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Fire Causes Major Damage at Heinecke Wood Products

The Cumberland Fire Department was called to the Tim and Robyn Heinecke residence located at 137 27 1/2 Ave., at 3:50 pm, Sunday, March 6, for multiple sheds on fire.

Upon arrival, at 4:08 pm, crews found two sheds burned to the ground and another fully engulfed. A fourth shed was smoldering. Crews were able to save the fourth shed with some damage, but the other three were a complete loss.

The sheds contained a wood boiler, kiln, wood materials, and more.

The sheds housed Heinecke Wood Products. Heinecke Wood Products is a carving wood business operating since 1995. Fire Chief Barry Kuenkel says it's likely the outdoor wood boiler used to heat the shop malfunctioned. Strong swirling winds helped to fuel the fire. There were no injuries. Crews cleared the scene at 7:00 pm.

Big Loss!



Cumberland Healthcare is getting the vaccine to the community

Since December 15, 2020, Cumberland Healthcare has given out 3,794 vaccinations to our community.

Late last year, scientists searched for a vaccine that could help fight the COVID 19 pandemic, everyone watched; some in anticipation, some with skepticism, and some curious to see if we could find a cure. When Pfizer took their research to the FDA on December 10, 2020, to have it reviewed by the committee for EUA (Emergency use Authorization), Cumberland Healthcare was eagerly awaiting the good news of the approval. Cumberland Healthcare had been following the news reports, the journal articles, and any information they could regarding the vaccine. "We were very excited when the vaccine was approved through the EUA. We didn't want to miss our opportunity to get involved early, so our team ensured we had completed all the mandatory competency training around vaccine handling, storage and administration," stated Bob Lindberg, COO.

to leave their name, date of birth, and contact number, and someone would respond within three business days and begin scheduling them for the vaccine. Cumberland Healthcare efficiently worked through this list within a few short weeks. As of today Cumberland Healthcare has vaccinated 2502 people of which 1836 have been 65 or older. Currently, Barron County has a vaccination rate of 57% of people 65 and older, as reported by Barron County Public Health Director Laura Suave. The state of Wisconsin has given well over 1 million vaccines, and they have covered just over 46% of those 65 and older.

Cumberland Healthcare has remained dedicated to this community and to fighting this pandemic. Every week they communicate with the state requesting how many doses they need for the upcoming weeks based upon the category of people able to get the vaccine.

Wisconsin is allocated about 115,000 doses a week, and this is distributed to around 500 sites. In the last few weeks, Cumberland Healthcare has only received about 45% of what they requested. Cumberland Healthcare Director of Pharmacy is responsible for the vaccines and requests the state's allocations. Tyler Geerdes stated, "As a 25-bed critical access hospital, we have given over 3,700 doses and have yet to waste a single dose, we are all very proud of that. The Pfizer vaccine requires storage at -80 degrees Fahrenheit; this makes it difficult for smaller

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Firefighters work to put out the devastating fire at Heinecke's Wood Products on Sunday afternoon March 7th.

School District hosts public meeting on upcoming Referendum

Approximately 50 members of the community attended the public meeting about the upcoming School Bond Referendum.

The proposed referendum will give the school district the right to borrow up to (not to exceed) \$32.5 million dollars and issue general revenue bonds to finance the project.

In his opening statement, Steve Mann, District Financial Officer, stated that "we very carefully weighed remodelling costs versus rebuilding. In our commitment to providing quality and efficient multi-use learning facilities, we must leverage current building conditions to look at what

additions and/or remodels are most cost-effective and relevant to our students' educational needs." The following factors weighed in their decision.

- High School building systems and components have exceeded their useful life.
- Repair and replacement costs in the 60-year-old building are estimated to run over \$15 million.
- Remodelling the two-story academic wing is cost-prohibitive due to the existing design and structure.
- There is a need for flexible learning spaces for current and future generations.
- In-door-air quality as well as HVAC and mechanical/electrical systems are inadequate and inefficient.

determined that: "completely remodelling our



Approximately 50 people were in attendance Monday night at the informational meeting held for the upcoming school referendum.

Steve also gave an overview of the over five-year long process that led to the decision to go for the referendum. Their investigation

High School is cost-prohibitive; however, remodelling parts of it makes sense.

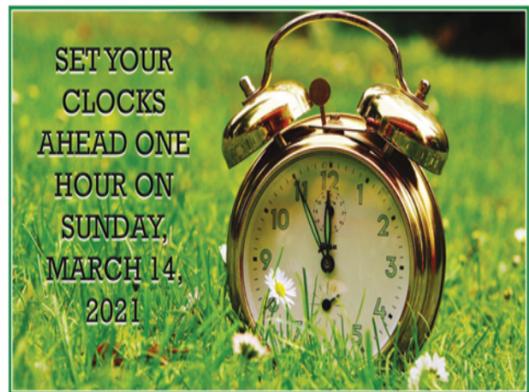
- Rebuild portions of the

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Could Have Been Much Worse!



Firefighters work to free Shawn Clemmens of Menomonie after the cab of his truck was partially crushed after his load shifted onto the roof of the cab. Clemmens was forced to hit the brakes hard after a vehicle in front of him made a sudden stop to turn left on Hwy 48 on the East side of the city. Apparently the load was not strapped down properly causing the load to shift. Fortunately Clemmens was able to walk away after being freed from the truck. The accident took place last Thursday March 4th.



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hospitals to handle. Once thawed, you have five days to use it or dispose of it. I can't wait until we can get enough vaccine so we can vaccinate anyone and everyone that wants it." He has worked tirelessly to ensure that he provides the best access for this community to the vaccine. Over time, Cumberland has learned that sometimes people cannot make their appointment or they no longer want the vaccine, so you need to be limber and act quickly to find someone else willing to come in on a moment's notice. Cumberland has maintained lists of people willing and able to come in so that no vaccine waste occurs. "Cumberland Healthcare has done a tremendous job vaccinating our patients, staff and community, quickly and efficiently," stated Dr. Alan Carlson, Chief Medical Officer. Dr. Carlson, told me how this team has come a long way over the past year. He complimented the team's diversity that helped them make good decisions, and keep Cumberland Healthcare providing excellent care for the community.

Some people have been surprised by how quickly and readily Cumberland Healthcare has acquired vaccine. But in speaking with Mike Gutsch, CEO, he stated, "we are excited to be vaccinating our community. The State has done a good job prioritizing the roll out of the vaccine. We hope to receive an increase in allotment in the coming months so that we can vaccinate everyone who wants to get it."

Cumberland Healthcare has

positioned itself to best serve our community long before the state Stay at Home order on March 12, 2020. They have learned, grown, and watched how others in the world and the country responded as the virus worked its way overseas and through the US. They remained vigilant in their willingness to learn and understand, grow and change as situations change. Jamie McCready, Infection Prevention RN for Cumberland Healthcare, stated that it had been an enormous learning curve. She stated that in the end, it all comes down to a few simple rules. "Wash your hands, wear your mask, maintain social distancing parameters, and get vaccinated."

If you wish to receive the COVID vaccine, you can call 715-822-7502 and follow the recorded line's instructions. This will get you on a list to be contacted as soon as possible within the state's parameters. As of today, the following groups are eligible for the COVID-19 vaccine (in priority order):

- Frontline health care personnel
- Residents of long-term care
- Police and fire personnel, correctional staff
- Adults age 65 and older
- Education and child care staff
- Individuals enrolled in Medicaid long-term care programs
- Some public-facing essential workers such as 911 operators, public transit, and grocery store employees
- Non-frontline essential

health care personnel

- Facility staff and residents of congregate living settings

While groups are prioritized, all groups are eligible on March 1. More information about these eligibility groups and where they can find available vaccine is available on the DHS vaccine webpage. Wisconsin continues to be a national leader in COVID-19 vaccine administration, ranking third in the nation in percentage of doses administered.



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USDA Funding language and policies subject of March City Council meeting

The March City Council meeting got underway at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, March 2nd.

Before getting down to the business items, the Council heard a presentation from John Holt, Chief Financial Officer at Ardisam on their plans for building a new corporate headquarters, production and storage facility in TID #9. Ardisam had approached

the City regarding the possibility of Tax incentives in TID #9.

In business items, the council approved Payment #1 to Desantis Excavating in the amount of \$91,238.16 on the Lift Station #4 Project; and Change Order 2 from Desantis Excavating in the amount of \$7,980.00 on the Lift Station #4 Project.

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CUMBERLAND SCHOOL DISTRICT NEWS

In order to protect the health and safety of our Students, Teachers, Staff and families, Cumberland School District will be following the guidelines for social distancing for the upcoming school year. Also, all students, teachers and staff will be required to wear face coverings at the times when social distancing is not possible.

Thank you for your continued support of the **Cumberland School District. #CSDGoBeavers**

Upcoming Events
Monday, March 15th
7:30 pm • CHS Band Concert • HS Gym
Tuesday, March 16th
7:30 pm • CHS Choir Concert • HS Gym

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.

4 year old kindergarten Program Enrollment

Registration information has been mailed to parents of children who are eligible for the 4-year-old kindergarten program as listed on the school census. Children who will be 4 years old before September 1, 2021 are eligible for the 4-year-old kindergarten program in the fall. If you did not receive information and have a child who will be 4 years old before September 1, 2021, please contact the Elementary school office at 822-5123 to enroll them. Enrollments are due as soon as possible. Thank you.

CUMBERLAND SCHOOL DISTRICT

Bond Referendum Frequently Asked Question

- Why do we need to rebuild an academic addition to the High School? Remodeling the 60-year-old two-story academic wing is cost-prohibitive due to design and structural limitations. It would cost over \$15,000,000 in remodeling and repairs to make the High School building functional by today's educational standards. Some of the components that require major attention include:
 - Exterior walls are very inefficient and need to be rebuilt with energy-saving windows and wall systems.
 - Inefficient mechanical and electrical systems require replacement.
 - Opportunity to improve in-door-air quality with a new HVAC system.

The plan is to raze and replace the 60-year-old portion of the building and remodel the remaining structure with flexible learning spaces that will be much more useful and efficient.

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School Lunch
Lunch menu includes assorted fresh vegetables, fresh fruit, and 1/2 pt. milk.

- Thurs, Mar. 11th: California Burger on a Whole Wheat Bun, Hashbrowns, Baked Beans, Pineapple.
- Fri, Mar. 12th: Cheese Pizza, Broccoli, Peaches.
- Mon, Mar. 15th: Hot Ham and Cheese, Sweet Potato Fries, California Blend Vegetables, Pears.
- Tues, Mar. 16th: Nachos and Cheese, Corn, Mandarin Oranges.
- Wed, Mar. 17th: Baked Potato Bar, All the Fixings, Broccoli and Cheese, Bread, Pineapple.

Community Ed Offerings

What a great season it's been on the trail, so here are Two March Hike-Yoga Outdoor Offerings!

No charge for these great events!

Come join Pam Baker of Yoga Wildheart and Sue Greenway, a member of The Ice Age Trail Alliance on a Hike/Yoga Trek!

Sat., March 20, 2021 at 10 a.m.
Bear Lake Section of the Ice Age Trail

Directions: Heading North on Hwy 63 in Barronett take a right on 30th and proceed 5.6 miles to the Ice Age Trail parking lot on the left-hand side of the road. (this is the parking lot we used for the Grassy Lake Trail) If the lot is full please park on the road. We will then walk a short distance to the Bear Lake Section entrance on 13 3/4 -16th Street.

Questions or concerns? Susan Bridger, CCE Director, 715-822-5121 ext. 403 or emailing sbrid@csdmail.com.

Social Distancing • Good Exercise • Fun for all

Northwoods Notebook: A little bit of post-vaccine normal

By Larry Werner

The doorbell rang. "Someone's at the door," Ann said. Standing outside were four friends. I opened the door and said something I haven't said in a year. "Come on in."

It was a year ago, while we were doing our snowbird thing in Florida, that we got the word a pandemic was on. So we called an end to our winter escape and pointed the car north. Since getting home, we've followed the rules for avoiding the virus, including the one that says you should have no one in who isn't part of your household, and you should stay out of the homes of others.

Ann and I are social people, and one of our favorite social activities is having folks over for dinner. Ann was a foods teacher, before she became a principal, and she likes to cook and serve good meals. For the past year, until Saturday, I was the only one who got to enjoy her culinary talents.

Cumberland Healthcare is doing a great job of getting vaccines into arms, including the arms of the four friends who showed up at the door Saturday evening. We had agreed that we would have them over for dinner once it had been two weeks since we all had our second shots — the time period for maximum immunity. As it happens, that time period coincided with the birthday of one of our guests.

So we had a dinner party, a birthday party. Inside our house. Without masks. It was wonderful.

You might ask whether we should have been wearing masks. We should have if we had been around someone who hadn't been vaccinated because the experts don't know whether those of us who have had the shots can

transmit the virus, even if we're protected. We could be asymptomatic carriers. So we wear our masks when we go into stores or restaurants for takeout.

The day before our dinner party, I went to a local eatery to pick up fish dinners, and I was asked why I was masked if I had been vaccinated. It's to protect others, I said, in an establishment where no one was wearing masks.

