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School Board holds public hearing on use of COVID relief funds at February meeting

The Board of Education for the Cumberland School District met in open session on Monday, February 21st. When arriving for the meeting, there was a projection of the number "318" on the wall of the Middle School Commons. This number comes into play later. The meeting opened with a Public Hearing informing the District about the Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Fund (ESSER III) grant program.

As part of the hearing, Steve Mann, the District's Business Manager, gave a presentation explaining the ESSER III grant.

In March of this year, the American Rescue Plan (ARP) Act was signed into law. In it, the U.S. Department of Education is providing an additional \$121.9 billion for the Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Fund (ESSER III Fund). This legislation will award grants to state educational agencies for providing local districts with emergency relief funds to address the impact that COVID-19 has had, and continues to have, on elementary and secondary schools across the nation.

The Cumberland School District is expected to receive \$1,549,341 of the \$1,387,671,695 Wisconsin will receive in ESSER III funding. Funds may be used from March 13, 2020, through Sept. 30, 2024, to support the district's response to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Funds are intended to help safely reopen and sustain the safe operation of schools and address the impact of the coronavirus pandemic on students and staff. In order to access the funds, schools:

- Must use a minimum of 20% to implement evidence-based interventions to address learning loss.
- Must ensure that interventions respond to students' social, emotional, and academic needs and address the disproportionate impact of COVID-19 on underrepresented student subgroups.
- Provide a "Safe Return to In-Person Instruction and Continuity of Services Plan"

Fortunately for our District, the re-opening plan the District prepared at the start of this year met the requirements and only needed slight reformatting for submission. No changes to the actual information contained in the plan were made.

Steve explained that the District decided to use some of these funds as a basis for the increased mental and behavioral health presence in the schools. The District was able to bring in a School Psychologist, as

well as some aides as intervention specialists. The district now must decide where to use the rest of the monies.

To that end, there is a survey on the district's website where community members can express their opinions on how the funds should be directed. Simply follow the ESSER III Information tab on the website's homepage (www.cumberland.k12.wi.us) to access the presentation and summary.

The hearing was then opened to questions from the floor. Michael Furseth questioned if the District was "Committed to accepting these Federal Funds?" Mann's response was "if someone is willing to give you over \$1 million in funding, why wouldn't you accept it?"

Next, Board President Eric Stone wondered if some of the funding could be put towards physical improvements to the schools, such as improving air handling and quality. Mann responded that yes, they could, but the paperwork involved to access the funds for that type of purpose was a little more convoluted.

Board Clerk, Jennifer Hyatt wondered if there were any "strings" attached? Steve responded that, besides lots of paperwork, the only real "strings" were the 20% to address learning loss and the need to support the underrepresented student subgroups. Steve also pointed out that, since the district has a demographic of between 49-53% low income students, the second requirement is easily met.

With no further questions, Steve brought the attention back to the that mysterious number "318" He asked if anyone had a guess to its meaning, no one did. "That number," Steve revealed "represents the consecutive days of in person learning in the Cumberland School District since September 2020. We have not missed a single day of scheduled in person instruction since reopening in 2020." "We believe," he added "that we are the only district in the State, and among a handful in the Country, that can make that claim."

With no further questions or comments, the hearing was closed at 6:28 pm.

Moving on to district reports, Director of Learning Jamie Shaffer stated that February has been a "busy month" because of all the standard testing being done. Jamie also discussed the base-time learning concept in use to help pinpoint and support academic interventions, such as are required by the ESSER III grant. Jamie also said that the increased access to the behavioral and mental health

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Several Vehicle Pile-up!



County Hwy P between Almena and Cumberland was shut down for several hours last Friday, February 18th after over 10 vehicles were involved in accidents or were in the ditch. Winds at 40 to 50 miles per hour or more created white out conditions and obviously treacherous driving conditions and near zero visibility at times. Thankfully only minor injuries were reported in the accidents. Other area roads like Hwy 53 and Hwy 29 near Chippewa Falls reported similar conditions and were shut down as well. Photo by Jim Wigchers. Area roads took a turn for the worse again Tuesday afternoon as snow was coming down hard as the Advocate closed its doors early. Slide-ins were being reported all over the county and travel was limited.

Cumberland School District's Annual Child Development Day

The Cumberland School District is offering a free screening for our district's students ages Birth to 48 months (4 years, 0 months).

Parents must attend with their child. There will be free hearing and vision screening, an opportunity to meet staff from the 4K and Birth to 3 program and your child will take home a bag full of goodies!

The screening will take place on Thursday, March 3rd from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. at the Cumberland Elementary School.

This is the beginning of your child's path to learning, and it's a great opportunity to get information on your child's development! All Children will be screened in the following areas: social/emotional,

motor skills, speech/language and problem solving skills. Children will get a chance to color pictures, stack blocks, create with play dough, crawl through obstacle courses and many more fun activities!

Contact the Cumberland Elementary School office at 715-822-5123 to register. When scheduling your appointment, please provide

the following information: child's name and spelling, parent names, address, birth date and phone number. If you need to leave a message, please provide your name and phone number. Each appointment slot is one hour in length and they fill up fast!

New Owner!



Ashley Skinner (left) is the new owner of Cumberland Tire. Ashley has purchased the business from Tracy Thompson. Tracy wants everyone to know that the same great service will remain with Ashley. Cumberland Tire will continue to provide all services and honor warranties, rotations and such. Tracy has been the proud owner of Cumberland Tire for over 20 years and is looking forward to a little more free time. Tracy will remain on for two months to help ensure Ashley has a smooth transition. Tracy would like to say a Big Thank You to all her loyal customers the past 20 years and wish Ashley good luck in the future.

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Hearty Souls!



A great time was had by all at the Nezzys' 8th Annual Ice Golf Tournament held on Library Lake held on Saturday, February 19th.

Free Men's Night

The Mountain Men of Northwestern Wisconsin will be hosting a FREE night of revival on Friday, March 4th, at 6:00 pm at the Rice Lake High School Auditorium, Rice Lake, WI. This invitation is open to men of all ages for a free night of barbecue dinner, sharing and fellowship with music and teaching by Josh Edwards. This is a non-denominational event. Josh Edwards is a missionary with a ministry called "Time to Revive." TTR exists to equip men for the return of Christ and also to encourage church ministry and men in doing the work God calls them to do. Josh has been ministering, speaking and

pouring into men through a message including music and humor for the past 20 years. He is known as a worship leader, musician, songwriter and recording artist. The Mountain Men are a group of Christian guys, inter-denominational, and from this area. They were led over mountains of adversity by their strong belief in God the Father, Jesus Christ the Son and the Holy Spirit. Now they have entered into the valleys living transformed lives and spreading the good news to any man who wishes to listen. They are faith builders and mountain outfitters who ask men to come and grow with them.

The Northwoods Figure Skating Club presents annual Festival On Ice

The Northwoods Figure Skating Club will be performing their annual *Festival On Ice* Saturday March 5th at 1pm and 6pm and again at 1pm on Sunday March 6th at the Rice Lake Hockey Rink. The theme for this year's program is "Going for the Gold," a tribute to the Olympic spirit. Dozens of talented local skaters will take to the ice in a professionally choreographed figure skating show! Also joining the Northwoods Figure Skating Club for the shows is special guest, UMD Skating Team Member and USFS Moves in the Field Gold Medalist, Giulia Rabello! The show is open to the public and tickets are \$10 at the door and ages 4 and under are free. Flowers and concessions will be available for purchase at the event.

Memorial Paving Stones Available at Cumberland American Legion Post 98



Sample paver stone.

Cumberland American Legion Post 98 is pleased to announce a great new way to honor those we have lost. A memorial paving stone is now available for purchase. Each stone paver is 6 inches by 12 inches and will have room for three lines of 22 characters each. Each paving stone will cost \$250.00 which includes engraving. The beautiful new engraved paving stones will be proudly displayed at the new flag pole memorial at the American Legion Barracks. Please contact Dave or Katherine Husby at 715-671-0112 or 719-640-9315. Order forms and more information are available at the American Legion.

Musical Travels with the Red Cedar Symphony

Take an exhilarating musical journey to Africa, the American West, and the Vienna Woods at the Red Cedar Symphony spring concerts on March 5 and 6, 2022. Under the direction of Ivar Lunde, the symphony will perform the iconic *Tales from the Vienna Woods* by Johann Strauss II; the *Sahara-desert-themed Africa: Fantasie for Piano and Orchestra* by Camille Saint-Saens, and the rowdy cowboy dance *Hoedown*, from Aaron Copland's *Rodeo*. The RCS is delighted to have north Wisconsin resident Natalie Sandor, winner of multiple awards for her piano performances, as soloist for Africa, as well as vocalist Mara Schack, who will perform two spirituals from the American south, by Florence Price. *The Symphony No. 8 in B Minor* by Franz Schubert comes from Germany, but fans of the Smurfs will recognize the musical phrases used as the theme for the Smurfs' primary antagonist, Gargamel. Concerts are Saturday, March 5, at 7 pm at Chetek Lutheran Church, 1419 Second St. in Chetek, and Sunday, March 6, at 4 pm, at Bethany Lutheran Church, 35 W. Messenger St., in Rice Lake. Tickets are \$15 at the door, with those aged 21 and under admitted free. For more information please visit our web site at www.redcedarsymphony.org. Established in 1983 and housed at Bethany Lutheran Church in Rice Lake, the RCS draws classical musicians from throughout northwestern Wisconsin, including Rice Lake, Osseo, Cumberland, Ladysmith, Spooner, Chetek, Gordon, Trego, Springbrook, Bruce, Hayward, Cable, Winter, Bloomer, Chipewewa Falls, Eau Claire, and Foster. For more information, please visit our web site at www.RedCedarSymphony.org.

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CUMBERLAND SCHOOL DISTRICT NEWS

Upcoming Events

Thursday, February 24th
5:30 pm • Youth Softball Parent Meeting • HS Library
5:45 pm • Boys JV Basketball vs Hayward • HS Gym
7:15 pm • Boys V Basketball vs Hayward • HS Gym

Friday, February 25th
7 pm • Girls Regional Basketball Tournament • HS Gym

Saturday, February 26th
7 pm • Girls Regional Basketball Tournament • HS Gym

Monday, February 28th
3:30 pm • CHS Colorguard Tryouts • HS Gym

Tuesday, March 1st
3:00 pm • MS Wrestling • HS Gym
7 pm • Boys Regional Basketball Tournament • HS Gym

Community Ed Offerings

Hike/Snowshoe Events 2021-22
Two events left to enjoy! • Start at 10 am each date
Snowshoes available to borrow upon request!

- 2/26/22 Timberland Hills with Sue Greenway
Timberland Hills Lighted Trail
2992 3rd Street (County Highway H) • Barronett
- 3/12/22 Public Land near Little Sand - Clare Janty
(Watch & listen for more exact information and directions as the date draws near)
Social Distancing - Good Exercise - Fun for all
No charge, but a free-will offering will be taken and donated to the host-site if applicable. Questions or concerns? Please contact: Susan Bridger CCE Director, sbrid@csdmail.com, 715-822-5121 ext. 403

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New Exercise Class Offering with
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5 week session March 2-March 30
Wednesday Evenings 5:30-6:30 PM • MS Gym
Cost: \$35 for all 5 classes or \$7 a class

First 30 minute will include a total body warm-up, then a high rep, muscle strengthen circuit, followed by barre leg sculpting circuit. Last 30 minutes of class will include 4 sets on the TRX resistance bands and a full-body cool-down stretch. To register please contact: Susan Bridger, CCE Director, 715-822-5121 ext. 403 or emailing sbrid@csdmail.com.

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Something you should know about...

by Hope Lee Vicich

It's that time of year! The Winter Olympics just finished and the annual Birkebeiner events are getting underway. The "Birkie" sees a number of events each year. Since 2008, the Barron Area Montessori School has taken a trip up to Hayward to participate in one of these events - the Barnebirkie cross country ski race. The Barnebirkie cross country ski race is a non-competitive ski tour for youth ages 3 to 13, and a most exciting experience for young children. Last year, due to covid, the race was held virtually and the Almena Elementary Students joined in the fun.

This year will look a little different as well. They had such a successful experience last year that they will again be participating in the Barnebirkie virtually and skiing at home in Almena for a second year. The satisfaction to cross the finish line is a major feeling of accomplish-

ment. All of the students are taught that it's not about being first, it's about finishing.

