



City of Cumberland Bridge/Road Construction Update

Hwy. 63 Bridge Replacement: Tuesday morning, concrete was poured for the structural approach on the north side of the bridge. Wednesday morning, this work will be mirrored on the south side. Later this week, the sidewalks and parapets on the bridge will be poured.

Major structural work on the bridge should wrap up next week, including removal of the temporary beams underneath. The following week there will be additional approach and restoration work completed. Lake Street removals

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ABATE of Wisconsin Region #6 Raises Nearly \$3,000 for Emergency Services Barron County

BARRON COUNTY, WI – ABATE of Wisconsin recently held The Chucky Kee Ride, a motorcycle charity event that brought together 52 riders in support of Emergency Services of Barron County (ESBC). The ride, led by Barron County representative, Jamie Olson, raised just over \$3,000, which has been donated to help the ESBC expand its emergency response capabilities. Organized by Jamie Olson, Jessica Sines, Lashonda Kee and Kimberly Greiner, the event demonstrated the strong community commitment to supporting those who serve and protect the region. “This fundraiser represents the generosity and solidarity of our motorcycle community,” said Julie Helstern – member of ESBC Ops Team. “We’re honored they support Emergency Services of Barron County and the work they do every day. ABATE of Wisconsin’s goal is to give the motorcyclists of Wisconsin a strong, united voice regarding their future, their way of life, their safety, and their legal rights as motorcyclists and citizens. ESBC plans to use the funds to add more responders to their team, strengthening their capacity to serve residents throughout the county. The success of The Chucky Kee Ride

underscores ABATE of Wisconsin’s commitment to community service and charitable giving. The organization looks forward to continuing its support of local initiatives that make a meaningful difference. For more information about ABATE of Wisconsin and future events, contact Jamie Olson. The group organizers would like to thank the Barron and Cumberland Police Departments and the community sponsors including: Warrior Nutrition, Link Ford, Poppy Popcorn Co, Jen’s Chopping Block, Skippy’s, Getaway Golf Club, Social House, Bombshell, 208, The Bar, Embellished Nails, Good Times Saloon, Wildflower, Fire Away Campground, Harley Davidson, Turtleback, Sioux Creek and Pine Crest Golf Courses, 10th and Main Smokehouse Deli, Junkyard Bar, Club Cumberland, Henry Rifles, Lakeside Cantina, Chetek Lanes, Erik Widikir, Caddy Shack and Phil’s. Stops along the ride were hosted by Hoots on the Water, Whiskey Way, It’s About Time, The Spot Bar, Dale’s Twin Pines, concluding with a chicken dinner at the Kee Family’s residence in McKinley, WI.

Gov. Evers Appoints Bernard Brunkow as Washburn County Sheriff

MADISON — Gov. Tony Evers appointed Bernard Brunkow, on Wednesday, July 8, 2026 as Washburn County Sheriff. The appointment fills a vacancy created by Sheriff Dennis Stuart’s retirement. Brunkow will complete the remainder of the unexpired term that ends January 2027. “Bernard Brunkow will provide stability while the people of Washburn County decide who should be their next sheriff, and I am grateful for his willingness to serve,” said Gov. Evers. Brunkow served for 25

years as a Buffalo County Sheriff’s Deputy before he was appointed as Buffalo County Sheriff in 2005. After retiring in 2007, Brunkow worked in school transportation in Mondovi and Spooner. Brunkow resides in the town of Evergreen. “I am honored to accept this appointment as Sheriff of Washburn County,” said Brunkow. “I will serve the citizens of Washburn County to the best of my ability until the newly elected Sheriff takes office in January.”

RIDING FOR A GOOD CAUSE!



Pictured from L to R: Family of Chucky Kee - Kimberlee Greiner, Linda Wood, Gary Wood, Jessica Sines, Layla Kee, ABATE of WI Barron County Region 6A Rep- Jamie Olson and ESBC Ops Group member, Julie Helstern.

Common Council holds July Meeting; Police Department has Busy Month

by Mark R. Fuller

The Cumberland City Council gathered at City Hall on Tuesday, July 7, for their regular scheduled meeting for the month. The roll call found a quorum present with only Alderman Tom Goldsmith absent from the gathering. The Consent Agenda was passed and with no one asking to speak, the Council moved immediately into the evening’s Agenda and Committee recommendations. First up were a pair of recommendations from the Finance Committee involving updates to Ordinance No. 2026-827 and the method of selection and terms of office for appointed officials as well as suggested updates to the Zoning and Building Permit application and associated fees. Mayor Dan Shoemaker said the goal for the Zoning application was to, “Clean it up and make it an easier process.” He added, “The

results from tonight will continue to be an ongoing blueprint which will change over time.” The modified and updated document was discussed in depth and passed unanimously. City Administrator Randy Reeg told the Council that by doing the updates internally, “The City saved substantial money rather than having it done by outside sources.” The City Council then tackled two Planning Commission topics involving a split of lot 63 on the Westside Development owned by Kauffman CSM and action on Ordinance 2026-825 which suggested amendments to Building Permit Requirements. The Council approved the Kauffman request to split into smaller parcels allowing him to proceed with the building of bungalows, while the proposed Building Permit Amendments were tabled due to the need for some modifications before

discussing. Next up were two Change Order payments to Erickson Excavation for work done in the Industrial Park expansion and on the TID #9 Street and Utility Extension project related to the water main connection on 8th Avenue. This includes road work, gravel, and curb and gutter. Following discussion, the proposals were passed by the Council. Additionally, a third Change Order #3, from Pember Company, also passed. It involved no money, but a time change extension to complete the Hines Lakeview Drive Watermain Reconstruction project. Finally, the Council looked at several Utility Committee needs. First up was a request to purchase parts for pump replacements which had already been budgeted. This passed quickly, as did the second topic calling for the renewal of the re-occurring contract with Hatch

Field Service for coverage on on-site repairs, maintenance and calibration at the Municipal Utility. Moving on, the Council passed another already budgeted request to Wonderware for Software updates to the Sewer and Water Systems and further passed a request for replacement and repair of the water piping at the Sewer plant at a cost of \$37,100. This is to replace old piping that had burst. The final Council action under Utility were two payments to DeSantis Excavating for work on eight manhole repairs stemming from the cities new pulverized and paved areas as well as a payment to CBS Squared for their professional services at Well #6, which will allow the City to continue water treatment at the new site. At the conclusion of this discussion, the Council moved into Committee Up-

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Island City Music Series Continues July 21 with The Git Backs

The Island City Music Series continues July 21 at Cumberland Tourist Park with The Git Backs, a band delivering rock and roll from the 1950s and 1960s.

