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Barron County Sheriff Chris Fitzgerald Retiring June 1



Barron County Sheriff Chris Fitzgerald

I am writing to share some personal news. This past Friday, I informed the Governor of my decision to retire from my position as Sheriff of Barron County, with my last day being June 1, 2025. I anticipate that the appointment process to fill the Sheriff's position will open either today or tomorrow.

I have accepted an exciting new opportunity with Mosaic Technologies and will be joining their team over the next month.

I want to express my sincere gratitude for your incredible support throughout my time as Sheriff. Your contributions have been vital to the work we do in our community. My new role at Mosaic Technologies will be in public relations, so I look forward to continuing to collaborate with many of you in the future. I will be sure to share my new contact information with you before my departure. My department is a great spot where my departure will not affect the direction it is going and where a smooth transition can occur.

Thank you all again for what you have done for me, my department and our community.

The Advocate asked Sheriff Fitzgerald a few questions, and these were his responses:

How many years have you been in law enforcement and where at? I have 28 years in law enforcement, I started with the Rice Lake Police Department part time and then went to the Cumberland Police Department. It was my second PD and it started with Cumberland for several years working in the high school. I wasthen elected as Sheriff of Barron County and served proudly for 17 years.

What are a couple of your best memories while serving as Barron County Sheriff? The people of the county. We have to remember that there are so many good people in the world and together we can do great things. With many major cases over the years I have seen people come together to make a difference- we have to remember that even the little things can make a big difference.

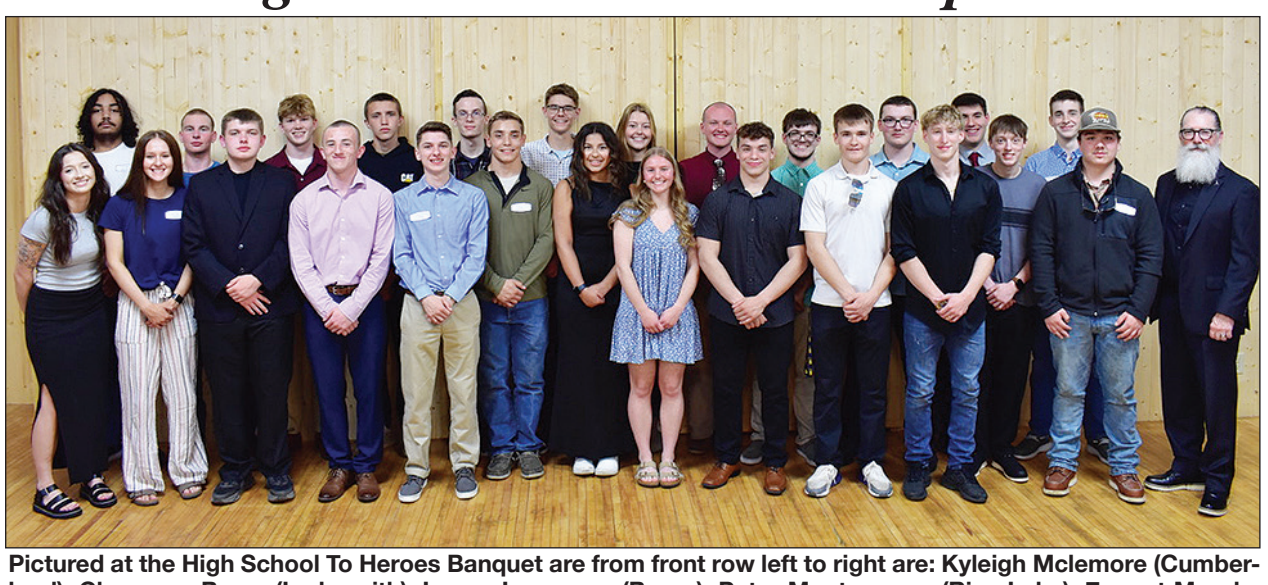
What will you miss most after leaving the department? A Sheriff does not make a department the people do and we have some of the best around. I was just one piece of a great team, who will continue to serve the citizens of this county with great commitment. So I will miss the people both in the department and in the community but my new job will let me continue with these great partnerships and keep me involved in the community in a new and exciting role.

Anything else you want to add? I can not thank my family enough for putting up with this position, the department for always doing everything I asked of them and more and finally the community for always being there for us and the support they gave me personally and professionally. Lastly I hope they still let me serve pepper burgers at Rutabaga Festival, it is always a highlight of my year!

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PROJECT UPDATES

Thank you for your patience!
-City of Cumberland

High School To Heroes Banquet!



Pictured at the High School To Heroes Banquet are from front row left to right are: Kyleigh Mclemore (Cumberland), Cheyenne Beres (Ladysmith), Logan Lawrence (Bruce), Peter Montgomery (Rice Lake), Emmet Murphy (Hudson), Levi King (Luck), Amelia Sigsworth (Amery), Olivia Shetler (Siren), James Chamberlain (Chetek-W), Indy Wells (Unity), Aiden Golat (Cameron), Avery Allen (Luther Wright), and Wyatt Nasseth (Cameron). Back row left to right are: Khalil Sowell (Winter), Alexander Stone (Bruce), Jack Owens (Cumberland), Adler Brosi (Bruce), Jacob Wozniak (Ladysmith), Theodore Small (Cumberland), Alayna Noonan (Osceola), Theron Barton (Spooner), Zachary Jahnke (Spooner), David Addison (Chetek-W), James Lawrence (Hayward), and Torrence Jackson (Hayward).

Fourth Annual High School To Heroes Banquet Held

On Sunday, April 27, the 4th annual High School to Heroes Banquet at the Cumberland American Legion was held.

This was an evening to honor our local high school senior's who have committed to serve our Nation in the Armed Forces.

The dinner was hosted by Cumberland American Legion Post 98 in Cumberland. Their were 31 students from 18 different schools and 11 recruiters from the Army, Navy, Marines and Air Force.

The highlight of the evening was guest speaker, Chief Master Sergeant Roger Towberman, who just retired from the US Space Force, and was the personal advisor to the Commander of Space Force and the secretary of the Air Force. Mr. Towberman is a 1986 Cumberland High School graduate.Thank you to all graduating seniors for signing up to serve our country.

The Wisconsin POW Camps of World War 2

by Mark Fuller

By the Start of World War 2 in 1939, nearly 40 percent of Wisconsin's population was either German-born or first-generation German-Americans. Milwaukee, in particular, was known for its large German population, with estimates suggesting Germans comprised 40-50% of the city's population.

Once the United States entered the conflict in 1941 and as the number of POWs began to rise on European soil and the Pacific, it was soon realized thousands of Allied troops would be needed to guard them. Knowing their use would be best utilized in other roles in the conflict, the United States Military soon began to ship these POWs to the United States in empty Liberty ships where they would be housed in facilities here. The ships would then return with supplies and equipment for the war in Europe and the Pacific.

There were several reasons this idea was appealing. There would likely be limited escape attempts and risk of acts of sabotage here, as well as some prisoners could be used to help make up for the loss of workers caused by the war. This was especially true in the field of agriculture.

When they arrived, they couldn't be forced to work, which was forbidden by the Geneva Accords, but most were willing to leave their surroundings during the day where they could make 75 to 80 cents for their contributions.

Although the south was a preferred site due to limited expense in heating barracks in winter months, eventually Wisconsin would host over 20,000 POWs. It was convenient for the State where a large number of residents still spoke German and where there were large labor shortages in agriculture and canning industries.

Camp McCoy was initially established in 1909 and would be renamed Fort McCoy in 1926. It housed the most State POWs, approximately 5,000 Germans, 3,500 Japanese, and 500 Koreans. McCoy was the first Japanese POW Camp in the United States and among their residents was Kazuo Sakamaki, America's first World War 2 POW, captured during Japan's at-

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Curb and gutter removal continued Tuesday morning on the west side of the downtown business area.

Cumberland Road Construction Update

Foster and Grove: No parking May 8th from 2nd to Arcade as they prepare the roadway for final resurfacing the following week. Exact dates of final resurfacing are TBD.

Hunter and Arcade: Hunter (from Western to Arcade) and Arcade (from Hunter to Lake) are being resurfaced with a mill and overlay treatment. No parking on these blocks the weeks of May 12 and May 19.

Highway 63: Curb, gutter and sidewalk removals on the west side of the downtown business district began this week. New curb installation in this section should begin Monday May 12th, with sidewalk following shortly thereafter--now planned for the week of May 19th. Mirror image work on the east side of the downtown business district should commence just after Memorial Day.

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College News

On Saturday, April 5, 245 University of Wisconsin-Madison Letters & Science undergraduates were inducted into the Phi Beta Kappa academic society, in a ceremony at the Monona Terrace.

The students inducted, and their hometowns, were:

Comstock, WI
Jordan Boysen
Shell Lake, WI
Olivia Jury

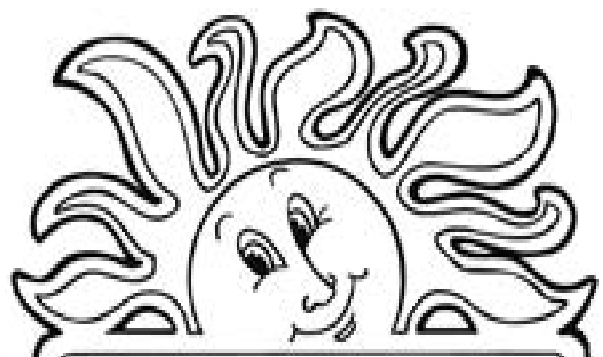
Sara Franc is among the more than 8,000 candidates for graduation in the University of Georgia's Class of 2025 who will be celebrated during Commencement exercises this week.

Franc, of Cumberland, WI, is a candidate for a MA Journalism and Mass Communication.

Author Ted Rulseh at Thomas St. Angelo Public Library

Meet author Ted Rulseh and discover a lifetime of angling stories in his new book, You Shoulda Been Here Last Week.

Join us Tuesday, May 13 at 6 pm at the Thomas St. Angelo Public Library of Cumberland. Register for this program by calling 715-822-2767 or email cupl@cumberlandpl.org.



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SUMMER LAKER TIME
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(Photos can be picked up after publication)
or email to:
news@cumberland-advocate.com
no later than Friday, May 9th. Thanks

Jordan St. Cyr in Concert at Northern Lakes Church

The Storyteller Tour comes to Northern Lakes Church, 825 8th Ave, Cumberland, WI on Friday, May 16th at 7:00 pm. Enjoy a soul stirring evening with Christian Artist of the Year Award Winner, Jordan St. Cyr and hear your favorites; "Fires," Weary Traveler," "Be My Defender" and many more plus songs from his latest album, "My Foundation."

Mr. St. Cyr is a singer, songwriter, sharer of God's word, husband and father of 4 children. Don't miss this uplifting night of worship and music!

Tickets and additional information can be found with general admission tickets online or at the door for $15.00 admittance at 6:30 pm and VIP for $25.00 with admittance at 5:30 pm and the event begins at 6:00 pm.

Barron County Sunrise Rotary Hosts Breakfast Gathering

Barron County Sunrise Rotary is taking the next step in organizing a companion club in Cumberland. Barron County Sunrise Rotary has been in existence for over 20 years serving all communities in Barron County and also international projects. The Cumberland companion club would be focused on community service projects in Cumberland and the surrounding area. Please join us at Peter and Annies on Wednesday May 14 at 7 am to discuss what projects the group would like to do, where and when the group wants to meet and how the companion club would operate. If you would like more information please contact Clare at 715-671-8106.

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& the tip information to:
tip411 (847411).

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The Cumberland Golf Club
will be holding their
Annual Meeting for 2025
on Wednesday, May 14th
at 7pm at the
Cumberland Golf Club

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CUMBERLAND SCHOOL DISTRICT NEWS
COMMUNITY EDUCATION OFFERINGS

THURSDAY, MAY 8: • 6:30-7:30 am CCE: Pickleball • 4:30-9:30 pm Track @ Barron HS • 5-7:30 pm Girls Soccer @ Spooner • 5-7 pm Softball HOME vs Chetek-Weyerhaeuser Doubleheader (Strike Out Cancer Night)
FRIDAY, MAY 9: • 6:30-7:30 am CCE: Pickleball • 9 am-2 pm Boys Golf Invitational @ Hayward • 5-7 pm Softball @ St. Croix Falls • 5-7:30 pm Girls Soccer @ Medford •
SATURDAY, MAY 10: • 9 am-2 pm Boys Golf Invitational @ Hayward • 11 am-1 pm CCE: Pickleball •
SUNDAY, MAY 11: • 3-5 pm Cumberland Youth Flag Football •
MONDAY, MAY 12: • 6:30-7:30 am CCE: Pickleball • 4-5 pm CCE: Choose Fit/Bench Stepping • 4-8 pm Boys Golf Meet HOME vs Hayward • 5-8 pm Baseball @ Ladysmith • 5-7 pm Softball HOME vs Ladysmith (Parent/Senior Night)
TUESDAY, MAY 13: • 6:30-7:30 am CCE: Pickleball • 4-9 pm Track @ Barron • 5-8 pm Baseball HOME vs Northwestern • 5-6:30 pm CCE: Intro to Sign Language Class • 5-6:30 pm CCE: Intro to Spanish • 5-7:30 pm Girls Soccer HOME vs Washburn • 5-7 pm Softball @ Northestern • 8-10 pm CCE: Adult Volleyball •
WEDNESDAY, MAY 14: • 6:30-7:30 am CCE: Pickleball • 9 am-2 pm Boys Golf Invitational @ Luck • 4:30-5:30 pm CCE: Choose Fit/Bench Stepping • 6-8 pm CCE: Pickleball • 7-8:30 Senior Awards Ceremony •

Join us at **Firefly Fields** for a conversation on
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May 17th | 9:00 am-12:00 pm
- Program beings at 10:00 am
- Baked and canned goods for sale
- Bring a lawn chair
- Tour the garden
- Hike the trails

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For adults (all skill levels)
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June 19 through August 14, 2025
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Cost will be $75 for all courses
Materials needed for 1st class:
***Acrylic paint set-may use a beginner's set from Hobby Lobby or on-line at Blick's etc....**
***set of brushes for acrylic paint**
***18x20 or 18x24 canvas, panel or masonite board**
*** vessel for water**
***Palette (paper plate, plastic dish, etc.)**
***paper towel**
***if doing landscape, a reference photo**
To register, please contact: Susan Bridger CCE Director HS 715-822-5121 ext. 403 or sbrid@csdmail.com

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June 8 and June 15 at 1:00 pm
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Cancer Benefit Luncheon & Raffle Basket Fundraiser
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One Sandwich Meal.....$15
Two Sandwich Meal.....$20
Kid's Meal.....$10
(sandwich, chips, one side, dessert, and beverage)
Trinity Lutheran Church McKinley
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Off of Highway 48





Northwoods Notebook: Main Street's knowledge store *By Larry Werner*

How's this for irony?