The children are also told the story, the history of how the Birkebeiner came about. The event honors and recreates a historic Norwegian event when, in 1206, two warrior soldiers, called Birkebeiners because of the birch-bark leggings they wore, skied infant Prince Haakon to safety during the Norwegian civil war. Prince Haakon subsequently became King of Norway, and the Birkebeiner soldiers became a Norwegian symbol of courage, perseverance and character in the face of adversity.

For the six weeks before the race, students learned how to cross-country ski. They learned how to stand up when they fall and how to put their skis on and off.

The day of the race, students will walk up to the park after lunch to put on their skis and then head to

the field behind the Village Shop for the "race."

During the race they will have parents and volunteers along the course to help the children should they fall or need any kind of assistance. Parents can ski with their child or walk along the outside of the ski trail, or wait at the finish line to cheer them on as they come through.

After each kid crosses the finish line, they will receive a medal.

I was able to attend last year's event. Let me tell you, even though the weather was horrid (cold, high winds blowing snow, etc.) the kids spirits were amazing! Even though they could barely see the trail, the kids plowed on through and completed the event! The true spirit of winter sportsmanship shown through. It was great fun to watch.

So come on out and see the kids practice their hard learned skills! Here's hoping for better weather!

A 1923 Reminder for City Residents

by Mark R. Fuller

The following article ran in the February 22, 1923, *Advocate* as a reminder to the citizens of Cumberland:

"We have had a lot of trouble with our sewer lifts during the past week. This has been caused mainly by foreign substances which cannot pass through the valves at the lift station. Please remember again that not all sewage runs downhill. Some must be lifted by means of the lifts. In these lifts are valves and no foreign substance like rags, catalogs, mops

or wood chips will go through these valves. As soon as the valve is blocked, the whole lift stops working. Then the fun begins.

All the sewer pipes fill up, sewage backs up in the mains, and it takes two days for two men to get the machinery going again. That cost money.

In order to avoid all this trouble, please observe the following:

1. If you have a cellar drain, keep the screen on at all times.

2. Do not run the sweepings from the basement floor into the sewer.

3. Do not throw socks, shirts, mops, or any rags into the bowl in the bathroom. Stuff that will go through the bowl will not go through the valves at the lift.

4. Do not throw whole newspapers or magazines into the sewer.

If there are any questions you want to ask about the sewers, call the city engineer or mayor."

A. E. Ledgering
City Engineer

Northwoods Notebook: Has it really been two years? By Larry Werner

Hard to believe it was two years ago that our world was turned upside down by a virus that has now killed more than 900,000 Americans, many times that many around the world. Like the assassination of President Kennedy, or the attack on the twin towers, we remember where we were when the president declared a national emergency over something called COVID-19.

Ann and I were in Florida, where we had been escaping the last month of winter. We did what many snowbirds did when they heard the news: hit the road for home.

And then we began to live differently.

We stayed in our home, ordered groceries online at stores that would bring them out to our car, avoided gatherings with family and friends, walked a lot but moved off the sidewalk and onto the street if someone was coming from the other direction. We stopped going inside restaurants, movie theaters and churches.

We ordered food from restaurants, staying in our cars, with the meals brought out to us by masked servers. And we wore those masks ourselves because health officials told us the coronavirus is transmitted from one person to another by airborne droplets. We learned that our mask was protecting others, their masks protecting us.

A year into the pandemic, we got our vaccines, and six months after the

last shot, got boosters. And while we began to get together with vaccinated friends and family, we avoided close contact with those who wouldn't get the shots. Oddly, many of those who refused to get vaccinated were followers of President Trump, who got vaccinated, but only after he was hospitalized with a serious case of COVID.

To vaccinate or not, to mask or not, were two more issues that divided us into warring camps, roughly along political lines. While the former president did get shots, he ridiculed mask-wearing, symbolically removing his own mask on the White House portico after a helicopter brought him back from Walter Reed Medical Center.

Odd times we're living. I still wear a mask inside public places, taking it off while eating or drinking my coffee, and have been ridiculed by customers of two local eateries when picking up takeout. I have avoided those establishments ever since.

Anti-vaxers and anti-maskers have demonstrated against the health precautions taken by legislative bodies and school boards at the same time hospitals were turning people away because their rooms were filled with COVID patients. More angry division is the last thing we need in this country.

The good news is things are getting better. While

people are still dying, including several Barron County residents in the past few months, the number of confirmed cases is dropping. Many states and cities are dropping requirements for masks and vaccines. And fewer hospitals are overwhelmed than was the case just a few weeks ago.

I find myself looking out at the snow-covered lake and remembering last winter, before vaccines, when we walked the frozen lake with friends, but couldn't invite them in; celebrated the January birthday of a friend socially distanced outside, around a firepit on the lake shore; Zoom calls with a dear friend I couldn't meet in person; a Zoom Thanksgiving and Zoom Christmas with the kids and grandkids; playing so many games of Five Crowns with Ann that we used a photo of scoresheets as the picture on our holiday letter; watching more movies on TV than we ever have.

It's funny that those times don't seem so bad in retrospect. We made it through them. And here we are seeming to return from the days of isolation to something resembling normal. The community Christmas concert was held again, a Christmas play was held again, family gatherings are happening again.

It's been two years. Does it seem possible? Time flies when you're having a pandemic.

Larry Werner's email is lh-werner47@gmail.com.



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Barron County Sheriff 537-3106
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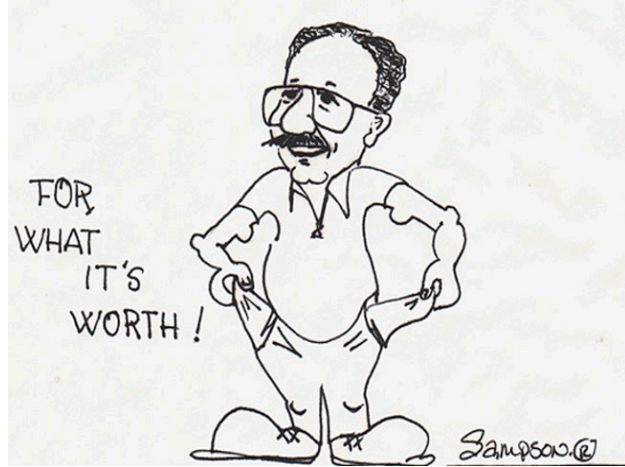
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Opinion



By Craig Bucher

Baseball is my favorite sport and Spring Training has always had a special place in my heart. I know warm weather is coming when I see the green grass on the baseball diamonds of Florida and Arizona. It is near that time or is it? The morning paper announced that the Players Association and the bargaining committee of the Owners Association will be meeting today to continue negotiations so the season can begin. Gets what. Surprise! The two sides are arguing about money... I wonder "How much is enough?" Last season major league baseball took in over 400 billion and that is a nice chunk of change in any language. The players must be pleading poverty as they want a bigger slice of the pie. Last year the Dodgers payroll topped the list with total salaries of 235 million followed by the Yankees at 191 million and the Red Sox at 180 million and the Angels at 171 million. The poor Twins only spent 121 million and the Brewers checked in at 87 million. How much is enough? The public builds the playgrounds to play in and provides all the infrastructure to keep them comfortable. I for one have about had it. I'll go to Town ball, American Legion and the rest of all the available opportunities for good baseball warm sun and the great outdoors. It is more fun, more relaxing, and a whole lot cheaper. It is great fun to go to Haugen to watch a game. As much as I love the Twins, they are starting to lose me. Enough is enough. They have about reached it with me.

SEE YOU NEXT WEEK!

Reminder to City Residents!

It is your responsibility to keep your mailboxes cleared for mail delivery



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Barron County Sheriff 537-3106

Polk County Sheriff 485-8300

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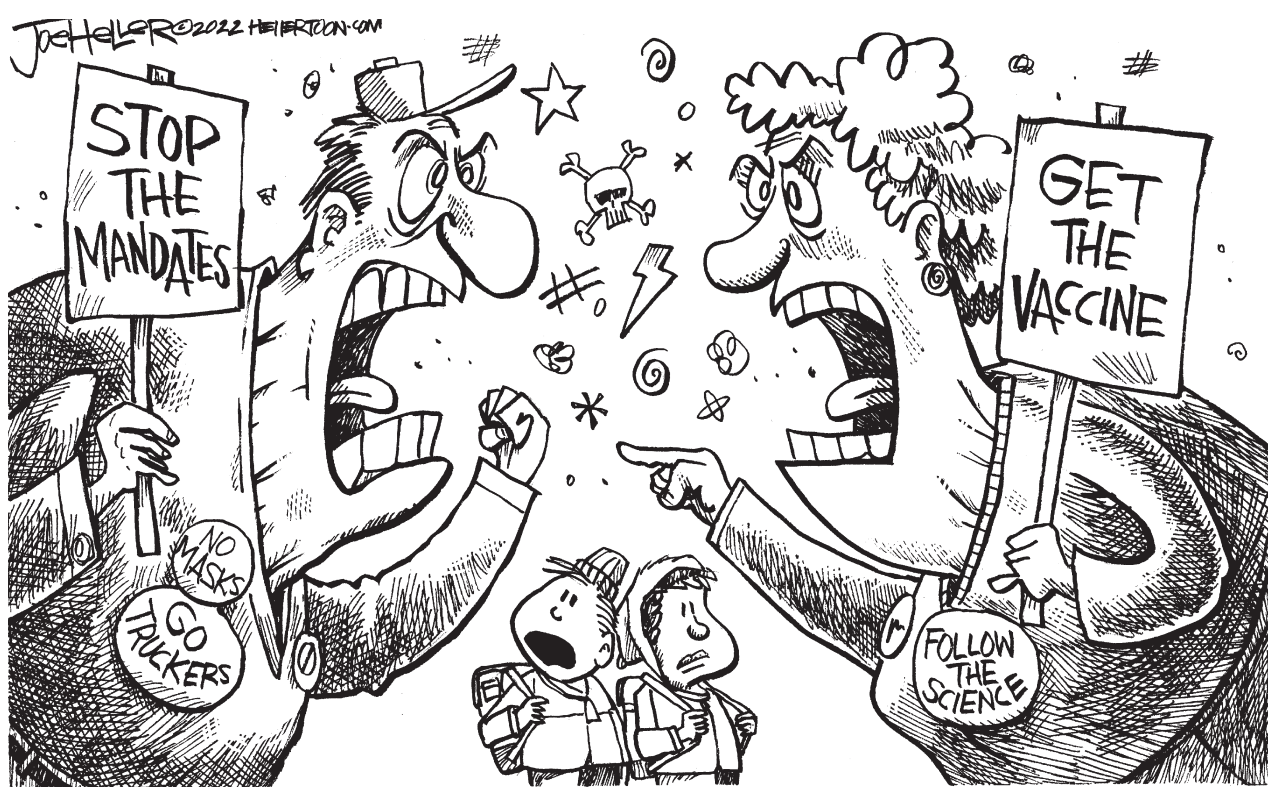
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Inside Wisconsin

by Tom Still

Company 'speed dates' will match major firms, emerging businesses

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MADISON, WI: If you've ever gone on a "speed date," and even if you haven't, you probably get the concept: A short meeting in which both parties exchange a bit of information about one another and break the ice, with the goal of moving to the next level... or simply moving on with no regrets.

That's the concept behind the ninth Wisconsin Tech Summit, which will be held in-person March 14 in Green Bay's iconic Lambeau Field.

More on the corporate speed date format to follow, but your first question may be: "Why Lambeau Field?"

Lambeau is symbolic of the partnership between the Green Bay Packers, Microsoft, TitledownTech and other community leaders to build a stronger economy in northeast Wisconsin. The Packers see value in engaging in the state's larger economy; Microsoft has research, education and broadband interests in Wisconsin (and a company president, Brad Smith, who hails from Appleton); and TitledownTech is a Green Bay accelerator focused on

high-growth startups.

So, it's a natural fit for Lambeau to be where some of Wisconsin's biggest corporate names and a mix of emerging companies, mostly in tech sectors, will gather to talk about kindling a relationship.