The July 21 performance is sponsored by Camp Brigadoon. Rex Mex will be on site serving authentic Mexican food including tacos, nachos, burritos and more.

The Island City Music Series, presented by Enrichment Through Culture, runs every Tuesday through

Aug. 11 at Cumberland Tourist Park. Performances are from 6 to 8 p.m. Kayaks provided through the Cumberland School District's Community Education program are available for those who want to enjoy the music from the water. Admission is free, with donations encouraged.

For more information about the Island City Music Series or Enrichment Through Culture's programming, visit cumberlandetc.com.

Construction Update...

and channel dredging are currently planned to begin the week of August 4th.

Local Street Improvement Projects:

Work on local streets will take a hiatus until the Barron County Highway Department returns later this month.

Hwy. 63 Resurfacing south of Cumberland towards Turtle Lake:

Work on this project will commence the week of July 20th--starting with extensive culvert, grading and restoration work that last 4-5 weeks or more. There will be temporary traffic signals and single open lanes adjacent to the specific works sites. Milling of the roadway surface is scheduled to begin the week of August 31st, with blacktop following later starting around the week of September 21st.

Brightspeed Fiber Installation:

Brightspeed's fiber installation work is planned to begin in late July or early August.



The Island City Music series continues with the Git Backs next Tuesday, July 21st, 2026 at 6:00 pm at Tourist Park. They bring a mixture of 1950's and 1960's rock and roll. You don't want to miss this!

Governor Evers approves US 63 resurfacing project in Barron County; Work from Turtle Lake to Cumberland includes completing culvert work, replacing guardrail, installing shoulder rumble strips, placing high-friction surface treatment

To invest in Wisconsin's transportation system, Gov. Tony Evers has signed \$8.66 million contract with prime contractor Monarch Paving Co. of Amery for a resurfacing project on US 63 from US 8 East in Turtle Lake to WIS 48 West in Cumberland. Construction is scheduled to start Monday, July 20.

This segment of US 63 is showing signs of deterioration. To address this and other issues, the Wisconsin Department of Transportation is proposing:

- Milling 2.25 inches of asphalt from the roadway surface and paving 3.25 inches of hot-mix asphalt
- Cleaning, lining or replacing culverts
- Replacing guardrail
- Replacing curb and gutter at various locations
- Installing new pavement markings
- Completing the following improvements to increase safety:
- Installing shoulder rumble strips
- Placing a high-friction

surface treatment on two curves

Widening paved shoulders from 3 feet to 5 feet

During construction, US 63 will remain open, but motorists will encounter single-lane closures controlled by flagging operations and side road closures.

Construction is scheduled for completion in mid-November.



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SATURDAY, JULY 18: 11:00 am - 1:00 pm Indoor pickle ball @ ES Gym
MONDAY, JULY 20: • 6:30 am - 7:30 am pickle ball @ Elementary School • 3:45 pm CCE: Choose Fit @ Middle School
TUESDAY, JULY 21: 6:30 am - 7:30 am pickle ball @ Elementary School
WEDNESDAY, JULY 22: 6:30 am - 7:30 am pickle ball @ Elementary School • 3:45 pm CCE: Choose Fit @ Middle School • 5:00 pm Indoor Pickle ball @ ES Gym

Summer Mini Fitness HITS
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Four local Scouts from Troop 24 in Cumberland, Wisconsin are attending the 2026 National Scout Jamboree at the Summit Bechtel Reserve in West Virginia

CUMBERLAND, WI – “ELEVATE,” takes place from July 22 to July 31, 2026, at the Summit Bechtel Reserve in West Virginia. The massive 14,000-acre world-class high-adventure base welcomes tens of thousands of Scouts for 10 days of outdoor sports, character building, and leadership training. The group departs this month for an extended travel itinerary running from July 17 to August 1, 2026, which includes planned educational excursions to

The attending Scouts include Townes McMillan, age 14; Elliot Knutson, age 15; Tyler Genatempo, age 17; and Jared Willcox, age 17. All four are active members of Scouts BSA Troop 24 in Cumberland.

The historic event, themed

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Class of 1964!



The class of 1964 held their 62nd class reunion on Thursday, June 25th, 2026 at the County Line. Pictured front left to right are Ann Kleinschmidt Owens, Annette Bents, Janet Donatelle Squires, Connie Ackerson Wanner, Carol Andersen Kolzow, Katha Farlow Tjelta, Gloria Bergstrom Johnson, Judy Erickson Jacobson, and Ken Burke. Middle row from left to right are Rod Peterson, Jim Statton, Connie Bohn Edwards, Toby McKay, Marie Anderson Rossa, Larry Capra, Denny Ranallo, Pat Ricci, Sandy Paffel Lewis, Kate Curnow, and Shirley Barrows Toft. Back row left to right are Curt Johnson, Wayne Kolzow, and Wayne Romsos.

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(attention getter)
38 American sign language
39 Gets older
40 Nudged
44 Common fish type

DOWN

46 Bark in pain
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ACROSS

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Opinion



Out My Window

by Paul Bucher, Editor

It’s Barron County Fair time. Hopefully you get a chance to go check it out. Its 5 days of fun for the whole family. There is so much to do and see. A lot of youngsters put in a ton of work on various activities at the fair. The animal barns will be packed, there will be agriculture exhibits, livestock shows, and more. Food galore, carnival rides, grandstand shows, demolition derby, harness racing, truck and tractor pulls, the list goes on and on. Make plans for a great time at the fair.