I know we are more careful than most. I know many of you have been gathering with friends during the pandemic, visiting your kids and hugging your grandkids, hanging out in bars and restaurants without face masks. Because we have conditions that make us susceptible, including old age, we haven't been doing those things for a year. And that's why it felt so good to be with friends, who have been similarly careful, at our dining room table.

Almost 80 people have died from COVID in our small county. More than 5,000 have tested positive. We all know people who have been affected by this invisible enemy. A neighbor has lost a brother and a sister to the virus in a period of a few weeks. But things are getting better, with more than 7,000 Barron County residents having received their shots. In late November, before the vaccine, Barron County's health department reported more

than 800 active cases, and last week that number was 86.

It's been a long year of isolating, quarantining and foregoing the things that make life enjoyable. For us, it's meant no dinner parties, no visits by the kids and grandkids, no visits to the kids or grandkids, no eating out, no concerts, plays or sports events. And it's meant wearing a mask when we're indoors or within six feet of others who haven't received their shots.

We're told that there will soon be enough vaccine for everyone who wants it. Soon, the problem will not be having enough vaccine but having enough people willing to get it. The experts say we have to get 70 percent of the population vaccinated to achieve "herd immunity," which means the virus will have no one to infect.

As I look out at a lake still snow-covered and frozen, but thawing with the warming air, I am dreaming of summer days on that lake with my grandkids, evenings listening to concerts on Library Lake, attending a professional soccer or baseball game and attending a service in a packed church.

And I look forward to more opportunities to say those beautiful words I spoke on Saturday for the first time in a year:

"Come on in."
Larry Werner's email is lh-werner47@gmail.com.

Eye Facts from Jacobson Advanced Eye Care

Five Eye Care Tips for Computer Work

Not only is March *Workplace Eye Wellness Month*, it is *Save Your Vision Month*. Many physical jobs, such as construction workers and mechanics, wear safety glasses, but people who work in office or home settings should also consider the best ways to protect their eyes.

Daily screen time, without a doubt, has increased both at work and home. We have had many patients concerned with tired, strained eyes. We must remember that this affects kids as well as adults. Staring at a bright, glowing digital screen can have negative effects on your eyesight and health.

LIGHTING: Your computer screen shouldn't be so bright that it makes you squint every time you turn it on. Adjust the brightness so that it's not so bright or so dim that you strain to see it.

DISTANCE: Dr. Jennifer recommends sitting about 20"-28" away from your computer screen. If you still have trouble, zoom in larger than 100% and then schedule an appointment with Dr. Jennifer to make sure you don't need glasses.

TAKE BREAKS: Every 20 minutes, look at something 20' away. Count to 20. This helps eliminate strain while focusing on the screen.

SIT UP STRAIGHT: Shoulders back, don't slouch or push your head forward. Position your screen directly in front of you.

DON'T FIGHT THE NEED FOR GLASSES: Vision can change with age and it's a lot more fun being able to see the computer screen than not. Call Dr. Jennifer today to have your eye care health exam.



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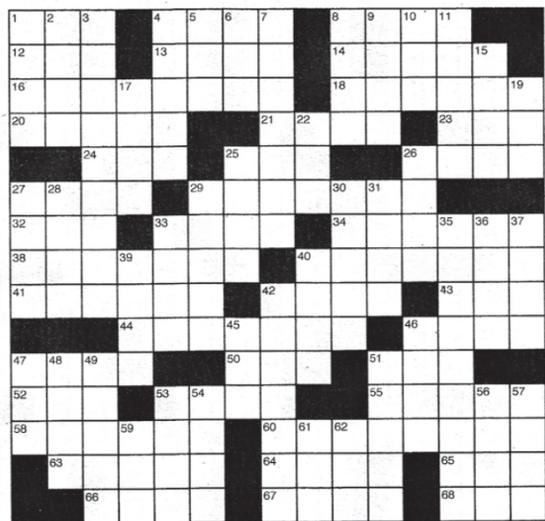
• **What does career pathways mean? Career pathways are a different way of thinking about high school education.** It is intended to capture students interests and help them begin their journey and decision making process for their adult life. The idea of a Career Pathway is to organize and/or bundle classes together in such a way that it exposes students to more focused instruction on whatever their career interest might be. In some cases students would be able to attain certain professional certifications prior to graduation and better set them up for employment immediately after high school. Cumberland High School already has some great vocational classes for students including agriculture, metals and welding, and food and consumer science. The concept of Career Pathways builds on these programs by offering more in-depth education in that interest area as well as integrating the career focus into core curriculum classes. For instance a physics class might find ways to relate the physics of welding or food preparation within the physics curriculum. Career Pathways will allow students a better understanding of how to build a high school career that better relates to their interests.

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Sudoku Puzzle #4148-M

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- 4 Toss
- 8 Other ___
- 12 Swamp
- 13 Air (prefix)
- 14 National capital
- 16 Rash
- 18 Ranges
- 20 Golf tournaments
- 21 Use a keyboard
- 23 Computer part
- 24 Meet
- 25 Day of the wk.
- 26 On top
- 27 Computer memory unit
- 29 Yoke
- 32 Serving of corn
- 33 Myth
- 34 Put together
- 38 Ancient Holy Land language
- 40 Rust
- 41 Open a lock

DOWN

- 42 Crown of the head
- 43 Border
- 44 Normal
- 46 Upon
- 47 Association (abbr.)
- 50 Compass point
- 51 Lodge
- 52 Feline
- 53 Candy bar Baby ___
- 55 Narrow openings
- 58 Become bigger
- 60 Writer
- 63 Steam room
- 64 Opera solo
- 65 Voice
- 66 Want
- 67 Platter
- 68 Bard's before

DOWN

- 1 Hairstyle
- 2 Save
- 3 Inherited
- 4 True's partner
- 5 Downwind
- 6 Tax agency
- 7 Body position
- 8 Entrap
- 9 Rabbit
- 10 Reduced (abbr.)
- 11 Association
- 15 Mistake
- 17 Leg joint
- 19 Heat giver
- 22 Shekel
- 25 Baby powder
- 26 Soviet Union
- 27 Swain
- 28 Tale
- 29 Japanese poem
- 30 Display emotions
- 31 Withered
- 33 Mexican sandwich
- 35 Honk (2 wds.)

DOWN

- 36 Alter
- 37 Presentation
- 39 AM
- 40 Sugar plant
- 42 Pin top
- 45 Explosive
- 46 Merely
- 47 American Cancer Society (abbr.)
- 48 Dupes
- 49 Bedding material
- 51 Jacob's father
- 53 Takes off
- 54 Western state
- 56 Tyrant
- 57 Eye infection
- 59 French "yes"
- 61 ___ Lanka
- 62 Bro.'s sibling

Spring forward

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Guest Opinion: Celebrating Wisconsin Women on International Women's Day

By Sarah Godlewski, Candidate for State Treasurer

Wisconsin has been home to some remarkable women:

Mountain Wolf Woman - Her story is one of the earliest accounts of life for Native women. She was part of the Ho-Chunk tribe from Black River Falls.

Shirley Abrahamson - First woman to serve as chief justice on the Wisconsin Supreme Court. A fearless fighter for justice. During her time as Supreme Court Justice, she worked to make the legal system equitable to all.

Sheri Swokowski - The highest-ranking trans Army veteran, a proponent of anti-discrimination legislation, and a Wisconsin hero. She has dedicated her career to ending gender and sexual identity-based discrimination.

Gwen Moore - The first Black Wisconsinite to serve in the House of Representatives. She's fought diligently to advance democracy, protect women's rights, and build a fair economy.

Tammy Baldwin - The first openly gay senator AND the first woman to represent Wisconsin in Congress.

Ada James - Suffragette who fought to expand women's rights.

These women leaders highlight just some of the countless contributions the women of our state have made. Monday, March 8th was an especially important time to celebrate, it was International Women's Day! We will also be celebrating Women's History Month all throughout March.

Today we challenge gender bias, seek to create a more equitable world, and celebrate the achievements of the women who came before us. A more inclusive world is possible, but only when we work together.

When women succeed, we ALL succeed. I hope you'll join me this month in celebration of the women of the past and present, and the future leaders of tomorrow.

Thanks for reading The Advocate

LETTERS Editor

School Bond Referendum

To the Editor:

The proposed School Bond Referendum should get a resounding NO vote. The timing is terrible with the pandemic and economic issues in our city, county and nation. The cost is ridiculous. A 9% increase in total real estate tax and an increase of almost 25% on the Cumberland School portion of our tax bills is not justifiable.

We have a gymnasium already. Two gyms is a waste of money when we have only 286 students in the high school. A new 2 story academic space is not necessary when our student to teacher ratio is already a respectable 14.2:1. If we have more academic classrooms, won't we need more teachers? Where is that in the school budget?

Our overall ranking (per SchoolDigger) is a very poor 322 out of 402 Wisconsin High Schools and dropped 68 points from 2018 to 2019. It is hard to identify how the \$32.5

million will improve the quality of the education or raise the standardized test scores to a higher and more acceptable level.

The school buildings where I attended classes in St. Paul, MN., from 1947 to 1965 were there when I arrived and are still in use to this day, some 55 to 73 years later. The Tower House Restaurant building dates back to 1882. How can the 60 year old Cumberland school buildings be in need of so much repair? Was it not properly built or has it not been properly maintained? Repairing or replacing the HVAC system would account for not more than \$1,000,000 to \$2,000,000 out of the \$32,500,000.

Without a line item budget, it is very difficult to see the costs of the individual projects that the School Board is proposing. We need more solid information and less of the slick, multi-color marketing brochures in order to evaluate the proposal.

A no vote on April 6 will



Inside Wisconsin

by Tom Still

COVID-19 hibernation is coming to an end: Some thoughts on risk management

By Tom Still

MADISON, WI: Sooner or later, we must all emerge.

You probably understand that, deep down, but there may be a part of you that has become so emersed in the COVID-19 swing of things that you're nervous - even afraid - of a return to "normal."

Alas, the Great Readjustment is coming. Like a groundhog on Feb. 2, we can duck back into the hole for a while longer, but we'll stick our heads out for good with a few more turns of the calendar.

Some states are lifting all mask rules, in part because their citizens are fed up; in part because the elected leaders in those states never believed in any mandates. That could yet come back to haunt them if variants take off.

Then again, there's strong evidence in Wisconsin and elsewhere that more people wearing masks combined with the early wave of vaccinations is stopping the spread of a disease that has taken more than 500,000 American lives. Concurrently, worries of vaccine "side effects" are waning as society looks past wild predictions of people dropping dead in their tracks or being turned into microchip-controlled zombies.

And yet, we all wonder what the post-pandemic world

holds for us.

- For men who have gone a year without wearing a tie, let alone a respectable collared shirt, what will be the "new normal" dress code? Will it require pants?

- Women who haven't gone through the agony of matching tops and bottoms for months may find themselves getting reacquainted with their closets. Or emptying them.

- Will we remember how to eat a lunch while sitting across the table from an actual person or people? Better yet, will there be enough restaurants left to patronize?

- Will there be "office politics" when there's not a physical office?

- Will we renew centuries of hand-shake tradition or continue the awkward new custom of elbow-bumping and spilling whatever drink is being carried at the time?

Some of us will miss a few aspects of life during COVID-19, an experience which may drive enduring trends.

We've gone from complaining about Zoom burnout to recognizing we're saving time, energy and money by not hustling to physical meetings that may be marginally important.

There's no substitute for physical meetups in many cases, of course, but COVID may have taught us which

ones to resume and which ones can likely stay virtual. A hybrid future is likely.

The economy continues to transform itself in ways hardly imaginable a year ago. Innovative young companies are providing solutions to keep people safe, fed, entertained, informed, well-stocked with essentials and much more.

Some things won't be missed, at least, by me. Some of them revolve around our inability to assess and manage risks.

On the one end were people who believed wearing a mask was a commie plot and a threat to their personal liberties. Great ... don't wear a mask, but don't wonder why there's no room at the hospital when you get a serious case of coronavirus.

On the other end are those who profess to believe in the "science" surrounding COVID-19 but whose practices tend to shame people who are anything less than manic in their precautions.

Faye Flam, an award-winning science writer, touched on that phenomenon in a recent column for Bloomberg news. She noted there has never been any evidence that touching packages in a grocery store or unmasked bikers, runners and walkers outdoors carried more than an extremely low possibility of

COVID-19 transmissions.

"Throughout the pandemic, there's been a tendency to play up unlikely risks, and not to talk enough about uncertainty and probabilities," Flam wrote. "The risk of getting COVID-19 from groceries or mail or monkey bars always was a guess."

And yet, those kinds of over-reactions have turned many Americans against the real dangers of the pandemic by attempting to persuade them every risk is a big one. That is simply not so. For people who harbor doubts about COVID-19 precautions, the reaction is to dismiss the manics as lacking common sense.

"Some might feel magnifying small risks is erring on the side of caution," Flam wrote. "But if freaking people out about small things is distracting from the risks that have led to most of the 500,000 deaths, then perhaps true caution would instead dictate erring as little as possible."

We're all coming back eventually, to one degree or another. Try to separate real risks from risks so small as to not fret over. It will make your "Groundhog Day" re-emergence go better.