In the late 1800s and early 1900s, the world's richest man, Andrew Carnegie, gave away 90 percent of his fortune – more than 11 billion in today's dollars – to build libraries across the country, including right here in The Island City.

About 150 years later, the world's current richest man, Elon Musk, and his partner in government efficiency, President Donald Trump, have shut down the federal agency that provides millions in grants to those same libraries.

Rob Ankarlo, director of Cumberland's Thomas St. Angelo Public Library, doesn't know yet what it will mean to our library that the president issued an executive order closing the Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS). He said Wisconsin received $3.2 million in grants from that federal agency in 2024.

The Wisconsin Department of Instruction and a regional agency, called the IFLS Library System, provide funds to local libraries, including ours. Among the services supported by these grants are the interlibrary loan program, technology upgrades for computers and IT support so we can do internet searches and other computer work at our friendly neighborhood knowledge center.

As you no doubt know, Musk's so-called Department of Government Efficiency (DOGE) has been eliminating hundreds of millions in federal government spending on programs ranging from foreign aid to scientific and medical research. Thousands of federal workers are being fired, and state governments are laying off workers whose jobs were funded by the federal grants being eliminated.

So, you might think, it's not that big a deal for libraries to cut back on the services they provide in the community. These services might not be life-or-death matters, like cutbacks being made at the National Institutes of Health, and you might be correct.

Libraries, I guess, are in the quality-of-life business, rather than the life-saving business, but that, in my opinion, is worth preserving.

Since I moved here 11 years ago, I have gone to the library on several occasions to get a book that I heard about or someone had recommended. Even though our Cumberland library didn't have the book, I was able to get it from another Wisconsin library through the interlibrary-loan program that is funded by the agency being eliminated.

Within a few days, I'd get an email saying the book was at the downtown library for me to pick up.

Virtually every time I'm at the library, someone is sitting at one of the computers that are there for us to use free of charge.

"Without IMSL support, many rural and small-town libraries would struggle to maintain essential services," Ankarlo said in an email. "Small communities will lose shared services. Cuts to IMLS funds disproportionately hurt people in rural areas, families and those on fixed incomes."

Connie Buzzewitz, former president of the Thomas St. Angelo Public Library Board, had this to say about these knowledge centers in our towns:

"The public library system is a vital service. At turn of the century Andrew Carnegie saw the inequity of those in the country with wealth and resources to have access to literature, news, art, music, and culture. He used his fortune to bring these services to his beloved country as it spread westward. Driving across our huge nation and in many small towns a Carnegie library is at its heart."

Well said, Connie, who recently joined the Library Lake Strummers, a ukulele group that performs at the library and around town. It's just one of the many services provided by our little downtown knowledge store.

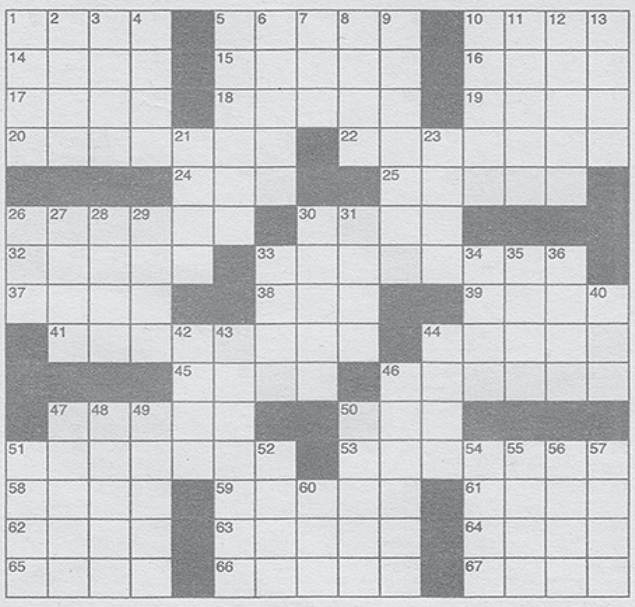
Andrew Carnegie is probably rolling over in his grave knowing that the man who now holds the title of world's richest is taking millions from the institutions to which he gave billions a century-and-a-half ago.

Larry Werner's email address is lhwerner47@gmail.com.

Sudoku Puzzle #4147-M

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Governor Evers approves southbound US 53 multi-bridge project; Barron County project includes replacing one bridge, rehabbing seven others

To invest in Wisconsin's transportation system, Gov. Tony Evers has signed a $10.91 million contract with prime contractor Zenith Tech, Inc. of Waukesha for a project replacing one bridge and rehabbing seven others on southbound US 53 between New Auburn and Cameron in Barron County. Construction is scheduled to start Monday, May 5; that start is weather dependent.

Built in 1972, the bridge that carries southbound US 53 over County I just south of Chetek has reached the end of its service life. Also built in 1972, the southbound US 53 bridges over Carlson School Road, County AA, County A, the Chetek River, Knapp Street, 20th Street and US 8 need maintenance. The Wisconsin Department of Transportation project will do the following in:

· 2025:

Replace the decks on the bridges over County AA and County A

Overlay the decks with concrete on structures over Carlson School Road, Knapp Street and US 8

2026:

Replace the decks on the bridges over the Chetek River and 20th Street

Replace the bridge over County I and mill and overlay the ramp from southbound US 53 to County I and the ramp from County I to southbound US 53

In addition, the project will include milling off a portion of the pavement on both sides of all structures, placing new asphalt pavement on the roadway and replacing guardrail, pavement markings and signage.

During construction, southbound US 53 will remain open to traffic, but motorists will encounter single-lane closures on the highway. The southbound US 53/County I interchange ramps will be closed during milling and paving operations, and traffic will be detoured via the US 53/US 8 interchange.

Construction in 2025 is scheduled for completion in mid-November. Work will resume in spring 2026.

For more information regarding traffic impacts, transportation news and improvement project updates in Wisconsin's Northwest Region:

Follow us on Twitter: @WisDOTnorthwest

Visit the region's 511 website: projects.511wi.gov/region/northwest/

Visit the project's construction website: projects.511wi.gov/us53bc1/

Motorists are reminded that using handheld cell phones in Wisconsin work zones is illegal. Alerts and updates provided via these sites are not intended for use while driving. When driving, your focus should always be on driving.

Governor Evers approves pavement marking project in 14 counties

To invest in Wisconsin's transportation system, Gov. Tony Evers has signed a $1.97 million contract with prime contractor Forward Traffic and Marking of Edina, Minn., for pavement marking in 12 counties in WisDOT's Northwest Region and two in the Southwest Region. Construction started this week.

This Wisconsin Department of Transportation project will replace epoxy pavement markings on the following highways in the Northwest Regioin:

Barron County: US 8, County O east of Barron to County SS south of Cameron.

Bayfield and Sawyer counties: US 63, County M to WIS 27 South in Hayward.

Buffalo County: WIS 25/35, Riecks Lake Bridge to Nelson.

Buffalo and Trempealeau counties: WIS 121, WIS 88 North south of Mondovi to WIS 93 north of Independence.

Clark County: WIS 98, Loyal to the Clark County line (only the center line).

Dunn County: WIS 25, Pepin/Dunn County line north to 28th Avenue in Menomonie; WIS 29/US 12, County B east to 850th Street just west of the WIS 29/US 12/I-94 interchange; and US 12 at County H north of Elk Mound.

· Dunn and St. Croix counties: WIS 170, WIS 128 in Glenwood City east to County D between Boyceville and Colfax.

· Jackson County: WIS 27, Monroe County line to US 12 East in Black River Falls; and I-94, mile marker 121 to mile marker 125.

· Pierce County: WIS 29/35, US 10 in Prescott to Cemetery Road in River Falls; WIS 72, County DD east of Ellsworth to County BB east of the Rush River; US 10, Minnesota state line to WIS 29/35 in Prescott; and US 10, WIS 65 North to Beaulah Street in Ellsworth.

· Pierce and St. Croix counties: WIS 29, County CC in Spring Valley to WIS 128.

· Polk County: US 8, East of Glacier Drive in St. Croix Falls to east of WIS 35 North (only the lane lines); and US 8, WIS 46 South north of Amery to the Barron County line.

· St. Croix County: I-94, St. Croix River bridges in Hudson to WIS 65; and WIS 35 from I-94 to Front Street/Coulee Road in Hudson.

· Sawyer County: WIS 27, 650 feet north of Carol Drive to US 63 in Hayward.

· Trempealeau County: WIS 93, WIS 95 in Arcadia south to just north of Swenson Lane; WIS 121, WIS 93 in Independence to US 53 in Whitehall; US 10, I-94 in Osseo to the Jackson County line; and US 53, WIS 95 to WIS 121 in Whitehall.

· Washburn County: US 63, County B to US 53 east of Spooner.

In addition, the project will replace epoxy pavement markings on the following:

· Juneau County: WIS 21, Monroe County line to Necedah; WIS 58, Mauston to WIS 80; WIS 80 in New Lisbon; WIS 80/82, Elroy to Mauston; and I-90 at spot locations.

Juneau and Monroe County: WIS 173, WIS 21 to the Wood County line.

Monroe County: US 12 in Tomah; and I-94, County EW west of Warrens to WIS 21 north of Tomah.

The work will result in lane closures, and in some areas, the marking will be done at night. Construction is scheduled for completion in early July.

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Opinion

Out My Window

by Paul Bucher, Editor



What beautiful weather for the fishing opener. It was a touch chilly in the morning, but turned out to be a fabulous day and weekend. Typically I don't like much wind when I'm fishing, but we could have used a little bit this past weekend, a walleye chop as they say. The fish were still pretty shallow and a little wind would have helped. Me and my fishing partner, Preston, ended up keeping five walleyes ranging from 19-22 inches. I don't typically like keeping walleyes that big, but with a 18" minimum size limit, you don't have much choice if you want a few for the frying pan. We caught and released well over 20 fish that were between 15 and 17 inches over the course of the weekend. I would much rather of kept a few of those, but that's a discussion for another day. Anyway, it was great to be on the water!

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If you have been on the roads lately, just before sun up, you no doubt have noticed a ton of deer. I was very surprised how many deer I saw this weekend. I literally had to slow down eight times on my way fishing on Sunday morning alone. They were everywhere, so pay extra attention if traveling early in the morning!

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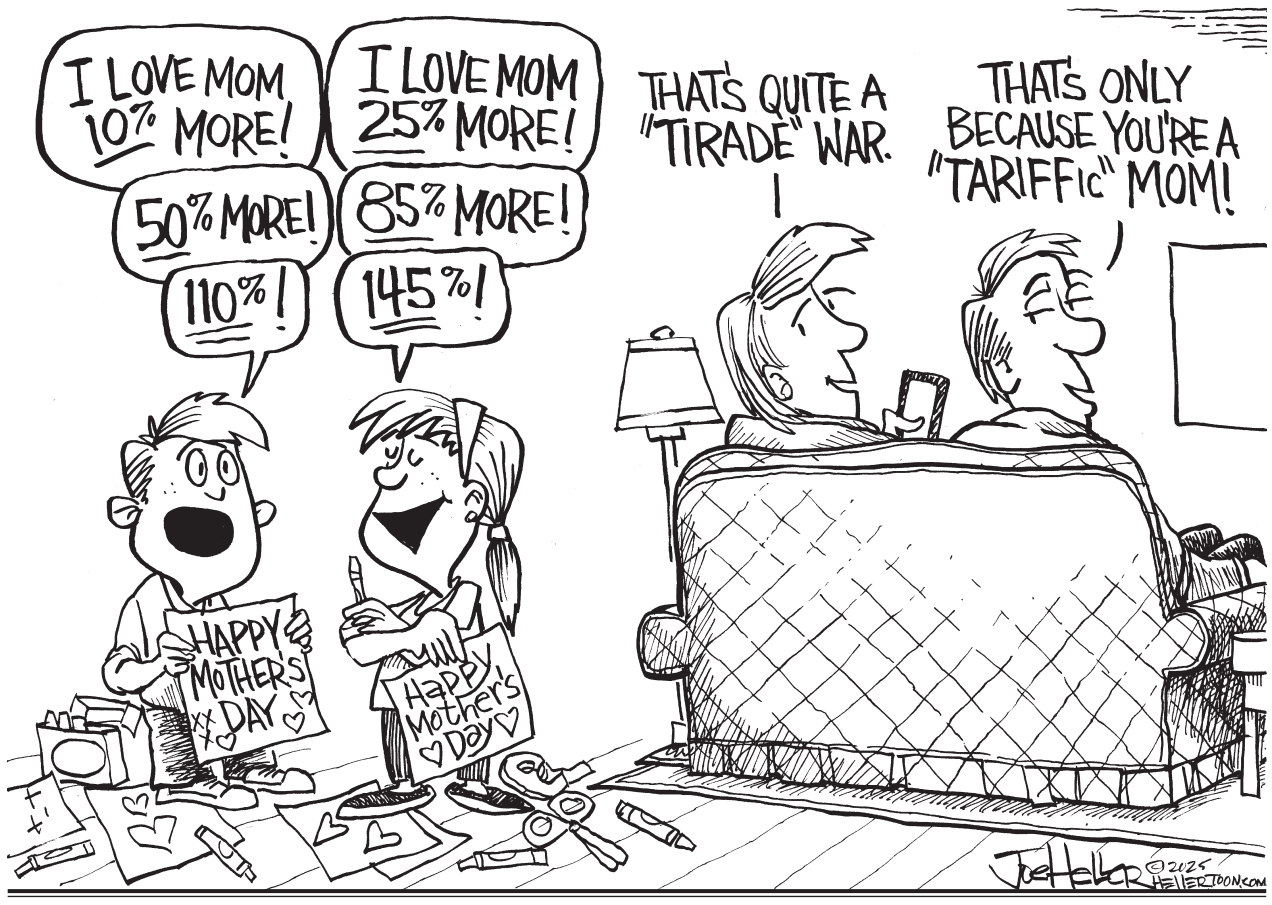
I don't know how many of you have seen anything on the dispute going on in the Twin Cities suburb of St. Louis Park. Get this, a neighbor is suing another neighbor demanding that a family's basketball hoop be removed because kids are apparently making too much noise having fun playing basketball. Are you kidding me? Wow, I have an idea, how about you move. In a day an age when less and less kids are outdoors in general, it is great to see neighborhood kids having fun outdoors. A fundraiser has actually been started supporting the family during the legal battle. Over $20,000 has already been raised, good luck to you!