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It’s all star break for the Brewers and Twins. The Brewers hold a comfortable 5 game lead over the Cubs, while the Twins are 3 games behind the first place White Sox and Guardians in a very mediocre American League Central Division. It will be very interesting to see what moves the Brewers make at the trade deadline. They have been in this position it seems for the last 10 years, maybe this is the year they make a big splash to try and get over the hump in the playoffs. As for the Twins, I don’t expect to see to much, hopefully they hold on to Joe Ryan, as good starting pitching is hard to find except in Milwaukee it seems.

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Summer, summer, summer, man has it been toasty with no end in sight. 100 degree temps on the Minnesota Canadian border. You don’t see that very often. I am heading north of the border soon and sure hope it cools down a bit. I personally don’t like hot and sleeping will be tough with no A/C in the cabin. Hopefully the fishing is good and it cools down a bit!

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I suppose gas prices will start to tick back up as the US and Iran are once again launching attacks. I sure hope the war with Iran doesn’t drag on for several more months, but it would not surprise me. Russia and Ukraine have been fighting for over 12 years, with the last 4 years being all out war. Hope for the best I guess. Have a great week!



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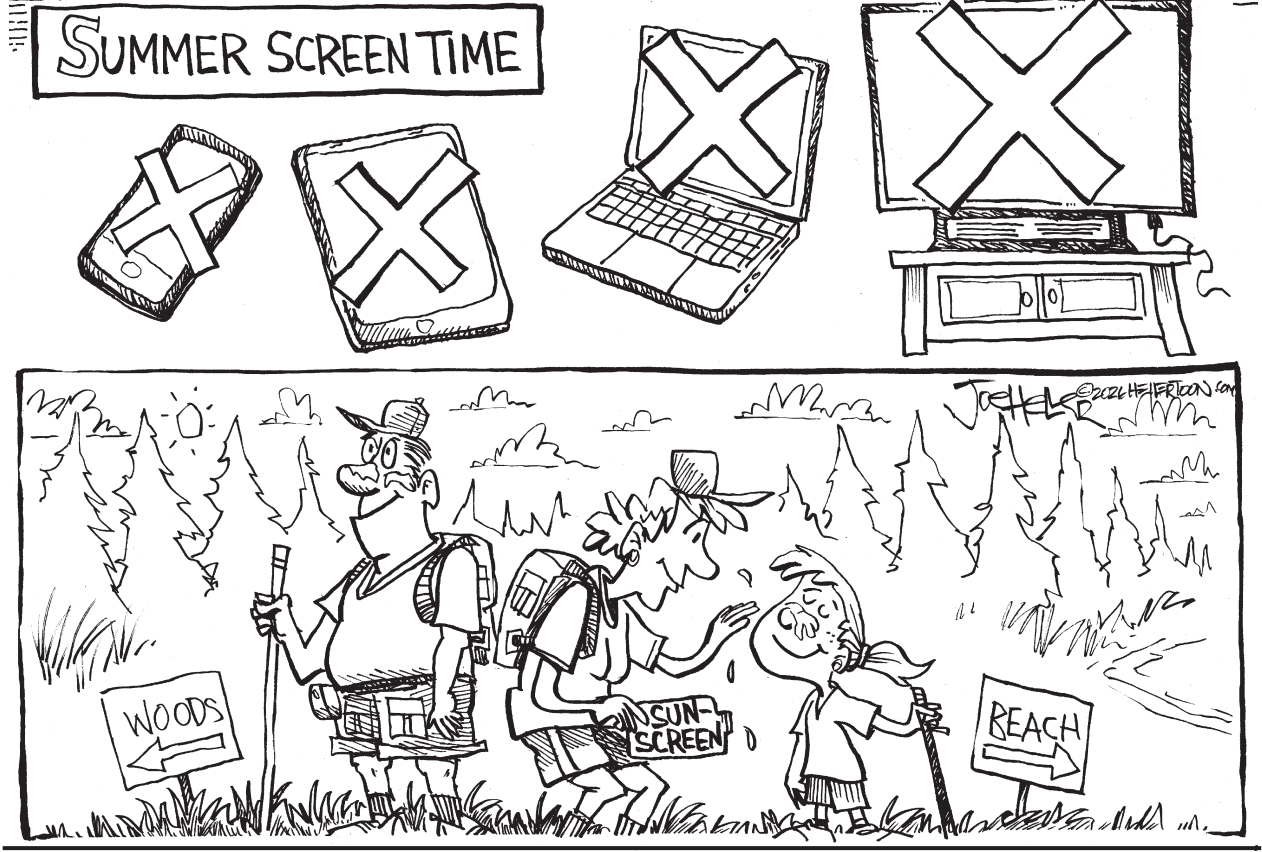
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Inside Wisconsin

by Tom Still

“Can Democratic socialism appeal to the middle?”

MADISON, Wis. – Guess the name behind this quote: “Don’t underestimate the capacity of Democrats to snatch defeat from the jaws of victory.”

It was no less a Democrat than Barack Obama, warning his 2008 presidential campaign supporters it was still possible to “screw it up” before election day. The same admonition might just as easily apply to Democrats hoping to carry the day in this fall’s mid-term elections.

It’s not just the high-profile races for U.S. Senate and House of Representatives, where the presidential “out party” historically picks up seats, but elections for state offices in Wisconsin and elsewhere. Those state races are a microcosm for an ideological split that have emerged in the Democratic Party at a time when President Trump’s weakness in the polls should unite them.

The race for governor has boiled down to five major Democratic candidates who range from centrist to progressive to one or two “democratic socialists,” which is emblematic of the current national divide.

As defined by the Democratic Socialists of America, democratic socialists believe “capital-

ism is a system designed by the owning class to exploit the rest of us for their own profit...” They want to replace it with a system “where ordinary people have a real voice in our workplaces, neighborhoods, and society.”

While many Americans want respite from Trump’s bloviation and bad economic choices – from trade tariffs to manipulating the Federal Reserve Bank – they are unlikely to elect people who don’t believe in core American values such as free markets and the right to start, own and invest in businesses.

On the Aug. 11 primary ballot (in alpha order) are Mandela Barnes, Joel Brennan, Francesca Hong, Sara Rodriguez and Kelda Roys. The winner will most likely face Republican Tom Tiffany, a first-term member of Congress who sides more with Trump than Trump himself.