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A Look Back

10 Years Ago
March 16, 2011

Matthew Warwick, of Cumberland Boy Scout Troop 24, achieved the rank of Eagle Scout last June. He was recognized as the "President's Eagle" for being selected as the top Eagle Scout. Matthew has earned 50 merit badges to date, and along with his troop, has participated in many community service projects including cleaning Main Street after the Cumberland Rutabaga parade and the City Park after the 4th of July celebration.

Dr. Lauren Brunclik, owner of Blue Hills Chiropractic presented a check for \$1,000 to Megan Kennedy of the Boys and Girls Clubs of Barron County. Blue Hills Chiropractic raised the money during a two-month promotion where Dr. Brunclik offered free initial chiropractic exams for patients who donated to the Boys and Girls Club.

20 Years Ago
March 14, 2001

Country Comfort's Board of Directors is pleased to announce that Robert Cook has been selected as the general manager. Country Comfort, a limited liability company, was formed last year to provide propane sales and service and quality products to consumers in Northwest Wisconsin. Country Comfort is the number one propane supplier in Northwest Wisconsin.

30 Years Ago
March 13, 1991

Gordon H. Toftness, D.C. of Cumberland, was honored by his Alma Mater, Logan College of Chiropractic of Chesterfield, MO., as he concluded an 11 year tenure as chairperson of the Logan College board of Trustees. Dr. Beatrice B. Hagen, Logan College President, presented Dr. Toftness with a German-made Mont Blanc pen as a memento of the occasion. Dr. Hagen saluted Dr. Toftness for the leadership, vision, and strength he demonstrated during his years as chairperson.

Robert Behling, of Cumberland, has been elected as president of the Wisconsin Holstein Association at the recent 100th Annual Convention in Oconomowoc. Behling owns and operates Largon Lake Farm in Polk County. The farm has received the progressive Breeder Registry Award 14 times and Behling was named as the Association's Distinguished Dairyman in 1988.

40 Years Ago
March 11, 1981

On Monday night, March 11, a fire completely destroyed the trailer home of Jim Bearheart on the Maple Plain reservation. Fire Chief Bob Mack and 11 other volunteer firefighters took two hours to put out the fire. The fire was reported at 6:50 pm, and Mack said the building and contents were all destroyed.

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Date	Hi	Lo	Pre.	Snow		
3/2	20	7	0.0	0.0		
3/3	42	16	0.0	0.0		
3/4	43	17	0.0	0.0		
3/5	39	15	0.0	0.0		
3/6	46	12	0.0	0.0		
3/7	42	12	0.0	0.0		
3/8	50	26	0.0	0.0		

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Sports

Martens Named Honorable Mention All-State

Cumberland Senior Jack Martens has been named to the WBCA Honorable Mention D4 All-State Basketball Team for 2020-2021. Martens finished his basketball career this winter, scoring his 1,000th career point and averaging 20 points per game for the 11 and 8 Beavers.

Named to the 10-man First Team was Cameron Senior, Richie Murphy. Ladysmith Sophomore, Brady Ingersoll, joins Martens on the Honorable Mention list. Martens will continue his athletic career at the University of South Dakota, where he received a football scholarship.



Jack Martens with Coach Corey Berghammer honoring Jack for scoring 1000 career points.

Bonus Harvest Authorizations For Spring Turkey Season Available Beginning March 15

Bonus harvest authorizations go on sale on Monday, March 15, with sales beginning at 10 a.m. and running through midnight each day.

The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR) will begin selling 2021 bonus turkey harvest authorizations on Monday, March 15th, with a designated sales date for each zone.

Previously known as left-over permits, bonus harvest authorizations are available for purchase online through GoWild.Wi.Gov and at all license agents. Sales begin at 10 a.m. and run through midnight each day. Instructions for how to purchase a spring turkey bonus authorizations in Go Wild are available here.

Bonus harvest authorizations are \$10 for residents and \$15 for non-residents. Both residents and non-residents will have equal opportunities for purchase. Hunters can purchase bonus authorizations at a rate of one per day until the zone and time period are sold out, or the season closes. Bonus harvest authorization purchases will not affect preference point status for future spring drawings.

The scheduled sales dates for the 2021 spring turkey harvest authorizations are:
 Zone 1 - Mon., March 15
 Zone 2 - Tues., March 16
 Zone 3 - Wed., March 17
 Zone 4 - Thurs., March 18
 Zone 5 - Fri., March 19
 Zone 6 - no bonus harvest authorizations available;
 Zone 7 - Fri., March 19

The Go Wild system will use an online queue to assign random numbers to customers who enter the site between 9:45 and 10 a.m. It is important to note that there is no advantage to entering the site prior to 9:45 a.m. Customers who join after 10 a.m. will be added to the queue in order of arrival.

The DNR recommends that turkey hunters interested in purchasing a Conservation Patron license do so before March 15 to make the bonus harvest authorization process as quick and easy as possible.

After zone-specific sales, all remaining turkey harvest authorizations for all zones will be available for purchase Saturday, March 20 at 10 a.m. Hunters who missed the spring turkey drawing deadline last December or who want additional harvest authorizations can purchase

bonus authorizations beginning March 15.

In total, 101,291 bonus turkey harvest authorizations are available across turkey zones 1-5 and 7 for the 2021 spring season. No bonus harvest authorizations are available for zone 6 as all available permits were issued via the spring drawing. Hunters are encouraged to check the turkey zone map and the spring turkey bonus harvest authorization availability to see if harvest authorizations are available for the period and turkey zone they wish to hunt.

All spring turkey hunters must possess a valid spring turkey license, a 2021 wild turkey stamp and a valid turkey harvest authorization. If not already done, hunters will be required to purchase the spring turkey license and stamp authorization when purchasing a bonus harvest authorization.

Spring Turkey Season

The spring turkey season is comprised of six seven-day periods running Wednesday through the following Tuesday. A total of seven zones will be open for hunting in 2021. Spring Turkey season dates are as follows:

- Youth Hunt: April 17-18
- Period A: April 21-27
- Period B: April 28-May 4
- Period C: May 5-May 11
- Period D: May 12-18
- Period E: May 19-25
- Period F: May 26-June 1

Spring turkey hunting regulations are listed in the 2020 Combined Hunting Regulations.

Youth Turkey Hunt Set For April 17-18

Youth hunters under the age of 16 may hunt during the youth turkey hunt April 17-18. Hunters under the age of 12 and youth hunters without hunter safety certification can participate in the youth turkey hunt through the Mentored Hunting Program. Youth hunters must be accompanied by a qualified adult and follow all youth turkey hunting and mentored hunting program rules.

Spring turkey youth hunters must possess a valid spring turkey license, stamp and harvest authorization. A harvest authorization for any time period can be used during the youth hunt weekend, but youth hunters must hunt within the turkey management zone indicated on their harvest authorization.

Cumberland Athletes to Play College Football!



Sam Schradle is headed to UW Eau Claire to play football. Sam is pictured with his parents Patrick and Shannon signing his letter of intent Thursday March 4th. Good luck Sam!



Travis Runberg signed his letter of intent to play football at Carroll College in Waukesha. Pictured with Travis are parents Bob and Penny. Good luck Travis!



DaShaun Ames will be heading North this Fall to play football at the University of Minnesota Duluth. DaShaun is pictured with stepdad Cary Diesterhaft and mom Heidi Diesterhaft. Good luck DaShaun!

Seeking Cumberland Athletic Hall of Fame Nominees

The Cumberland High School Athletic Hall of Fame Committee is seeking further names to be added to their current list of nominees. "It has provided a lot of excitement to recognize some of the individuals who have made exceptional contributions to over 140 years of Cumberland Athletics. We are looking forward to continuing the process and are always looking to add names for consideration," said Committee Member, Principal Ritchie Narges.

The nominees must exemplify the highest standards of sportsmanship, ethical conduct, and moral character. All candidates will be judged on their significant and/or long-term contributions to athletic endeavors at Cumberland High School.

Candidates may be nominated by members of the

community or members of the Hall of Fame Committee. They may not nominate themselves. Nominations must be accompanied by a letter supporting reasons behind that individuals support and particulars on how to reach the nominee or another contact person for further information.

The information gained from this completed sheet and the original letter will go towards helping the committee make informed choices for induction. The submission of a name for consideration must be made in one of four categories, athlete, alumnus, coach or contributor. An athlete must have graduated a minimum of 10 years previously to their nomination.

Due to Covid-19, the Class of 2020 including Jeb Burke, Rochelle Rydberg Olson, Don Clark, Nancy

Scharhag and John Peterson (JP), will be inducted this fall. "We will look to recognize another name or two as additional inductees this September. We appreciate all input we get from the community for consideration," said Committee member Mark Mauer.

Nominations should be sent to Mark R. Fuller, Cumberland High School, 1000 8th Avenue, Cumberland, Wisconsin 54829 or to mfull@csdmail.com. All nomination will stay with the Hall of Fame committee permanently and will be updated when appropriate.

Athletics have been part of the Cumberland School District since the first baseball team was formed in 1896. After a few years of isolated contest, a Barron County League was formed and Cumberland went 8 and 3 with one tie that first year.

In 1898, the school turned its attention towards forming a football team, but no coach could be found, so it was put off until 1899, when Principal Pease coached Cumberland's first team. That squad went 4 and 1, losing only to the Barron Athletic Club.

In 1902, the attempt to form a basketball team failed, when the Opera House refused to allow the school to use the hall for a game floor. With the building of the new school in 1904, however, a gymnasium became available and basketball began. Cumberland's first games were a 15-9 boy's victory over Hayward, while the girl's dropped a 22-1 decision to the same school. The history of Cumberland athletics had begun.

Cumberland Area Fishing & Hunting Table											
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DATE	Minor AM	Major AM	Minor PM	Major PM	Sunrise	Sunset	Rise	Up	Sets	Down	DST
3/10 Wed	2:35	8:48	3:01	9:14	06:30	06:05	5:43a	3:08p	10:22a	10:47p	
3/11 Thu >	3:21	9:33	3:46	9:58	06:28	06:07	6:13a	4:19p	11:11a	11:35p	
3/12 Fri >	4:06	10:17	4:29	10:40	06:26	06:08	6:38a	5:27p	11:57a	No Moon	
3/13 Sat N	4:50	11:00	5:11	11:22	06:25	06:09	6:59a	6:33p	12:41p	12:19a	
3/14 Sun >	6:33	12:23	6:54	12:44	07:23	07:11	8:19a	8:37p	2:22p	2:02a	*
3/15 Mon >	7:18	1:07	7:38	1:28	07:21	07:12	8:38a	9:40p	3:03p	2:43a	*
3/16 Tue >	8:03	1:53	8:24	2:13	07:19	07:13	8:57a	10:43p	3:44p	3:24a	*

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

Devils Lake, Hard Fishing, Hard Playing!

Hello friends,

This past week I stayed in a 17-foot Ice Castle fishing shack on Stump and Devil's Lake near Devil's Lake, North Dakota. Dakota Jeffords, Ross Moll, Joey Weber, and Weston Sexton all grew up near Niagara, Wisconsin and graduated in 2012. Dakota is stationed at Grand Forks, Air Force Base and is the man responsible for hooking us up with the Ice Castle. This week's column will literally be all over the map as there is a ton to write about.

Thursday, February 25th
High 26, low 12

We met on Stump Lake which is a drainage lake that was created by Devil's Lake. Dakota was pulling our home, Joey and Weston had arrived at daybreak and fished all day, Ross and I made the solid 9-hour drive, and after setting out four lines a piece; three tip ups and a jig pole in the shack, the show began.

First, the fish catching has been very slow, but we had high hopes by bed time, and tons of laughs. Later we had 2 walleye and a couple of perch.

Friday, February 26th
High 24, low 2

Second, it is much colder in North Dakota than in Wisconsin, and the wind kicks your rear end. We got up this morning and made the decision that we were relocating to Devils Lake. That sounds real simple but Devil's Lake is 95,624 acres and after a six mile drive on Stump, we did a forty mile drive on the road and checked out three spots on Devils Lake before we settled into the area we would call home for the next three days. To put it simply, I was amazed at the size of this body of water which has no natural outlet and did most of its growth in the mid-90s when it gobbled up 140 square miles of farmland and 300 homes and farms.

Between all of us, we had several contacts for the fishing and all our info and personal experience would not make the fish bite. The last hour of daylight, I caught a couple of walleyes, and a perch and had a great conversation with a retired guide that was staying on the ice for the weekend.

I was told we were in an excellent spot and I

learned a lot as he was fishing directly over a machine shed that vanished during the rise when this body of water rose 26-feet in four years.

Here is the real story for this trip, the four guys that I was with are great buddies that all have excellent careers, a work ethic, and love to give each other BS every chance they get. They grew up in what may be the last of the era where kids could be kids and they have more stories than there are pages in the bible.

Saturday, February 27th
High 7, low minus 16

Talk about freeze your hands off. We were up before first light and with the wind and air temp it was minus 27. These yahoos decided it was time for refreshments before first light and what a show that was for me to watch. I fished hard as they kind of did as well but the wrestling matches, verbal abuse, and tying Ross's shoe strings together with first 20-pound mono and then Gorilla Tape when he took a nap was a hoot.