On the "major firm" side of the aisle on March 14 will be 3M, Advocate Aurora Research Institute, American Family Insurance, Exact Sciences, Findorff, J.P. Morgan, Johnson Controls, Kimberly Clark, Kwik Trip, Marshfield Clinic Health Systems, OEM Fabricators, Oshkosh Corp., Rockwell Automation, Schreiber Foods, Shive-Hattery, SubZero Group and TitledownTech. Some may be headquartered elsewhere, but they all have a Wisconsin presence.

Emerging companies can apply through the Wisconsin Technology Council website to meet with representatives of those companies – and perhaps other firms to be announced soon.

How does the Tech Summit work? Imagine scores of 15-minute "speed dates" between major companies

and emerging companies, spread over the day. Many emerging companies wind up with dance cards that include multiple major firms.

The goal is to find areas of common interest – research and development, supply chain, sales channels, even investment or acquisition. In short, it's about investigating potential strategic partnerships.

The meetings are purposefully short to give the major companies a taste of what the emerging companies can offer, and to schedule as many meetings as possible for all concerned. Sometimes there's a match; sometimes not.

Major companies only meet with emerging companies they choose to engage with, which means the summit is much less of a random meet-up than a calculated process based on what the young companies may offer in technology or other services.

Over time, according to Tech Council surveys, good things often happen after the young companies leave the meeting room. About 40 percent of those sessions

result in some sort of interaction later. Some follow-ups have produced strategic partnerships or simply targeted contacts with others who can provide advice.

How do young companies take part? They visit wistechsummit.com to learn more, register and to fill out a short application form. Any fees can be refunded if an emerging firm is not selected.

For young companies, success is not exclusively about raising angel and venture capital. It's about making the right business connections.

Large and small companies often travel in different "orbits," even if they're in the same business sectors, and they rarely collide except by chance. The Wisconsin Tech Summit's speed-dating format aims to help some of those orbits to cross – and the state's business development starts to better align.

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

A Look Back

10 Years Ago
February 29, 2012

Laura Proescholdt has been selected as the 2012 NUE Outstanding Student from the Cumberland School District. Only one student is selected annually from each NUE school. Proescholdt was selected by the NUE teaching staff. Proescholdt maintained a perfect 4.0 GPA while participating in Wind Ensemble, Marching Band, Jazz Band, Chamber Choir and National Honor Society.

The Cumberland Police Department and other police agencies in Barron County have continued to receive reports of counterfeit \$20 bills being used to purchase goods and services. The Cumberland Police Department urges businesses to purchase a counterfeit marker. These will leave a yellow mark on genuine bills and leave a black mark on counterfeit bills.

20 Years Ago
February 27, 2002

A fire destroyed the Dennis Jergenson home near Comstock last Wednesday morning. The family was less than two weeks away from moving into the newly remodeled home when the fire struck. The house was totally engulfed when firefighters arrived. The cause of the fire is unknown.

A new store, the Country Store, located on the corner of Highway H and 63, will open sometime in May. The Country Store will feature Simplicity, Echo and Toro Products, along with lawn and garden furniture, arts and crafts and much more.

30 Years Ago
February 26, 1992

Sgt. Joseph Stuntz, formerly of Cumberland, was selected the Army Aviation Association of America Non Commissioned Officer of The Quarter and was also selected the Aviation Brigade Non Commissioned Officer of the Year for 1991.

40 Years Ago
February 24, 1982

A spelling bee was held at the end of the second semester. Contestants were four finalists from each of the rooms of Miss Brown, Mr. Ritchie and Mrs. Hepner. Finalists were: Laura Egstad, Bill Olsen, Victor Straw, Michelle Bearheart, Jo Mayer, Mike Rye, Michael Bearheart, Tedd Sirianni, Valerie Sellent, Marvin Stodola, Denise Schipitsch, and Derek Johnson. First place was Michelle Bearheart, second place was Tedd Sirianni, and third place was Michael Bearheart.

50 Years Ago
February 24, 1972

Barry Williamson, Louis Muench, and Bill Whalen, received their Eagle Scout Rank at the Court of Honor held at the American Legion Club in Cumberland. The three new Eagles brought the total number of Scouts from Troop 24 to attain the Eagle rank to 39.

Cumberland Volunteer Firefighters answered two calls this past week. On Wednesday, they were summoned to the Jim Ranallo home near the Legion Club where a small fire caused just minor damage. On Monday,

they answered a call at the David Just farm, just six miles southwest of the city, where a barn was on fire. No injuries were reported in both fires.

60 Years Ago
March 1, 1962

The 1962 Red and White Royalty are: Larry Berg, 1962 Queen Linda Miller, Idella Bents, Jan Mjaanes, Linda Neurer, Judy Heinicke, Larry Bellows, Robert Lund, Robert Beran, and Lee Mathwig. Crownbearers were Duane Lundervold and Shelley Duncan.

Donna Mae Larson of Cumberland, a student at the Model Beauty School in Minneapolis, MN., was recently elected president of the Alpha Sigma Chi, Camero chapter for the National Co-Ed Society of Hairdressing students. She has been chosen the queen's attendant from the chapter and will represent Model Beauty School at the national convention in Chicago.

80 Years Ago
February 26, 1942

An opportunity to develop a display forestry plot has been afforded to the Cumberland School by the gift of 15 acre parcel of land bordering Highway 63, just west of the city. The land was deeded to the school district by Dr. M. W. Fitzpatrick and F. O. Lundmark. It will be the Vocational Agriculture Class.

90 Years Ago
February 25, 1932

The National President, Mrs.

Frances Buell Olson, to put on one of their drills in competition with teams throughout the United States, after witnessing their work here last summer during a district convention.



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2/17	26	-6	0.0	0.00
2/18	6	-15	0.0	0.00
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2/20	25	-7	0.0	0.00
2/21	40	16	0.0	0.00

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

Court News

Barron County Circuit Court

Traffic Court

Raymund G. Rodriguez, 42, Odessa, TX., ingintion interlock device tampering/failure to install/violate court order, \$217.10. Gunner C. Asplund, 26, Chetek, operating while revoked, \$200.50. Dallas J. Bazewicz, 21, Cumberland, operating a motor vehicle without proof of insurance, \$10.00. Owen C. Davis, 18, Edina, MN., speeding, \$175.30. Chelsea R. Edlicher, 33, Rice Lake, speeding, \$200.50. Brianna J. Gannigan, 20, Rice Lake, speeding, \$200.50. Carl A. Harris, 38, Rice Lake, failure to wear a seat belt, \$10.00, and speeding, \$225.70. James D. Melin, 62, Eau Claire, speeding, \$200.50. Marc A. Olivo, 57, Rice Lake, operating a motor vehicle without insurance, \$200.50. Pickard Trucking LLC., Amery, Violate Class A Highway Weight Limits, \$200.50. Brenda M. Veillieux, 45, Kakabeka Falls, ON., speeding, \$200.50. Alexander S. Wells, 32, Greenwood, SC., speeding, \$250.90.

Complaints

Dayana A. Alvarez, 24, of Rice Lake, has been charged with disorderly conduct and domestic abuse. Her court trial is scheduled for March 28, 2022.

Hector G. Contreras, 23, of Rice Lake, has been charged with disorderly conduct and domestic abuse. His court date is scheduled for March 2, 2022.

Timothy R. Etchison, 38, of Rice Lake, has been charged with three counts of fraud on gas station. His court date is scheduled for March 9, 2022.

Tonya M. Steines, 42, of Cumberland, has been charged with disorderly conduct and domestic abuse. Her court date was scheduled for February 17, 2022.

Criminal Complaints

Isaac K. Erickson, 17, of Rice Lake, has been charged with criminal damage to property. His initial appearance is scheduled for March 23, 2022.

Terrance E. Boswell, 28, of Ojibwa, has been charged with strangulation and suffocation, domestic abuse, battery and disorderly conduct. His adjourned initial appearance is scheduled for March 30, 2022.

Alexander J. Fedie, 28, of Rice Lake, has been charged with aggravated battery-intend bodily harm, repeater, domestic abuse, strangulation and suffocation, and possession of methamphetamine. He has a warrant issued for his arrest.

Dominic E. Demille, 17, of Rice Lake, has been charged with criminal damage to property, and two counts of violating the bond condition in Barron County to not commit a new crime. His adjourned initial appearance was scheduled

for February 18, 2022. Dante J. Saal, 21, of Rice Lake, has been charged with three counts of burglary of a building or dwelling and party to a crime, and operating a motor vehicle without owner's consent.

A deputy from the Barron County Sheriff's Department reports on January 9, 2022, at approximately 4:07 pm, dispatch received a call from a male subject reporting a break-in at a relative's property which he was watching, in Cameron. The deputy reports the male subject had reported that it appeared someone had forcibly entered a garage on the property, as there was damage to a door, and he was unsure if there was anything missing from the garage.

The deputy reports he responded to the complaint, and made contact with the male subject, as well as a second male subject, another neighbor.

The deputy reports the male subject advised that he is a relative of the property owner, and that his relative and his wife are currently in Texas, spending the summer at this property and the winter months in Texas.

The deputy reports that the other neighbor advised that he shares a driveway with the property owner and lives further north next-door to the property.

The neighbor stated that he discovered the force yesterday, and as he was going to drive on the shared driveway traveling to his house, he observed a couple of doors opened; the walk in garage door to the detached garage and a door on an enclosed trailer next to the garage.

The neighbor advised he approached the garage and found that the walk in door to the detached garage had been forcibly opened. The neighbor also advised he observed footprints on the property going around multiple vehicles, as well as footprints going to the enclosed trailer that had an open side door and an open rear door.

The neighbor advised he did not report the incident at that time, and it wasn't until that day when the relative arrived and found the walk in door forced open, but also a large overhead door wide open as well. The neighbor advised that the large overhead door had not been opened the previous day.

The deputy reports he made contact with the property owner, who indicated that his garage had a variety of items in it, including hand tools and power tools. The deputy reports he further made contact with another neighbor. The neighbor indicated that he had some video footage of a possible suspect. The deputy reports he reviewed the footage and observed the following:

On Friday, January 7, 2022, at approximately 2:29 pm, a Chevrolet Trailblazer traveled north into the property owner's driveway and into the property. On Saturday, Janu-

ary 8, 2022, at approximately 9:49 pm, the trailblazer traveled down the neighbor's road and parked in his driveway. The vehicle sat there for a couple of minutes, until it left and arrived at the neighbor's property at approximately 9:53 pm. On Sunday, January 9, 2022, at approximately 9:49 am, the trailblazer arrived at the owner's property again.

The deputy reports at approximately 9:00 pm, he placed a cellular trail camera on the owner's property in front of the enclosed trailer near the garage.

The deputy reports on January 11, 2022, he learned from another detective, that said cellular trail camera captured a subject walking on the property up to the garage. The deputy further reports that he learned there was an additional complaint from the neighbor (that had footage) who indicated that someone was back on the owner's property. The deputy reports that call occurred on January 11, 2022, at approximately 12:34 am.

The deputy reports on January 13, 2022, he responded to the neighbors residence and the neighbor showed him the additional footage. The deputy reports that one of the videos showed the trailblazer arrive on the property again.

On January 13, the owner of the property flew back from Texas to inspect the damages and found a lot of tool's missing.

The statement of loss and damages, amongst other things, the following items as taken or damaged: A Dell laptop with a speaker system, Snap-on vehicle scanner, Snap-on infrared heat gun, Snap-on multimeter, Snap-on torque wrenches, and Snap-on wheel sockets.

The detective reports on January 26, 2022, he interviewed the suspect, Dante Saal, and that during the course of the interview, he told Saal he wanted to speak with him about the above described incident in Cameron. The detective showed Saal a photo which was taken from the Sheriff's Department cell camera, and Saal stated it was not him in the photo. The detective reports he also advised Saal that he had text conversations from his phone of Saal trying to sell items stolen from the garage.

The detective reports he asked Saal if he could help get these back, and Saal stated "I don't know." The detective reports Saal then stated that they were just going to charge him with it anyways.

The detective reports he explained to Saal that he wanted to get the items back from the burglary, and that the owner had to fly back to inventory the garage. The detective reports he told Saal that he was right on, as the detective had read Saal's text conversations to another individual stating that the person from the residence was out of town. The detective again asked Saal if it was possible to get the items

back. The detective reports Saal stated that he did not think it was going to happen without him being out of jail. The detective reports that he told Saal that it sounded like he made some pretty decent money off the items.