That election is Nov. 3, which gives the primary-winning Democrat less than three months to pull the band back together. It won’t be easy this year.

Some of the same Democrats who have railed against the party’s geriatric leaders in Congress are now taking their cues from 88-year-old Sen.

Bernie Sanders of Vermont. The party nearly settled on Graham Platner as Maine’s Senate candidate until he was brought down by personal issues. Those foibles may have been revealed earlier if there was a unified party apparatus in place to check him out.

Then there’s New York Mayor Zohran Mamdani, a symbol for democratic socialists who believe free-market capitalism should be scrapped. He’s the charismatic force behind many left-wing Democratic primary victories in recent months. Like-minded Democrats see November as an opportunity to build on that momentum.

What they overlook is that primary elections are far different than general elections, both in tenor and turnout.

Primary election turnout in both major parties is traditionally much lower and campaign debates are usually targeted to internal factions, not the vast political middle. General election voter turnout is higher and issue discussions largely move back to the center.

That is why Democrats – renowned for cutting left when the playing field’s center is wide open – must avoid a fateful play. They

will fall short of the November goal line if they confuse voter disgust over Trump’s actions with how most Americans feel about core issues.

Here’s one example at the federal level: Polls say voters are distressed by an undeclared war so poorly planned that Iran’s closing of the Strait of Hormuz was not foreseen. Those same voters understand Iran has been a global terrorism threat for nearly 50 years. Economic issues are much the same: Trump’s excesses are not reason enough to topple all of capitalism.

Governing and policy issues in Wisconsin are different than those in Washington, D.C., but the race for governor will still hinge on Main Street issues. Economic growth will be one of them.

Voters in the Aug. 11 Democratic primary should look beyond the ideological “Fad of the Month Club” to what wins in the general election. Of course, that might not happen. As the American humorist Will Rogers said many decades ago: “I am not a member of any organized political party. I am a Democrat.”

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A Look Back

**10 Years Ago
July 20, 2016**

Roy Green, Cumberland, recently returned home from three and a half weeks of archery travel, proudly displaying a handful of USA Archery medals. Most recently, he competed in Datur, Alabama, at the U.S. National Target Championships/Easton JOAD Nationals where he received the coveted gold medal for winning the 2016 USA Archery Outdoor National Champion title for the Jr. Male Compound Division, shooting a 50 meter double round (144 arrows total) over two days with a final score of 1392. Roy is currently ranked #2 in the country with the goal of being named to the 2017 United States Archery Team for the Jr. Male Compound Team.

**20 Years Ago
July 19, 2006**

The Cumberland High School Marching Band completed the summer portion of their marching schedule with an outstanding performance in River Falls on Friday night. The marching Beavers finished third overall of hte six bands in competition.

Residents were evacuated by the Cumberland Fire Department and Cumberland Police De-

partment from the east side of 3rd Avenue between Veterans and Water Streets, along with two houses on the west side, the church apartments and the Elementary School, when a gas main was cut during construction on the 3rd Avenue project. The evacuation lasted 45 minutes and repairs were made.

**30 Years Ago
July 17, 1996**

A total of \$7,000 was raised by the Cumberland GAP during a recent fundraiser. The funds were used to purchase equipment for the Cumberland Police and Fire Departments. The equipment items are four portable radios with shoulder mikes and two bulletproof vests for the P.D., two airbag kits for rescue lifts plus a carbon monoxide detector for the fire department.

**40 Years Ago
July 16, 1986**

One church expansion project is currently underway in Cumberland while plans are in the works for another. Construction of a new wing has begun at St. Paul’s Lutheran Church on Highway 48, and a new church building is being planned for Cumberland Evangelical Church.

**50 Years Ago
June 15, 1976**

The weather pattern of the past couple of months continued into July and things are getting a big drastic with growers throughout the area. Moisture is needed badly and unless substantial quantities are forthcoming soon, it could be an economic disaster for the area.

Pfc. Larry C. Grover, USMC, son of Mrs. Frances Grover of Cumberland, graduated from recruit training in March and then attended the Military Police and Corrections School in Fort McClellan, Alabama. He graduated in April and is now at the Camp Pendleton Correction Facility where he is a guard and escort of confinees.

**60 Years Ago
July 21, 1966**

The big event of the summer is here, the annual Jaycee Water Show is scheduled this Sunday, July 25th, at the beach. The Ski Sprites feature two hours of entertainment, which include the pyramid, triple deadline, girl’s ballet, trix-ters, rooster tail, hon-eymooners, slalom, fire jumping, shoe skis and more!

**70 Years Ago
July 19, 1956**

City Health Officer Dr. R. E. Lund reported

on Monday that he had received a report from the state Board of Health regarding a test of a water sample taken from the Cumberland Beach, and that the report had indicated the water’s sanitary quality was “very good.”

**80 Years Ago
July 18, 1946**

With seven known cases of polio in Cumberland and the surrounding territory, this community ranks second in the state for the number of cases of the dread disease. According to Dr. Carl Neupert, State Health Officer, with whom the local doctors are in touch, only Manitowoc has more cases than Cumberland.

2026 WEATHER

Date	Hi	Lo	Precip
07/07	83	62	0.10
07/08	82	63	0.41
07/09	79	62	0.00
07/10	83	62	0.00
07/11	84	63	0.00
07/12	86	70	0.00
07/13	87	70	0.00