Back in the day I hunted elk in Montana and in reality, per capita, I honestly believe this part of the country has the most unassumingly good and tough people in the lower 48. Without trying, I became friends with two groups of North Dakotans that made it very clear I could hunt or fish with them anytime I wanted, and I was even given an offer to buy a piece of property for \$2500 for a base camp.

Back to fishing, jigging in the shack and we tried, that is for sure. The perch bite was next to dead, but the one ray of hope was tip ups that were well tended and it was for the most part northern pike.

There was a good 36-inches of ice and we worked hard and thought hard but as it was for everyone that we spoke with on this body of water a non-bite.

We broke camp at sunup the next morning, the temp was minus 8 and to be perfectly honest, every one of us was exhausted.

As soon as this is sent out, I am packing for a four-day trip on Little Bay de Noc of camping and hopefully catching extremely long, fat walleye that take a long time to ice and make me dream all sum-



Dakota Jeffords, Weston Sexton, Ross Moll, and Joey Weber enjoying life on Devils Lake.



Our home for the weekend.

mer of a winter on the ice.
Rest is for the dead! **Sunset**

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Wolf Management Plan Process Begins With Application For New Committee

DNR Outlines Plan Process and Timeline

The Department of Natural Resources (DNR) announced the open application period for a newly formed Wolf Management Plan Committee (WMPC). Beginning this month, the department will begin recruitment for the WMPC with an open application period through March 19.

The DNR invites organizations with an interest in wolf management to visit the wolf management plan webpage on the DNR website to learn more about the required qualifications and how to apply for a seat on the committee.

The purpose of the WMPC will be to provide input, direction and recommendations to the department in developing an updated wolf management plan. To be inclusive of a variety of interest areas regarding wolf management, a specified number of plan committee seats will be made available by application to interested stakeholder organizations. Representation on the committee will include hunting/trapping organizations, wolf advocacy/education organizations and agricultural/ranching organizations.

Additional seats on the WMPC will be reserved for invited tribal and governmental agencies, the Wisconsin Conservation Congress and DNR technical staff support.

The wolf management plan process will occur over the next year and half and will be conducted in an open and transparent process ensuring time for public participation and incorporation of the most recent scientific data. The first step in the process consists of the department forming the WMPC with diverse representation from stakeholder groups as well as tribal and other governmental organizations.

Once the committee is formed, the department will solicit broad public input on the direction of wolf man-

agement in the state. Once that feedback is compiled, the WMPC will begin a series of four meetings to provide input to the development of the updated wolf management plan.

The department will write an initial draft of the wolf plan, guided by science and input from the WMPC and the public. The draft plan will be made available for public review and comment. A final draft will then be compiled and submitted to the Natural Resources Board for approval in mid-2022.

The DNR is actively working to prepare for a fall 2021 wolf harvest season through a transparent and science-based process. While a revised management plan is in development, the department will convene a 2021 Wolf Harvest Advisory Committee to advise on the harvest objective and quota recom-

mendation for the harvest season opening Nov. 6. The committee will include the organizations involved the last time the Wolf Advisory Committee met in 2014. Invitations have also been extended to additional organizations who previously requested a seat on the committee.

The 2021 Wolf Harvest Advisory Committee will meet to formulate a fall 2021 harvest quota recommendation following the current management plan and state statute. This approach will include coordination with our tribal partners and solicitation of public input on harvest objectives. The department plans to present its quota recommendation to the Natural Resources Board at its August meeting.

Find more information on the wolf management plan and wolves in Wisconsin on the DNR website.

Cumberland Area Finishers

- Birkebeiner (45 km)
- Matt Bratager
 - Craig Hokanson
 - Isaac Lundquist (First Birkie)
 - Jake Lundquist (First Birkie)
 - Lorne Majewski
 - Louis K. Muench
 - Andrew Revak
 - Ivan Rodriguez
 - Todd Sandman
 - Tonja Wick

- Kortelopet (26 km)
- Louis E. Muench

- Barnebirkie (Children's Event)
- Emerson Muench
 - Riley Muench

A Very Different American Birkebeiner!



The American Birkebeiner went on this year with a format that was altered due to COVID-19. Races were different than years past but were held successfully. Skiers could choose an in person event on the Birkie Trail spread out over 5 days on a looped course with no spectators or they could choose a virtual event that could be completed anywhere. Several skiers completed a Birkie event at Timberland Hills Ski Trails. Pictured here are Riley and Emerson Muench at the Barnebirkie on the Birkie Trail.



Louis K Muench at the start of the Birkie Trail in Cable.



Todd Sandman after completing the "virtual" Birkebeiner at Timberland Hills.

Sports Lookback, March 14, 2001

The Cumberland High School Hockey Team completed a very successful season as they captured the state title in play last weekend in Green Bay.

In their opening round game, the team played the West Madison Flyers in the game to determine in which tournament the team would play. They lost 4-3 and were placed in the Class "B" state tournament.

The game with Madison was a close one as Madison and the locals were tied 2-2 after one period of play. The Flyers got the only goal in the second period to take a 3-2 lead into the final period of play. They scored again to take a 4-2 lead before the Islanders stormed back to score with 40 seconds to play to make it a one goal game.

"We pulled the goalie and had several chances to tie the score, but the puck just wouldn't go in," said Coach Dan Wackerfuss.

"The two teams were pretty evenly matched as they had 31 shots on net and we had 28 shots," said Wackerfuss.

Justin Lindsley, Dusty Geisness, and Josh Distad scored for the Islanders with assists credited to Chad Lehmann, Jamie Nugent, and

Matt Grover.

In the Class "B" tournament, the team opened Saturday's play against a nearby rival, Amery. This was no contest as the locals won 4-1 and put 29 shots on the net. The score was briefly tied in the second period before the locals turned on the juice and pulled away. Justin Lindsley had a pair of goals while Geisness and Lehmann each scored once. Assists went to Geisness, Lehmann, Lindsley, and Hans Holmes. Hank Seeger had an easy game as he faced only 14 Amery shots.

The semi-final game pitted the Islanders against Marinette and the locals got off to a fast start as they scored four times in the first period.

The two teams played evenly after that, but the two goal lead 4-2, after one period, stood up for a final 7-5 win for Cumberland.

Geisness, Lehmann, and Lindsley each scored twice with the other goal punched in by Matt Grover.

Lindsley, Lehmann, Geisness, Josh Distad, and Adam Janssen all had assists and Seeger stopped 28 of 33 shots he faced.

"They scored first and then we got four unanswered goals and rolled from then on. We

came out fast in the second period and scored after just 51 seconds. They didn't quit, however, scored twice to make it a one goal game. We got a fast start in the third period and scored twice to make it 7-4 before they got their final goal," said Coach Wackerfuss.

The championship game pitted Cumberland against Sun Prairie and the Cumberland six won 8-4 and they put this game away in the second period scoring three goals to go up 5-3 entering the final period.

Justin Lindsley got a hat trick while Dustin Geisness scored twice. Single goals came from Lehmann, Grover, and Ray Haremza. Geisness, Lindsley, Justin Olson, Mark Wickre, and Randy Laursen each had assists.

Hank Seeger capped his season with 30 saves in net.

"The first three goals were back and forth before we pulled ahead with the fourth goal. The fifth goal was a buzzer beater as it went with no time on the clock. Sun Prairie pulled to within a goal at the 10:28 mark of the third period before we finally scored twice to put the game on ice," concluded Coach Wackerfuss.

Senior Center Happenings

By Dave Husby, President of the Board

Cumberland Area Senior Citizen's Center

This month (March) marks exactly 12 months since your Cumberland Area Senior Citizens Center was open for use. Twelve months is way too long to be closed. Many of us miss the camaraderie from joining with other seniors at coffee in the morning, at a congregate meal at the lunch hour or playing our favorite card game or BINGO or other activities such as putting a piece or two of an open jigsaw puzzle into place. The Senior Center was a place to assemble and to have a group of community members converse and help each other. Twelve months is too long. We will not be hindered any longer. Many to most of us have already had COVID-19 and or have had the COVID vaccine or both. As long as we feel okay why should we not associate with each other?

The interior and exterior of our Senior Center has been remodeled in the last year. There is a group of anonymous friends out in this community that provided thousands of dollars of funding so the Senior Center can be a showcase and a very welcoming place to assemble and enjoy each others company. We have a new roof, a new power source, a new paved parking area on the outside. Upon entering you will notice all new entry doors. On the inside, we have a brand new kitchen, both bathrooms have been refurbished, the main assembly area has been re-painted, a new drinking fountain, a new hot water heater and many other minor improvements. The only thing missing is you. Please come and help us open this great facility again. Make it a focal point, a must go to place. Some of you may think it is too soon to congregate again. As I said earlier, most of us seniors have been vaccinated and should be protected but that doesn't mean we should disregard getting too close to one another or if we should feel ill we should not participate. Participation is totally your choice but I encourage you to come be part of this aging community. We can certainly physical distance our 6 feet and also wear masks as we see fit. It will be your or your group's choice.

At this point I declare the Cumberland Area Senior Citizen's Center open for business. We will start slow. Monday, March 15th will be our first week for coffee in the morning from 9 AM till 11 AM. We will try this Monday morning coffee event every week just to see how it goes and then expand from there.

Bring your suggestions for activities and other events. We are also working with the Barron County ADRC to bring back the nutrition program to Cumberland. Come join us for a cup of coffee and some great conversation.

- **Senior Dining**
- **Weekday Breakfast**
- **dining at 5, & the Sunday Community Breakfasts suspended until further notice. Grab and Go only until further notice.**
- **Thurs, Mar. 11th:**
- Savory Roast Beef
- Mashed Potatoes with Gravy, Steamed Carrots, Assorted Bread.
- Pistachio Dream Dessert.
- **Fri, Mar. 12th:** Slippery Hill Chef Salad with HB Eggs, Beans, Cheese, Olives, Cucumbers, Tomatoes, Cottage Cheese
- Breadstick, Brownie.
- **Mon, Mar. 15th:**
- Shredded Pork on a Whole Wheat Bun
- Baked Beans, Red Cabbage and Carrot Slaw, Tapioca Pudding.
- **Tues, Mar. 16th:**
- Creamy Mushroom Beef and Brown Rice.
- Casserole, Steamed Broccoli, Assorted Bread, Cheesecake Dessert.
- **Wed, Mar. 17th:**
- Boiled Corned Beef
- Carrot, Potato & Cabbage Dinner, Assorted Bread, Lime Jell-O Dessert.

Correspondents

Barronett News

By Judy Pieper

The Barronett Lutheran women's group meeting, which was held last Thursday evening, was very well attended and decisions were made as to how to distribute money we had accumulated from the sale of our cookbooks and other donations. It was heartwarming to be able to donate between \$200 and \$350 to five different charities, three of them local. We are also hoping to be able to host the pie and ice cream social at the Colorfest in October. Things are looking up!! Many members of our congregation have already had one covid shot, and some have had two. So, if that is any indication of how things are going, we should be able to get back to normal soon and host our normal pot-luck dinners and fund raisers.

There was a council meeting at Barronett Lutheran this past Sunday. There wasn't a lot on the agenda because we had just had an annual meeting in January, but a few things were discussed. One that everyone seems to be happy about is that we will, once again, be singing the hymns. For the past few months, since we have been having services in the church, we have been listening to the music but not singing along to keep from spreading germs. Well, because so many of us have had our shots, it was decided that we will still wear masks and social distance, but we will now be singing. Yea!

Wrigley Marsh, who is a member of the Nuggets Basketball Team (3rd and 4th grade) was very proud and happy that his team won the championship last Monday evening. The Nuggets played against the Nets and, although the Nets are an excellent team and played valiantly, the

Nuggets came out the winners. Both teams are from Rice Lake and I'd be willing to bet those guys well all be practicing in their garages a lot before the next basketball season is upon us.

Garett and Kandice Thon and two of their friends took a few days' vacation and drove to Tennessee to do some fishing and sightseeing. (The guys went fishing, the gals went sightseeing.) Garett said that his friend caught a huge bass, I think it was nine pounds, but most of the bass they caught were between three and four pounds. The women toured the Smokey Mountains and, of course, hit a few shops. They had a wonderful, carefree week.

In the meantime, Kane and Pierce Thon visited with their Grandma Lynn. They had a wonderful time - baking cookies and making gummy bears, etc. On Saturday, while Pierce was taking a nap and Lynn was doing some housework, Kane and I decided it would be a good idea to trek through the snow to check out the treehouse. Everything was great for the first 100 yards or so, we were walking on the ice that covered the snow, but then, suddenly, we started breaking through. Holy man! That snow was over knee deep on me, so you can imagine how far little Kane fell through. And, once you fall through, it's difficult to get your leg back up. We struggled for another 40 feet or so, and then the ice was strong enough to hold us again.

It was such a nice warm day and Kane played on the swings while I sat in a hammock chair on the deck of the treehouse relaxed. We checked inside the treehouse for rodents, but nothing was chewed up

or gnawed on, thank goodness. On the way back to Lynn's house I went in front of Kane and stomped through the ice and packed the snow down a bit so he didn't have to struggle quite so much on the walk back. We both slept really good that night.