The detective reports he had also compared Saal's boot soles, which he was wearing when he was arrested, with photos of the tracks from inside the garage at the property owner's residence, and they matched.

The detective reports he asked Saal if he wanted to tell him who he had been with, and Saal initially stated, "there was nobody with me", and then stated "I don't think so."

The detective reports he asked Saal to tell him if he or someone else broke in the side door, and Saal stated that he shoved it in. The detective reports he asked Saal if he opened the overhead door and Saal stated, "It looks like you got it all figured out."

The detective's report reflect that Saal went on to suggest that he might be able to get the property back, but he would not be able to do so if he were in jail. The detective's report further indicates that Saal indicated he heard about the residence from another subject who disliked the property owner.

Another deputy, from the Barron County Sheriff's Department, reports on January 11, 2022, at approximately 2:32 pm, he responded to a complaint from a subject at a residence in Chetek, who called to report an ATV had been stolen from his garage.

The deputy reports he arrived on scene and made contact with the caller, who escorted him out to the garage and showed the deputy an empty parking stall next to another ATV. The deputy reports the caller stated that his 2015 Polaris ACE had been parked in the stall the previous day. The deputy reports the caller provided him with documentation, which included the ATV's Vin number.

The deputy reports the caller advised that nothing else was missing or disturbed, only the ATV.

The deputy reports that outside the driveway, he located several footprints as well as tire tracks. The deputy reports he could clearly see ATV tracks that had been removed from the garage and driven approximately half way down the driveway, at which point the snow was windswept and tracks could no longer be observed.

Another detective from the same department, reports on January 11, 2022, he was contacted by the deputy above, regarding the above-described incident. The detective reports on January 12, 2022, he learned that Saal had been arrested. The detective reports he spoke with the deputy that arrested him, and that deputy advised that Saal had requested that his cell phone be brought with him, and while

the deputy was providing Saal with his cell phone, a message appeared on the locked screen with something to the effect of, "yours in an ACE?"

The detective reports the deputy advised that he had also located, in Saal's jacket, a Polaris key with a white key chain with the word ACE written on it.

The detective reports that later that day, a Barron County Sergeant advised that he had located what he believed to be the above-described stolen ATV at the dead end road on 6 1/4 Avenue. The detective reports he responded to that location, and confirmed that the ATV located by the sergeant was the above-described stolen vehicle by the Vin number.

The detective reports on January 13, 2022, he reviewed the footprint impression's in the snow from the victim's residence, as well as from where the ATV was located. The detective reports he noticed the heel of the impressions had a similar v-shaped pattern. The detective reports he responded to the jail and inspected Saal's property, and located a pair of brown boots. The detective reports the boots had a very similar v-shaped pattern on them.

The detective reports on January 18, 2022, that he, along with another detective interviewed Saal.

The detective reports that throughout the course of the interview, Saal spoke about a multitude of incidents, and when doing so, Saal admitted to going to a residence with another subject. The detective reports Saal was unsure of the date and that they had gone there, but advised it was between 2:00 and 3:00 am. The detective reports Saal had advised that both of them smoked methamphetamine prior to committing the burglary. The detective reports Saal advised that the other subject was aware that there was another ATV at the residence because the subject

had been there previously test driving a four wheeler that had been for sale. Saal advised that they pulled up into the driveway up to the garage, and they both entered into the garage through the service door.

The detective reports Saal advised that they used the other subject's vehicle to pull the ATV out and down the driveway because they did not want to make too much noise. Saal advised that once back on the road, they took turns driving the ATV back towards Chetek, because it was cold out.

The detective reports Saal advised that he left the ATV on 6 1/2 Avenue, where it was found the night before he was arrested on January 12, 2022. The detective reports he asked Saal if the boots he was wearing when he was brought in to the jail were the same boots he was wearing at the time he stole the ATV, and Saal advised that they were.

A Police Chief, from the Chetek Police Department, reports that on January 10, 2022, he was contacted by the owner of Image Plastics in Chetek. The chief reports the owner advised that sometime over the weekend his business was broken into, and that several items were missing.

The chief reports he met with the owner of the business, and responded to the business. The chief reports he observed the door to be ajar, and a small amount of snow had been entered in the door way.

The chief reports the owner advised that when he left on Friday afternoon, he had secured all the doors. The chief reports the owner advised that his foreman, had been at the shop on Saturday twice, and once in the morning, and once in the afternoon.

The chief reports he asked the owner what he was missing, and the owner initially had identified the following items as missing from his shop: a plasma cutter, a chain saw, a grinder, a nail gun, a wire feed welder, a small ice maker and eight pallets.

The chief reports he then turned over the investigation to the lieutenant.

The lieutenant reports she spoke with the owner of the business on January 11, 2022,

and that he turned in a statement of loss which listed 17 items.

A Barron County Officer, reports on January 20, 2022, she along with other members of the Barron County Sheriff's Department, executed a search warrant on a camper where she knew a couple to be living. The officer reports both subject were located sleeping the camper.

The officer reports the female stated that she was willing to cooperate, and she wanted to speak with a detective regarding the incident which occurred in Chetek.

The officer reports both the male and female were transported to the Barron County Sheriff's Department, and a detective informed her via telephone, that she and her husband admitted to committing the burglary at Image Plastics on January 9, 2022.

The officer reports she spoke with both the male and female in an interview room at the Barron County Sheriff's Department. The officer reports that while speaking with them, they stated that Saal had told them about Image Plastics. The officer reports they said that Saal advised that he was familiar with the building because he had worked on vehicles in the shop area with employees.

The officer reports the husband advised that Saal, himself and his wife, drove to Image Plastics and that they used the F-150 which was parked at the house, referring to a vehicle that was present during the execution of the search warrant at their camper.

The officer reports the husband stated he could not recall the exact day it was that the burglary occurred, but stated that he was the one who drove the vehicle to Image Plastics, with his wife and Saal. The officer reports that the couple estimated that the burglary happened at approximately 10:00 pm.

The officer reports the female stated that Saal brought up Image Plastics in reference to taking propane tanks, as Saal knew the forklifts ran off of propane. The officer reports the couple seemed to be confused by this, as they did not know how to use the kind of propane tanks to assist in heating the garage at their residence. The male stated that Saal was speaking about the propane tanks, and stealing multiple electric motors, which Saal indicated would be inside Image Plastics.

The female advised as they pulled into the parking lot of Image Plastics, Saal "called dibs" on the generator that he knew was there. The officer reports the female went on to explain that Saal also spoke about the welder and welding cart.

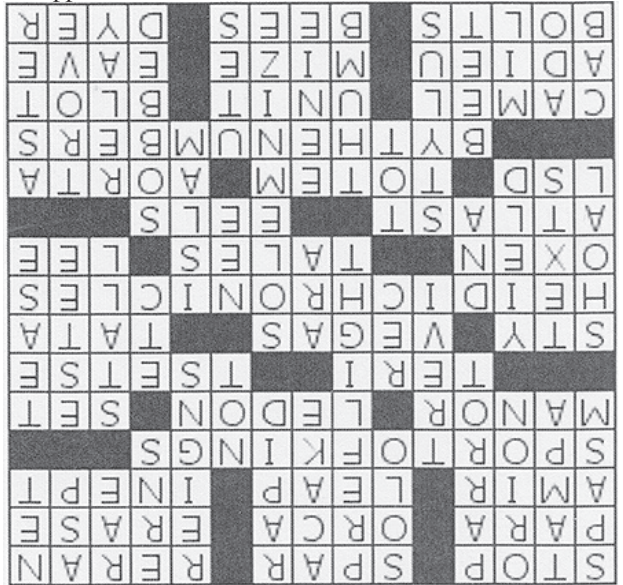
The officer reports the couple both acknowledged that they pulled the truck into the garage and shut the garage door while they were still inside during the burglary. The female stated it felt sketchy as they were pulling up to the location, but that Saal reassured both of them that there were no cameras and nothing to worry about.

The officer reports she went through a list of the items which were stolen from Image Plastics, and the couple had previously advised the detective that all the items which had previously been at their residence in Barron, were now being stored at the couple's son's house in Minnesota.

The officer reports on January 21, 2022, she made contact with the son who advised he could bring the times back to Chetek. The officer advised he brought a large load of items.

If convicted for three counts of burglary of a building or dwelling, Saal may be fined not more than \$25,000 for each count, or imprisoned not more than 12 years and six months for each count. For operating a motor vehicle without owner's consent, he may be fined not more than \$10,000 or imprisoned not more than six years or both.

His adjourned initial appearance is scheduled for March 2, 2022.



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Sports

Beavers Send Johnson and Chafer to State

The Cumberland Wrestling Team will be sending two wrestlers to this weekend's State Wrestling Tournament in Madison. Defending State Champion, Dawson Johnson, will be returning to the State Capitol to defend his Title won last year, while Sophomore Jack Chafer will be going for the first time. Wrestling begins Thursday, with the Finals on Saturday.

The two wrestlers earned their spot at last weekend's Sectional in St. Croix Falls.

Johnson moved his record to 45 and 0 with three consecutive pins at the Sectional. The Championship victory in the 120-pound weight class came over Josh Davidsaver of the host Saints, whom he pinned in 2:56. His title in 2021 came at 106-pounds.

It has been a season of domination for Johnson. He has lost only one match over his outstanding two-year career, putting his name among the elite of the state wrestlers. He will open defense of his 2021 State Championship sometime around noon on Friday, when he takes on the winner of Jordan Jahnke of Shiocton (33-16) and Josh Davidsaver (28 and 15) of St. Croix Falls, who he defeated last Saturday.

The wrestler with the second-best record in Johnson's weight class is Sophomore

Mason Carpenter of Lourdes Academy/Valley Christian of Oshkosh (44-4), who Johnson pinned in last year's State Tourney.

Chafer has continued to improve throughout the year and his third-place finish in Saint Croix Falls was good enough to send him to Madison. He will take a 27-14 record into the 285-pound weight class, where he will wrestle Mike Nelson (34-2) of Unity in the first round somewhere around 8:45 pm on Thursday night. Nelson pinned Chafer in the Sectional competition.

Chafer went 2 and 2 in St. Croix Falls, losing to the eventual Champion, Wylie Dunn of Whitehall and Nelson. In between he took a 3-0 decision and pinned an Independence/Gilmanton wrestler.

Just missing out on the State Tournament was Senior Josh Simon, who finished fourth in the 160-pound weight class. He finishes his senior season with an overall record of 28-16.

Simon was pinned by Cadott's Cole Pfeiffer in the third-place match, ending his season.

The Saint Croix Falls Sectional will be well represented in Madison as the Saints moved on eight wrestlers and Cadott seven, including four champions.

Cumberland Girl's Open Tournaments This Friday

The Cumberland Girl's Basketball Team concluded the regular season last week and open up WIAA D4 Tournament play this Friday in Elmer Beran Gymnasium at 7:00 pm against the winner of Grantsburg and Chequamegon, who played on Tuesday night. Cumberland will take their season's record of 15 and 9 into the contest as the Region's third-seeded team.

Cumberland finished up HON play in fourth place with a 11 and 7 mark. They edged Hayward 36-35, while losing to the Conference's top two teams, Ladysmith and St. Croix Falls in concluding their season.

"We lost to two very good teams, but must have a good week of practice and improve on some things before Friday if we hope to stay in the Tournament for any length of time," said Coach Dutton about the two losses.

In Thursday's one-point win over Hayward, Maisen Gores led the team with 14 points, while Anna Ranallo had some big baskets and finished with 10. "We struggled throughout much of the game, but give the girls credit for finding a way to get the victory," said Coach Dutton.

The losses came to the 21 and 3 Ladysmith Lumberjills, 56-28, and the 20 and 4 St. Croix Falls Saints, 60-33.