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



Court News

Barron County Circuit Court

Traffic Court

Andora D. Crouse, 22, Kaukauna, operating while revoked, \$516.00. Jessycah A. Lindemer, 42, Rice Lake, reckless driving-endangering safety, \$1,014.00. Ugur Ozbilen, 38, Jeffersonville, KY., operating commercial motor vehicle without a license, \$705.00. William J. Armstrong, 17, Woodbury, MN., speeding, \$225.70. Bryce J. Barrett, 25, Santa Rosa Beach, FL., operate without a valid license, \$200.50. Abby E. Begman, 24, Hartland, WI., speeding, \$200.50. Peter W. Blaser, 62, Rice Lake, operating a motor vehicle without proof of insurance, \$10.00. Lawrence G. Boortz, 82, Rice Lake, failure to wear a seat belt, \$10.00. Deborah L. Bott, 63, Clarendon, IL., speeding, \$200.50. Elisabeth E. Braun, 61, Roseville, MN., speeding, \$200.50. Darcy L. Butzler 36, Cumberland, failure to stop for unloading school bus, \$767.50. CT Enterprises of Sand Creek LLC., Bloomer, violate Class A Highway weight limits, \$906.54. Ronald J. Degrado, 24, Eau Claire, speeding, \$200.50. Brittany K. Dyer, 33, Oshkosh, speeding, \$250.90. Brooklyn E. Ford, 17, Bruce, operate while suspended, \$200.50. Caroline F. Gagen, 24, Freeburg, IL., speeding, \$200.50. Jacqueline M. Genet, 19, Inverness, IL., speeding, \$200.50. Daria G. Ghorbanpoor, 27, Mequon, WI., speeding, \$200.50. Lindsey K. Hahn, 20, Rochester, MN., operating while suspended, \$200.50. Joshua C. Halverson, 23, Cameron, speeding, \$175.30. Colleen P. Harmon, 71, Prairie Farm, OWI, \$1,12.50. Misty L. Hays, 36, Saronna, operating a motor vehicle without insurance, \$200.50, inattentive driving, \$187.90 and display false vehicle registration plate, \$263.50. Lisa A. Housner, 54, Pardeeville, WI., speeding, \$200.50. Will D. Johnson, 19, Rice Lake, failure to keep vehicle under control, \$213.10. Isaac P. Johnston, 19, Stillwater, MN., speeding, \$200.50. Teanna M. Jones, 29, Barron, operating while suspended, \$200.50. Peter N. Karhatsue, 53, Lakeville, MN., speeding, \$175.30. Ahmed A. Khalaf, 30, deviation from designated lane, \$183.30. Devon R. Lehnartz, 21, Turtle Lake, fail/equip vehicle fenders, \$175.30. Fabian D. Meeds, 20, Spooner, failure to wear a seat belt, \$10.00 and failure to have passenger seat belted, \$10.00. Darla K. Miklavich, 80, Hibbing, MN., failure to stop at stop sign, \$175.30. Neil R. Myer, 20, Rice Lake, speeding, \$250.90. Timothy J. Nelson, 44, New Auburn, non-registration of vehicle, \$175.30. Angela S. Oftedahl, 53, Almena, OWI, \$968.00. Shane M. Prendiville, 48, Chetek, speeding, \$200.50. Mitchell C. Prescott, 35, Red

Wing, MN., operate motorcycle without valid license, \$200.50. Brittany J. Rischette, 35, Barron, speeding, \$175.30. Justin D. Sams, 47, White Bear Lake, MN., refuse to take test for intoxication after arrest, \$50.00. Shawna M. Scherer, 45, Eau Claire, speeding, \$200.50. Debera K. Slagstad, 73, Barron, speeding, \$225.70. Levon M. Soper, 49, Rice Lake, speeding, \$200.50. Joseph S. Thayer, 29, Waukesha, unsafe lane deviation, \$175.30.

D.N.R.

Brooke N. Williams, 29, of Barron, has been charged with operate boat without valid safety certificate number. Her court date is scheduled for August 19, 2026.

Dylan C. Cella, 25, of Huntington Stat, NY., has been charged with operate boat without valid safety certificate number. His court date is scheduled for August 19, 2026.

Matthew K. Close, 21, of Frederickk, MD., has been charged with operate personal watercraft without safety certificate. His court date is scheduled for August 19, 2026.

Tyler J. Darsow, 18, of Andover, MN., has been charged with jet ski-violate slow-no-wake requirement. His court date is scheduled for August 19, 2026.

Joshua S. Hanson, 26, of Chetek, has been charged with fail/have fire extinguisher aboard. His court date is scheduled for August 19, 2026.

Paxton M. Clements, 19, of Watertown, has been charged with operate personal watercraft without valid safety certificate. His court date is scheduled for September 16, 2026.

Trenton S. Jones, 19, of Clear Lake, has been charged with jet ski-violate slow-no-wake requirement. His court date is scheduled for September 16, 2026.

Ian D. Moreno, 34, of Austin, TX., has been charged with operate motorboat without valid safety certificate. His court date is scheduled for September 16, 2026.

Nicholas E. Breault, 46, of Cameron, has been charged with possess fish 51% to 75% over bag limit. His court date is scheduled for July 29, 2026.

Complaints

Owen H. Anderson-Werner, 18, of Cumberland, has been charged with disorderly conduct. His court date is scheduled for August 19, 2026.

Aaron E. Overlid, 47, of Prior Lake, MN., has been charged with off-highway motorcycle-operate on posted public property. His court date is scheduled for August 19, 2026.

Devonte J. Pratt, 34, of Minong, has been charged with possession of marijuana. His court date is scheduled for August 5, 2026.

Robert W. Fox, 24, of Fort Myers, FL., has been charged with operate off highway vehicle on public property where prohibited. His court date is scheduled for September 16, 2026.

Brian P. Jessen, 50, of Rice Lake, has been charged with disorderly conduct, possession of drug paraphernalia and domestic abuse. His court trial is scheduled for August 17, 2026.

Jeffery D. Antczak, 44, of Chetek, has been charged with operate all-terrain vehicle or utility vehicle without valid registration. His court date is scheduled for August 19, 2026.

Criminal Traffic

James B. Rahn, 32, of Barron, has been charged with operating while revoked. His court date was scheduled for July 9, 2026.

Criminal Complaints

Saronah J. Johnson, 32, of Ridgeland, has been charged with operating while revoked, ignition interlock device tampering/ failure to install/violate court order. Her initial appearance was scheduled for July 15, 2026.

Kelsey R. Jenness, 30, of Bruce, has been charged with battery and disorderly conduct. Her adjourned initial appearance was scheduled for July 15, 2026.

Samantha J. Rutherford, 35, of Barron, has been charged with disorderly conduct. Her adjourned initial appearance is scheduled for July 10, 2026.