I'm sure you know that Heather, Aarianna and Jon Carlson are now residing in the house that their grandma, Illa Theese, lived in. Aarianna is a senior in high school now, and she is working part-time at the Cenex here in Barronett. I had a chance to chat with her a few minutes on Sunday evening, and she said that, after she graduates in the spring, she would like to go to a mechanics' school in Superior. Man, it's hard to believe that she is a senior already - I still think of those kids as five and seven year olds.

Geri Pittman told a joke at the women's meeting on Thursday that I just have to share with you. A pastor was frantically looking for a replacement organist because the usual organist called in sick one Saturday evening. He called one person who was a little nervous about it because she wouldn't have much time to practice the hymns for that Sunday. The pastor told her that she could just choose to play hymns that she would be comfortable with, just as long as they were appropriate. Everything went well, and at the end of the service he mentioned that the roof of the church was leaking in spots and needed repair. He said that if anyone felt moved to help by donating an extra \$100, that they should stand up. The organist immediately played "The Star Spangled Banner." Hmmm.

That's about all I know from Barronett this week. Stay safe - enjoy this beautiful weather. I'll see you next time.

Senior News

By Gloria Lindeman

Finally after a year, we are going to try and open up. We will take it slow and see how it goes.

We are starting out with a morning coffee session, starting Monday, March 15, from 9am-11am. We won't have any treats yet, just serving coffee. We will do this every Monday if everyone wants to participate.

Starting April 8, and every second Thursday of the month, we will be doing

BINGO. Time will start at 1:00 pm. Again, we won't have any treats yet. We will see how it goes.... so pass the word along if you want to come. We will spread out and be considerate of everyone and hopeful most of you will be vaccinated at that time. I will try and write every week to keep you up to date.

I Don't have any idea when they will be serving meals at the center. We

postponed our election, so we will be having that in the near future to elect board members. I will be talking more about that in the next couple of weeks.

If you wish, you can come in and play cards. Just clean up after yourselves and be sure lights are turned off and doors are locked.

Any questions, call Gloria at 715-822-8241.

Hope to see you at the center. Take Care.

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Kathleen A. Johnson
Kathleen Ann Johnson 75 of Cumberland passed away on March 2, 2021 after a battle with cancer.

Kathleen was born August 31, 1945 in Cumberland to Victor and Irene Vaughn. Kathleen graduated from Cumberland High School in 1963 and married classmate Albert Johnson shortly thereafter in 1965.

Kathy and Al farmed in rural Cumberland for many

years while raising a family of two sons and a daughter. After retiring from the farm in the mid 1990's Kathy worked for a number of years in an antique shop and at the local pharmacy. Kathy spent her time gardening, with Bible study, socializing with friends, camping, writing poetry, sewing, and serving family and friends in countless ways. She will be remembered as always putting the needs of others before her own.

Kathy is survived by her husband Albert, sons Scott (Colleen) and Steve, a daughter Melissa (Brian) Pinkerton, a brother Jim Vaughn, who all live locally, a sister Margaret (John) Hennessy of Mpls, MN, and eight grandchildren.

Kathy's family will be having a private memorial service at a future date.

CDC Issues First Set of Guidelines on How Fully Vaccinated People Can Visit Safely with Others

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) has issued its first set of recommendations on activities that people who are fully vaccinated against COVID-19 can safely resume.

The new guidance—which is based on the latest science — includes recommendations for how and when a fully vaccinated individual can visit with other people who are fully vaccinated and with other people who are not vaccinated. This guidance represents a first step toward returning to everyday activities in our communities. CDC will update these recommendations as more people are vaccinated, rates of COVID-19 in the community change, and additional scientific evidence becomes available.

“We know that people want to get vaccinated so they can get back to doing the things they enjoy with the people they love,” said CDC Director Rochelle P. Walensky, MD, MPH. “There are some activities that fully vaccinated people can begin to resume now in

their own homes. Everyone – even those who are vaccinated – should continue with all mitigation strategies when in public settings. As the science evolves and more people get vaccinated, we will continue to provide more guidance to help fully vaccinated people safely resume more activities.”

- Visit with other fully vaccinated people indoors without wearing masks or staying 6 feet apart.

- Visit with unvaccinated people from one other household indoors without wearing masks or staying 6 feet apart if everyone in the other household is at low risk for severe disease.

- Refrain from quarantine and testing if they do not have symptoms of COVID-19 after contact with someone who has COVID-19.

A person is considered fully vaccinated two weeks after receiving the last required dose of vaccine. Although vaccinations are accelerating, CDC estimates that just 9.2% of the U.S. population has been fully vaccinated with a COVID-19 vaccine

that the FDA has authorized for emergency use.

While the new guidance is a positive step, the vast majority of people need to be fully vaccinated before COVID-19 precautions can be lifted broadly. Until then, it is important that everyone continues to adhere to public health mitigation measures to protect the large number of people who remain unvaccinated.

CDC recommends that fully vaccinated people continue to take these COVID-19 precautions when in public, when visiting with unvaccinated people from multiple other households, and when around unvaccinated people who are at high risk of getting severely ill from COVID-19:

- Wear a well-fitted mask.
- Stay at least 6 feet from people you do not live with.
- Avoid medium- and large-sized in-person gatherings.
- Get tested if experiencing COVID-19 symptoms.
- Follow guidance issued by individual employers.
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ments and recommendations.

CDC has released resources to help people make informed decisions when they are fully vaccinated. Visit www.cdc.gov for more information



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“Whitness of Love”
by Pastor John Miels
St. Paul Lutheran Church, Cumberland

As I wondered what I could share with you this Perhaps the greatest witness we have to offer is the witness of love. If I cannot so easily see it in myself, I see it in the steadfast faithfulness of those who are brothers and sisters in Christ. Love, joy, peace, long suffering, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control; the fruits of the Spirit. The world is in so desperate a need for this vision, perfectly imaged in Christ crucified, but still alive and well among the faithful.

As Christians we well know that every sort of evil comes from the heart, and that even our best works are tainted by sin, yet it is good to tell ourselves we are blessed so often to be in the company of Christians, and I eat of Christ's fruit in abundance.

More and more, the world is showing its true face, and it is hideous to behold. The world is offering nothing natural or human. The world is against moms and dads, families, with only the raw exercise of power exercised without humility, patience, or forgiveness. Even their artificial virtue of tolerance is long gone, but in a Christian community there is a little garden where love abounds with the fact that in Christ there is forgiveness already purchased. The family in Christ is the harvest of a baptismal life, where we know God as Father and Christ as brother. The fruits of the Spirit are found in the vineyard well-tended, and end in a cup of joy and agape love.

Yes, Lent is the season of repentance, but also forgiveness. And while we do well to recognize our sin, we do well to shun those who deny or downplay the new life in Christ, a life in which the Ten Commandments actually attract a positive vision of a life well lived in Christ. To think that in the commandments lie male and female, father and mother, husband and wife, and from that union life is precious. The fulfillment of these commands is nothing but love, and love endures. The world cannot steal our joy, even in sadness, for we are a people of a sure hope, grounded in the resurrection for the forgiven.

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PUBLIC NOTICES



NOTICE

The regular meeting of the Cumberland Municipal Utility Commission will be held on Monday, March 15, 2021 at 4:00 p.m. in the Utility Offices located at 1265 2nd A venue, Cumberland, WI 54829.

The meeting agenda is as follows:

1. Roll call
2. Public comments
3. Review and approval of the 02/15/21 meeting minutes
4. Review and approval of payment vouchers
5. Review and approval of financial statements and reports
6. Review and approval of Lawn Mower bids
7. Review and approval of Skid Steer bids
8. General Manager's Report
9. Adjourn.

**Dean Bergstrom
General Manager**

Some or All of the Commission Members may attend telephonically or by video conferencing. Persons attending the meeting at the Utility Offices may be able to view and listen to the meeting, unless the meeting is moved to Closed Session, per Wisconsin Statutes.

The Utility Commission reserves the right to convene to Closed Session, Wis. §§ 19.85 (C), and reconvene to Open Session, Wis. §§ 19.85 (2).

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NOTICE

**STATE OF WISCONSIN
CIRCUIT COURT
BARRON COUNTY
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
(INFORMAL
ADMINISTRATION)
CASE NO. 2021 PR 25**

In the Matter of the Estate of Carol Kellermann Case No. 2021 PR 25.

An application for informal administration was filed. The decedent, with date of birth December 23, 1937 and date of death December 20, 2020 was domiciled in Barron County, State of Wisconsin, with a mailing address of 1577 Forest Circle, Cumberland, WI 54829.

All interested persons waived notice.

The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate is June 1, 2021.

A claim may be filed at the Barron County Justice Center, 1420 State Hwy. 25 North, Barron, Wisconsin, Room 2700.

**/S/ Deanne E. Alsbury
Registrar in Probate
February 15, 2021**

**Karen Whitman
743 18th Avenue,
Cumberland, WI 54829
715-225-0320**

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NOTICE

**STATE OF WISCONSIN
CIRCUIT COURT
BARRON COUNTY
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
(INFORMAL
ADMINISTRATION)
CASE NO. 2021 PR 27**

In the Matter of the Estate of Robert J. Ricci, Case No. 2021 PR 27.

An application for informal administration was filed. The decedent, with date of birth June 14, 1933 and date of death October 29, 2020 was domiciled in Barron County, State of Wisconsin, with a mailing address of 948 22 1/2 Ave., Cumberland, WI 54829.

All interested persons waived notice.

The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate is June 1, 2021.

A claim may be filed at the Barron County Justice Center, 1420 State Hwy. 25 North, Barron, Wisconsin, Room 2700.

**/S/ Deanne E. Alsbury
Registrar in Probate
February 17, 2021**

**Peter E. Grosskopf
Grosskopf Law Office, LLC
1324 W. Clairmont Ave.,
Eau Claire, WI 54701
715-835-6196
WI Bar# 01010288**

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NOTICE

**STATE OF WISCONSIN
CIRCUIT COURT
BARRON COUNTY
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
(INFORMAL
ADMINISTRATION)
CASE NO. 2021 PR 29**

In the Matter of the Estate of Delbert Parr Case No. 2021 PR 29.

An application for informal administration was filed. The decedent, with date of birth November 3, 1954 and date of death February 11, 2021, was domiciled in Barron County, State of Wisconsin, with a mailing address of 939 27th Ave., Cumberland, WI 54829.

All interested persons waived notice.

The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate is June 7, 2021.

A claim may be filed at the Barron County Justice Center, 1420 State Hwy. 25 North, Barron, Wisconsin, Room 2700.

**/S/ Deanne E. Alsbury
Registrar in Probate
February 22, 2021**

**Kelsey Parr
PO Box 248
Fairwater, WI 53931
920-296-3263**

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NOTICE

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Thompson Mini
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**ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS
Carlone Street West – Phase 2
Cumberland, Wisconsin**

Bid Opening: 1:30 p.m. (CST), Thursday, March 25, 2021

The City of Cumberland, hereinafter referred to as the Owner, will receive and accept bids ONLY through QuestCDN.com via the online electronic bid service for the construction of Carlone Street West - Phase 2 until March 25, 2021, at 1:30 p.m. (CST). All bids will be downloaded and publicly read aloud at CBS Squared, Inc., 770 Technology Way, Chippewa Falls, WI 54729, at that time.

Work on this contract consists of 1,350 LF 12-inch DIP water main, 1,450 LF 8-inch sanitary sewer, 1,200 LF HDPE storm sewer ranging from 12-18 inches, 56,200 CY common excavation, 4,800 CY base course, 1,800 Tons asphalt, 3,100 LF curb and gutter, and 9,000 SF concrete sidewalk.

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

Bids shall be on the forms provided for that purpose and per the Contract Documents prepared by CBS Squared Inc. identified as "Carlone Street West – Phase 2".

Each bid shall be accompanied by the Bidder's Bond or Certified Check in the amount equal to at least 5 percent of the amount of the total bid, which shall be forfeited to the City of Cumberland in the event the successful bidder fails to enter a Contract.

Bids shall be directed to the Owner securely sealed and endorsed upon the outside wrapper "BID FOR CARLONE STREET WEST – PHASE 2".

The City of Cumberland reserves the right to retain the deposits of the two (2) lowest bidders for a period not to exceed 30 days after the date and time set for the opening of bids. No bids may be withdrawn for a period of 30 days after the date and time set for the opening of bids.

Bidders must submit a Bidders Proof of Responsibility in accordance with the Instructions to Bidders.

Bidders will be required to provide performance and payment bonds of 100 percent of bid amount.

Digital image copies of the Bidding Documents are available at <http://www.cbssquaredinc.com> for a fee of \$45. Documents may be downloaded by first selecting BIDDING from the menu tab, then selecting this project from the CBS SQUARED CURRENT BID INFORMATION link and by entering eBidDoc™ Number 7644254 on the SEARCH PROJECTS page. For assistance and free membership registration, contact QuestCDN at 952.233.1632 or info@questcdn.com.

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

This Contract is expected to be funded in part with funds provided by the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources, Safe Drinking Water Loan Program (SDWLP). Information on applicable federal requirements is contained in the Project Manual.

Use of American Iron & Steel: Projects financed in whole or in part by the Safe Drinking Water Loan Program are required to use American iron and steel. Bid proposals may be denied if the requirements of this Section are not met.