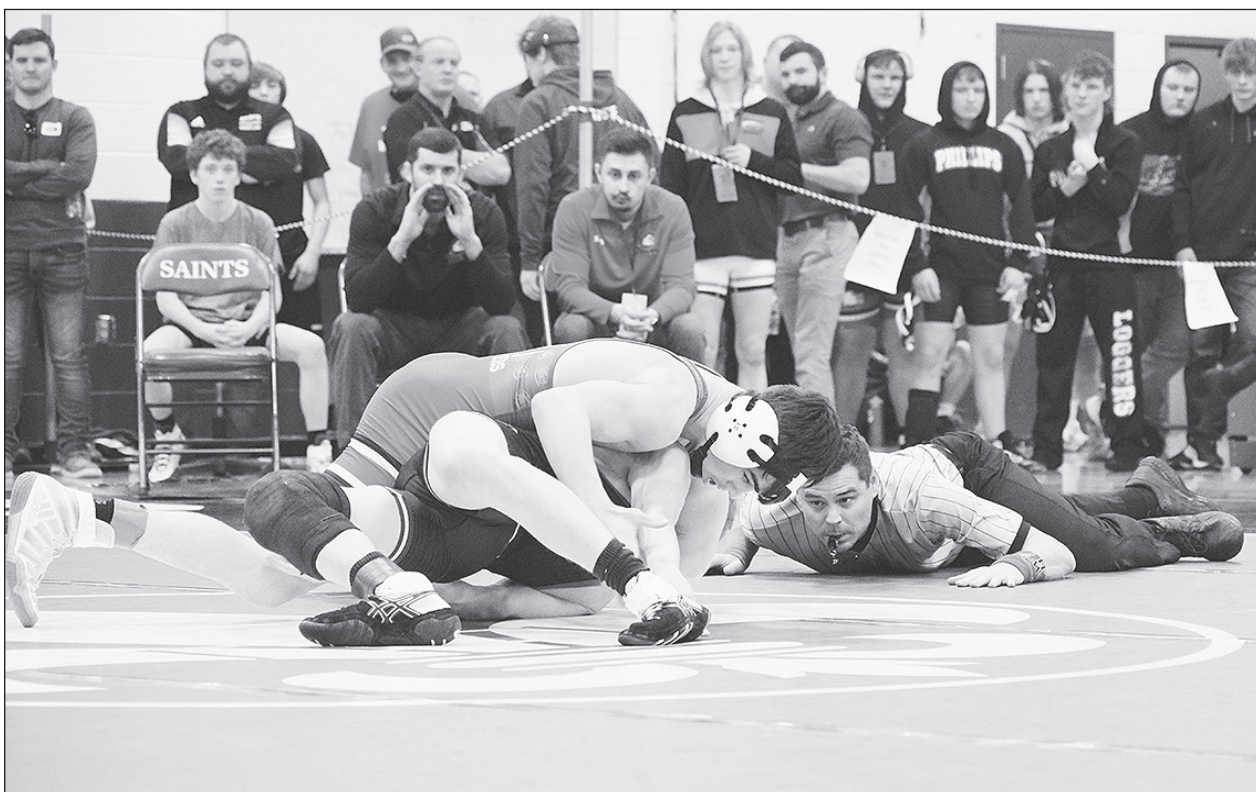
Ladysmith jumped out to a 37-15 halftime lead and coasted to the win last Tuesday. They were led by their talented junior guard Raemlee Smith, who scored 15. The Lumberjills won the HON with a conference mark of 17 and 1.

Cumberland was led in scoring by Junior Teagan Monson, who scored 11. She has been an integral part of Cumberland's season success averaging 6.3 points, 6.2 rebounds, and 2.2 assists per game. Maisen Gores added eight points and Mecina Garibaldi six.

St. Croix Falls played excellent basketball in dominating last Friday's contest in front of their home crowd. Kyleigh McLemore led Cumberland in scoring with nine points, while Reyna Bertelsen added seven. The Saints kept the Beavers top two scorers, Maisen Gores (18.1 ppg) and Mecina Garibaldi (8.8 ppg) in check, as they only scored six points each.

The most wins since Cumberland became a WIAA team in 1993-1994, when Cumberland went 17-7. It has been Cumberland's best season in over 20 years and the team hopes to add to its season total as the Tournaments begin Friday. A victory will likely send the team to Ladysmith this Saturday for a 7:00 pm Regional Championship game.

State Tournament Next!



Dawson Johnson kept rolling at the St. Croix Falls Sectional Tournament pinning all three opponents to run his record to 45-0 and earn a second straight trip to Madison. Last years returning State Champ will hit the mat at 120 pounds sometime around noon on Friday. Good luck Dawson! Photo by Sydney Mathison



Jack Chafer continues to come on strong as the season progresses. The sophomore finished third at Sectionals to earn a trip to State at 285 pounds. Chafer should wrestle around 8:45 Thursday night. Good luck Jack! Photo by Sydney Mathison



Josh Simon just missed a trip to Madison after finishing fourth at Sectionals last weekend in St. Croix Falls. The 160 pound senior finished the season with a 28-16 record. Photo by Sydney Mathison

Girls BB Standings

TEAM	TEAM	W	L	STK	OVERALL
Ladysmith	LADYS	17	1	W2	21-3-0
St. Croix Falls	SCF	16	2	W5	20-4-0
Northwestern	NWERN	13	5	L1	16-8-0
Cumberland	CUMB	11	7	L1	15-9-0
Barron	BARRON	10	8	W2	13-11-0
Cameron	CAMER	8	10	W1	10-14-0
Ashland	ASHL	8	10	W2	11-13-0
Hayward	HAY	5	13	L4	6-18-0
Spooner	SPOON	2	16	L2	2-18-0
Chetek-Weyerhaeuser	CH-WY	0	18	L18	2-22-0

Sports Calendar

- Thursday, Feb. 24
State Wrestling TBD
- Boys BB home vs Hayward
Friday, Feb. 25
State Wrestling TBD
- Girls BB Regional home 7:00
Saturday, Feb 26
State Wrestling TBD
- Girls Regional Final TBD
Tuesday, March 1
Boys BB home Regional 7:00 TBD

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2/26 Sat	12:54	7:09	1:25	7:41	06:44	05:41	4:29a	12:42p	8:35a	9:06p
2/27 Sun	1:50	8:05	2:20	8:36	06:42	05:42	5:23a	1:55p	9:37a	10:07p
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An Outdoorsman's Journal

by Mark Walters

Spearing Season 2022!

Hello friends,
There are some things that I am good at and many that I am not. Spearing a sturgeon on Lake Winnebago is one of the things that I try hard at but except for one time about 15 years ago, I always come home empty handed. I try hard, I really enjoy myself, and it does not bother me a bit that I really suck at embedding my spear into an 80-pound dinosaur from the deep.

Friday, February 11th
High 41, low 9

So here is my plan. This year I am alone, I am driving to Oshkosh, getting on the ice by South Side Ice/Yacht Club and will immerse myself for 48-hours in a city of spearing shacks.

There is a sleetish snow falling, it is 2:00 pm, the wind is supposed to pick up to a sustained 20-mph by 4:00, I have a lot of work to do and of course I have my most loyal friend "Ruby" along.

First job and this was physical and scary. I am going to cut a hole in the ice the size of a coffin with my Jiffy ice auger and my chainsaw which has a 20-inch bar. My plan was to first mark the entire outside edge of the hole with the auger, then go down to about 16-inches with it staying in dry ice. In my perfect world, I would cut the final 4-inches with my Jonsered 2165.

Brief description - extremely physical while wearing chest waders with an error of cutting too deep with the auger so my hole flooded which meant the saw end of this job was in the water. In the end I was soaked with sweat and had a block the size of a bathtub to push under the ice.

I decided to cut it in half with the auger and because I had to lean over so much, I had two experiences where I literally got sucked into Winnebago by the ten inch auger, both times I about filled my waders with something besides water as I got out of my predicament.

I was proud as hell when the job was done, and I opened a can of beer as the wind hit gale force. I decided to turn my radio on while I built camp. Crapola, my batteries were dead.

I use my Eskimo Fatshack for spearing and living in. The Fatshack is 13x8 feet pops up like a turkey

blind, can really catch the wind and of course you do not want to fall in the hole which you are setting it over.

I get the Fatshack up, spill my beer, the wind is my music and I decide to start running my four gas lines. One for my heater, a brand new Mr Buddy, my third one in 13-months. Another for my cookstove and two for my propane lights.

More bad luck as I realize I forgot all but one of my gas lines, choices had to be made, my punishment, make due with what I had.

Next, I had to put a 32x28 foot tarp on my shack so it would be dark inside. I used my truck as a wind block, but this was a gamble as it was very close to the coffin sized hole in the ice. I got the tarp on the shack and used the slush from my hole to hold it down.

I set up my kitchen, cot, enjoyed a PBR and cooked an excellent supper. The wind was so powerful that sleep was not my friend as it seemed I would be blown east to the Atlantic ocean in my Fatshack.

Saturday, February 12th
High 12, low minus 6

Spearing hours are from 7:00 am to 1:00 pm. I actually enjoy this even though over about 15-years I have only seen one sturgeon and it is dead. No one around me got one this morning and the group I speared with the last two years The Bornemann's who spear near Stockbridge had the same luck. I should have been near them because they are fun, but I figured I had better mix up this story, so I went to Oshkosh.

Sunday, February 13th
High 7, low minus 10

Once again today I was not presented with a shot and at 1:00 it was time to take down the shack and pack The Chevy Hotel. I had just started my task when I got a text from Hailey Bornemann and a great photo. Alicia Duffrin, who is from Fifield, was sitting with her husband Leon and she had thrown her spear into what would be a 71-pound sturgeon with just 15 minutes left in the spearing day.

Congrats Alicia and Leon, next year I will be back!
Sunset



Quite the adventure cutting this hole in the frozen waters of Lake Winnebago!



(left to right) Alicia Duffrin of Fifield and Hailey Bornemann with Alicia's 71 pound sturgeon!

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Tough Loss!



Vaughn Johnson follows through on a jumper last Thursday night vs Bloomer. The Blackhawks escaped with a 1 point win. Photo by Victoria Gonzales



Gavin Gores goes up for two Thursday night vs Bloomer. Gores had ten points and seven rebounds on the night. Photo by Victoria Gonzales

Boy's Basketball Team Finishes Regular Season on Thursday; Tournament Opener next Tuesday

The Cumberland Beaver's record fell to 7 and 15 following a pair of losses last week. The team wraps up the regular season part of their schedule this Thursday and then begins the D4 WIAA Playoffs next Tuesday, March 1, at home against Glenwood City in a 7:00 pm start.

The first loss came last Monday to HON foe Spooner, by a 53-31 score. "We struggled from the start, and just couldn't seem to get ourselves on track. In this sport, when you can't get the ball to go in the hoop, it makes for a tough night. We had good looks but the ball just wouldn't fall," said Coach Corey Berghammer about the contest.

Cumberland shot only 24 percent from the field in the game, while making nine of 13 free throws. Jax Effertz had 13 and Gavin Gores 11 to lead the Beavers offense. Gores added a team-high seven rebounds, while David Olson and Noah Sellent had three assists each.

Thursday, Cumberland tangled with Bloomer, who now plays in the Cloverbelt Conference. The Beavers played very good full court

pressure defense over the contests final few minutes giving themselves an opportunity at a victory. Unfortunately, a last second shot to win the game just missed, leading to a 40-39 defeat to their neighbors to the south.

"This might have been our best defensive performance of the year as a whole group. It is unfortunate that we couldn't find a way to get another score. Our effort gave us a chance to win in the end. I am proud of how hard we played," said Coach Berghammer about the loss.

Effertz once again led the Beavers with 11 points to go along with seven rebounds. Gores added 10 points and seven boards, while David Olson had a team-high three assists.

The Beavers played Lady-smith on Monday and finish up the regular season with a home game against the 5 and 17 Hayward Hurricanes this Thursday at 7:15 pm.

The Beavers are seeded seventh in the D4 Regional pairing and a victory on Tuesday will send them to Cameron for 7:00 pm game on Thursday, March 4.

Boys BB Standings

TEAM	TEAM	W	L	T	PCT	GB	GP
Northwestern	NWERN	16	0	0	1.000	-	16
Cameron	CAMER	12	4	0	.750	4.0	16
Ladysmith	LADYS	12	5	0	.706	4.5	17
Saint Croix Falls	SCF	11	6	0	.647	5.5	17
Spooner	SPOON	9	7	0	.563	7.0	16
Barron	BARRON	8	8	0	.500	8.0	16
Chetek-Weyerhaeuser	CH-WY	5	12	0	.294	11.5	17
Cumberland	CUMB	4	12	0	.250	12.0	16
Ashland	ASHL	3	14	0	.176	13.5	17
Hayward	HAY	2	14	0	.125	14.0	16



Drew Griffith (front row Center) has signed a letter of intent to play football for UW Eau Claire. Pictured with Drew are parents Jodi and Dean, brother Dale and grandparents. Congratulations Drew!