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The side walk on the west side of main street is being removed as I write this column. Please remember you can always park in the municipal parking lot, located behind the businesses. Most have back door entrances and if not, you can still get in the front door, although you might have to walk through some gravel. Our small town businesses are going to need your support. It's not going to be fun for a while, but will be better in the end. Besides, a little extra walking is good for you!

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If you are bored this weekend, the Spot Bar is hosting the 1st annual bullhead fishing contest on Sunday, May 11th. Fish any lake you want, catch some bullheads, weigh them in and enjoy supper at the Spot. Tavis, fish cleaner extrodinaire, will clean your catch and with any luck, Jim will fry some up! Check it out at the Spot! Have a great week!





Inside Wisconsin

by Tom Still

"Rural health advances may be jeopardized by federal cuts"

MADISON, Wis. – Little known outside farm country but important to people who live and work there are programs such as "RF-DASH," an acronym that stands for Rural Firefighters Delivering Agricultural Safety and Health. It's a nine-year-old effort to train rural firefighters, who are often first responders in such settings, the basics of caring for people injured by fire, farm accidents and more.

It costs about $200,000 annually to run RF-DASH, which has directly or indirectly trained about 3,000 rural firefighters, mainly in the Upper Midwest. Mostly funded through the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health, the program instructs firefighters, other first responders and farmers themselves on farm-specific first aid and how to mitigate potential safety hazards.

A prominent example is tractor rollovers, which can be avoided through "rollover protective structures" that can save lives if installed properly on vehicle cabs. Statistics show a single farm fatality can cost the surrounding community about $1.5 million in lost economic impact.

"The RF-DASH philosophy might be distilled to the following idea: Safer farms build safer communities," read a recent memo from supporters.

That progress may be at risk with the expected downsizing of NIOSH and its Office of Agriculture Safety and Health, a prospect that would end support of RF-DASH by October.

While proposed cuts in National Institutes of Health and National Science Foundation grants have received the lion's share of public attention, proposals to dramatically restructure NIOSH and some other rural health initiatives haven't escaped attention.

Two others with Wisconsin ties are the National Farm Medicine Center and the National Children's Center for Agricultural Health and Safety, both based in Marshfield with ties to the Marshfield Clinic, now a part of South Dakota-based Sanford Health, the nation's largest rural health system.

The National Farm Medicine Center was established in 1981 as a non-profit entity dedicated to rural health and safety research and service. It partners with Marshfield Clinic Research Institute and the University of Wisconsin Extension on studies that have shown strong results over time.

It's not just "alarm bell" studies that get the center's attention, but research that portrays the health and cultural benefits of farm life.

One such study in 2023 showed that farm life helps children be more active than their city and suburban counterparts, which in turn reduces the chance of childhood obesity. Being around livestock also allows children to build their immune systems naturally and leads to more robust health throughout life. It even showed farm kids can be better "problem solvers" as adults due to situations they encountered growing up.

The related Children's Center was founded in 1997. It is one of 12 NIOSH farm-country centers and the only one focused on children. The rate of non-fatal injuries to children in agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting has dropped since the center was established, but there's still work to be done. About every three days, a child dies in a farm-related incident; each day, at least 33 children are injured.

The Trump administration is looking for ways to reduce spending and thus whittle away at the national debt, and it also looks skeptically at projects that can lead to more government regulation. In the case of NIOSH, which is a research body, there are no direct links to the federal Occupational Health and Safety Administration, which is the regulatory agency.

Rural voters in Wisconsin and elsewhere played a decisive role in President Trump's 2024 election. In Wisconsin, he carried 60 of 72 counties with those 60 being far more rural than not. He won Wisconsin's rural vote by a margin of 22.3 percentage points, a 2.4 percentage point improvement over his 2020 performance.

That rural margin translated to a gain of about 29,000 Wisconsin votes for Trump in 2024 over his 2020 total, and it accounted for nearly all of Trump's statewide victory total of 30,000 votes.

Efforts to reel in federal spending to better control debt will continue, but voters in Wisconsin's farm country should look out for themselves when it comes to low-cost programs that improve safety and health without costing an arm and a leg.

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A Look Back

Look Back, May 10, 1995

For people over 40, most will be able to tell you what they were doing when the announcement was made that JFK was shot. It was such a shock and meaningful time for our country.

The question, "Where were you on V-E Day, May 8, 1945," can also be answered by many people who are over 55 years of age.

The question concerning V-E Day was asked last weekend at the Vets Club in Almena. The number of people who paused to jot down their answers is indicative of how World War II impacted on nearly every family in the country.

Here are some of the answers given. Because they were handwritten at that time, there may be some errors because of the difficulty in reading some words.

Gertrude Nevin, Almena: "I was working in a factory in Milwaukee, making bomb fuses".

Paul Ricci, Cumberland: " With 10th Army 7th Inf Div., at Okinawa, preparing for the invasion of Japan".

Virgil Nelson: "In Madison in the hospital recovering from war wounds.

John Flanigan-Turtle Lake: " I was a 12-year-old child at home...just brought the work horses to the barn when I heard the news".

Julia Freitag, Comstock: "I was living on a farm in Turtle Lake, probably cleaning the yard or swinging on the swing".

Mindi Miller, Almena: "Not born yet".

Vicki Mortenson, Comstock: " I was in St. Cloud, MN., taking part in the victory celebration. Everyone was crying and hugging everyone and just so glad the war was over".

Robert Prosser, Turtle Lake: " At Von Hollerzon Castle on the RhineRiver with Col. Konzelue whose son met the Russian Army".

Marilyn Johnson: Turtle Lake: " I was 15-years-old. My girlfriends and I went to downtown St. Paul to celebrate".

Ed Pimple, Almena: " I was on the Czech and Austrian border waiting for supplies. They were celebrating in France that we didn't get fed for three days".

Earnest Kreul, Cumberland: "Picket Post #15 Kamikaze Patrol, Okinawa, on board Hugh W. Hadley DO774".

Dee Davis, Cumberland: " I was back in the good halls of "Aggie" High School in Dunn County. I was happy to hear President Trumans's "The war is over" speech".

Earl Boedeker, Barron: "I was in Almena picking up supplies at the train depot with Dad's dray line".

Frank Cobb, St. Paul: "I was still in school and had just turned 18 in February, and had just received my draft notice. Naturally, I celebrated"!

Bill Moore, Almena: "I was with the 90th Inf Div., Co, C. 358th If, near Pilsen, Czechoslovakia. We were ordered to take another town on May 8th. We lost one and had four wounded after we heard the war was over".

Rosella Haley, Turtle Lake: "So St. Paul, MN., thanking the Dear Lord that the war was over".

Marilyn Benizer, Cumberland: "At home in Frederic, waiting for my dad, Marlin White to return home from Germany. He had yet to see my baby brother and we were anxious for Dad's homecoming".

Betty Meyesembourg, Cumberland: "I was in downtown St. Paul celebrating".

Jerry Meyesembourg: Cumberland: " I was in Pearl Harbor".

Arthur Yousten, Comstock: "We were at Hilden, Germany, just east of the Rhine River. It was a former German Army camp that we were in".

Eunice Childers, Almena: :"I was home on the farm with my folks. I was in the basement washing clothes".

Jo Jo Catlin, Cumberland: " I was home enjoying the crowd down the street and raising cain".

Ted Walzel, Hayward: " I was in Almena, I blew the siren at Wanner's Warehouse and then rang the bell at the Methodist Church".

Alma Anderson Pimple, Almena: "I was on the farm east of Arland, waiting for my boys to come home from the war".

Bob Catlin, Cumberland: " I was home on a 21-day leave from Italy with the 3rd Divsion".

Harold Johnson, Cumberland: "I was waiting at the Elbe River, near Magnaberg, Germany, for the Russian Army to arrive".

Donna Ricci, Cumberland: " I was in high school in Clear Lake. Everyone went crazy when they announced the war was over. We all painted V's on our foreheads".

The terms V-E and V-J stand for "Victory in Europe" and V-J is for "Victory in Japan".

While much of the world celebrated the ending of the European Theatre of World War II, it wasn't until August that Japan finally surrendered bringing World War II to a close.

The actual dates are in some dispute because of

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Court News

Barron County Circuit Court

Traffic Court

Brandon M. Crane, 40, New Auburn, OWI, $2,247.00. Jacob C. Doyle, 37, Almena, operating while revoked, $516.00. Jason D. Norman, 36, Almena, operate without carrying a license, $217.10. James E. Toborg, 60, Brainerd, MN., OWI, $1,592.00. Javier M. Yanez, 25, Hayward, OWI, $1,585.00. Luke D. Bangsberg, 30, Cumberland, non-registration of vehicle, $175.30, operating a motor vehicle without insurance, $200.50 and automobile following too closely, $200.50. Beau E. Becker, 18, Barron, fail/properly maintain exhaust system, $175.30. Brody M. Bleskacek, 19, Elmwood, fail/yield right/way from stop sign, $175.30. Jon F. Carlson, 18, Barronett, non-registration of vehicle, $175.30. Peter J. Clemetson, 50, Ridgeland, operating while suspended, $200.50. Joseph J. Cuper, 45, Clear Lake, failure to keep vehicle under control,$213.10 and non-registration of vehicle, $175.30. Jo A. Edwards, 39, Ridgeland, operate without a valid license, $200.50, operating a motor vehicle without insurance, $200.50 and failure of operator to notify police of an accident, $389.50. Elizabeth J. Elza, 34, Rice Lake, speeding, $200.50. Arianne Fox, 47, Chippewa Falls, speeding, $225.70. Steven L. Fronk, 68, Rice Lake, non-registration of vehicle, $175.30. Joshua J. Goetting, 38, West Salem, failure to obey traffic officer/signal, $175.30. Aaron M. Hoffman, 17, Rice Lake, speeding, $175.30. Scott G. Hopland, 44, Birchwood, operating a motor vehicle without insurance, $200.50, operating while suspended, $200.50 and speeding, $175.30. Dahlton R. Johnson, 27, Turtle Lake, reckless driving-endanger safety, $1,175.50. Daniel B. Kalpin, 18, St. Croix Falls, fail/properly maintain exhaust system, $175.30. Carson J. Kurtz, 23, Barron, windshields-tinting-critical area, $175.30 and operating a motor vehicle without insurance, $200.50. Lance C. Lheureux, 42, Barron, operating a motor vehicle without insurance, $200.50 and operation without required lamps lighted, $162.70. Sondra J. Maanum, 64, Rice Lake, unreasonable and imprudent speed, $175.30. Isaac A. Mason, 23, Colorado Springs, CO., fail/properly maintain exhaust system, $175.30. Michael J. Medrud, 34, Almena, deviation from designated lane, $175.30 and hit and run-property adjacent to highway, $263.50. Christian F. Michaycuenca, 35, Almena, operate without a valid license, $200.50, operating a motor vehicle without insurance, $200.50 and speeding, $200.50. Hailey M. Moreth, 19, Hayward, operating a motor vehicle without proof of insurance, $10.00. Bryant W. Motzer, 17, Chetek, speeding, $175.30. Brent J. Petersen, 59, Luck, operate without a valid license, $200.50. Yrvin, Q. Tzompaxtle, 28, Chippewa Falls, OWI, $1,031.00 and failure to keep vehicle under control, $213.10. Adrielle S. Ray, 23, Trego, failure to wear a seat belt, $10.00 and speeding, $175.30. Ryan G. Richardson, 48, St. Croix Falls, speeding, $200.50. Angela M. Rogers, 44, Webster, non-registration of vehicle, $175.30 and operating a motor vehicle without insurance, $200.50. Vicky G. Siegler, 43, Barron, operating a motor vehicle without proof of insurance, $10.00. Mason J. Sorensen, 25, Waubasha, OWI, $936.50. Tyler M. Vreeland, 26, Turtle Lake, operating while suspended, $200.50. Maria L. Vruwink, 62, Almena, speeding, $225.70. Michael J. Wenzel, 38, Cumberland, hit and run-property adjacent to highway, $263.50 and failure of operator to notify police of an accident, $389.50. Adrian G. Wright, 28, Prairie Farm, speeding, $225.70. Autumn L. Zaudtke, 27, Bruce, speeding, $175.30.

Complaints

Johnny D. Moore, 71, of Rice Lake, has been charged with disorderly conduct. His court trial is scheduled for May 23, 2025.

Jerry J. Apfel, 55, of Barron, has been charged with possession of marijuana. His court hearing is scheduled for June 11, 2025.

Caleb W. Tinsley, 18, of Turtle Lake, has been charged with littering-deposit large item in highway/water/property. His court date is scheduled for May 28, 2025.

Jeremy J. Strenke, 44, of Haugen, has been charged with operate off highway vehicle on private property without owners consent. His court date is scheduled for May 21, 2025.

Samuel J. Fleming, 28, of Minneapolis, MN., has been charged with possession of marijuana. His court date is scheduled for June 25, 2025.

Christine C. Karlstad, 44, of Ellsworth, has been charged with possession of marijuana. Her court date is scheduled for June 25, 2025.

John M. Llamas, 31, of Barron, has been charged with obstructing an officer. His court date is scheduled for May 28, 2025.

Ashley B. Wiegert, 31, of Barron, has been charged with obstructing an officer. Her court date is scheduled for May 28, 2025.

Brandon L. Bassett, 30, of Lake Elmo, MN., has been charged with possession of marijuana. His court date is scheduled for May 28, 2025.