The successful bidder will be required to conform to the federal Davis-Bacon and Related Acts which requires that all laborers and mechanics employed by contractors and sub -contractors performing on contracts funded in whole or in part with federal funds in excess of \$2,000 pay their laborers and mechanics not less than the prevailing wage rates and fringe benefits, as determined by the Secretary of Labor, for corresponding classes of laborers and mechanics employed on similar projects in the area. If the requirements of Davis Bacon, the State of Wisconsin and the Contract requirements conflict with regard to wages, the highest of the three shall apply.

The Owner encourages DBEs, MBEs, WBEs, and SBRAs to submit Bid proposals.

Equal Opportunity and Affirmative Action requirements apply to this Project.

The City of Cumberland reserves the right to reject all bids, without cause, to waive irregularities and informalities therein and accept the bid that is in the best interest of the City of Cumberland.

**Denise Sando
Deputy Clerk/Treasurer
City of Cumberland
950 1st Avenue
Cumberland, WI 54829**

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SURPLUS ITEMS AND EQUIPMENT FOR SALE

The Barron County Highway Department is accepting online bids for small equipment and other miscellaneous surplus items. All items, photos and detailed descriptions can be viewed by visiting

www.wisconsinsurplus.com.

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DOCUMENT 00 11 14 ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS Bid Set #3

**Barron County Highway Maintenance Facility
Barron, Wisconsin**

**Bid Opening: 2:00 pm (CST), Thursday, April 1, 2021
Location: Barron County Government Center
Veterans Memorial Auditorium
335 East Monroe Avenue
Barron, WI 54812**

Sealed bids for the project designated above will be received for and on behalf of Barron County hereinafter referred to as the Owner, at the location listed above, on or before the above mentioned time and date, at which time they will be publicly opened and read aloud.

Work of this contract consists of various Bid Packages to facilitate construct various work tasks or building / site systems including joint sealants, overhead doors and fence / gate systems. The Bidder will include all labor and material costs to perform the work in the Bid Package(s) bid. Finally, the awarded Bidder must coordinate their work with other work contracted by the Owner, including work performed by other awarded Bidders and direct-hire vendors. Contractors are encouraged to consider using local supplier and sub-contractors in assembling final Bids.

Work efforts covered under this Advertisement for Bid will be for labor and material on the following Bid Packages:

- 1) Joint Sealants
- 2) (Specialty) Door Package – includes overhead doors
- 3) Fences (and Gates)

A single lump sum bid will be required for all of the work that is identified in each of the respective Bid Package(s). It is the Owner's intent to AWARD the Project to the successful Contractor by early April 2021. Contractors MUST be prepared to sign contracts by April 15, 2021. The Project is scheduled for completion by June 1, 2022. Bids shall be on the forms provided for that purpose and according to the Contract Documents prepared by CBS Squared, Inc., 770 Technology Way, Chippewa Falls, WI 54729.

The Bidding Documents may be seen at the issuing offices of CBS Squared, Inc. (770 Technology Way, Chippewa Falls, WI 54729), the Barron County Highway Facility, Barron, WI and the following Builders Exchanges:

- 1) Northwest Regional Builders Exchange, 2228 N Hillcrest Pkwy STE 2, Altoona, WI 54720
- 2) La Crosse Builders Exchange, 709 Gillette St STE 2, La Crosse, WI 54603
- 3) Fox Valley Builders Exchange, Inc., 1612 North Ballard Road, Appleton, WI 54911-4212
- 4) Green Bay Builders Exchange, Inc., 1048 Glory Road, Suite G, Green Bay, WI 54304
- 5) Builders Exchange of Wisconsin, Inc., W2518 County Road JJ, Appleton, WI 54913
- 6) Builders Exchange of Milwaukee, 2600 North Mayfair Road, Milwaukee, WI 53226
- 7) Minnesota Builders Exchange, 1123 Glenwood Ave, Minneapolis, MN 55405
- 8) St. Cloud Builders Exchange, 110 6th Ave S # 100B, St Cloud, MN 56301
- 9) Duluth Builders Exchange, 802 Garfield Ave # 200, Duluth, MN 55802

Digital image copies of the Bidding Documents are available at <http://www.cbssquaredinc.com> for a fee of \$50. Documents are to be downloaded by first selecting BIDDING from the menu tab, then selecting this project from the CBS SQUARED CURRENT BID INFORMATION link and by entering eBidDoc™ Number 7645029 on the SEARCH PROJECTS page. For assistance and free membership registration, contact QuestCDN at 952.233.1632 or info@questcdn.com.

Each bid shall be accompanied by the Bidder's Bond or Certified Check in the amount equal to at least 5 percent of the amount of the total bid, which shall be forfeited to the Owner in the event the successful Bidder fails to enter into a Contract. Bids shall be directed to the Owner securely sealed and endorsed upon the outside wrapper BID FOR BARRON COUNTY HIGHWAY MAINTENANCE FACILITY.

A MANDATORY pre-bid meeting shall be held on Thursday, March 25, 2021 at 10:00 am to 12:00 pm (CST) in the Veterans Memorial Auditorium at the Barron County Government Center, 335 East Monroe Avenue, Barron, WI 54812 to become acquainted with the various work scope(s). Potential Bidders will be able to visit the Project site at 11:00 am.

The Owner reserves the right to retain the deposits of the three (3) lowest bidders for a period not to exceed 45 days after the date and time set for the opening of bids. No bids may be withdrawn for a period of 45 days after the date and time set for the opening of bids.

Bidders may be requested to submit a "Contractor's Qualification Statement", stating that the Bidder has the experience and equipment to undertake such work. Bidders will be required to provide Performance AND Payment bonds of 100 percent of the bid amount. This Work shall be subject to minimum wages and labor standards in accordance with State of Wisconsin statutes.

The Owner reserves the right to reject any and all bids or award the project in a way that best suits the interest of Barron County (Wisconsin).

**Mark Servi, Highway Commissioner
Barron County Highway Department
260 North 7th Street
Barron, WI 54812**

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**Non Emergency Phone Numbers:
Cumberland Police Dept. 822-2754
Barron County Sheriff 537-3106
Polk County Sheriff 485-8300
Emergency 911**

**WINTER
PARKING
REGULATIONS**

There will be no parking on any city street between the hours of 2:30 a.m. and 6:00 a.m. on any day between November 1 through April 1. Violators may be ticketed or towed.
**Rick Rieper
Cumberland
Chief of Police**

Do you know what's in your well water?

March 7-13 is National Ground Water Awareness Week and if you are a private well owner, it's a great time to think about collecting a sample to be sure your water is safe to drink. The Wisconsin Department of Health Services and Department of Natural Resources recommend that you regularly test your water for bacteria, nitrate and arsenic. You can learn more about drinking water tests for private wells at: dnr.wi.gov/files/pdf/pubs/dg/dg0023.pdf.

Recently, counties in northern and western Wisconsin, including Barron County, have been notified that some public water supplies have manganese levels above EPA's health

advisory level. Manganese is a common element found in minerals, rocks, and soil. Manganese may be in your water if it has a rust color, causes staining of faucets, sinks or laundry, or if it has an off taste or odor.

While small amounts of manganese are part of a healthy diet, high levels can impact health. People over the age of 50 and infants less than six months are the most sensitive to the effects of manganese. In older adults, high levels of manganese may cause a disorder similar to Parkinson's disease. In infants, exposure to high levels of manganese may affect brain development and impact learning and behavior. Some studies indicate that

people with certain medical conditions (iron-deficiency anemia, liver disease) may also be more sensitive to the effects of manganese. Learn more about manganese and your health at: www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/water/manganese.htm.

If you are concerned about your well water, we encourage you to sample your well water for manganese and other metals. Laboratories that are certified to test for manganese include:

- Wisconsin State Laboratory of Hygiene, (800) 442-4618, Cost: \$30 per sample, www.slh.wisc.edu/environmental/water/public-environmental-and-water-testing-prices/
- UW-SP Water and En-

vironmental Analysis Lab, (715) 346-3209, Cost: \$25 per sample, www.uwsp.edu/cnr-ap/weal/Pages/Homeowner.aspx

• Other certified labs can be found on this list: dnr.wisconsin.gov/topic/lab-Cert/certified-lab-lists

Households with pregnant women or infants may be eligible for free testing. Contact Barron County Department of Health and Human Services to learn more.

Private well owners with high levels of manganese may be eligible for a Well Compensation Grant from the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources to replace, reconstruct or treat contaminated private water supplies that serve a resi-

dence or provide water to livestock. To be eligible, family income may not exceed \$65,000 for the prior calendar year. Learn more about the Well Compensation Grant program at: dnr.wisconsin.gov/aid/Well-Compensation.html.



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DNR: Seedlings Still Available For Spring 2021 Planting

The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR) today announced seedlings are still available to create and enhance wildlife habitat, stabilize the soil, block winter wind and snow and provide a future shady spot to sit and enjoy a morning.

As spring approaches, DNR Forestry staff are getting ready to harvest fields of native tree and shrub seedlings.

Conifers available include jack pine 1-0 and 2-0, red pine 3-0, white pine 2-0 and tamarack 2-0. The pines tend to grow fast and

perform the best in well-drained soils. The tamarack can grow in wetter soils. All are great for providing thermal cover to wildlife in the winter or privacy along a property line.

Hardwoods include river and white birch, black cherry, hackberry, silver maple, bur and red oaks, sycamore and black walnut. Many of these hardwoods provide forage or mast for wildlife and grow quickly in fertile soils.

Black cherry will begin producing fruit as soon as five years and aspen and birch provide buds for

grouse even faster. The oaks and walnut take a while to produce acorns and nuts, but they will supply critters with fodder for many years once they begin. The silver maple, hackberry and sycamore thrive in wetter soils, giving those in heavy clay or lowland sites an opportunity for arboreal cover.

Consider talking to a DNR forester to get more information on tree planting and forest management. A good planting plan can focus a landowner's efforts and create a strategy to achieve all their property goals. Find a forester near

you using the DNR's Forestry Assistance Locator webpage.

For up-to-date information on seedling availability, please contact the state nursery at 715-424-3700. To order seedlings, print off a seedling application here. To have the ordering form sent to your residence, please contact a DNR forester near you or nursery staff.

Seedlings sold by the Wisconsin State nurseries are only for planting in Wisconsin and for reforestation, wildlife habitat and windbreak and erosion control purposes.

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CTH M Bridge Project Starting

Barron County Highway Department is announcing the start date for bridge re-decking on the CTH M Bridge over German Creek. The project is approximately 200' south of USH 8. The project start date is Monday, March 29th, 2021 with an anticipated completion date of June 11th, 2021.

CTH M will be closed to traffic for entirety of the project. The signed detour route will be STH 8 east to Cameron, south on CTH SS to Chetek, east and north on CTH D to CTH M, then north on CTH M.

This project will be for bridge re-decking which

includes excavation, base aggregate dense, asphaltic paving, restoration, erosion control, traffic control and all incidental items necessary to complete the work. This project is partially funded using CHID funding.

As a reminder, when you encounter work zones, please pay attention as conditions may change. You are also reminded that the use of hand-held devices, such as cell phones, in a work zone is against the law. Please help protect yourself and all construction personnel by putting down your phone and paying attention to the road.

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Rick Rieper
 Cumberland Chief of Police

Kevin Zappa
 715-641-1389
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RESTAURANT POSITIONS AVAILABLE
Louie's on the Lake in Cumberland is looking for all positions: Cooks, Waitstaff, dishwashers, and hosts.
 Opening Mid-April.
 Please apply in person at the (formerly) Lakeside Restaurant, 1780 Arcade Ave., Cumberland or contact Abby at abbygeisler@comcast.net for an appointment.