Blake Siebert has signed to play football at Concordia in St. Paul. Blake is pictured with family on signing day at Cumberland High School. Good luck Blake

Sports Look Back, February 27, 2002

Mites: The mites won four straight games this past week as they beat Barron 9-0 on goals by Christian Pearson, Brandon Hotchkiss, Mike Huebner, and Ataya Rockow. Tanton Schneider got an assist and Marc Hayton had five saves. The team beat Granstburg 3-1 on goals by Hotchkiss and Pearson with Hayton getting but two saves. The team followed with a 6-1 win over Amery as Hotchkiss and Pearson scored with an assist by Rockow. Hayton had five saves. In the final game of the week, the team beat the Rusk County Rangers 7-0 as Hayton had 12 saves and Hotchkiss and Pearson scored the goals with one assist credited to Schneider.

Squirts: The squirts beat Barron 7-4 as Josh Wineinger led the way with four goals. Single goals game off the sticks of Eric Anderson, Mike Sutick, and

Travis Lehmann. Assists were credited to Anderson, Mitch Hanson, Erik Pearson, Mike Sutick and Josh Wineinger. Mitch Hanson had 27 saves for the win.

The team continued by beating Rusk County 9-2 as Jake Neurer led the way with three goals. Mitch Hanson got a pair of goals while Christian Pearson, Eric Anderson, Travis Lehmann and Erik Pearson each scored once. Mitch Rockow, Josh Wineinger, Erik Pearson, Christian Pearson and Mitch Hanson had assists. Mike Sutick had eight saves for the win. Finally this week the team shutout Hayward 5-0 as Wineinger, Pearson and Sutick scored. Wineinger, Lehmann, and Erik Pearson got assists with Rockow stopping 19 shots for the win.

Peewees: The team participated in the Cumberland tournament, along with six

other teams. Granstburg won the tournament with teams from Amery, North Lakeland, Cumberland, Hastings and Barron. The Cumberland team opened with an 8-2 loss to Amery, as Rich Gurtner and Derrick Zappa scored with assists going to Dillon Friskney, Zappa, and Josh Wineinger. Dan McNamara had 18 saves.

The team won their second game as they beat Hastings 5-1. Scoring came from Wineinger, 3, and Jake Hammes 2. Gurtner and Hammes got assists with McNamara stopping 16 shots in the nets.

In the third game, the team lost to North Lakeland 7-3 as Brandon Schmidt and Zappa scored for Cumberland. Josh Wineinger got an assist and McNamara had 10 saves.



The Cumberland U8 hockey team traveled to Hayward on Saturday to take on teams from Spooner and Hayward. Most of the kids on the team had little to no skating experience until entering the Learn to Skate program sponsored by the Cumberland Hockey Association this fall. They continue to work hard and improve their skills each week at practice. The kids will travel to Spooner next weekend and Barron on March 6 for jamborees.

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- **Thurs, Feb. 24th:** Mediterranean Salmon, Chieftain Rie Blend, Brussel Sprouts, Assorted Bread, Jell-O with fruit.
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 - **Mon, Feb. 28th:** Baked Tuna Noodle Casserole, Assorted Bread, Fruit Cup, Baked Spiced Apples.
 - **Tues, Mar. 1st:** Chicken & Broccoli Stir Fry over Brown Rice, Assorted Bread, Mandarin Oranges, Mixed Berry Dessert.
 - **Wed, Mar. 2nd:** Egg Bake Casserole w/ Spinach, Onions, Cheese and Hashbrowns, Homemade Muffin, Flavored Yogurt, Tomato Juice.
- "All meals include milk, coffee, and butter. Persons who dine at the Senior Center and those who receive Meals on Wheels are reminded they can use their QUEST card (food share) for their meal donation. For more information call Joanne at 715-537-6225.

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Betty M. Smith

Betty M. Smith, age 96, of Madison, passed away peacefully at home, surrounded by family on Thursday, Feb. 10, 2022. She was born on Dec. 11, 1925, in Minneapolis, MN, the daughter of Charles and Mabel (Johnson) Potvin.

She married Duane K. Smith on July 2, 1947, and settled in Madison to raise their family. She was a homemaker until her children were teenagers and then went on to work at Wisconsin Employee Trust Funds and Meriter Hospital until her retirement. She was a member of St. Mark's Lutheran Church in Madison for 72 years where she was instrumental in bringing Meals for Madison to the church, a

free community meal which continues today.

Betty enjoyed traveling with her friends and family through Elderhostel tours. Traveling throughout the US, Mexico and Europe. She made baby blankets and assembled layettes for Lutheran World Relief. She also enjoyed gardening, and spending time with her family.

Betty is survived by her son, Dennis (Donna "Sunshine"); daughters, Debbie Thorp and Donna Lottes; grandchildren, Dawn Line, Christopher Lottes and Jennifer (Kyle) Thompson; six great-grandchildren; brother, Douglas Potvin; sister, Gail (Dennis) Anderson; sister-in-law, Jane Potvin; and her beloved kitty, Slim.

She was preceded in death by her husband; parents; three brothers, Donald, Lloyd and Norman; sisters-in-law, Delores Potvin and Ann Potvin; grandson-in-law, David Line; and her husband's siblings, Howard, Edward, Watson and Mary Watson.

A celebration of life will be held at a later date.

Memorials may be gifted in Betty's name to St. Mark's Lutheran Church (stmarks-madison.org), UW Alzheimer's Research (memories-matteruw.org) or Agrace HospiceCare (agrace.org/donate). Online condolences may be made at www.gundersonsfh.com.

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First Death from Multisystem Inflammatory Syndrome in Children (MIS-C) Associated with COVID-19 Reported in Wisconsin

The Wisconsin Department of Health Services (DHS) has confirmed a child in Wisconsin died from multisystem inflammatory syndrome in children (MIS-C), a rare but serious condition associated with COVID-19. The child lived in southeast Wisconsin and was under 10 years old. There have been 183 MIS-C cases reported in Wisconsin since the beginning of the COVID-19 pandemic. This is the first case to result in a death. DHS will not be disclosing any additional patient information to protect privacy and out of respect for the family.

"We are saddened to report that a child has passed away from MIS-C," said State Health Officer Paula Tran. "Although COVID-19 cases are declining throughout the state, we are still seeing very high levels of disease transmission in all 72 counties. As COVID-19 continues to cause illness, hospitalizations, and death in our communities, we urge all Wisconsinites to take

steps to protect themselves against COVID-19."

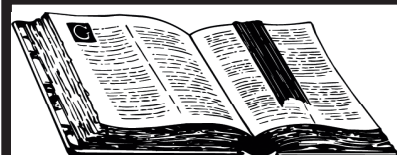
MIS-C causes parts of the body to become inflamed and can affect the heart, lungs, kidneys, brain, and other organs. Most cases of MIS-C occur in children 3 to 12 years old who were exposed to COVID-19. If your child is showing any emergency warning signs of MIS-C, such as lingering fever, trouble breathing, chest pain or pressure that does not go away, confusion, inability to wake up or stay awake, bluish lips or face, or severe abdominal pain, call 911 or go to the nearest emergency room immediately.

The best way to prevent MIS-C is to protect children against COVID-19. DHS recommends everyone five years and older get vaccinated against COVID-19. For the best protection, everyone 12 years and older should also get a booster dose when eligible. Staying up to date with recommended COVID-19 vaccinations by getting a booster dose is the most effective

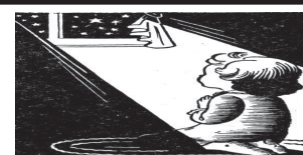
strategy we have to prevent the serious consequences of COVID-19, including MIS-C, hospitalizations, and death. On top of staying up to date on COVID-19 vaccines, all Wisconsinites should continue to layer prevention strategies:

- Everyone who has tested positive for COVID-19 or has symptoms of COVID-19 should isolate from others, including those in their household, and wear a well-fitting mask around others for 5 days after their isolation period.
- Those who have COVID-19 should notify their close contacts of their exposure.
- Close contacts who are not up to date with their COVID-19 vaccines should stay home and quarantine for 5 days. Close contacts who are up to date with their vaccinations do not need to quarantine. However, all close contacts, regardless of vaccination status, should wear

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Church Directory



"Transformed by God's grace, mercy and love."

by Rev. Diane House

Trinity Lutheran Church, McKinley

The gospel reading for last Sunday was from **Luke 6: 27-36**. In "the sermon on the plain" Jesus challenges our comfortable and familiar pattern of looking out for ourselves and loving those who align with our values or are part of our in crowd saying that *"even sinners love those who love them."*

Jesus teaches us that as his followers we will be called to a deeper and more difficult way of loving. As "children of the Most High" we are to "Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful who is kind to the ungrateful and the wicked."

Loving this way is transforming. If we are open to receiving God's radical and cross-shaped love we can be transformed from loving in our limited human way. We will be being willing to let the overpowering love of God flow through us to transform the way we see and love each other.

My husband, George shared with me a story about a WWII Japanese commander who took part in the bombing of Pearl Harbor. Commander Mitsuo Fuchida, who was an actual leader of the raiding aircraft on December 7, 1941, survived the war and various aircraft crashes. Eventually he became a Christian and a Protestant minister in Seattle, Washington. Of that fateful Sunday morning, he once wrote:

"That morning...I lifted the curtain of warfare by dispatching that cursed order...and I put my whole effort into the war that followed. Later, I determined to send out into the world a book entitled 'No More Pearl Harbors.' After buying and reading a bible my mind was strongly impressed and captivated. I think I can say today without hesitation that God's grace has been set upon me."

This former enemy of the United States was transformed by God's grace, mercy and love. He was transformed from an enemy to a friend and minister to the people of Seattle. If we dare to be merciful and loving to one another, we become conduits transmitting the transforming love and grace of God. May the Holy Spirit humble us and inspire us in this kind of love.

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 City Hall is accessible to all persons. The agenda will be posted 24 hours before the meeting.

Kim Rieper
 Clerk-Treasurer
 City of Cumberland
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING STATE OF WISCONSIN
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PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given to all persons in the County of Barron, Wisconsin, that the Barron County Zoning Committee will consider at public hearing on **Wednesday, March 2, 2022 at 1:30 p.m.** in Room 2106 of the Barron County Government Center, 335 E. Monroe Ave., Barron, Wisconsin, the following request relative to rezoning amendments of the official zoning maps:
 Request to rezone Govt Lot 3, consisting of 32.17 acres, located in Section 30, T35N, R14W, Town of Crystal Lake, from the Residential-1 to the Recreational-Residential district (16.18 acres) and to the Agricultural-2 district (15.99 acres).

Property owned by DBM Partners, LLC.

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

All persons interested are invited to attend said hearing. Dated at Barron, Wisconsin, this 16th day of February, 2022.

Barron County Zoning Committee
Bob Rogers, Chairman
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The Bookworm Sez...

By Terri Schlichenmeyer 

This week:
Funny Farm: My Unexpected Life with 600 Rescue Animals
 by Laurie Zaleski c. 2021, St. Martin's Press • \$27 • 256 pages

Were you born in a barn? In other words, get in here and shut the door. Take your dirty shoes off before you walk on the clean floor. You might call your cat your "baby" and your dog is your "best friend" but really, were you born in a barn? In the new book "Funny Farm" by Laurie Zaleski, the answer might be maybe...

The last time was different. Laurie Zaleski's mother had uprooted the family before but in the past, they'd always returned to the beautiful house at 8 Timber Heights Court, between Philadelphia and New Jersey.

That was the house where Zaleski spent her first five years of life. It was also where her father physically abused her mother until promises to stop didn't work anymore, and twenty-six-year-old Annie scooped up her three children, drove around awhile to throw her husband off the trail, and then brought the kids to a "shell," as Zaleski says. Made of cement blocks, rotten wood, and mold, their new home was a one-bedroom, no-bath, no-heat, no-running-water hovel that Annie promised could be "cozy" with some work.