Desirae M. Borowicz, 32, of Stillwater, MN., has been charged with possession of marijuana. Her court date is scheduled for May 28, 2025.

Lance C. Lheureux, 42, of Barron, has been charged with illegally operate ATV or UTV on/in vicinity of highway. His court date is scheduled for May 21, 2025.

Criminal Traffic

Terin O. Dodge, 35, of Johnsonville, SC., has been charged with OWI and operating with PAC. His adjourned initial appearance is scheduled for May 7, 2025.

Jason D. Norman, 35, of Almena, has been charged with operate without carrying a license. His initial appearance was scheduled for April 30, 2025.

Isaac K. Erickson, 20, of Rice Lake, has been charged with violate absolute sobriety and operate with restricted controlled substance. His adjourned initial appearance is scheduled for May 7, 2025.

Criminal Complaints

April D. Kaiser, 40, of Rice Lake has been charged with violate/harassment restraining order and knowingly violate a domestic abuse order. Her adjourned initial appearance is scheduled for May 14, 2025.

Gary D. Peterson, 79, of Rice Lake, has been charged with violate/harassment restraining order. His plea hearing is scheduled for June 11, 2025.

Jason L. Wehking, 42, of Turtle Lake, has been charged with disorderly conduct and domestic abuse. His plea hearing is scheduled for July 25, 2025.

Gerald A. Brock Jr., 36, of Cameron, has been charged with battery, domestic abuse and disorderly conduct. His adjourned initial appearance is scheduled for May 7, 2025.

Stephanie M. Livingston, 37, of Chetek, has been charged with battery or threat to judge, prosecutor or law enforcement officer, OWI and resisting or obstructing an officer. Her preliminary hearing is scheduled for May 7, 2025.

Troy D. Jilek, 51, of Rice Lake, has been charged with possession of methamphetamine. His preliminary hearing is scheduled for May 23, 2025.

Erich S. Kunzman, 33, of Cedar, MN., has been charged with OWI. His adjourned initial appearance is scheduled for May 7, 2025.

Jesse J. Scheel, 40, of Osceola, has been charged with possession of methamphetamine and repeater. His preliminary hearing is scheduled for June 11, 2025.

Wesley M. Billon, 30, of Chetek, has been charged with manufacture/deliver amphetamine and repeater. His initial appearance is scheduled for May 14, 2025.

Jerry J. Apfel, 55, of Barron, has been charged with OWI. His preliminary hearing is scheduled for June 11, 2025.

Timothy R. Etchison, 41, of Rice Lake, has been charged with carrying a concealed knife. His arraignment is scheduled for June 13, 2025.

Robert R. Lewandowski, 50, of Rice Lake, has been charged with possess with intent-amphetamine/methamphetamine. His preliminary hearing is scheduled for May 7, 2025.

Paul R. Saxen, 34, of Birchwood, has been charged with possess with intent-THC. His preliminary hearing is scheduled for May 7, 2025.

Joshua M. Vossen, 40, of Barron, has been charged with possession of methamphetamine. His initial appearance is scheduled for May 1, 2025.

Quentin P. Veitch, 55, of Cumberland, has been charged with possession of methamphetamine and possession of drug paraphernalia. His initial appearance was scheduled for May 1, 2025.

Nicholas C. Schick, 39, of Cumberland, has been charged with manufacture/deliver amphetamine and party to a crime and Amber J. Hirsch, 35, of Cumberland, has been charged with manufacture/deliver amphetamine and party to a crime.

On July 15, 2024, a Rice Lake Investigator met with a confidential informant, who indicated they would be able to obtain methamphetamine from an individual they identified as Nicholas Schick and his girlfriend Amber Hirsch. The CI indicated they thought they could obtain approximately half a gram.

The report of the investigator indicates that on July 16, 2024, she utilized the CI to conduct a controlled buy for the purchase of approximately one gram of methamphetamine for $80.00 from Hirsch. The CI indicated that they had made the arrangements for the controlled buy through phone calls and messaging with Schick. The buy was to take place at the CI's residence in Rice Lake.

The report of the investigator indicates that at approximately 12:00 pm, she met with the CI outside the residence and provided the CI with $80.00 in prerecorded money. The report of the investigator indicates that at approximately 12:12 pm, she was able to observe a black SUV pull into the driveway of the CI's residence. Her report indicates that the registration was run on the vehicle and it registered to the defendant, Hirsch.

The report of the investigator indicates that she subsequently then met with the CI who indicated that Hirsch was the only occupant in the vehicle that came to the residence and that they had obtained the methamphetamine from Hirsch. The CI advised that they had text message communications arranging the controlled buy with Schick. The CI indicated that the messages from Schick advised that Hirsch would be stopping by at approximately 12:15 pm. The investigator was able to observe the text message conversations which were photographed.

The report of the investigator indicates that when she met with the CI, the Ci handed her a pink rubber elephant, and inside of it, the investigator observed a gem bag with a white crystalline substance. There was also a tube inside the elephant that contained a crystalline substance. The report of the investigator indicates that the substance weighed approximately .55 grams and filed tested positive for the presence of methamphetamine.

The report of the investigator indicates that on July 18, 2024, she utilized the same CI to conduct another controlled buy of approximately one gram of methamphetamine for $80.00 from Schick. The controlled buy was to take place at Walgreens in Rice Lake. This controlled buy was arranged by the CI through phone calls and messaging with Schick.

The report of the investigator indicates that she met with the CI, who was provided $100.00 in prerecorded money, $80.00 of this money was for the purchase of methamphetamine.

The report of the investigator indicates that at approximately 9:18 pm, the CI was dropped off on Sawyer Street. The investigator was able to monitor the CI at a distance and was able to observe the CI walk to the Walgreens parking lot. At approximately 9:28 pm, she could observe the CI meet with a vehicle that was the same vehicle involved in the first controlled buy on July 16, 2024. She could observe the CI walk to the vehicle and observed a male get out of the vehicle. She was able to observe the CI walk with the male eastbound in the parking lot until the male went into the store.

The report of the investigator indicates that she subsequently met up with the CI, who then handed her an empty cigarette box that had a gem bag that contained a white crystalline substance taped to the exterior of the cigarettes. Her report indicates that subsequently interviewed the CI as to what transpired. The CI indicated that Hirsch was in the driver's seat of the vehicle and did not get out. The CI further identified that they purchased approximately a gram of methamphetamine from Schick and provided him with the $100.00 of prerecorded money of which he gave $20.00 back to the CI. The report of the investigator indicates that she was able to photograph the text message conversations between the CI and Schick arranging the controlled buy.

If convicted for delivery of methamphetamine and party to a crime, Schick may be fined not more than $25,000 or imprisoned for not more than 12 years and six months or both. For the second count of deliver of methamphetamine, he may be fined not more than $25,000 or imprisoned for not more than 12 years and six months or both. His initial appearance is scheduled for May 7, 2025.

If convicted for delivery of methamphetamine and party to a crime, Hirsch may be fined not more than $25,000 or imprisoned for not more than 12 years and six months or both. Her preliminary hearing was scheduled for May 5, 2025.

Northwest Region Construction Update

Barron County

Highway: US 63

Location: Just west of WIS 48 West to Charrie Lane in Cumberland

Schedule: April 28 to mid-September

Cost: $3.68 million

Description: Removing 3.25 inches of the existing pavement and placing 3.25 inches of new asphalt pavement; closing access to the roadway at various locations to improve safety; upgrading pedestrian curb ramps to current Americans With Disabilities Act standards; repairing or replacing curb, gutter and sidewalk; repairing sanitary sewer manholes and storm water inlets as needed; extending the two-way left-turn lane pavement markings between 3rd and 5th avenues; and replacing pavement markings and signage.

Traffic impacts: US 63 remains open to traffic, but:

North- and southbound traffic has 12-foot travel lanes through the entire project.

The parking lane and shoulder are closed along the southbound lane.

REAL ID deadline: Majority of Wisconsinites are ready; Many can wait to upgrade at renewal or weeks before next flight

The Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WisDOT) Division of Motor Vehicles (DMV) notes that over 64% of Wisconsinites already have a REAL ID driver's license or identification card.

On May 7, the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) will begin enforcing the requirement to show a REAL ID before boarding a domestic aircraft or visiting a federal building. The most common form of acceptable identification is a driver license or ID card. Wisconsin DMV has been offering the option to have a REAL ID or a non-compliant card since January 2013.

"We're ready," DMV Administrator Tommy Winkler said. "Over 3 million Wisconsinites already have a star in the upper right corner of their valid Wisconsin driver license or ID card. Some have a passport or other acceptable REAL ID document, and others will not need a REAL ID if they're not planning to fly."

While DMVs across the state have seen an increase in the number of people visiting to get a REAL ID, many people don't need to come to a DMV for services, Winkler said.

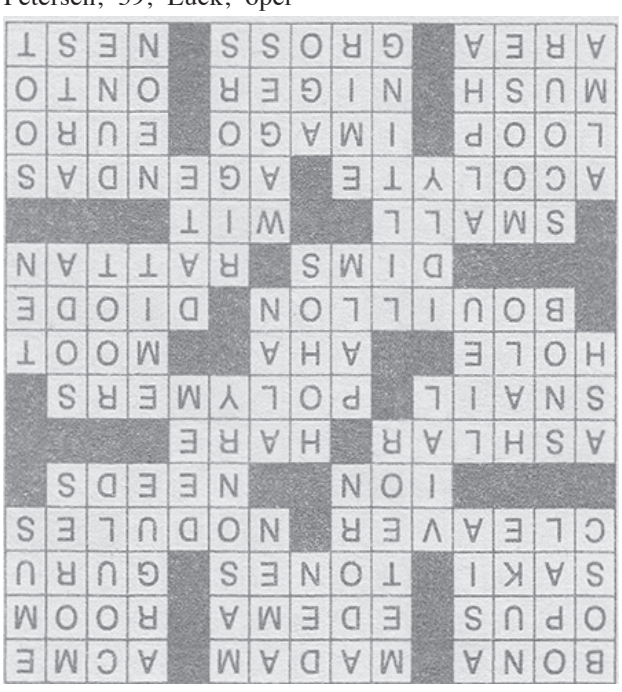
"Several DMV transactions including all vehicle transactions can be done online, by mail or with a third party," Winkler said. "Skip the trip and take advantage of the many online self-services available at wisconsindmv.gov."

Process to get a REAL ID

For those who want to upgrade to a REAL ID before their next renewal, Wisconsin DMV has a helpful online tool. The Driver License Guide will review what documents a customer needs and will provide a printable checklist of what's required to get a REAL ID. A list of the required documents is available at wisconsindmv.gov/REALID.

When all the documents are ready, customers may make an appointment at a DMV for faster service or stop in. DMV staff will review the information. There is no additional fee for a REAL ID compliant driver license or ID. If a person upgrades to REAL ID at the time of renewing their driver license, they pay the renewal fee (typically $34). If they are upgrading to a REAL ID outside of their driver license renewal, they would pay the $14 duplicate or replacement card fee.

In most cases, customers receive their driver license or ID card within 7-10 business days. TSA does not accept the paper receipt as proof of REAL ID.



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Sports

Cumberland Participates in Two Meets; Conference Tournament on May 20

The Cumberland Track Team had a pair of meets last week as they ran in the John Kinzinger Invitational in Webster on Tuesday and hosted their own HON contest on Thursday. The Team was back in action this Tuesday in Bloomer and then head to Barron this Thursday to participate in another HON Meet with Cameron, Hayward, Ladysmith and the host Bears.

In Webster, Cumberland joined eight other teams for the annual Webster Invitational. "We were anxious to run there as it is the site of our Regional competition and we had a number of strong performances," said Head Coach Ryan O'Connell.

Clear Lake took home the Girl's Championship, while Webster was the Boy's first place finisher.

In the meet, Cumberland received First place finishes from Tommy Dettinger (10:22) and Violet Small (15:16) in the 3200 and the 4x800M Boy's Relay Team (9:42) comprised of Ben Dettinger, Tommy Dettinger, Nick Wells, and Cash Rouzer.

Small held on to defeat her closest opposition by two seconds in her first-place finish, while the Relay team took first by 24 seconds.

Adding seconds were Evan Hornstein in the 100m dash, Mya Gardner in the Pole Vault, and the 4x200m Relay Team comprised of Onesimus West, Carson Catlin, Jack Owens, and Hornstein.

Hornstein ran an 11.69 in the 100m, to finish close behind Jamison Mogen of Webster, who ran a 11,60. Gardner, meanwhile, pole vaulted 8-6 to break her own School Record of 8-0. Besides his first-place relay run, Owens added two individual thirds in the pole vault and long jump.

Other third place finishes came from Sara Roff in the shot, Wren Ruppel in the 1600m run, and the Girl's 4x100m Relay Team comprised of Greta Weaver, Melody Taylor, Sara Roff, and Miah Mendoza.

Last Thursday, the Beavers held their own home meet with Cameron, Hayward, Ladysmith, and St. Croix Falls joining the home team in activities. Point wise, Cameron racked up the most points in the Girl's competition, while Hayward edged Ladysmith to take the Boy's first place finish in the meet.

For Cumberland, the Boy's Team received first place finishes from Evan Hornstein in the 100m dash (11.81), Tommy Dettinger in the 1600 (4:47), Jack Owens in the Pole Vault (12-0), and Bryce McNulty in the Triple Jump (36-9). The girls best finish came from Mya Anderson in the discus and Sara Roff in the shot, who each placed second in their event.

Cumberland thirds came from the girls came from Lauren McCreary in the Triple Jump and Gabby Schug in the 300m Hurdles, while Schug added a fourth in the Triple Jump and a fifth in the 100m Hurdles.

For the Boy's Team, Tommy Dettinger's strong season continued with a second in the 800 (2:12), while Jack Owens completed another strong afternoon with a second in the long jump (17-10).

Softball Team Rolls over Ashland as Weather Limits Team to One Game

A wet week of spring weather limited the Cumberland Softball Team to one game last week, which ended in an easy 18-4 victory over the Ashland Oredockers. The victory leaves the team with an overall record of 8 and 5, 3 and 2 in Conference play.

The Beavers used 10 hits, nine base-on-balls, and six Ashland errors to score their 18 runs in only five at-bats. Morgan Monchilovich took the pitching victory, going five innings, giving up only two hits, while striking out six hitters.