Nicholas E. Breault, 46, of Rice Lake, has been charged with resist conservation warden. His initial appearance is scheduled for July 29, 2026.

Tyler S. Merrill, 30, of Chetek, has been charged with resisting or obstructing an officer. His adjourned initial appearance was scheduled for July 15, 2026.

Cody A. Nichols, 19, of Cumberland, has been charged with disorderly conduct. His adjourned initial appearance was scheduled for July 15, 2026.

Chaela K. LaRue, 31, of Weyerhaeuser, has been charged with disorderly conduct. Her adjourned initial appearance is scheduled for July 22, 2026.

Duane W. Mosay, 35, of Stanley, has been charged with operate with restricted controlled substance. His initial appearance is scheduled for July 29, 2026.

Chad A. Manor, 47, of New Auburn, has been charged with possession of methamphetamine, possession of cocaine/coca, possession of controlled substance and possession of drug paraphernalia. His court date is scheduled for July 22, 2026.

Misty L. Hays, 36, of Saronna, has been charged with possession of methamphetamine, and possession of drug paraphernalia. Her adjourned initial appearance was scheduled for July 15, 2026.

Steven E. Schulze, 39, of Milltown, has been charged with OWI. His adjourned initial appearance was July 15, 2026.

Double Homicide and Suicide in Town of Hawkins

On Thursday, July 9, 2026 around 5:15 PM, Rusk County Sheriff's Deputies were dispatched to a residence at N5766 Poplar Rd in the Township of Hawkins for a check welfare. Upon arrival and entry into the home, deputies located three adults. All three adults

had gunshot wounds and all were deceased.

Based on the preliminary investigation and evidence at the scene, we believe this to be a double homicide and a suicide.

Involved parties' names are not being released at this time pending notification of

family.

The Rusk County Sheriff's Office was assisted by the Hawkins Fire Department, Hawkins EMS, Ladysmith Police Department and the Rusk County Medical Examiner's Office.

Per Sheriff Phil Grassman

Chetek Woman Charged with Second Degree Recklessly Endangering Safety

Alisa E. Juza, 46, of Chetek, has been charged with operating a motor vehicle while under the influence-5th or 6th and second degree recklessly endangering safety.

A deputy with the Barron County Sheriff's Department, reports that on June 30, 2026, at approximately 8:30 pm, he received a 911 call from C.M.P. advising that he was following behind a Dodge Journey that was driving very erratically. Dispatch advised that C.M.P. stated that the vehicle had run a stop sign at the intersection of Highway 8 and County Road M. Dispatch advised that both vehicles had stopped on County Road M close by Todd's Ready Mix on County Road M. The deputy reports he immediately responded to that location on the east side of Highway 8 close to 27th Street.

The deputy reports that when he got to the area he observed a Dodge Journey with its hazards on and to the north of that vehicle a darker colored sedan with its hazards also on. The deputy's reports reflect that the female of the Dodge Journey was later

identified as Juza, who was in the process of getting out of the vehicle. The deputy reports Juza confirmed she was the owner of the vehicle, and stated she had gotten lost as she was with her husband and they had gotten separated and she was trying to find him.

The deputy reports during his conversation with Juza, he observed a male and female with a husky type dog in the darker colored Sedan, in the middle of the roadway. The deputy reports the subjects were later identified as C.M.P. and A.M.C.

The deputy reports he spoke with C.M.P., who stated that he and his girlfriend were leaving her grandmother's house and were driving on Highway 8. C.M.P. stated that he initially thought that the Dodge Journey was a black vehicle and had gone through the intersection at Country Road M. C.M.P. stated the Dodge Journey appeared to be traveling at a high rate of speed and appeared to go airborne through the intersection before continuing traveling north on Country Roam M. C.M.P. stated that he turned his vehicle around and they tried to catch up to

the vehicle to tell them to stop while they called law enforcement. C.M.P. stated that while he was attempting to catch up to the Dodge Journey, he observed it go slightly into the ditch at one point and then make its way back to the roadway, before coming to a complete stop.

The deputy reports that while speaking with Juza, she could not recall going into the ditch, and did not believe that she went through a stop sign intersection without making a complete stop. The deputy reports that during his conversation with Juza, he observed her speech was lethargic and somewhat slurred, and her eyes to not be tracking properly.

The deputy's reports reflect he administered field sobriety tests to Juza. She failed all of them.

If convicted for operating a motor vehicle while under the influence-5th or 6th offense, Juza may be fined not more than \$25,000 or imprisoned for not more than 10 years or both. For second degree recklessly endangering safety, she may be fined more than \$25,000 or imprisoned for not more than 10 years or both.

Fatal collision in Douglas County claims Barron man's life

A press release from the Douglas County Sheriff's Office was released on Tuesday July 7th.

Two persons were killed in a traffic crash on CTH A in the town of Superior, Tuesday morning, July 7, 2026. The crash was reported to Douglas County 911 at 7:54 am, about a quarter mile south of Larson Road.

The two victims were identified as Martha Lippai, 62, of Superior and Devern Bender, 36, of Barron.

Lippai was having a wooden storage shed de-

livered to her property on CTH A by Bender. Initial investigation indicates Lippai and Bender were standing at the rear of the flatbed semi-truck/trailer parked along CTH A when they were struck by a north-bound Honda Pilot, driven by Samantha Carlson, 34, from the Town of Summit, before the Honda crashed into the rear of the trailer.

Lippai and Bender were pronounced dead at the scene. Carlson was extricated from her vehicle and transported to a local hospital with non-life threatening

injuries.

CTH A was closed for several hours from Larson Rd to Half Mile Rd as the scene was reconstructed and cleared.

The crash remains under investigation by the Douglas County Sheriff's and Medical Examiner's Offices, and the Wisconsin State Patrol. Also responding to this incident was Mayo Ambulance, Towns of Superior and Summit VFD and first responders.

Douglas County Sheriff's Office

City Council...

dates.

Chief Wolfe kicked things off by discussing a busy month for her Department, which included among many things six OWIs and six meth and drug arrest. She also told the Council of her recent interview of a highly qualified potential officer hire who is anxious to join the force here. Chief Wolfe further announced plans to resume "National Night Out" after a year's absence. This year's evening will take place at Islander Park and will include strong Business involvement.