Eventually, it was. It became a home before Zaleski was a teen - a home for children and dozens of animals that Annie seemed to collect. She could never say "no" to any creature in need, in fact, and that was okay with her kids. Caring for animals and troubled friends taught responsibility. Making them safe taught self-sufficiency. Pet death taught realities and that food sometimes came first. Annie, blunt and no-nonsense, worked several jobs to make ends

meet - something that embarrassed Zaleski as a teenager - but there was always room for another. The family was poor, but hers was a glorious childhood. And then, just before she was able to enjoy an empty nest, Annie Zaleski fell sick. Her children worried about her, but she said she was fine. Healthy as a horse. "We couldn't have dreamed that this time," says Zaleski, "our mother, the most truthful of women, was a liar." Cute as a cuddly bunny, but with the kind of kick that only a mule can deliver, "Funny Farm" is the sort of book you want to read and be charmed. Here, readers are treated to a dual memoir - one that is mostly about two farms and the animals on them: a big horse that was "pure love," a peacock's miracle, pigs big and small, dogs and a chicken that thinks she's a dog. The other part is a love letter to a mother's strength, as author Laurie Zaleski writes about a childhood spent in an unconventional household that was first created out of necessity and then out of joy. The telling of this tale of humor, Momisms, love, and anguish also gives readers room to think about how awesome their own mothers are.

Come to this book on either side, human or animal, and let yourself be delighted. Find it for the critters, love it for the people you'll meet, "Funny Farm" will make any reader purr.

If you're in search of something great to take in the car, on vacation, on the tractor, or to the lunchroom, Terri can be reached at bookworm-sez@yahoo.com. Happy Reading!

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Join us for a benefit for Jared Pedersen who was hit head on in a car accident on October 30, 2021 by an uninsured motorist. Jared had a concussion, broken ribs, a broken sternum, two broken heels, and two broken tibias. While in the hospital he developed a blood clot as well. He lost his truck, guns, and many personal items. Due to his extensive injuries Jared has been unable to work since the accident and his future is uncertain. Help us show support to Jared by raising money to help him get back on his feet.

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The Time is Now for Opportunities in Wisconsin FFA

Celebrating National FFA Week and the Impact on Wisconsin Youth
 Wisconsin FFA members continue to make the most of opportunities to serve others and develop leadership skills, while being adaptable with what comes their way as they celebrate National FFA Week, February 19-26, 2022. FFA is a student leadership organization rooted in agriculture that focuses on developing students' potential through premier leadership, personal growth, and career success.
 Throughout all fifty states, Puerto Rico, and the U.S. Virgin Islands, there are 8,817 FFA chapters with roughly 735,000 members that make up the world's largest student leadership organization - the National FFA Organization. Here in our own state, the Wisconsin Association of FFA is made up of 253 chapters with 19,908 FFA members. Students are able to enroll in the intracurricular organization through agricultural education. There are endless opportunities for agriculture education students to become involved outside of the classroom within FFA. Because of all of the amazing events and activities our FFA members do, we celebrate National FFA Week.
 After a mainly virtual year of activities, FFA members in Wisconsin

have embraced a return to in-person events. In-person events allow students to make more quality connections with others, have hands-on experiences, and, of course, wear their blue corduroy jackets with pride. One of the first events this year was the Fall Leadership Workshops, where students were able to learn more about opportunities in FFA and develop their leadership skills. Another large event that happened this year was the 94th National FFA Convention, where students were able to celebrate accomplishments of FFA members from around the nation, attend workshops, and build connections with others. The most recent events that happened were the District Leadership Development Events, where students competed in speaking competitions some of which include Prepared Public Speaking, Employment Skills, and Extemporaneous Speaking to name a few. In the ever-changing world that we live in, we can't always rely on being in-person. Our FFA members have adapted by holding meetings virtually to allow for more to attend who otherwise could not, attending virtual info nights to improve their competition skills, participating in virtual competitions, and increasing social media usage to share what their chapters are doing. Besides building leadership and career skills, FFA members have embodied the 2021-2022 Wisconsin FFA theme 'The Time is Now,' by taking action in their local communities. Even in some of the most difficult times, FFA members continue to make the most of opportunities to serve others, investing thousands of hours of community service collectively. From highway clean-up events, to food drives, to park improvements, FFA members truly show through their actions that the time is now to make a difference. In the classroom, students create a Supervised Agricultural Experience (SAE), which is a work-based, experiential learning project that provides hands-on exploration in an agricultural area. Everyday, FFA members are able to learn soft skills meeting real-world career expectations that are not typically taught in core classes. Between career learning experiences, opportunities to develop leadership skills, and community service events, FFA offers endless opportunities for students to develop real-world skills, become the next generation of leaders, and change lives. Wisconsin FFA members know that the time is now to take action and truly make a difference. To learn more about what our Wisconsin FFA members are doing, go to wisconsinaged.org.

WINTER PARKING REGULATIONS
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School Board...

aspects of a students experience have really enriched the ability to assess their intervention needs more fully. This helps the whole student experience and not just academic performance.

Jamie then reported that the WI Forward assessment teacher training has been completed in preparation for the testing. Parents letters regarding the testing will be going home shortly. The Juniors will be taking the ACT on March 8th.

Tami Bowman, Director of Special Education reported on the upcoming Child Development Days. According to Tami, 60 of the 65 available slots have been already filled. The staff is very excited to have CDD be in person this year. Tami also said that if they fill all the slots, she will arrange personal evaluation with anyone not getting an appointment. Tami also said they are evaluating the special needs students for the accommodations needed for the WI Forward assessments.

In the Athletic Director's report, it was noted that Winter sports are winding down. Items of note:

- Hockey ended their season at Regionals last week;
- Two out of the three wrestlers who attended sectionals are moving onto state - one as sectional champion. Send off for State will be in the HS Gym at 2:50 on Wednesday, Feb. 23rd;
- Girls Basketball earned the #3 seed and a 1st round bye. They host their first

game on Friday. If they win, they go onto the Regional final on Saturday;

- Boys Basketball earned the #7 seed and host Glenwood City on March 1st. If they win, they go onto play Cameron on Friday, March 4th.

Spring sports will kick off in March.

In the report from District Nurse Krisitn Olson, it was noted that as of February 21st, there is only one person in isolation in the district. "Overall, illness rates have dropped since last month." Daily illness rates for the past week were 1.5-3% as opposed to 4-8% on most days in January. Olson also reported that the new CDC guidelines (five day quarantine/five day isolation) have been easy to follow with the reduced number of cases. If a student is still sick on day six then they remain out the full 10 days.

Moving onto action items, the Board heard a presentation on the proposed 2022 - 2023 School District Calendar from Elementary School Principal Jim Richie. Jim said they got a little creative this year. With Christmas and New Year's falling on weekends, it allowed for some shifting of other dates. Therefore, next year will see the return of "Spring Break."

The calendar still includes a week off at Thanksgiving, Christmas break will start on Friday, December 23rd and school will resume on Monday, January 2nd, and now there will be a week off in March from the 13-

17th. To make this possible, a November "in-service" day was removed, there won't be a day off for President's Day, and, even though Good Friday will still be a vacation day, Easter Monday will no longer be off. First day of school is Thursday, September 1st, Graduation will still be on Memorial Day weekend, and the last day of school will be June 2nd. The Board voted to approve the calendar as presented.

The Board next approve the resignations of John Peterson as Middle School Assistant Football Coach and Teri Lesnar-Schwartz's as Head Volleyball Coach.

It was with deep regret and sadness that the Board agreed to approve the retirement of Karen Whitman. Karen has been with the district for 33 years, the last portion as Benefit and Payroll Manager for the district. In his comments, Superintendent Barry Rose remarked that Karen had been instrumental in guiding the district through all the changes in the district's health plan and expressed his "Deep appreciation of Karen's commitment and dedication to the district."

Also approved was the hiring of Brent Sellent as High School Assistant Girls' Soccer Coach.

In administrative reports, Principal Jim Richie announced that Valentine's Day at the Elementary School was a bit hit. "It ranks up there with Christmas and Halloween for excitement!" He said

they are also looking forward the celebrating Dr. Suess' birthday on March 2nd.

In his report, Middle School Principal Colin Green stated that the sixth graders would not be able to attend Wolf Ridge again this year. The facility will not be ready for long term stays until after our normal dates. Instead, they will hold a "Badger retreat" at Scoutland here in Cumberland. Former Teacher Tom Warnberg will be returning to lead the event, which will include many nature lessons, wilderness experiences and team building exercises, just as they would have experienced at Wolf Ridge.

In the High School re-

port, Principal Ritchie Narges gave a rundown of happenings. They just completed the annual "Snow Week" activities culminating in the Winter Formal last Saturday night. FFA Week is approaching. The Drama Club is working hard on the musical "Grease." Performance dates are March 24-26th and tickets go on sale in the HS Office on March 7th.

The ACT testing will be held on March 8th.

Narges also thanked Cumberland Baptist and First Lutheran Churches for their sponsoring a 5th Quarter event.

The meeting adjourned at 7:25 pm. The next regular meeting of the school board is set for Tuesday, March 22nd at 6:00 p.m in the Middle School Commons.

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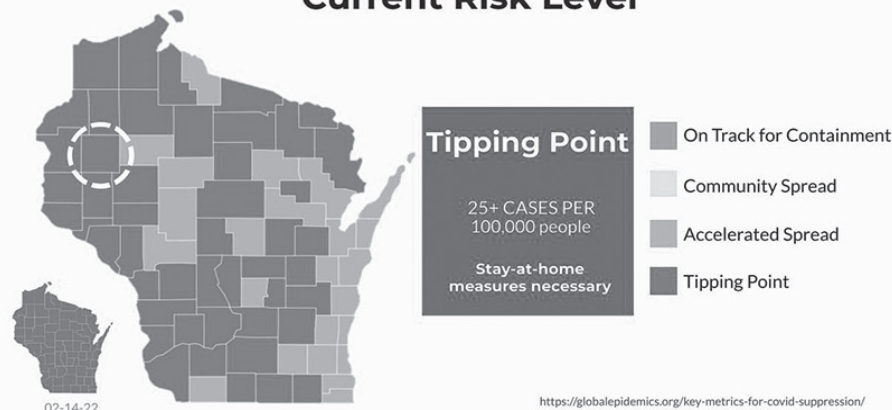


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Current Risk Level



New Cases:

84

Since last report

Total Cases:

12,690

Positive Cases

94%

Recovered

127

Deaths

Barron County Vaccination Numbers



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Illness after Vaccination

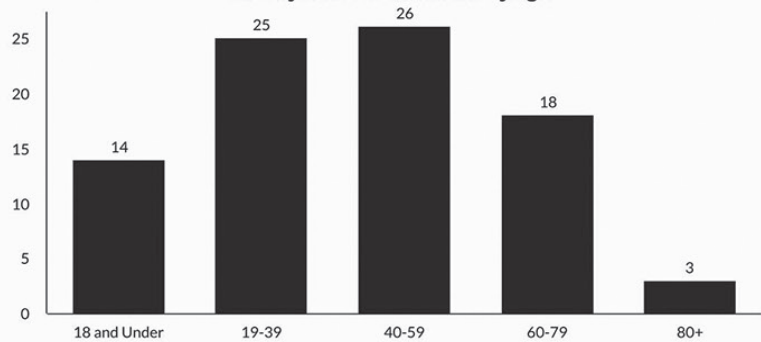
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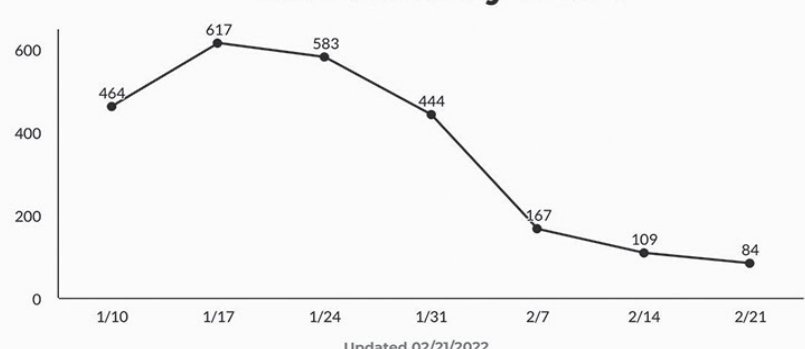
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New Cases Age Breakdown