Hitting wise, leadoff batter Macy Beecroft had a big night with three hits, three runs-batted-in, and three runs scored. Catcher Baleigh Stouffer added two hits and Monchilovich three RBIs.

Spooner currently leads the HON with a record of 7 and 1, followed by Hayward at 5 and 1. Cumberland id tied with Cameron in sixth and seventh place.

After hosting Hayward on Tuesday, the Cumberland squad will host Chetek-Weyerhaeuser for a 4:00 pm doubleheader at Islander Park on Thursday and head to St. Croix Falls on Friday to finish up an earlier contest halted by rain earlier this year and then play another game afterwards. On Monday, May 12, the team will have another home contest against the Ladysmith Lumberjills, beginning at 5:00 pm.

Sports Calendar

Thursday, May 8
Softball DH home vs Chetek 4:00
Track @ Barron 4:30
Soccer home vs Spooner 5:00

Friday, May 9
Softball @ St. Croix Falls 4:00
Golf @ Hayward 9:00
Baseball DH home vs St. Criox Falls 3:00
Soccer @ Medford 5:00

Saturday, May 10
Golf @ Hayward 9:00

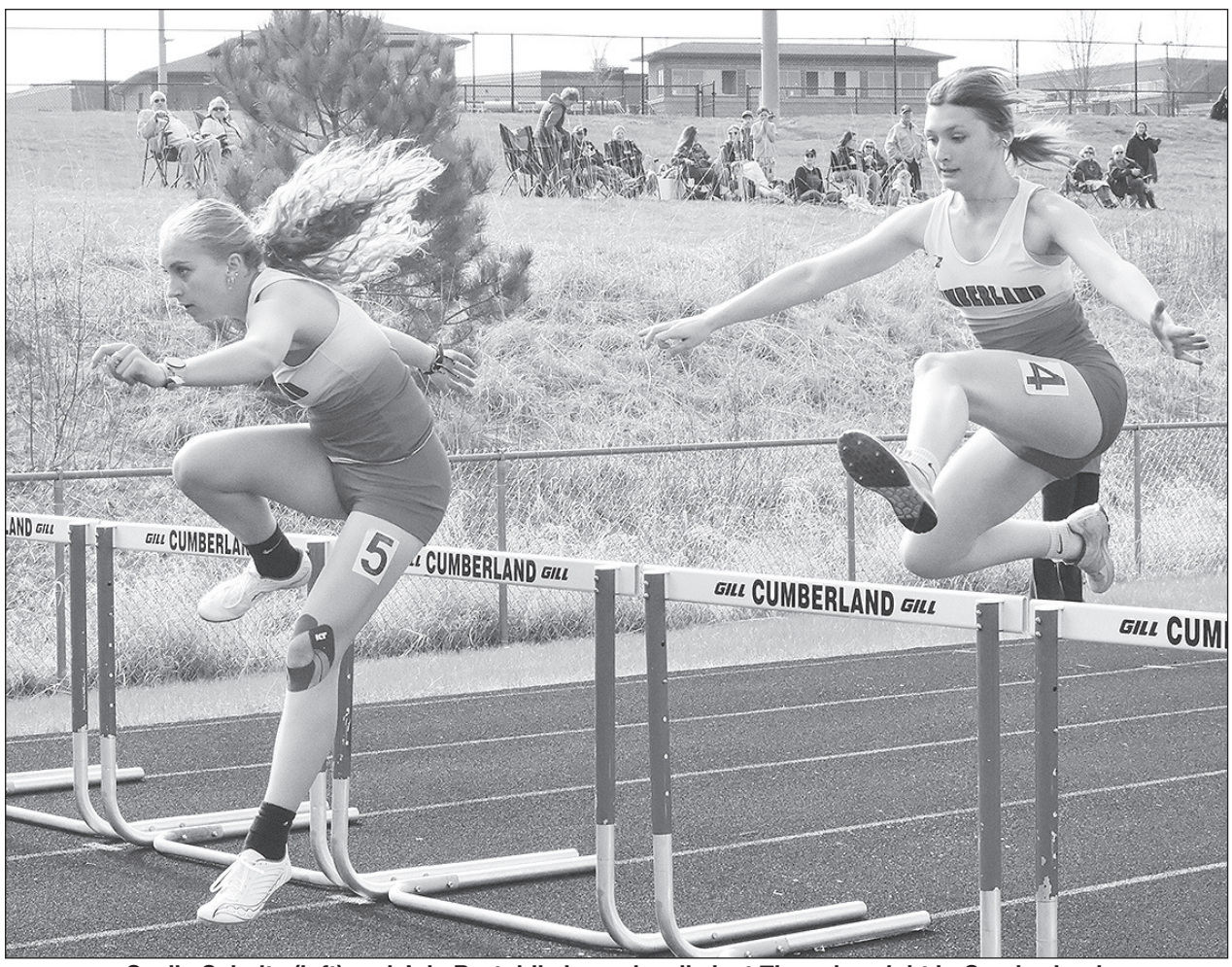
Monday, May 12
Golf home vs Hayward 4:00
Softball home vs Ladysmith 5:00
Baseball @ Ladysmith 5:00

Tuesday, May 13
Track @ Barron 4:00
Soccer home vs Washburn 5:00
Softball @ N. Western 5:00
Baseball home vs N.Western 5:00

Wednesday, May 14
Golf @ Luck 9:00

Thursday May 15
Softball DH home vs Spooner 4:00
Track @ N.Western 4:30
Soccer @ Hayward 4:30

Home Track & Field Meet!



Caylin Schultz (left) and Joie Bertoldi clear a hurdle last Thursday night in Cumberland.



Carter Grinage (left) takes the baton from Mitchell Monchilovich at the Beavers home meet.



Miah Mendoza (left) and Mya Gardner make the baton exchange last Thursday night in Cumberland.

Cumberland Area Fishing & Hunting Table

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DATE	AM Minor	AM Major	PM Minor	PM Major	Sunrise	Sunset	MOON Rise	Up	Sets	Down	DST
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05/09 Fri	3:14	9:24	3:34	9:43	05:46	08:22	5:46p	4:16a	11:14p	10:54a	*
05/10 Sat>	3:49	9:59	4:10	10:20	05:44	08:23	6:51p	4:32a	11:56p	11:35a	*
05/11 Sun>	4:28	10:39	4:50	11:00	05:43	08:24	7:59p	4:50a	NoMoon	12:17p	*
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An Outdoorsman's Journal

By Mark Walters

The Two Decade Turkey Hunt

Hello friends,

This past week I spent 5 days hunting turkey, and each day was at a different location. This week's column is more like a path down the last 21-years of some of my history as well as some people very important to me. As always, thanks for reading!

Wednesday, April 23rd

High 62, low 40

Today would be day 1 of my 7-day turkey season and I would be hunting on private land close to my home in northern Juneau County. For some reason the turkey numbers have been dramatically reduced here but I sure had a nice time hunting even though I did not see or hear a bird. The first time I hunted this property was 21-years ago with my stepson Travis Dushek.

Two toms came into our decoy setup, it was Trav's first turkey hunt, he dusted one, I was going to let the second one go. The foolish bird started tearing into his fallen comrade and was tearing it up. I decided to punish it and so I whacked it.

My daughter Selina and I put a food plot on the property and had incredible success with some really big birds as Selina put the lights out on five big toms at it.

Michelle Chiaro was a woman that touches me in ways everyday even though she passed away on 6-15-22. Michelle's only turkey was 25-pound pigasaurus that she whacked on the food plot as well.

Friday, April 25th

Yesterday I hunted on public land and did not see or hear a turkey while hunting. This morning, I walked from my house long before daylight and hunted on the food plot that Michelle and I built. I probably put a hundred hours into building that plot, and Michelle and I spent many a "date night" by a campfire enjoying life there. I also witnessed Michelle harvest her first and only deer on that plot. On the hunting end today, I did not see or hear a turkey. I miss that woman!

Monday, April 28th

High 76, low 41

I am hunting down the road from my home on a field rich with our turkey hunting history. Selina killed her first turkey here when she was 11 and it was a double beard, 25-pounder with 1 5/8 inch spurs. I watched all 3 of my stepson's harvest toms on it as well as many youth hunters that I helped. On one experience I was with Joey and Travis Dushek, and we had two toms coming in. I was going to call when to shoot, Joe and Trav were aiming. Trav decided to shoot ahead of the plan and Joey had to and did make a phenomenal shot at a running tom.

On another hunt I was with my stepson Kevin Dushek on a snowy morning. I helped Kevin get his first turkey that morning and when my chance was approaching the hoodlum made some noise and no shot did I fire. No turkey were spotted or heard this morning.

Tuesday, April 29th

High 65, low 36

Today I would be in northern Juneau County in The Meadow Valley Wildlife Area hunting turkey where I run bear baits, near a place we call Selina's Stand! I heard her 30:06 go off when she harvested her first bear, Selina was 15 and earlier that day I watched her run in a cross country meet at Brookwood, a very positive day that was.

I have been part of several peoples first bear at that location and today was the first time I hunted turkey at it and not a bird did I see or hear while hunting. Actually, while hunting I did not see or hear a bird during my 7 day season.

Folks if I had the time, I could write a book about the five places I hunted due to all of the incredible experiences that I have shared with young hunters at them, my guess is that you can understand that I really do not care that I did not see or hear a turkey during my hunt.

Sunset



Michelle Chiaro's one and only deer was harvested at another place that Mark Walters hunted turkey.



Brothers Joey and Travis Dushek, in this picture taken 19-years ago, at one of the locations Mark Walters-hunted turkey.

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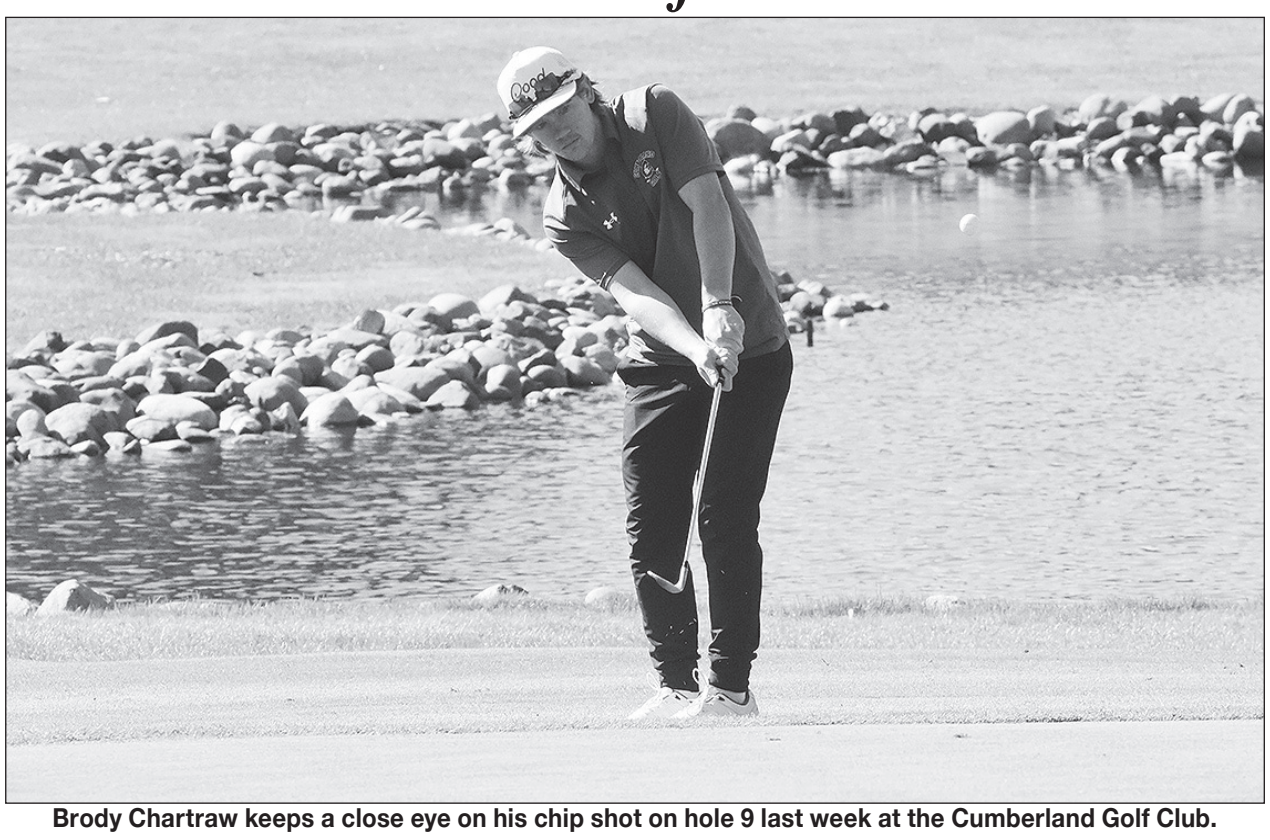
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Home Golf Meet!



Brody Chartraw keeps a close eye on his chip shot on hole 9 last week at the Cumberland Golf Club.



Derrick Gideo watches his putt roll to the cup on hole 8 last Wednesday in Cumberland. Gideo shot a 38 to take medalist honors.

Golf Team Has Busy Week Including Their Own Invitational

The Cumberland Golf Team participated in three events last week, including their own Invitational on Wednesday, May 30. This week the Cumberland golfers will stay busy with matches against Chetek-Weyerhaeuser on Monday, Ashland on Tuesday, and the two-day Scott Miller Hayward Invitational at Big Fish on Friday and Saturday which will involve 22-teams.

Last week began with a match against Cameron that was won by the Beavers 174 to 190. Cumberland's Derrick Gideo continued his strong start to the season with an overall Medalist score of 38, five strokes ahead of teammate Max Hoff, who shot a 43. The Beaver's Brody Chartraw shot a 44 to give Cumberland a sweep of the top three positions.

The following day was the Cumberland Invitational, which was won by Ladysmith with a team score of 326. St. Croix Falls was second, while the Beavers squad finished third with a 344. Derrick Gideo shot an 80 to finish fifth overall, while Shae Longtine shot an 85 to finish 8th and Max Hoff an 87 to finish 9th. Medalist was Ladysmith's Noah Engquist, who shot an outstanding round of 66.