Other Committee updates included information from Alderman Michael Cifaldi on the recently received plans from the structural engineers for the band stand at the park and another well-attended Fireman's Pancake Breakfast, while Alderman Jim Schullo gace the Council an update on the "Little

Chippers Program" at the Golf Course which involved 35 children. This program in part comes from a generous donation of \$100,000 to the course from the will and estate of Dick Thorp.

Alderpersons Kelly Cady and Doris Laursen concluded the Committee Reports with Cady discussing several new additions at the Library as well as a successful summer reading program and Laursen announcing that work on their budget was being done by the Lake Association in preparation for their Annual Meeting on August 8.

With these reports completed, Mr. Randy Reeg gave a City Administrator's Report.

The most-lengthy discussion resulting from his report involved the transfer of Title and property of the Hockey facility from the City to the Cumberland Youth Hockey Association. The implications of the proposal led to a discussion of how it would affect hockey in the future, with the conversation suggesting there was some disagreement among the hockey community itself. The vote passed

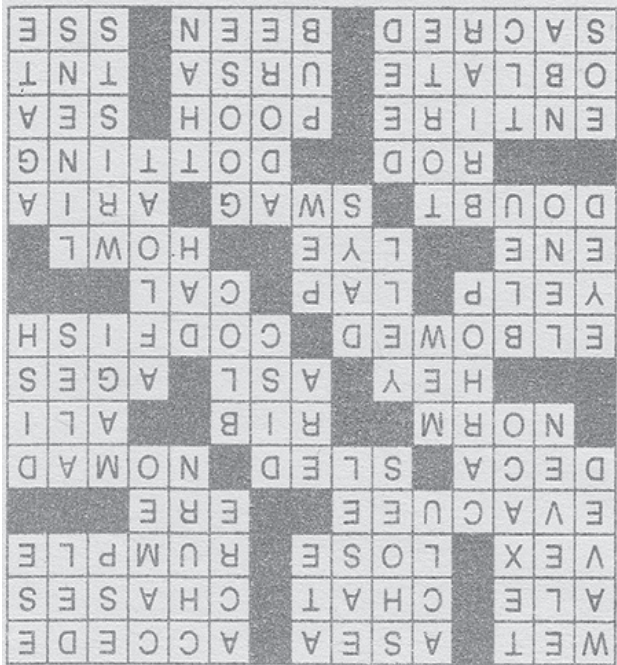
with Alderperson Steve Anderson voting no.

Other topics covered by Administrator Reeg included an update on what type of votes by the Council and Committees require roll call tabulation according to Wisconsin Statutes, the need to pay the annual Barron County Economic Development Membership fee and how it benefits the city, and the cost and benefit of a proposed contract with Bartingale Mechanical for technical support services for heating, ventilation, and environmental control systems at the Senior Center. The Council voted to accept a three-year Bartingale contract unanimously at a cost of approximately \$4800 a year.

Lastly, Administrator Reeg asked the Council to give \$3500 to the Chamber for the 4th fireworks spectacular as in the past, which was met with another unanimous vote.

Things were then turned over to Mayor Shoemaker, who listed several recent

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Sudoku Solution #4150-M

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ADAM DIESTERHAFT

Adam Diesterhaft: 2026 Cumberland Hall of Fame Inductee

Over the next month, we will continue to introduce you to this year’s 2026 Cumberland Athletic Hall of Fame Inductees. The Induction Banquet will take place on Saturday night, October 17. Second on this year’s list is 1999 graduate, Adam Diesterhaft.

Diesterhaft was a very successful three-sport athlete for the Beavers, earning 11 varsity letters in high school. They included four each in wrestling and baseball and three in football. The story of his team contributions lie in the fact that he was a Conference Champion in each of the three sports.

“I’ve always taken great pride in team success, which created so many individual opportunities. The foundation built at Cumberland High School has stayed with me throughout my journey and I’ve been able carry the same leadership and work ethic with me every single day. Most importantly, I owe a big thank you to everyone who invested their time and belief in me as a young man in this community. I’m very lucky to have come from Cumberland,” said Diesterhaft.

Individually, he was a two-time First Team All-Conference Football player who rushed for 2,246 yards in his career, placing him fifth all-time. As a junior, he was the team MVP, a Captain, led the team in rushing, receiving, and was one of the team’s leading tacklers. As a senior, he rushed for 1,217 yards, scored 16 touchdowns, and averaged 11 yards a punt return in helping the team win the HON Conference Championship. In doing so, he was named the team’s Offensive Player of the Year and was an All-District running back. The

Beavers football team was 20 and 10 over his three varsity seasons.

During the winter, he was a key member of the wrestling team, helping them win two Conference Titles while winning his weight class three times to become a multiple HON All-Conference honoree. He finished second as a freshman.

Adam took first place in his weight class at the prestigious Northern Badger Tournament in River Falls and would represent the team at the Individual State Tournament where he took a fifth and barely missed a State Title with a second-place finish in overtime. He was also part of a State Team runner-up as they dropped a close match to Wrightstown his senior year when he finished with a 34 and 2 overall record.

In the spring, he started in centerfield for the baseball team for all four years, winning the team’s Best Defensive Player three times. Named to the All-Conference team three seasons, Adam helped lead the team to a Conference Title, two Regional Titles, and to the 1998 State Tournament, where the Beavers dropped a 2-1 decision to Hortonville in the Championship game. He was named All-District, stole over 60 bases in his career, and his exploits helped put him into the Cumberland Baseball Hall of Fame.

Following high school, Adam would attend college at Augsburg University in the Twin Cities where he would win 29 Varsity matches in two-years of wrestling.

Today, Adam works for Amazon Web Services where as an Account Executive he leads the East region of the USA in selling AI software and cloud services.

Soon he will add Cumberland Athletic Hall of Fame to his outstanding bio.