Weekly cases broken down by age



New Cases by Week

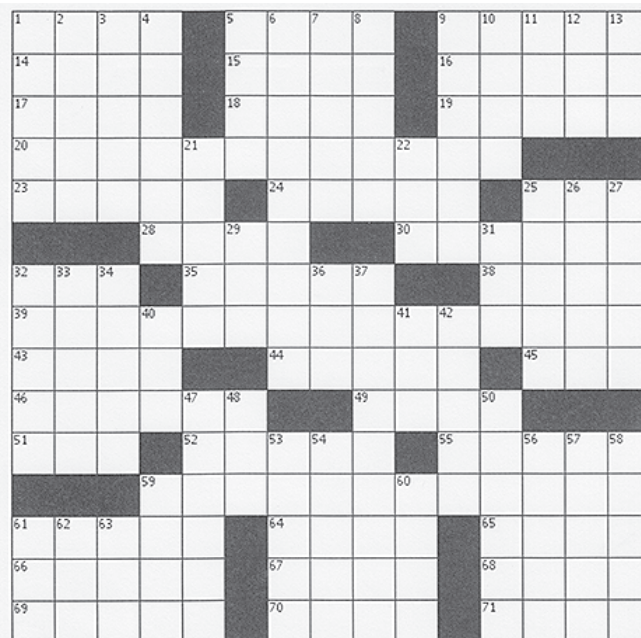


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Across

- Grind to a halt
- Ready for a fight
- Aired "I Love Lucy"
- Legal prefix
- Oceanic threat
- Opposite of pencil in
- "Abdul Abulbul ____" (old tune)
- Word with Lambeau or quantum
- Useless
- Horse racing
- Bruce Wayne's home, e.g.
- Gave false hopes
- Word with down, up or back
- Actress Garr
- Bloodsucking fly
- It's fit for a pig
- Strip searcher's paradise?
- "Good-bye, old chap!"
- Wendy Wasserstein play (with "The")
- Certain field workers
- Raconteur's inventory
- Trevino of the links
- "Finally!"
- Bioelectric swimmers
- Hallucination cause
- Carved pole emblem
- Major blood vessel
- Routinely
- Dromedary
- Hospital division
- Rorschach mark
- Toodle-oo
- 1940s slugger Johnny
- It hangs around the roof
- Hardware purchases
- Quilting events
- One whose work is constantly changing?



Down

- Sudden convulsion
- NFL city
- Giant hunter, in mythology
- Mimic
- Fledgling flier's goal
- Before takeoff
- Pat-__
- Quick
- Rules
- Some sea birds
- "Diff'rent Strokes" actress Charlotte
- Krait kin
- Cyberhead's place
- Italian fountain
- Part of a famous soliloquy
- Stable part
- Compact first name?
- Taunt
- Button on a camcorder
- And so on, for short
- Place to run aground
- "Diff'rent Strokes" armload
- Ramp sign
- Parseghian of coaching
- Observe with dignity
- Gene's ID
- Word in the society pages
- It has five pillars
- Seismograph part
- Day-care visitor
- Turned on the tears
- A small Tom
- Start of a counting rhyme
- Baton-passing race
- Treasure-__
- Late-blooming flower
- Swiss chard, e.g.
- Shoshonean people
- Truck's passenger area
- Without further
- 1/1000 inch

Shell Lake Man to Serve Prison Sentence on OWI Conviction

Back in September of 2020, Robin Johnson, of Shell Lake, was taken into custody for OWI 7th offense in Burnett County.

On September 30, 2020, an officer with the St. Croix Tribal Police Department saw a vehicle traveling east-bound on Highway 70 at speeds of 115 mph in a 55 mph zone. When the officer attempted to conduct a traffic stop, the vehicle failed to stop and instead turned onto Viola Lake Road. The vehicle entered a dead-end road before turning into a driveway and finally coming to a stop.

The officer approached the vehicle with a firearm drawn, and the driver, identified as Robin Johnson of Shell Lake, did comply with the officer's demands. Officers on scene noticed a strong odor of intoxicants coming from Johnson, and a

preliminary breath test was conducted, with a result of .204.

Johnson was charged with Class F Felony OWI 7th Offense, Class I Felony Attempting to Flee or elude an officer, and Misdemeanor Operate While Revoked.

On February 11, 2022, Johnson appeared in court regarding his September 2020 OWI arrest. The court ordered a 5-year prison sentence for Johnson on his conviction of OWI 7th offense with three years of initial confinement in state prison followed by two years of extended supervision.

Johnson has previously been convicted of operating while intoxicated in 2000, 2001, 2002 and 2008 in Burnett County, and 2013, and 2019 in Washburn County.

WisDNR Reminder: Report Black Bear Den Locations For New Research Study

Know where any black bear den locations are? We're asking the public to help us with a new research study and report any known locations.

Conducted by the department's Office of Applied Science, the study will analyze reported dens and generate estimates of reproductive rates of black bears within each bear management zone. These estimates will improve the accuracy of the population models for those zones.

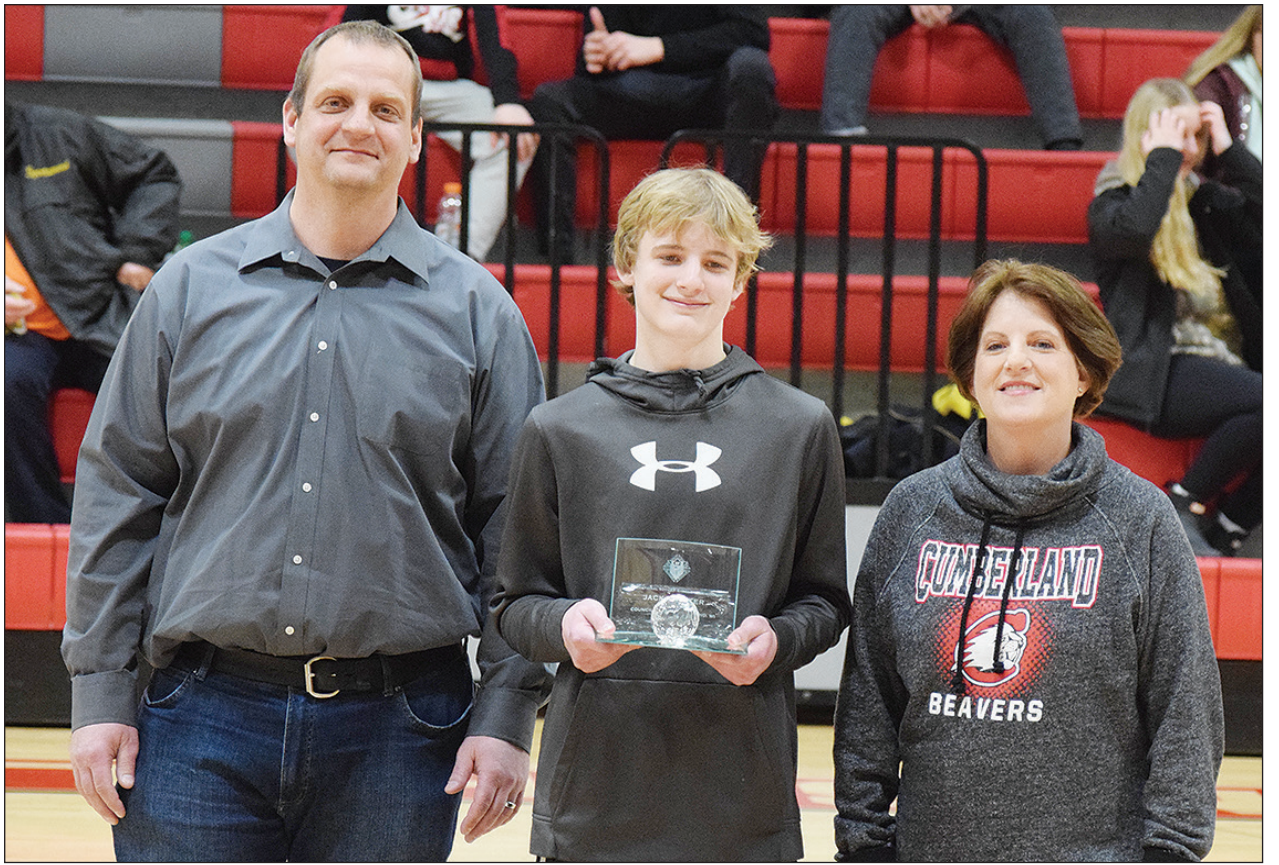
Public reporting of bear dens will increase the study's success and the accuracy of the black bear population model, as black bear dens are difficult to locate. The public is encouraged to report as much in-

formation about the den's location and recent use as possible without approaching or disturbing the dens. Den locations from prior years can be useful since black bears will occasionally re-use dens.

The DNR's Office of Applied Sciences will begin research at the end of February and continue until collaring goals are met. Research staff will collar female black bears and collect data at each den, such as the sex, weight and body measurements of the sow and cubs.

The DNR's researchers appreciate the help of local and federal biologists, tribal partners and the general public in locating black bear dens.

Congratulations Jack!



A big congratulations to Jack Richter for being named Knights of Columbus International Champion of the 2019-2020 International Soccer Challenge in his division with a score of 305. Jack's precision penalty shooting placed him in the 1 percentile of almost 8,000 participants in the council, district, regional and state levels of competition. Jack was awarded the coveted International Soccer Challenge Championship Trophy at half time of the Cumberland vs Bloomer basketball game Thursday February 17. The crystal award was specially engraved with Jack's name, sponsoring council and location (Father Shaney Knights of Columbus Council Cumberland Wisconsin). Jack is pictured with dad Todd and mom Demil. Photo by Victoria Gonzales.

Great Moment!



Jack Chafer is all fired up jumping into the arms of Jake Simon after clinching a spot at the State Wrestling Tournament this weekend in Madison. Congratulations and good luck Jack! Photo by Sydney Mathison



Cumberland Educational Foundation

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2021 Annual Report

Greetings from the Cumberland Educational Foundation. I hope this letter finds you and yours enjoying winter and all it has to offer.

The 17th annual Cumberland Educational Foundation "Light A Legacy" was one like no other. As we navigated the pandemic, we were able to host our first ever virtual event. Despite things being out of the ordinary, we were extremely thankful for the participation and donations from our community that extends near and far. It is truly the giving nature of our community that allows for groups such as ours to unite and overcome challenges, all for the good of our youth.

It has been a great pleasure to be a part of the Cumberland Educational Foundation. In June, we held our annual meeting and elected trustees and officers for 2021-2022. We welcome back Treasurer, Shay Horton; Secretary, DeAnn Walters; and trustees Travis Erickson, Dr. Barry Rose and Kellsey Ruppel. We welcome the newest members to our board, Jake Lundquist, Jessica Richards, and Kelli Torrison. Please join me in extending a heart-felt thank you to Casey Morrison and Erica Donatelle for their years of dedicated

service, enthusiasm, and expertise to the foundation. One of the many reasons for the success of the Cumberland Educational Foundation is the spirit of service exemplified by the leadership of the Board of Directors. We have a loyal group of volunteers who continue to give their time and talents to the foundation. The creativity of the staff who continue to bring forth brilliant ideas for enriching the education of Cumberland's students is also noteworthy and incredible.

The Board of Trustees is excited to announce the 2022 grant recipient, Bailey Picknell, and her proposal for the Outdoor Learning Space. The grant is aimed to develop and install an out-door learning space on the grounds of the elementary school. This project is designed to provide students another area in which they can grow as learners and enjoy the beauty of all four seasons. Teachers and students will be able to use this space to provide opportunities to increase student engagement and complete portions of their day in the wonderful outdoor setting.

To date, alumni and friends have raised over \$525,000 for the foundation with \$257,000 being awarded in grants. This could only be made possible by your generous and unwavering support. You all play a vital role in the success of the Cumberland School District.

Lastly, I would like to take this opportunity to invite you to our 2022 Light A Legacy event, on April 23, 2022 at the Das Lach Haus. As we navigate resuming an in person event, we wanted to also continue with the online component. This hybrid style will allow you to choose how you would like to participate. Please look for more details to come. If you have questions, please contact Melissa Weaver in the district office at 715-822-5124.

In closing, it is a true honor to be a part of the Cumberland Educational Foundation, and furthermore, a member of this community. I believe we have given our children outstanding educational opportunities and have inspired them to become exceptional people!

Respectfully submitted,

Ashley Knutson, President