The week concluded in Bloomer, where Prescott ran away with the 23-Team Invitational team victory, shooting an excellent 306. Cumberland shot a team score of 351 to finish 7th.

The outcome of the day also included a HON match against Barron, which the Beavers won 174-193 using the first nine holes of the 18-hole Tournament. This gives the Beavers an outstanding 4 and 1 record in Conference play. In that match, Derrick Gideo shot a 40 and Brody Chartraw a 45.

Overall, Cumberland's Tournament scores included an 81 by Gideo for 15th overall. Prescott's Tyler Reiter was Medalist with an excellent score of 69. Brody Chartraw had the Beavers next best score with an 88, good for 33rd overall.

CHS Trap Week 3

Athlete	Round 1 25 possible	Round 2 25 possible	Score 50 possible
CUNNINGHAM, CALVIN	23	22	45
CARLSON, KYLE	20	23	43
JOHNSON, CAMDEN	20	23	43
RIEBE, BRAXTON	23	18	41
HOFF, MAX	18	22	40
ODDEN, MAX	19	20	39
GILBERTSON, JACOB	18	20	38
MATHISON, COEHN	19	19	38
ODDEN, JACK	16	22	38
ROUZER, IRA	19	19	38
PETERSON, LOGAN	20	17	37
RIEBE, BRENDON	17	19	36
HARTMAN, DECLAN	20	15	35
KNUTSON, ELLIOT	20	15	35
MANOR, JACK	16	18	34
WEAVER, GRIFFIN	20	14	34
WEAVER, MITCHELL	15	19	34
KNUTSON, AUGUST	10	20	30
MCMILLAN, TOWNES	15	14	29
DONICA, AIDEN	16	12	28
ROUZER, CASH	16	12	28
NYVOLD, BRADLEY	13	14	27
WOHLK, CAMERON	11	16	27
RASMUSSEN, CODIE	13	12	25
FLOTTUM, LANDON	14	10	24
EKENSTEDT, DANIEL	11	12	23
ODDEN, CHARLOTTE	13	9	22
HUBER, CARTER	10	11	21
FURSETH, MARCO	14	6	20
MEWES, PATRICK	9	11	20
ERICKSON, LANE	8	10	18

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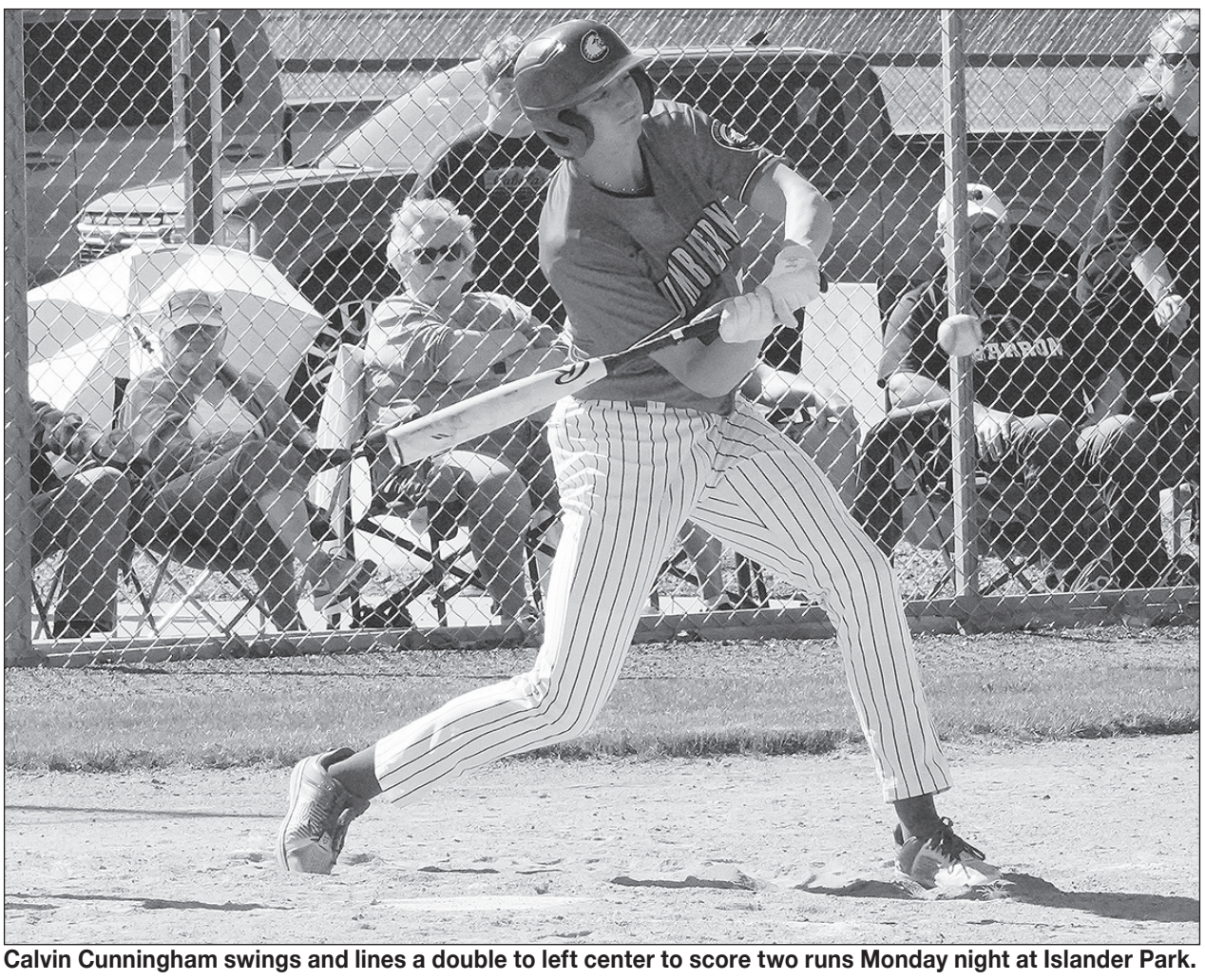
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Busy Stretch Of Baseball!



Cumberland catcher Troy Majewski records a force out at the plate during the Beavers 3-2 Monday night loss to Barron.



Calvin Cunningham swings and lines a double to left center to score two runs Monday night at Islander Park.



Beaver starting pitcher Uriah Johnson delivers a pitch in the fourth inning Monday night vs Barron. Johnson was solid on the mound allowing only 2 earned runs in the loss to the Bears.

Barron-Cumberland Co-Op Soccer Team Picks up Two Wins and a Tie

It was a very good stretch of play for the Barron-Cumberland Co-op Soccer Team, who defeated Hayward and Osceola and tied Somerset in play last week.

It began with a 4-0 shutout of Hayward on a game played in Barron on April 29. The team grabbed a quick lead with a goal at the two-minute mark of the contest, a lead they maintained until halftime. The team added three more scores after intermission as Kasey Stauner had a goal and two assists to pace the Bears attack.

"We worked well together, especially in the second half, picking up the intensity and being sharper with our passing and movements," added Coach Sarah Stauner about the victory.

Two nights later, the team pulled off another shutout, this time a 3-0 whitewashing of Osceola. Coach Stauner credited Hailey Fick and Adriana Williams with strong defensive nights as Kasey Stauner again led the offensive attack with a goal and an assist.

The week ended last Friday with a 2-2 tie against Somerset on a wet and muddy field. The game was scoreless until the second half when both teams found the net on two occasions. "It definitely was less than ideal conditions, but both teams were facing the same challenges," added Coach Stauner.

After playing in Ashland on Tuesday, they host Spooner this Thursday in a 5:00pm contest at Endeavor Stadium. On Friday, they end the week with a road game in Medford, also at 5:00 pm.

Baseball Team has 1 and 3 Week; Schramski Pitches Gem versus Spooner

The Cumberland Baseball Team dropped three games last week, but managed to also grab a 3-1 victory over league-leading Spooner in the back end of a doubleheader last Friday. In that contest, Senior Cooper Schramski had a masterful performance on the mound, allowing only two hits, while striking out 11 Rail hitters.

The week began last Tuesday, with a 5-2 loss to Ashland. The Beavers played a solid contest, but faced a pair of pitchers who held the Beavers to only two runs on five hits.

Cooper Schramski and Sloan McCreary went three innings each on the mound and pitched well enough to win. Offensively, however, the Beavers struck out 13 times and could not get enough going to pull out a victory. McCreary had a hit and stole three bases in the contest, while Parker Peterson added a double.

Friday's doubleheader against Spooner began with a 9-0 loss. The Beavers managed six hits in the game with Troy Majewski and Uriah Johnson getting two each. They could not manage to bunch enough hits together however, to get on the scoreboard.

In the second game of the day, Cumberland's Cooper Schramski made sure the team went home with a split, hurling 6 2/3 frames of two-hit ball, while striking out 11 batters. Sloan McCreary came in to get the final out and pick up the save. The victory by the Beavers gave Spooner their first loss of the Conference schedule.

Schramski also managed a pair of singles in three-at bats, while Calvin Cunningham, Uriah Johnson, and Landon Wickstrom each contributed run scoring singles. It was a nice team victory for the Beavers.

On Saturday, Cumberland's week finished with an 11-1 road loss at River Falls. The Beavers managed five hits in the contest, including a double by McCreary. Cumberland pitchers walked 12 hitters in the game, with a staff that had gone through five pitchers the night before in Spooner.

After playing Barron on Monday and Hayward on Tuesday, the Beavers busy week continues with a home 3:00 pm doubleheader against St. Croix Falls this Friday. The Beavers were back in action Monday night where they dropped a tough 3-2 decision to the Barron Bears. Uriah Johnson pitched well for the Beavers while Calvin Cunningham had a big two run double. More details next week.

Sports Look Back, May 12, 1955

With each team sending the same number of batters to the plate, Cumberland became the victor over Rice Lake by a score of 6-3. Rice Lake stranded 14 runners while Cumberland stranded 11.

Cumberland scored 3 runs in the second inning and 2 in the third to take a 5-0 lead. Rice Lake scored 2 runs in the 7th to close the gap 5 to 2. Cumberland went on to score one run in the eighth and Rice Lake one in the ninth to end the scoring, the final 6-3.

Johnson pitched the first 3 innings for Rice Lake, allowing four hits and five runs, while walking four and striking out five. A 2-run error hurt him in the second inning. George Scheu pitched the remaining six innings allowing 7 hits and 1 run. He struck out 6 batters and walked none.

Al Peer started on the mound for Cumberland and pitched five innings. During his stay he allowed only five hits and no runs. He struck out 9 batters while walking 6. Arnie Peer pitched the last four innings allowing 3 hits and 3 runs, walked three batters and struck out 1. Van Cauteren did the receiving for the Peer brothers.

Lindemann was the leading hitter for Cumberland getting 3 hits in 5 trips to the plate. Al Peer was the slugger of the day, getting two triples in four official times at bat. Rollie Schell had the best percentage of the day in the 5 innings he played, getting 2 for 3. Wickstrom and Engesether each banged out two hits.

Don Zaspel was Rice Lake's leading hitter going 2 for 2.

Soccer Standings

TEAM	TEAM	W	L	T	PTS	+/-	STRK	OVERALL
Washburn	WASH	5	0	0	10	26	W5	5-1-0
Ashland	ASHL	4	1	0	8	10	W1	5-7-0
Barron/Bloomer/Cumberland	BARRON	1	2	0	2	1	W1	2-6-3
Hayward	HAY	1	4	0	2	-14	L4	2-5-2
Spooner/Shell Lake	SPOON	0	4	0	0	-23	L4	0-8-0

Baseball Standings

TEAM	TEAM	W	L	R	RA	+/-	STRK	OVERALL RECORD
Spooner	SPOON	8	1	58	18	40	L1	11-3-0
Hayward	HAY	6	2	61	37	24	W4	9-3-0
Barron	BARRON	5	2	58	44	14	W1	10-3-0
Ashland	ASHL	3	2	31	25	6	W1	5-3-0
Northwestern	NW	3	3	41	43	-2	L3	4-5-0
Saint Croix Falls	SCF	3	3	43	26	17	W1	6-6-0
Cumberland	CUMB	2	4	20	41	-21	W1	3-8-0
Chetek-Weyerhaeuser	CH-WY	2	5	42	64	-22	L1	3-7-0
Cameron	CAMER	0	5	19	43	-24	L5	2-7-0
Ladysmith	LADYS	0	5	12	44	-32	L5	1-7-0

Softball Standings

TEAM	TEAM	W	L	T	R	RA	+/-	STRK	OVERALL
Spooner	SPOON	7	1	0	93	23	70	W5	7-3-0
Barron	BARRON	6	2	0	72	54	18	W3	9-3-0
Hayward	HAY	5	1	0	71	18	53	W2	7-7-0
St. Croix Falls	SCF	5	3	0	61	31	30	W2	7-6-0
Northwestern	NWERN	3	2	0	34	9	25	W1	4-2-0
Cameron	CAMER	3	2	0	44	46	-2	L2	6-4-0
Cumberland	CUMB	3	2	0	39	31	8	W2	8-5-0
Chetek-Weyerhaeuser	CH-WY	1	7	0	45	91	-46	L3	1-11-0
Ladysmith	LADYS	0	6	0	32	90	-58	L6	1-8-0
Ashland	ASHL	0	7	0	17	115	-98	L7	0-8-0

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Barronett News

By Judy Pieper

You remember that last week I told you about the Customer Appreciation Days at Amery Auto Salvage. Well, I also mentioned that Alec Adams planned to donate a certain amount of money per ton to the Cumberland Fire Department to go toward the purchase price of a water rescue craft. Well . . . Alec's dad, Art, called with information about the amount of money that Alec was able to donate. Are you ready for this? It was $9,600. That is amazing!! Thank you, thank you, thank you, Alec.

Rambo (sometimes known as Dean Arnes) stopped by the house one day last week with two quarts of freshly made maple syrup. What a treat!! We had a waffle and ice cream breakfast at our house on Friday to celebrate Lynn Thon and Jeremy Olson's birthdays, used Rambo's syrup, and got all kinds of compliments on how delicious it was. Rambo said that he still had quite a few gallons to bottle, so I'm sure others will be enjoying it soon too.

