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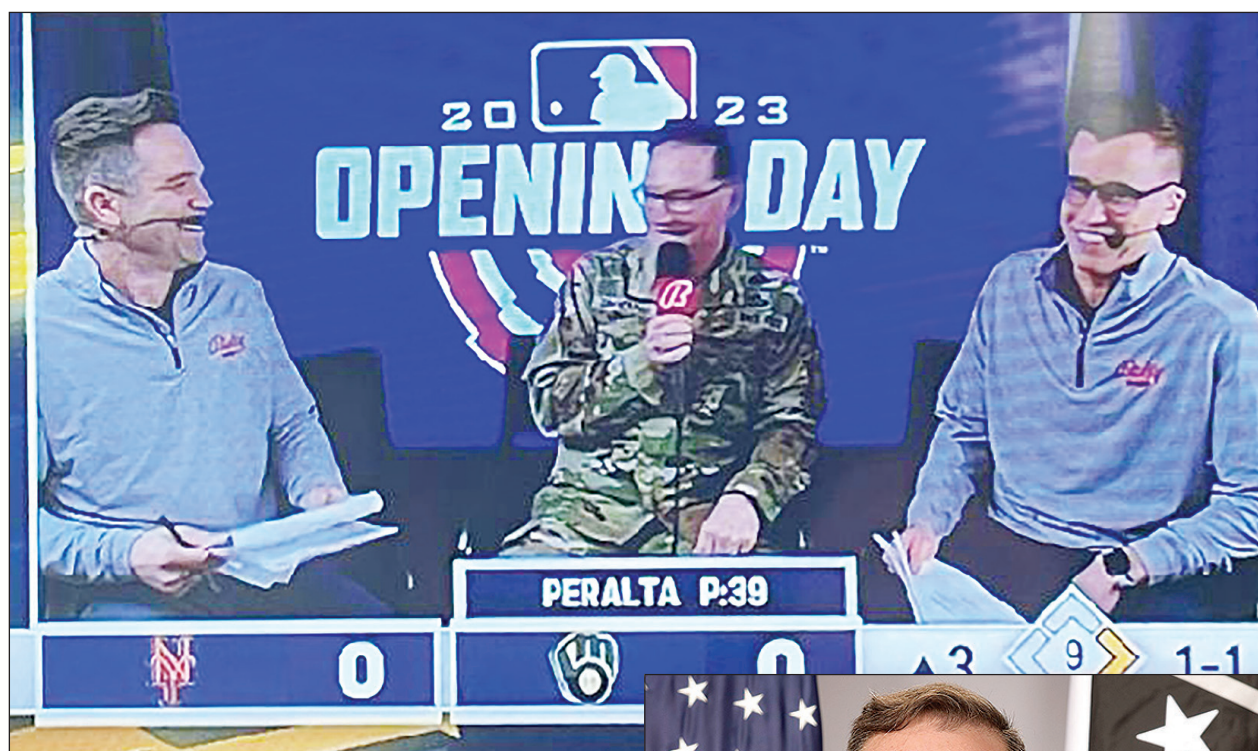
**2023 SPRING ELECTION RESULTS**

**CUMBERLAND SCHOOL BOARD ELECTION**

Adam Skinner - 1,238	Janet Protasiewicz - 1,021,330
Michael Furseth - 611	Daniel Kelly - 818, 142

*WI State Supreme Court*

## Former Cumberland Student Throws Out First Pitch!



Former Cumberland student Chief Master Sergeant Roger Towberman was interviewed on Milwaukee Brewers Television after throwing out the first pitch before their home opener on Monday. Chief Master Sergeant of the Space Force Roger A. Towberman serves at the highest enlisted level of leadership, and as such, provides direction for the enlisted force and represents their interests, as appropriate, to the American public and to those in all levels of government. He acts as the personal advisor to the Chief of Space Operations and the Secretary of the Air Force on all issues regarding the welfare, readiness, morale, proper utilization, and development of the U.S. Space Force. Chief Towberman is the first chief master sergeant appointed to the highest non-commissioned officer position. Pictured Chief Towberman are Bally Sports announcers Vinny Rottino (left) and Stephen Watson.



Chief Master Sergeant Roger Towberman

## Public Invited To Cumberland Healthcare Open House And Tour This Thursday

The new Cumberland Healthcare facility is almost here! The brand new state of the art facility is due to open later this month. What a great thing for our community.

