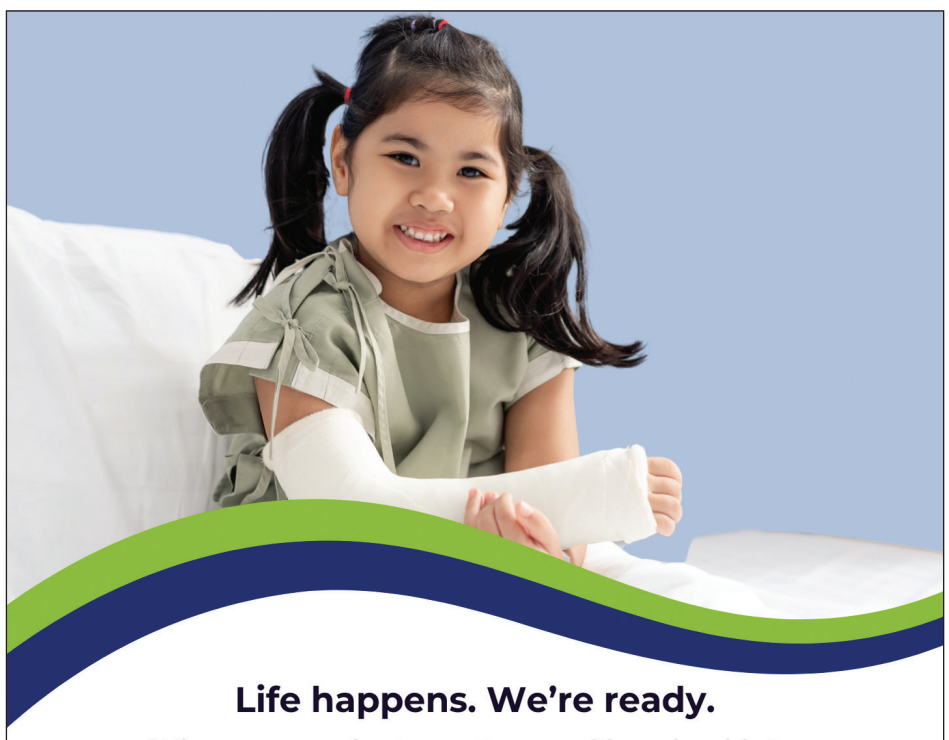
On Tuesday, October 13, Dr. Robert Sinclair from VanderCook College of Music in Chicago, worked with the Cumberland Chamber Choir, helping them improve their sound and learn vocal techniques. His enthusiasm working with the students was evident as the group focused on his directions and guidance, improving their