While he was here, Rambo asked me to let you know that clean-up day at Lakeside Cemetery in Barronett will be on May 16th starting at 6:30 p.m. Everyone is encouraged to join the cleaning detail – We need the cemetery to be beautifully cleaned, especially with Memorial Day coming up soon.

Nate Arnes and Alyse and Tru Lehmann traveled to Chicago this past weekend to attend the wedding of Adam and Heather Holmes. I requested lots of pictures, they did send some, and everything looked beautiful – except for Adam, of course. He looked very handsome and very happy. Suzy Lehmann was here for coffee on Monday morning, and she said that the travelers told her that they all had a wonderful time. Congratulations, Adam and Heather. Here's to many years of wedded happiness.

Kane and Pierce Thon had a sleep-over at their Grandma Lynn's house on Saturday. The weather was so nice that the boys were outside most of the time. While Kane was bouncing a tennis ball off the roof of Lynn's house, Pierce and I decided to fly a kite. The breeze was perfect and Pierce's kite was airborne as soon as he let out string. His kite did not go quite as high as his dad's did (about 20 years ago) but it was high enough to make five-year-old Pierce a very happy little boy.

Grandpa Duane took Pierce for a quite a long ride in the Kubota, and after they got back to Lynn's house, Pierce decided he would like to come to our place and visit for a while. Well, he noticed that we had some strawberries in the refrigerator, and I told him we had ice cream, so he asked if we could call and tell Kane to come down and have some goodies with us. We called, Kane jumped on his bike, was there in about three minutes, and we all ate unhealthy food just before supper time. (What's a great-grandma for if it's not to spoil little ones, fill them up with sugar, and then send them home for someone else to contend with?)

On Sunday morning Suzy and Ryan Lehmann, Lynn, Kane, Pierce, Duane and I had breakfast at Hilltop Retreat. Jeno and Crissy Herman were there, just finishing breakfast, when we walked in. I stopped to visit with them for a couple minutes before joining the others at our table. It was so nice to talk with Jeno and Crissy – I used to see them all the time when they were at Bistro 63. Now, about the only time I see Jeno is if I happen to be visiting someone at Cumberland Hospital and stop by his restaurant for lunch. And, by the way, if you haven't been to Jeno's restaurant at the hospital, I would highly recommend it. The food is delicious!

Duane and I drove up to Yellow River Gardens in Spooner Sunday afternoon to buy some flowers for the outside planters. Jim and Linda have just about any perennial or annual a person could possibly want, plus all kinds of cute decorations for a garden. I got what I wanted, came home, got them planted in the pots, and they look small but beautiful. By the first of June I will probably have to thin them out – hopefully. If you happen to go to Sal's on 63, look out the window to the north and you will see them proudly displayed by our gazabo.

There is so much outside work to be done. We must have a truckload of pine needles on the lawn. I raked up some of them, but I find that I can't work quite as long now as I did twenty years ago. It's okay – instead of an hour project, it will turn into a three-day project.

I'm going to go. I hope you have a wonderful Mothers' Day and that you enjoy the beautiful weather we are supposed to be having this week.

OBITUARIES



Joy Thomson

Joy Thomson passed away on April 17, 2025 at Lakeview Hospital in Stillwater, Minnesota.

Joy was the eighth and last child born to Sever and Anna Johnson on the family farm west of Pipe Lake. She attended Pipe Lake and A.P. Holst grade schools and graduated from Cumberland High School in 1943. She married Matt Thomson in Stafford, Virginia in 1944. Matt was in the Marines and stationed at Quantico, Virginia. They made their home for a short time in Fredericksburg, Virginia before moving back to Cumberland after Matt served his time in the Marines.

Joy and Matt moved to Seattle, Washington in 1956. Joy was employed by the F.B.I. for almost ten years. They moved north to Sedro Woolley where Joy was employed by the North Cascade National Park Service. She spent many hours painting and greatly enjoyed the outdoors.

In 1972 Joy and Matt both retired and traveled full time in their motor home. They both enjoyed fishing and spent many hours in the sport they loved. They later made their home in central Washington and became "snowbirds". When Matt passed away Joy moved back to Cumberland. She loved doing jigsaw puzzles and playing Microsoft computer games.

Joy was preceded in death by her husband Matt, parents Sever and Anna, three brothers, Sherman, Floyd and Robert Johnson, and four sisters, Hazel Novak, Verna Chubb, Helen Hines and Virginia (Lolly) Oslund. She is survived by nieces and nephews.

Cremated remains will be placed with that of her husband at Northern Wisconsin Veterans Cemetery in Spooner at 11 AM on June 11, 2025 with Pastor John Miels officiating.

Skinner Funeral Home of Cumberland is serving the family.

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Turtle Lake Parkview Methodist Church Hosts "Topics That Matter Series"

Join Turtle Lake Parkview Methodist Church in Turtle Lake, with Elder Benefit Specialist Abigail Shanahan with ADRC Barron and Rusk Counties, on Wednesday, May 14th from 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm to discuss the following topics:

* Medicaid
* Medicare
* Social Security

What is long term care medicaid? When can social security begin? Medicare enrollment periods? What are parts A/B, Part D, Part C?

Benefit Specialists can help with a variety of programs including Health Insurance and Access (Medicare and Medicaid), Income Support (Social Security) and Community-Based Services and NO CHARGE.

This event is Free and open to all! There will be light snacks served as well.

Look Back...

the international date line. In the case of V-J, some cite August 14 and some August 15 as the date of surrender. The formal surrender of Japan was aboard the Missouri on September 2, even though President Truman declared September 2nd to be V-J Day. August 15 continues to be considered the actual day of surrender.

For many, the physical and emotional scars of soldiers and civilians would take decades to heal. The horror of war and wars' aftermath are prices paid by both the aggressors and victims of all nations.

Senior News

By Gloria Lindeman

A Huge thank you to all that helped us have a successful Flea Mkt/Sale again this year.

It was nice to see some of the vendors back again this year and some new ones. Its a lot of work getting ready for our sale and we have some great people who step forward to help us. We appreciate all of you who helped us in any way.

If you missed it this year maybe we will catch you next year. We always have it the last Saturday in April.

Hope to see you at the center check in and see what we have to offer . The meals are always good too.

Almost forgot to thank the Advocate for the nice ad they put in their paper.

Will try and write again next week. The week rolls around fast so some times I forget.

Don't forget we have Bingo the second Thursday of the month. Its always a fun time.

Enjoy our warmer weather we are having and take care of yourselves be kind to everyone. We need more of that in our world.



SENIOR DINING

Thursday, May 8
Entrée Salad with deli meat, hard boiled egg, cheese, assorted veggies, pickled beets, bread stick, pudding.

Friday, May 9
Classic lasagna, steamed broccoli, dinner roll frozen yogurt.

Monday, May 12
Pork stir fry, oriental vegetables, brown rice, vegetable egg roll, mandarin oranges.

Tuesday, May 13
Hearty meatloaf, mashed potatoes with gravy, steamed corn, assorted bread, mint black bean brownie.

Wednesday, May 14
Lemon baked cod with creamy dill sauce, boiled baby reds, peas and carrots, dinner roll, pumpkin bar.

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

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OBITUARIES



Laurel L. Gray

Laurel L. Gray, 68, of Cumberland died Sunday, May 4, 2025, at her home.

She was born on September 12, 1956, in Baraboo, WI to Merrill and Beatrice (Halloway) Meltz, and grew up in the Dells and graduated from Wisconsin Dells High School.

She was married in Briggsville, WI on April 27, 1974, to Donald Gray. Laurel worked hard maintaining the family home and caring for their children.

In 1992, she and Don purchased the Ben Franklin store in Cumberland, which they operated together until 2007, when they sold the store and she took a job at DCA, where she has worked since.

Laurel enjoyed golf and socializing, but she really loved to run long-distance (15 miles every weekend - 52 weeks a year) an activity she was still enjoying this spring.

When she wasn't enjoying these activities, she could be found basking in the sun for hours at a time.

She is survived by her loving husband of 51 years, Don; two sons, Donald "Zach" and Nat; two brothers, Merrill and Chuck; four sisters, Dee, Agnes, Mary, and Angie; nieces, nephews and cousins.

Visitation will be held at Skinner Funeral Home in Cumberland from 2:00 - 6:00 PM on Saturday, May 10. The family requests no flowers, please.



Joanne L. (Schultz) Miller

Joanne Louise (Schultz) Miller of Cumberland, WI passed away at the age of 92 of natural causes on May 3, 2025 at the Cumberland Healthcare hospital.

Joanne was born on January 3, 1933 in Barron, WI to Henry and Helga Schultz. She graduated from Barron High School. She went to nursing school in Duluth, and on December 26, 1953 she married Loren John Miller of Dallas, WI. They had five children, Julie, Jeff, Michael, Lori and Jon. She was a full-time mother to them, and their home was the meeting place for all of the neighborhood children to gather.

Joanne was preceded in death by her loving husband Loren in 1986; her parents; and her brother, Richard Schultz.

Joanne is survived by her children, Julie Dollahon of River Falls, Jeff (Jill) Miller of Pulaski, Michael (Loree) Miller of Cumberland, Lori (Joe) Close of Martell, and Jon Miller (Jayne Scheurer) of Almena. She is also survived by her sister, Barbara Hanson of Rice Lake. She left a legacy of 15 grandchildren and 32 great-grandchildren.

A visitation will be held from 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM on Wednesday, May 14th at the Skinner Funeral Home in Cumberland, with a brief service after the visitation for family and extended family. Interment will be at the Lakeside Cemetery in Cumberland following the service.





Marcus A. Taylor

Marcus Anthony Taylor, age 31, tragically died as a result of injuries sustained in an automobile accident on April 8, 2025. He was born July 24,1993.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held at Saints Peter and Paul Catholic Church in Wisconsin Rapids at 10:30 AM on Friday, May 9, 2025, with Father Robert Schaller officiating.

Visitation will be held from 9:30 AM until the time of service at 10:30 AM at the church. Interment will follow at Restlawn Memorial Park Cemetery.

Marcus graduated from Cumberland High School (WI) in 2012 and from Winona State University in 2016 in the Composite Materials Engineering program. He was an aircraft engineer at Mooney International in San Antonio and then at Bell Textron, Inc. in Fort Worth.

Marcus loved playing hockey, baseball, football, and basketball while in school at Ladysmith and later at Cumberland. He was an avid reader of nonfiction and a lover of outdoor adventure, engineering projects, and music festivals. Everyone loved his energetic and inquisitive spirit, his willingness to help others, and his infectious child-like heart. He will be dearly missed by his family.

He is survived by stepfather Steve Runstrom, Ladysmith; four brothers: Noah Taylor, Wisconsin Rapids; Jonathon (Samantha) Runstrom, Ladysmith; Paul Runstrom, Richfield, MN; Isaac Runstrom, Eau Claire; one sister: Jennifer (Shane) Jilek, Cameron; grandmother Patricia Runstrom, Winona; he is also survived by many beloved aunts, uncles, cousins, nieces, nephews, and friends.

Marcus was preceded in death by his mother Maria Taylor-Runstrom, grandparents Bill and Mary Taylor, and grandfather John Runstrom.

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Blessed are all who take refuge in the Lord. Psalm 2:12

Just last week we had some storms in our area with some pretty damaging winds. I am always thankful that when the weather gets too bad and if there is a threat of tornadoes, there are places I can seek refuge. We have a basement at home I can go to, or if I am here at church there are some pretty secure inner hallways in this big brick and block building. The idea is that you want to find a place where you are shielded from the threatening weather – either by being underground in the basement or by having thick, sturdy walls standing between you and the fierce winds. You want to find a safe refuge.

But what does it mean here when it talks about "taking refuge in the Lord?" Does it mean that you will be protected from all of the storms in life – either literal or figurative? No, I think we know that it doesn't. The storms of life still come to us. But to take refuge in the Lord means that we are secure and safe in the Lord's care – no matter what may come. It is to trust that no matter how shaken or "blown about" we may be – we are still in the Lord's care. It is that Biblical promise that nothing – absolutely nothing – can separate us from God's great love for us in Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Prayer: Almighty God, in the midst of life's raging storms, help us to seek refuge in you and to know that we are secure in your loving care. For we pray in the name of your Son, Jesus Christ, our risen Lord. Amen.

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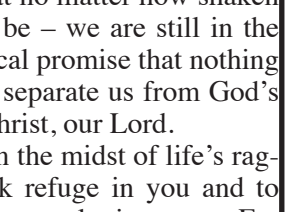
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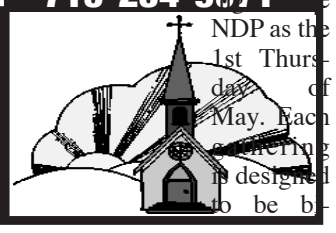


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Bourbons held Easter dinner at the American Legion on April 13,2025, it was a fundraising event to raise funds for Cumberland EMS and Barron County K9 unit. In total $2,000.00 was raised. Bourbons gave $1,000 to Barron County K9 and $1,000.00 to the Cumberland EMS. We want to thank our volunteers, donators and everyone who came and enjoyed dinner and the easter bunny! Pictured left to right are K9 Officer Ryan Hulback, K9 Jasper, EMTS Sara Mani and Gene Marcinske. Holding the check from left to right are Jasmine Newhouse and Kris Zappa form Bourbons Bar.

Two Vehicle Crash in Polk County Results In One Fatality

On Saturday, May 3rd, 2025, at 7:41 PM, the Polk County Sheriff's Office Emergency Call Center received a report of a two-vehicle crash at the intersection of Hwy 8 and Hwy 65. A Pickup Truck pulling a trailer was northbound on Hwy 65, ran the stop sign at Hwy 8 and was struck by a westbound passenger car. Both vehicles were only occupied by the drivers. The driver of the pickup truck, 40-year-old Melissa Johnson from rural Luck, WI was pronounced deceased at the scene. The driver of the westbound car was transported by air ambulance to regions hospital with serious injuries. The crash remains under investigation by the Polk County Sheriff's Office.

Polk County Sheriff's Office would like to thank Lakes Region EMS, Apple River Fire Department, Life Link Air Ambulance, and the Polk County Medical Examiner for their assistance with this crash.