HELP WANTED
Full-Time Customer Service/Office Assistant
Cumberland Municipal Utility

Cumberland Municipal Utility will be accepting applications for the position of Full-Time Customer Service/Office Assistant. This position is a 4-day, 32 hour per week position. The primary functions of this position are to serve as the first point of contact for our customers, provide utility bill issuance and processing, maintain billing and cash receipting records as necessary and complete other tasks as assigned by Management. This position also reconciles utility accounts and transactions, summarizes financial data from the utility billing system, assists with contacting delinquent customers, handles customer questions/complaints, and other necessary tasks. Applicants must be detail oriented, have good customer service skills when speaking with customers, ability to multi-task, must be able to maintain confidentiality and must have strong computer skills, including Microsoft Word & Excel. Salary will be \$14.00 - \$16.50 per hour DOQ with Utility benefit package. Hours are 8:00 am - 4:30 pm, M-F (selected applicant will be scheduled 4 days per week with ability to fill in on additional day if needed)
 Application and Job Description available at Cumberland Municipal Utility, 1265 2nd Avenue, P.O. Box 726, Cumberland, WI 54829 or by email at lori@cmutility.com and must be received by 12:00 p.m. on March 26, 2021. EOE

Cumberland School District Employment Opportunity
General Music Teacher Posting
Job Title: Full-Time Elementary School General Music Teacher
Job Description: Full-time General Music Teacher position at the Cumberland Elementary School, effective at the start of the 2021-2022 school year. The candidate must be an enthusiastic and self-motivated individual to teach elementary general music in a thriving 4-year-old kindergarten through fourth grade building. The successful candidate will have knowledge in a variety of pedagogical techniques including Kodaly, Orff, Suzuki, and Dalcroze. Additionally, candidates should enjoy interacting with young students and building positive relationships between students, staff, parents, and community members.
Qualifications: Candidate must hold or be eligible for Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction Certification in General Music (1515).
How to Apply: If interested in this position, applications are taken through the WECAN website: <https://wecan.education.wisc.edu> or mail or email resume, letter of interest, three letters of recommendation, and copies of transcripts from all attended universities to:
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Cumberland School District Employment Opportunity
Instrumental Music Teacher Posting
Job Title: Full-Time Middle School Instrumental Music Teacher
Job Description: Full-time Instrumental Music Teacher position at the Cumberland Middle School, effective at the start of the 2021-2022 school year. The successful candidate must enjoy working with young students in a team-orientated environment. The position is geared towards 6-8 grade students with the opportunity to work with high school ensembles/musicians. Experience in piano accompaniment and high school marching band preferred, but not required.
Qualifications: Candidate must hold or be eligible for Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction Certification in Instrumental Music (1506).
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Bond Referendum
 Frequently Asked Question

- Is now a good time to run a referendum considering everything going on? Yes, now is a great time because:
 - Interest rates are at an all-time low for borrowing money. This will help minimize the tax impact to residents.
 - The commercial construction industry is slow (unlike residential construction). Other school districts are seeing outstanding bids, and projects are coming in well under budget.
 - This project will provide stimulus dollars for our community and opportunities for local contractors to bid on the work.
 - The needs are real and must be addressed sooner than later. The issues are not going away; we can maximize our dollars and improve educational opportunities for our students if we are proactive now.

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High School and create additional multi-use areas that will provide meaningful learning opportunities inside and outside of the classroom for years to come.

- Retain and remodel major sections of the building.
- Rebuild a two-story academic wing.

To accomplish these goals, Steve said the district will "partner with leading educational planners, designers, builders, and financial experts."

He then introduced members of the team that has been chosen to oversee the project: Paul Aplikowski, Wold Architects and Engineers; John Huenink, Kraus Anderson (construction management) and Lisa Voisin, RW Baird (Financing).

These three then took over the presentation. Paul from Wold Architects gave a walk through the planned changes and details of the new site plan. John from Kraus Anderson described the phases of construction and some of the challenges the plan faced. and Lisa from RW Baird gave a breakdown of the tax impact and bond issue financing. She also wanted it noted how exceptional it was, in her experience, to find a School District with zero bond debt. Steve Mann stated that the only long term debt the district currently faces is on financing from the gym renovation project which is right on its schedule to be paid off. Their presentation included an animated video showing the planned changes and construction phases.

When they were done, the floor was opened to questions and comments.

Area resident Dick Nerbun had concerns about loss of parking and the potential for overflow onto 8th Street, not only during evening functions, but also during the day. He was also concerned that the restriction of drive between the school and Endeavor Stadium would pose a danger in case of fire or other emergency. It was explained that, by moving the bus traffic to the new area, faculty parking will be moved to the area behind the schools, the old district office building will be removed and a new drop-off/parking area created. These changes should assure that the same amount of parking will be available during the day, and at night the bus area will be available for event parking as well, and therefore should create better parking situations in the future.

COUNCIL...

Also approved was the Notice of Award to Haas Sons Inc in the amount of \$786,596.88 for the Water Street and 4th Ave Reconstruction Project.

The council also gave the go ahead to the purchase of two lawn mowers for the Cemetery and City Street Dept use.

The council then voted to approve the creation of a number of documents/policies required as part of the qualifications for USDA Funding. The items approved included "Conflict of Interest Policy;" "Conflict of Interest Disclosure Statement;" "Conflict of Interest Policy Certification;" "Auditing and Accounting Agreement;" "Legal Services Agreement;" "Resolution - Use of Streets and Alleys;" and "RD-442-21 Right of Way Certificate."

City Attorney Pete VanSickle gave a Raze order update for the property located at 1480 2nd Ave, Cumberland, WI (Tax Parcel ID #212-1199-37-000). According to Pete, the Raze

Another question raised concerned the amount of "classroom space." It was feared that the removal of the classrooms in the current two-story portion was not being replaced with equal space under the new design. The architects explained that the new classroom footage was within 25 sq.ft. +/- of the existing classrooms in that portion of the building. However, the FACE (Home Ec) classrooms are being relocated to the new "Career Pathways" portion of the building so, in effect, we are gaining in classroom square footage. Also, the Auditorium space, besides providing a venue for concerts, plays and graduations, is being planned as a lecture hall and is considered an additional learning environment. School Board President Eric Stone commented on the academic space plans. "We are not building the "four wall" classrooms that we grew up with. Our plans feature flexible space design both in the classrooms and in the common areas." In effect, the entire building is going to become possible academic spaces.

The "Career Pathways" concept also caused confusion about what it actually entailed. It was explained that the District understands that college is not the right fit for everyone and has made the commitment to provide training opportunities for students looking for another track to their future. The "Career Pathway" will include:

- Remodeled/renovated shop and auto shop areas, including updated equipment and technology that more closely models what students would be working with once entering the job market;
- Remodelling and renovating the Ag classroom facilities;
- New FACE facilities with industry careers in mind;
- A CNA (Certified Nursing Assistant) training room.
- The Band and Choir and art rooms will remain basically the same.

Ron Ruppel also took a turn at the mic. His was not a question, but rather an endorsement of the referendum. He told of his history as a business owner trying to recruit new employees to his firm and what an impact the quality of our schools made on people. "Good schools help recruit new residents." He also praised the District and Superintendent Dr. Barry Rose for being "visionary" in their

Order was served to the property owner on February 3rd. The Owner has 30 days from service to apply to the court for a restraining order. If the owner does not go to court, then he has no further avenues of redress and the property must be razed. The owner can do it or contract for the demolition himself, or, if he fails to act, the City may raze the property and charge the cost to the property owner.

During Committee reports, Al Bock gave an update on the Beaver Dam Lake District. He specifically wanted the council to be aware of all the hard work Lake Dist. President Tom Schroeder has done to get grant funding for all the various weed control and other projects that the Lake District has going.

The council then moved to go into closed session per WI Stat 19.85 (1)(c) for the purpose to consider matters relating to personnel wages, hours, and benefits of any public employee over which the board has jurisdiction

handling of our students' educations, the district's finances and our community's needs.

Also questioned was what happens in case of cost overruns on the project. What guarantees do we have that they would not come back and ask for more money? The answer was very simply that there wouldn't be cost overruns. The referendum language specifically states "an amount not to exceed..." That means it is up to the project managers to assure that overruns in one area must and will be balanced by cuts somewhere else. They cannot, and will not, seek more referendum money.

A question was raised as to why we need a new gym as well as keeping the existing Elmer Beran Gymnasium? Steve Mann explained the gym was always central to the plan. The problem was that the Beran Gym was "too good to tear down, but not good enough to last another 50 years," and that with all the in-school and after school sports activities, as well as clubs and community events, scheduling gym usage was always a challenge for the district. "Gym space is always at a premium in the district," stated Mann.

The scope and cost of the project left some residents with concerns that "local contractors" would be shut out of the bidding process. John Huenink from Kraus Anderson explained that they will do everything possible to give local firms the contracts whenever possible. They routinely split the project into "bidding packages" to give local firms a chance to bid the portions that fit their capabilities.

In closing, Steve Mann thanked everyone for attending, and reminded the public that all the information presented tonight is available on the districts website: www.cumberland.k12.wi.us you can also follow the referendum on social media at: facebook.com; [cumberlandst](https://twitter.com/cumberlandst) twitter.com; and [CumberlandSD](https://www.instagram.com/cumberlandschool) instagram.com/cumberlandschool or they can contact Superintendent, Dr. Barry Rose (715-822-5124 Email: brose@csdmail.com) or Business Manager, Steve Mann (715-822-5124 Email: smann@csdmail.com) directly. They will be happy to answer any questions.

There will also be another public meeting on Monday, March 29th at 7:00 p.m. in the Middle School Commons.

or exercises responsibility. This motion also included Closed session pursuant to WI Stat 19.85 (e) deliberating or negotiating the purchasing of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session. Items up for discussion include:

- Consider Tax incentive for development of TID #9.
- Clerk/Treasurer position discussion.

The Council returned to open session at 8:20. At which point the council voted that the City of Cumberland will not consider tax incentives for development of TID #9. The meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

The next regular meeting of the City Council will most likely be held at City Hall on Wednesday, April 7th, due to the Spring Elections being held at City Hall on Tuesday, April 6th.



The 10-24 Club was the place to be in the 50's!

The Sirianni Family; Part of Cumberland Since 1899

By Mark R. Fuller

Pietro Sirianni was born in Italy in 1888, the son of Francisco Sirianni and Bridget (Chiodo) Sirianni. They came from the province of Catanzaro, located in the middle of the boot in the far southern part of the country. Francisco Sirianni was a farmer and trader, who came to America in 1899 to earn money for his family.

At the young age of 12, Pietro (Peter) would follow his father to Cumberland in 1900, traveling with his grandmother. Upon arriving in New York, they would take the train to the "Island City," where not only his father, but several other relatives lived.

Peter could not speak English at this time, but soon learned enough to get by. After attending school here for two years, the 14-year old joined his father in 1902 as they set out for Montana to work on the railroad. While there, he worked for 75 cents a day and lived in a boxcar. His main job, because he was so young, was to walk back and forth to a farmhouse bringing water to the other workers.

They would return to Cumberland for a short time, where Peter went back to school, but soon he and his father went back on the road spending most of the next two years working on railroad projects from British Columbia, Canada to New Richmond.

By 1904, Peter's father had saved \$1,000 and decided to return to his family in Italy. Against his father's wishes, Peter decided to stay in the United States and spent the next four years working on further railroad projects and for the St. Paul Car Company. At the age of 19 he would return to Cumberland, where he lived with his uncle Pete Chiodo, studying nights to learn how to read and write the English language.

Chiodo was a Hamm's Beer distributor and soon got the 19-year old a job managing a Cumberland saloon. Although he never became a drinking man himself, Peter soon became a well respected business man. In 1908, Peter would marry Caroline Zappa, whose family had come to America in 1906 and lived in the Crystal Lake Township. Her parents were Benedito Zappa and Frances (Ranallo) Zappa.

Peter would also open a wholesale candy business and in 1915 purchased his own pool hall in Cumberland, which became a large and successful business. It served light lunches, while selling tobacco, candy and other novelties. The Advocate would say of the purchase, "The Sirianni name is well known to the local people and there is no need of saying that the business

will be run in a very satisfactory basis."

Peter was a generous man, often giving back to the community. They had a large garden behind their business, which was located near where the bandstand sits today. It was often a place where hungry residents would grab an item or two as they traveled by. In the early 20's, when the high school baseball team was in need of uniforms, Peter purchased them for the entire squad. Support of Cumberland athletic teams would become commonplace for the Sirianni families of the future.

In addition to the Pool Hall, he would become a distributor of Hamm's Beer and operate an off-sale liquor store. In 1924, Peter Sirianni would put up a new building which would serve as the Sirianni Candy Company's Warehouse and liquor Store. It would also be the home of two bowling lanes. The Advocate would tell its readers, "The new building is a decided improvement on the business street and the proprietor is to be congratulated on the successful business which he has built."

Prior to this, those interested in bowling would need to use the two lanes found in the basement of Uecke's Opera House, which had first opened in November of 1908. The Advocate would say of Sirianni's first customers, "Many of the local sharks of former years have taken to the art like fish to water and as their arms begin to heal after the first couple days." The first competition on the new lanes came when a team of Legion members took on a City team, with the later pulling out a one-pin victory. The best three-game series in the competition, however, came from Sean Douglas of the Legion, who rolled a 428. Leagues were quickly formed as Ollie Schiebel rolled a 218, the first 200 game bowled at the new lanes.

Peter Sirianni would operate the Pool Hall until the fall of 1925, when P.J. Herrs of Jackson, Minnesota bought and took over the business. By now, the Sirianni's would have six children, the oldest which was Francisco (Frank), who was born in 1909.

Frank would become a traveling salesman, who made many friends in the area. Known for his tie collection Frank loved sports, especially bowling. The Advocate would say of him, "Frank practically grew up with a bowling ball in his hand and has bowled more match games than anyone in town." He would win prize money at many tournaments, winning money from Madison to Minnesota. Once his father moved to Rice Lake to tend to his

wholesale beer business there, Frank was a natural to take over the part of the Sirianni business that still remained in Cumberland. It soon became known as the 10-24 Club.

The name of the Club would come from the Dr. Pepper Company's slogan of the day, "Drink Dr. Pepper at 10, 2, and 4 o'clock." Peter Sirianni owned a Dr. Pepper Bottling Business in Rice Lake and from it would become the name of the Island City's latest business. Besides the bowling leagues which continued to grow, Frank's 10-24 Club would become a major sponsor of a local softball team and the Cumberland Islander Baseball Team, who won three State Championships in the 1950's. Many a celebration, following one of the team's victories, was celebrated at his business.