2026 Hall of Fame Inductees!

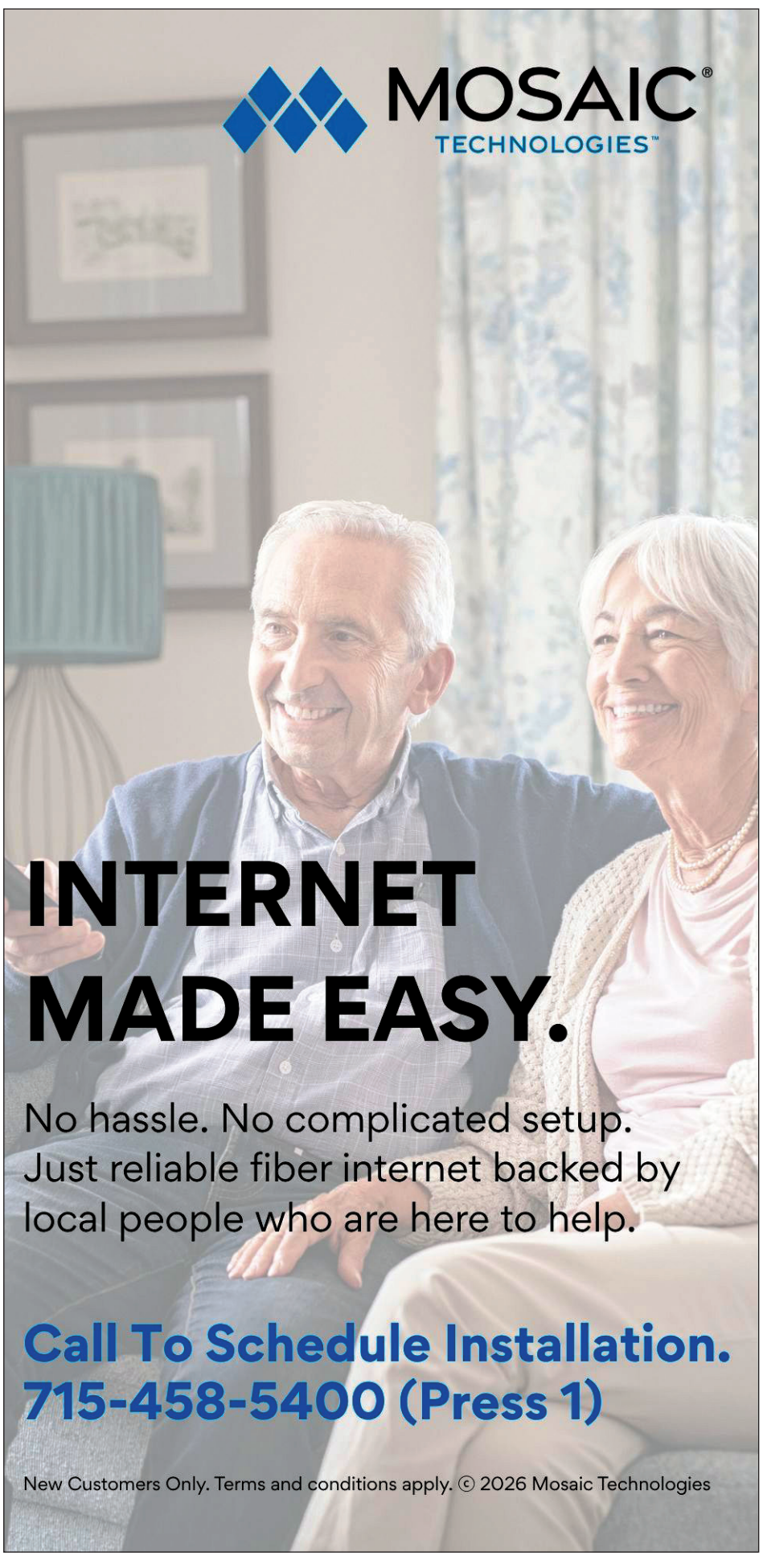


Ninety six people attended last weekend's 2026 Cumberland Athletic Hall of Fame Induction Banquet as Adam Diesterhaft, Alyssa (Lundquist) Peterson, Randy Capra and posthumous Jim Doar were enshrined.











CONGRATULATIONS

CUMBERLAND HIGH SCHOOL MARCHING BAND

2026 STATE CHAMPIONS!



Row 1 (Front) L to R: Ahnicka Leonardt, Max Weise, Willow Franc, Addison Shaffer, Elsa Carlson, Lucy Ruppel, and Audri Peterson. Row 2 L to R: Daniel Ekenstedt, Violet Small, Riley Muench, Audriana Hanson, Miranda Shock, and Natalie Olson. Row 3 L to R: Kiera Fox, Brooke Hoffmann, Aiden Donica, Christine Severson, Jovina Skinner, and Austin Theese. Row 4 L to R: Emmett Jasperson, Isabel Gonyer, Bryce McNulty, Carson Hornstein, Bridgette Anderson, Austin Jobe, Brooke Pittman, and Ellie Miller. Row 5 L to R: Sophie Lokker, Andrew Carlson, Cash Daniels, Alex Matthew, Owen Schwarz, Brently Schug, and Reina Furseth. Row 6 L to R: Jaden Enget, Connor Enget, Keenan Shaffer, Davis Ristow, Ashten Hauser, Alex Weise, Aydan Jones, and Jena Schwarz. Row 7 L to R: Tory Dickson, Tatum Hedke, Maria Perez, Quinn Fauske, Grace Erickson, and Scarlett Stuntz.









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