Armstrong Announces May Listening Sessions

MADISON, WI – State Rep. Dave Armstrong (R-Rice Lake) has scheduled in-district budget listening sessions for the month of May. Residents of the 67th Assembly District are welcome to come and share their comments. State Sen. Jesse James (R-Thorp) plans to attend the New Auburn and Cumberland sessions.

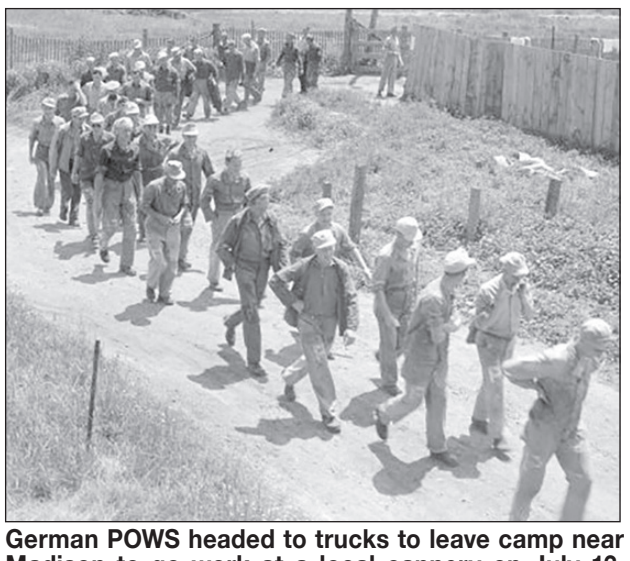
Friday, May 9, 3:00-4:00 PM
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Friday, May 16, 1:00-2:00 PM
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Monday, May 19, 3:00-4:00 PM
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Constituents who are unable to attend listening sessions are always welcome to share their thoughts with Representative Armstrong at Rep.Armstrong@legis.wi.gov or (888) 534-0067.

POW Camps...



German POWS headed to trucks to leave camp near Madison to go work at a local cannery on July 13, 1945.

tack on Pearl Harbor.

Camp McCoy housed the more suspicious and dangerous prisoners. Ryan Howell, garrison archaeologist with the Fort McCoy Directorate of Public Works Environmental Division Natural Resources Branch, said of the Camp, "The Japanese and the German POWs refused to work together or associate, while the pro-Nazi Germans bullied and beat up the non-Nazi Germans." The Camp was surrounded by an eight-foot wall with barbed wire bent inward topped the inner fence.

The rest of the German prisoners sent to our state ended up in 38 makeshift camps located from as far north as Bayfield to as far south as Janesville. These prisoners were largely boys and young men, who were non-Nazi members and simply regular workers like machinists, bakers, artist, and teachers, who were forced to fight due to the draft. Once captured, they were more than willing to spend their time in the United States working where needed.

One of these branch camps were located on the north side of Balsam Lake and was known as Camp #250. It initially housed 325 German prisoners of war and was later expanded in 1945, to accommodate an additional 325 prisoners. The camp played a role in the areas agricultural economy, with prisoners working at various food processing plants around Balsam Lake until its closure in October of 1945.

Another site was initially found in Rice Lake, with the first trainload of prisoners arriving in July of 1944 where they were housed in tents on the east end of the city. The camp later moved to a compound of land now occupied by the Jennie-O Turkey Store in Barron and then north to the area now occupied by the Barron County Highway building. Known as Camp 36, the number of prisoners held at the camp reached a maximum of just under 500 German POWs.

In the book "Stalag Wisconsin," author Betty Cowley writes about the Camp that evolved in Barron.

"The camp consisted of several dozen tents pitched on level ground on the east end of the city. Having a dirt floor, each tent had a drainage ditch dug around its perimeter to prevent flooding. Prisoners had a life similar to U.S. Army service personnel. They arose at 6:00 a.m. to clean their tents, had breakfast and fell in formation for prisoner count at 7:30 a.m. Then, it was off to work, usually transported by truck to their work station. Later, another truck generally took food to the work site where they ate lunch about noon while supper was served back at camp at 6:00 p.m.

The final formation prisoner count came at 7:30 p.m. with lights off at 10:00 p.m. Prisoners involved in several forms of recreation when they could, including jump rope, playing with a soccer ball and batting another ball," Cowley would say.

These Barron prisoners were trucked to area farms in Cumberland, Clear Lake, Ladysmith and Chetek, where they could be assigned to work in the fields for farmers who contacted the military for their services. Cumberland would use POWs from both the Barron and Milltown Camps where they provided work for farmers and the Stokley's Canning factory, who employed approximately 100 of these POW workers.

Wisconsin would have three times more POWs working in rural farm fields than neighboring Minnesota as the captured soldiers worked side-by-side with their Wisconsin hosts and were credited by many with helping to save the crops during the 1944 and 1945 growing seasons. Even when the war ended, some local farmers and factories pleaded with the government to keep the prisoners for the entire 1945 harvest season before sending them home.

Few records or pictures were kept from this time, due to the rules of the Geneva Accords, but after the Barron Camp was evacuated in 1945, it was estimated by Army General John T. Pierce, that Barron POWs worked some 50,000 man hours in Barron County in 1944 alone.

Even though their work was appreciated, there was an occasional tension caused by local residents, who had either lost loved ones during the war or had family members still fighting in the conflict. For the most part, however, the German prisoners were treated with respect and dignity, just as our residents hoped the Germans were treating our American Soldiers captured over there.

The war against Germany ended May 8, 1945, although most POW's stayed in America until 1946 when there was no longer a war in progress. These prisoners bided their time, awaiting their trip home. It was not until June of 1946 that the last of the POW's left McCoy. Upon their departure, Camp McCoy had thirty to thirty-five buildings consisting of kitchens, bath houses, mess halls and barracks within their 20-acre enclosure.

Told they were going back to Germany, once they reached Europe, some POWs were held for as long as two more years.

Wisconsin POW Camps became a huge success story of WW 2. They had provided a WIN-WIN situation for all sides. The military found a useful and safe system to intern their prisoners while using their talents to save a season of crops. It was a time when Wisconsinites forged a kind of separate peace with enemy soldiers across cultural barriers and relationships which was characterized by trust.

As the war had continued in Germany, Americans and the POWs here had overcome their differences to see each other not as enemies, but people. Many of the POWs would actually return to the United States years later to live the rest of their lives. It had become a story of bad turning into good.

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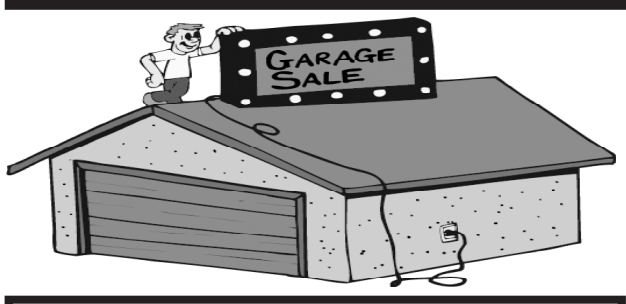
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GARAGE SALE COMBO

Thursday, May 15 @ 3:00 - 7:00 pm
Friday, May 16 @ 8:00 am - 4:00 pm
Saturday, May 17 @ 8:00 am - 3:00 pm

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ADRC
Aging and Disability Resource Center of Barron and Rusk Counties

Motorcycle Accident!



A motorcyclist was airlifted after a crash on Tuesday evening, May 6th. The accident occurred on 23 3/4 - 23/12 Ave near the dump creek boat landing on Norwegian Bay. No further details were available at press time.

Wisconsin Home Energy Assistance Program Heating Season to End May 15; Benefits remain available to eligible Wisconsin residents

Madison, Wis. - Wisconsin Department of Administration (DOA) Secretary Kathy Blumenfeld has announced that with the heating season ending on May 15, residents still have an opportunity to receive Wisconsin Home Energy Assistance Program (WHEAP) benefits during the current heating season.

"Despite recent news of federal staffing cuts, WHEAP benefits are still available to help households with their heating and electricity bills and reduce their energy burden," said Secretary Blumenfeld. "We urge Wisconsin residents who need assistance to contact your local WHEAP Agency or apply online before May 15 to determine your eligibility."

Benefits are income dependent, and households may be eligible if the gross household income is 60% of the state median income level or less.

While the opportunity to apply for this heating season's energy assistance benefits ends May 15, crisis assistance to help restore service or prevent disconnections is available year-round. Some recipients also may be eligible for other Home Energy Plus services such as repair or replacement of their HVAC system or help with home weatherization.

Households can apply for WHEAP online at energybenefit.wi.gov, or be referred to their local agency to apply by calling 1-866-432-8947.

The Wisconsin Home Energy Assistance Program is funded through a block grant from the federal Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) and the State of Wisconsin's Public Benefits program.

WHEAP 60% Wisconsin State Median Income
For FFY 2025 (2024 - 2025)

Household Size	One Month Income	Annual Income
1	$3,061.08	$36,733.00
2	$4,002.92	$48,035.00
3	$4,944.83	$59,338.00
4	$5,886.75	$70,641.00
5	$6,828.58	$81,943.00
6	$7,770.50	$93,246.00
7	$7,947.08	$95,365.00
8	$8,123.67	$97,484.00

Hunt Hill Nature Center Upcoming Events

Program: Two-Day Workshop: Amazing Migratory Birds

Date: Saturday, May 17 - Sunday, May 18, 2025

Time: Saturday- 10:00 am - 5:00 pm; Sunday- 8:30 am - 3:00pm

Location: Hunt Hill Nature Center, Sarona, WI

Program Fee: $195/person Includes lodging, Saturday lunch and dinner & Sunday breakfast and lunch.

Registration is required by May 9th. Limit: 20 people

Please join us for a fun and informative weekend of presentations and guided birding with Bill Volkert, retired WI DNR educator and naturalist. Bill has been featured as Wisconsin's bird expert on Wisconsin Public Radio for more than 30 years. He has traveled the world birding and teaching about birds. In addition to classroom lectures, we will also be doing lots of birding around Hunt Hill.

Two-Day Workshops qualify for WI Master Naturalist Advanced Trainings, but all adults are welcome to register. No prior experience is needed.

Registration is required by Friday, May 9th at noon or when the program limit of 20 people is reached, whichever comes first. To register, visit www.hunthill.org to complete online registration or call 715-635-6543. The program fee is $195 per person.

Hunt Hill is a nonprofit nature preserve and learning center. You can find out more about Hunt Hill and its programs at www.hunthill.org or by calling 715-635-6543.

Program: Little Explorers

Topic: Flowers

Date: Saturday, May 17, 2025

Location: Hunt Hill Nature Center, Sarona, WI

Time: 10:00 - 11:30 am

Program Fee: Free, but donations are appreciated.

Registration is not required, but strongly encouraged.

Hunt Hill Nature Center will be hosting a Little Explorers program on Saturday, May 17.

Each program consists of an exciting morning of stories, crafts, and nature activities geared towards 3–6 year olds; but all ages are welcome. This month's topic is flowers.

Unleash creativity and curiosity as we read about the beauty of flowers! We will express their artistic side through finger painting and discover the role of flowers in nature. We will also explore more about plants and seeds with another activity.

Guardians must stay for the duration of the program. Depending on the weather, we will be outside for a portion of this program. Please dress appropriately to be inside and outside in the weather.

Registration is not required, but strongly encouraged by Friday, May 16 at noon. The program fee is free, but donations are appreciated. If you register ahead of time, you must register yourself and your child(ren). For more information or to register, visit www.hunthill.org or call 715-635-6543.

PUBLIC NOTICES

CUMBERLAND SCHOOL DISTRICT
NOTICE OF SEALED BIDS
DISTRICT OFFICE BUILDING FOR SALE

The Cumberland School District is accepting sealed bids for the purchase of the District Office Building. Each bid must be in a sealed envelope marked "sealed bid." Bids are due in the District Office at 1010 8th Avenue, Cumberland by 4:00 p.m. on Thursday, May 22, 2025.

- The building will need to be removed from the site at the bidder's expense.
- Winning bidder must have proof of liability insurance at the time of removal.
- Bidders need to submit a plan for the removal of the building with their bid.

If awarded the bid, this building must be removed from the site by June 20, 2025.

If you have any questions, please call Brandon Johnson at 715-642-0364 or email him at bjohn@csdmail.com.

Jennifer Hyatt, Clerk

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NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Supervisors for the Town of Lakeland will hold its monthly meeting on **Tuesday, May 13, 2025, at 7:00 p.m.**, at the Town Hall, located at 791 - 29 11/16th Avenue. The hall is accessible to all persons.

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

Danielle Maxwell-Parker
Clerk
Town of Lakeland

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Statewide public notice website
www.wisconsinpublicnotice.org

NOTICE
Town of Cumberland

The Town of Cumberland Board of Review will meet on the 9thth day of June, 2025 at 6:00 p.m. at the Town Hall (902 20th Avenue) for the purpose of calling the Board of Review into session pursuant to Sec. 70.47 (1) of WI Statutes. Due to the fact that the assessment roll is not completed at this time, the Board of Review will be adjourned until the **11th day of November, 2025 at 5:00 p.m.**

Following the Board of Review adjournment, the regular monthly board meeting for the Town of Cumberland will held.

Town of Cumberland
Sara Mathison, Clerk

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NOTICE
Town of Cumberland

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the regular monthly board meeting for the Town of Cumberland will be held Monday, **May 12th, 2025, at 6:00 p.m.** in the Town Hall (902 20th Avenue). The Hall is accessible to all persons. The agenda will be posted at least 24 hours before the meeting.

Town of Cumberland
Sara Mathison, Clerk

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STAPLES LAKE PROTECTION DISTRICT
COMMUNITY
ANNUAL MEETING/PICNIC

Date: June 7, 2025
Time: 10:00 am-11:00 pm
Location: Mixed Up Staples Lake Restaurant & Bar
1977 Polk Barron Street
Comstock, WI 54826

The Staples Lake Protection & Rehabilitation District will hold their annual meeting on **June 7, 2025**. The district continues to implement our Lake Management Plan that identifies strategies and resources that address the water quality challenges facing our lake. We have also been diligently meeting with both Polk & Baron counties to identify areas needing attention within our watershed. As a landowner in the lake district, your input on priorities and potential management options is very important.

Annual summer picnic to follow meeting.

Dan Fisher, Secretary
Staples Lake Protection District

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