Frank would marry Floriane Filomena "Flora" Alfonse in June of 1932. Besides his love of sports, he loved eating Flora's spaghetti and spareribs. She was the daughter of Thomas Alfonse, who had arrived in Cumberland in 1892 coming from Pescolongo, Italy. Frank and Flora would have four children.

Frank and Flora would move to St. Paul in 1967, where he was employed in the vending business. He would later move to California, where he passed away in 1993. Among his pallbearers were Bob Nesvold, Clarence Capra, Carl Stender, Sam Donatelle, John Engesether and many other players who were part of his 10-24 baseball and softball teams.

When Flora (Alfonse) Sirianni was a child, she lived with her family at 1785, 3rd Avenue. Among her siblings were two brothers, Clarence and Julius, who would become excellent athletes. Thomas Alfonse Ice House stood behind the home at what we call Eagle Point.

The Alfonse home, built by Thomas himself, would eventually be purchased from the family by Frank and Flora's son Bob, who married Carol (Levy) in 1959. Bob and Carol would live there for 52 years, raising their own four children including daughters Cindy, Michelle and Juli and son Stephen.

Among other things, Carol and Bob managed Sirianni Vending/Dairy for a number of years. During those days, like his grandfather and father before him, Bob and Carol gave generously to the youth baseball programs, supplying food and drink for their tournament games and trips. Since their arrival in 1899, the Sirianni family has continued to do those things that help make the "Island City" the special place it remains today.

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Drive Thru Vaccine Clinic!



Barron Electric in Barron was the sight of the counties first drive thru vaccine clinic last Friday March 5. 240 people were vaccinated.

First Drive-Through Vaccine Clinic Held in Barron County

Barron County held its first drive-through COVID-19 vaccine clinic on Friday, March 5th. The clinic was held at Barron Electric. Residents were able to pull into the garage and receive their shot while sitting in their vehicle. The event was able to vaccinate 240 people from the groups who the state has made eligible. The clinic vaccinated those who registered with Public Health and was by appointment only.

"We would like to thank all the partners that helped make this event possible, said Health Officer Laura Sauve. "Barron Electric, Emergency Services of Barron County Volunteers, Wisconsin Emergency Assistance Volunteer Registry volunteers and Cumberland Healthcare. We hope to expand these clinics as more vaccines become available."

The vaccine is still in lim-

ited supply. The State is prioritizing who receives the vaccine first. As of March 1st, 2021, the following groups are able to receive the COVID-19 vaccine:

- Education and childcare workers
- Public-facing essential workers
- Utility and communications infrastructure
- Public transit
- Food supply chain: agriculture production workers, agriculture support providers, food production workers, retail food workers, and hunger relief personnel.

- Non-frontline essential health care personnel
- Congregate living facility staff and residents

Anyone that fits into one of these groups should contact their regular healthcare provider directly to register for the shot. Information for signing up through your

primary healthcare provider can be found at <https://www.barroncountwi.gov>.

People who do not have healthcare provider or have not been able to register through their healthcare provider can register with Public Health. Barron County Public Health will be helping to match eligible people to vaccine as it becomes available. To register through Public Health you can visit, www.barroncountwi.gov and complete the short survey. If you do not have internet access you may call 715-537-6123 to register.

For more information on the COVID-19 vaccine, please visit <https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/covid-19/vaccine-about.htm> or <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/vaccines/keythingstoknow.html>.

Festival On Ice!



The Northwest Figure Skaters Club held their annual Festival on Ice last weekend in Rice Lake. The skaters put on a fun show!



Kiera Fox and Addison Shaffer



Katie Becker, Courtney Lussier and Jazmine Tietz

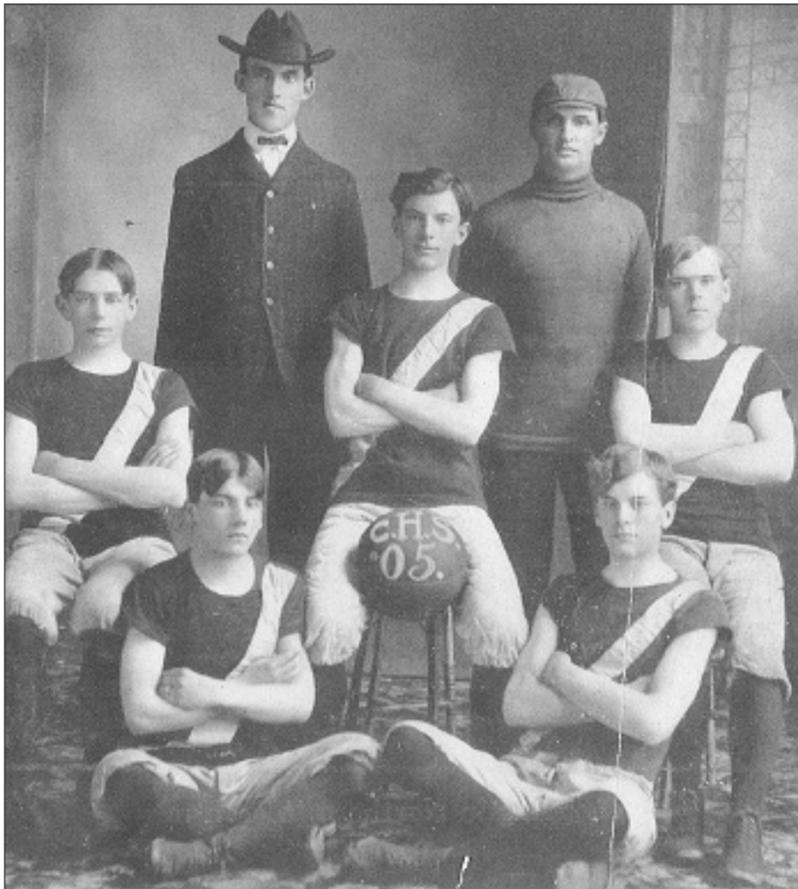


Kylah Gosda and Clarissa Cook



Paityn Butzler and Mischa Swonger

Another Outstanding CHS Athlete!



Standing in back row were then CHS Principal J.H. Ames and Basketball Coach Charles Roberts in 1905.

Another one of Cumberland's Outstanding Athletes; Charles Roberts

By Mark R. Fuller

Charles A. Roberts, a member of the Chippewa Nation, was born in Cumberland in 1879. The son of William Roberts and Maggie Littlepipe, he would enter the Carlisle, Pennsylvania Indian School in 1897, after receiving his early education in the Cumberland Schools. He would graduate from his general courses at Carlisle in 1900 and attend Business College there for one more year.

At Carlisle, he was an outstanding athlete, starting two years on their football team under Head Coach Pop Warner, four years as the baseball team's starting catcher, and four years in track, where he won medals in the long jump and hurdle competitions.

His exploits on the baseball team at Carlisle was recognized by Nebraska businessman Guy Green,

who offered Roberts a spot on the Nebraska Indians Barnstorming Baseball Team. The team crisscrossed the country from 1897 into the 1910s, playing any team that would challenge them.

From 1898 to 1914, the Nebraska Indians established an impressive reputation as one of the most formidable exhibition teams in the country. Their cumulative victory total for those years included 1,237 wins against only 336 losses. They consistently outplayed their opponents and even more consistently triumphed over hecklers, who unfortunately shouted insults from the grandstand.

Roberts would attend Ashland Academy following his time in Carlisle, where he played football and baseball. During the summers, he would rejoin

Green's Nebraska team, where he served as their starting catcher for over 600 games during his career.

The grandson of Chief Little Pipe, Charles would have baseball tryouts with St. Paul Saints and the Indianapolis American Association teams and played for a short time in the Three I League, the equivalent of Class A ball today.

He would return to Cumberland for short periods of time before taking a job in Illinois. While here, he helped serve as a coach in basketball and baseball and after the new high school opened in 1904, he was the first Coach of a Cumberland High School Basketball team.

Charles Roberts will go down as one of Cumberland's all-time best.

Wisconsin Anticipates First Shipment of Johnson & Johnson Vaccine

Third FDA-authorized COVID-19 vaccine is safe and effective

The Wisconsin Department of Health Services (DHS) has announced that the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) has authorized a third COVID-19 vaccine to be distributed for use, expanding vaccine supply nationwide. FDA issued the emergency use authorization (EUA) for the Johnson & Johnson COVID-19 vaccine on February 27, 2021. An initial allocation of about 47,000 doses are expected to arrive in Wisconsin next week and be incorporated into Wisconsin's vaccine allocation strategy.

"The Johnson & Johnson vaccine is going to be a game changer for our statewide response to COVID-19," said Gov. Tony Evers. "One of the biggest hurdles we have faced is supply, and this will get more vaccine into Wisconsin. This vaccine also protects people and has been shown to prevent serious illness from the virus after just one dose, which makes it more accessible to Wisconsinites and reduces the burden on our vaccine providers."

The Johnson & Johnson vaccine will be critical to expanding Wisconsin's vaccination efforts and reducing barriers for vaccine access. Johnson & Johnson's vaccine is the first one-dose vaccine in the U.S. deemed safe and effective for the prevention of COVID-19. The vaccine has simpler storage requirements than the current vaccines. It can be kept in a refrigerator for up to three months, which allows the vaccine to be shipped directly to all areas of the state.

Similar to the Pfizer and Moderna vaccines, the Johnson & Johnson vaccine is highly effective at preventing infection. All three vaccines

use different technologies to do the same thing – teach our bodies how to produce a harmless version of the coronavirus's spike protein, so our bodies can recognize it and produce an immune response to fight against illness if exposed.

"The Johnson & Johnson vaccine is held to the same high safety standards by the FDA as the other authorized COVID-19 vaccines. The trials show it is very effective at protecting people against being hospitalized or dying from COVID-19. We strongly encourage you to take whichever vaccine you are offered when it is your turn," said DHS Interim Secretary Karen Timberlake. "Vaccinations are some of the best tools we have to overcome this virus. And just one year ago, we would have been astonished and thrilled to know that we would have three effective and safe vaccines available to us."

People can expect similar post-vaccination symptoms with all the COVID-19 vaccines, such as feeling tired, having a sore arm, swelling on the arm where you got the vaccine, and a fever. These are all indications that the vaccine is working.

The COVID-19 vaccination process continues to change rapidly and DHS will continue to provide updates about vaccine information as they become available. For up-to-date information, visit the DHS COVID-19 vaccine webpage.

For up-to-date information about Wisconsin's COVID-19 response, visit the DHS COVID-19 webpage. We encourage you to follow @DHSWI on Facebook(link is external), Twitter(link is external), or dhs.wi on Instagram(link is external) for more information on COVID-19.



Firefighters pull out insulation on a shed housing wood carving equipment on Sunday, March 7th. The fire destroyed three structures, but fortunately firemen were able to prevent major damage to this shed at Heinecke's Wood Products.



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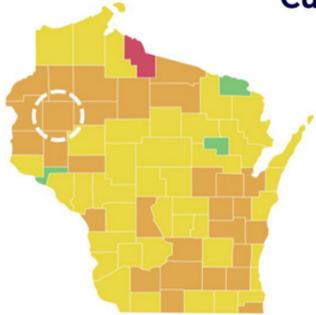
BARRON COUNTY COVID-19

Public Health COVID-19 Response

Public Health plays an important role in stopping the spread of COVID-19 by following up with positive cases and tracing their contacts. Individuals that could spread the disease are quarantined and monitored by public health.



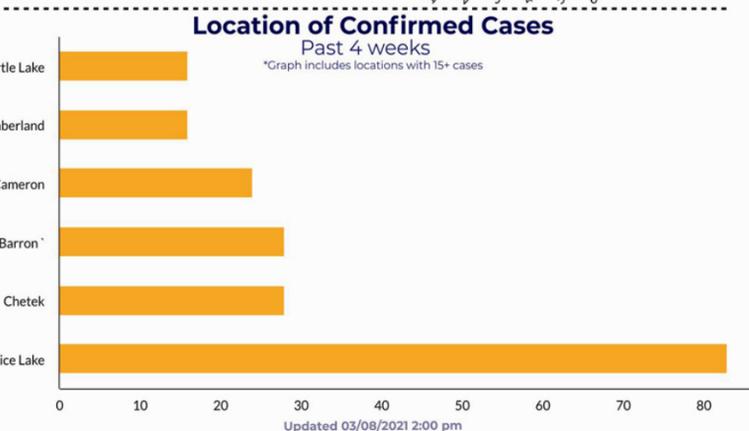
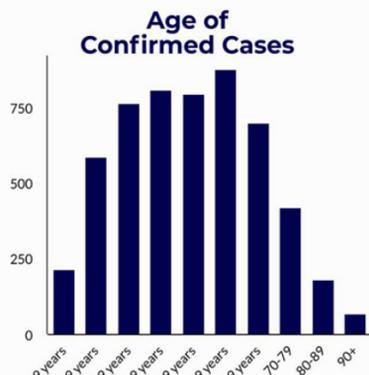
Current Risk Level



Accelerated Spread
10-24 CASES PER 100,000 people
Stay-at-home measures and/or rigorous test and trace programs needed

- On Track for Containment
- Community Spread
- Accelerated Spread
- Tipping Point

<https://globalepidemics.org/key-metrics-for-covid-suppression/>



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