The latest equipment and technology right here in Cumberland. To celebrate the new facility, Cumberland Healthcare is hosting an open house and tour this

Thursday, April 6th, from 2:00 pm to 6:00 pm. Make plans to stop and see the new Healthcare Campus.

The new hospital is located at 1705 16th Ave (near the Cumberland Golf Course). Travel west on Highway 48, turn right onto 23rd Ave, take a left onto 5th Street and you're there. See you this Thursday!

## More Snow!



It just wont stop! Another week another snowstorm. This past Friday into Saturday mother nature had the best April Fools joke dumping another foot or so of wet heavy snow. Barron county advised no travel as Blizzard conditions hammered the area once again. Thankfully the forecast calls for much warmer weather this coming weekend and into next week.

## Spring to bring potential concerns with wildfires and trees

The legacy of the ice/snow storm of mid-December will continue to be written across a large portion of northwest Wisconsin this spring as the deep snow eventually fades away and the landscape is dried by sun and wind. Increased potential for forest fires, damage to trees, threat of falling limbs and trees as well as a potential increase in spread of oak wilt are

all concerns related to this once in a generation weather event that brought much of northwest Wisconsin to a virtual standstill for several days.

Many home and landowners will have a great deal of branches, limbs and trees to clean up on their property. Landowners should consider chipping or composting woody debris,

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## The Church and Cumberland's Earliest Settlers

by Mark R. Fuller

As mentioned previously, the first settlers who arrived in the Cumberland area and established a place to live, quickly turned their attention towards educating their youth and finding a place to worship. Following the desire for a better material life for themselves and their family, the desire for religious freedom probably

motivated more immigrants to come to America than any other concern.

With no organized religious institutions in the cities infancy, early religious services were often held in an individual's home. Soon traveling Minister's came to the area as an article in an 1879 Advocate described

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## School Board Holds March Meeting

by Mark R. Fuller

The Cumberland School Board held their regular monthly meeting in the Middle School Commons last Tuesday night, March 28. The evening consisted of an update on Athletic programs, the renewal of two service contracts, the approval of 2023-2024 College credit programs for several students, a series of resignations, and the monthly administrative reports.

Athletic Director Lorne Majewski began things by giving an overview of spring sports and discussing two upcoming events, the HON Sportsmanship and Leadership Summit on April 5 and the Scholar Athlete Banquet on April 16. He announced that the official WIAA realignment results were still being tweaked.

The renewals that followed involved the 2023-2024 CESA 11 Shared Services Contract and a District

Technology Lease Renewal. Much of CESA 11 services will be continued, minus the on-line Northern Lights Distance Learning program, while the technology four-year lease renewal involves an updating of equipment, which will begin in June.

The Board then approved UW Early College Credit Programs for two student applicants for the first semester of next school year and Start College Now Technical Programs for an additional 19 students. Some limitations were established for the number of credits which can be taken.

Action Items took the Board into personnel items, where they accepted the retirement of Sandy Bertelsen after 23 year in the Elementary Food Service and the resignations of Karen Kasper as an Elementary Special Education Aide, Kristen Larson as Fourth Grade Teacher,

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*The Cumberland Chamber of Commerce Presents...*

**Baga Bunnies**

**April 8th, 9am-3pm**

The Baga Bunnies are hopping back into Cumberland once again this year! Get out and breathe that fresh Spring air as you hunt through town for the Baga Bunnies! The searching begins Saturday morning and you can pick your prizes up from 9am to 3pm at the Chamber of Commerce Office. The Bunnies will all be hidden outside on public property, so please respect private property! There is a limit of ONE BAGA BUNNY PER CHILD. For ages 5 and under, there will be a special area behind Club Cumberland in the fenced in area! Dilly Bar sticks will be in the baskets, not on the bunnies. The Baga Bunny hunt WILL happen rain, snow or shine!

**\*Public Property consists of:** Schools, Boat Landings, Municipal Parking Lots, Library, Sports Fields, Cumberland Municipal Utility, Hockey Rink, Cumberland Beach, Eagle Point Campground

**\*\*Adults, make sure you sign in when you bring the kids in to be entered to win an ADULT prize that will be drawn at the end of the day!**

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