Almena Sportsman Club Trap Summer League Week 4 Scores

Team Totals

- Hardina Septic - 381
- Twin Town Tavern - 376
- Echo Valley Bear Hunters 358
- 4 1/2 Men+a Gal - 352
- Lake Country Dairy - 347
- Charlies Place - 343
- Goonies - 341
- Halco Press - 336
- Hotel Bar - 328
- Toombs Septic - 327
- B n B Disposal - 318
- Vision Builders - 313
- Spare Time - 311
- Rouzer Farms 1 - 306
- Rouzer Farms 2 - 301
- Klopp’s - 299
- 5 Dipsticks -287
- Beckers Trucking - 284
- Twin Pines Ladies - 236

Top Men

- Dave Olson - 25
- Nick Klingelhoets - 25
- Ethan Yeske - 25

- Cory Koenig - 25
- Jason Murphy - 25
- Bob Hardina - 24
- Dan Hardina - 24
- Jordan Olson - 24
- Jim Cherney - 24
- Brady Blechinger - 24
- Todd Harshman - 24
- Andy Koenig - 24
- Top Women**
- Ella Moen - 24
- JoAnn Scribner - 21
- Kassey Coleman - 21
- Megan Waite - 17
- Brenda Rouzer - 17
- Top Youth**
- Walker Nykanen - 24
- Colten Brunette - 23
- Braxton Riebe - 23
- Jade Shallock - 22
- Carter Daugherty - 22
- Landon Hubbard - 22
- Wyatt Klingelhoets - 21
- Brendon Riebe - 21
- Luke Popenhagen - 21



OUT AT THE PLATE! EVEN THOUGH THE BALL GOT AWAY FROM ISLANDER CATCHER RYAN LUNDMARK THE HAYWARD RUNNER WAS CALLED OUT FOR RUNNING INTO THE CATCHER. THE ISLANDERS DROPPED TWO HARD FOUGHT ONE RUN GAMES TO THE HAWKS.



ISLANDER FIRST BASEMAN TRYSTIN NEITZEL PUTS THE TAG ON A HAWK RUNNER A SPLIT SECOND LATE SATURDAY AFTERNOON AT ISLANDER PARK.



CUMBERLAND STARTING PITCHER URIAH JOHNSON WAS THE TOUGH LUCK LOSER VS HAYWARD THROWING SEVEN STRONG INNINGS.



Cumberland Area Fishing & Hunting Table

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DATE	AM		PM		MOON							
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07/16 Thu	> 7:40	1:26	8:06	1:53	05:35	08:51	8:15a	10:28p	3:30p	3:04a	*	
07/17 Fri	> 8:37	2:25	9:01	2:49	05:36	08:50	9:34a	10:48p	4:19p	3:55a	*	
07/18 Sat	9:30	3:19	9:53	3:41	05:37	08:49	10:49a	11:06p	5:04p	4:42a	*	
07/19 Sun	10:20	4:09	10:42	4:31	05:38	08:48	12:00p	11:24p	5:48p	5:26a	*	
07/20 Mon	11:07	4:56	11:29	5:18	05:39	08:48	1:10p	11:43p	6:31p	6:10a	*	
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Major= 2 hours/Minor= 1 hour • Times are centered on the major/minor window
F=Full Moon N=New Moon Q=Quarter Moon > = Peak Activity
DST will have * in it if it is in effect that day Calibrated for Time Zone: 6W





An Outdoorsman's Journal

By Mark Walters

A KAMO Classic

Hello friends,
Every June two chapters of Kids And Mentors Outdoors, www.kamokids.org, the Baraboo River Chapter headed up by Gregg Wagner and the Dodge County Conservation Chapter, (Beaver dam area) whose president is Jim Braker, combine finances and energy and take about 14 kids camping at Juneau Counties, Castle Rock Park. There the kids fish, go tubing, ride bikes, hangout by a campfire and swim a lot. When I can make it happen I join in and this truly is a very fun weekend for everyone.

**Saturday, June 27th
High 82, low 54**

Picture perfect weather would be one of the highlights of this weekend. This morning it was rise and shine for Gregg Wagner as he was in charge of breakfast, meanwhile I rigged my 18.6 War Eagle for a day of fishing with what would be 4 groups of very into it, fisherkids.

On their way over from Appleton and pulling a 22-foot Monterey was Eric and Sarah Berlund. Sarah and Eric would spend the day pulling kids on the tube and this is always a big hit and it was pretty special to see Eric and Sarah make the drive and help out.

Gregg's breakfast was french toast and bacon and it was a dandy.

After breakfast we launched boats and made a screen tent camp on the beach as that is where we spend the day. My first group of kids who would be learning how to fish by using planer boards was Hunter and Jordyn both of the Beaver dam chapter. Pete "King Cookie" Scheskey who is an avid man at helping kids in the Beaver dam area would drive my boat and the Cookie Queen who wishes to remain anonymous was in the learning stages of driving the boat while I taught how to run planer boards. The story behind the nicknames is that the Queen baked 7 dozen cookies for the kids and the King was addicted to the cookies.

This may sound simple, but it was crazy as Castle Rock Lake loads up with lots of speed boats on

summer Saturdays and running planer boards is fairly challenging. Group 1 caught a walleye, it was just before our 2 hour stint was up and I headed in and took on another group asap as this would go on until 8 pm.

Meanwhile back at the world of tubing, big Jimmy Braker who is in his mid-60's and about 80 days away from retirement went for a ride behind the Monterey and I was told the boat was going fast, Jimmy held on tight and then went flying hard. I got to give Jim credit for being such a brave soul.

Group 2 would be made up of The Cookie Queen driving the boat, Brody Mueller who I met last year and then hunted deer with last December, Keagan Riege and a very special girl named Miracle Goldberg who is 10.

Keagan caught a walleye, Brody had a real good fish on and his line got caught in the prop. Miracle had first try, missed her fish and so that gave her 4th try. The odds were against her, but I kept chanting "there's going to be a miracle." Low and behold it was fish on and Miracle caught a northern pike which at first she would not hold, much less touch. By the time she released it, she had touched it, held it for a photo and released her catch.

The 3rd to the last group was made up of Ahmir Sandoval, Landen Sullivan and Lucas Olsen. These kids were very into this experience as was the last group, but we had a problem, twice a fella in a speed boat blew by us and the boys who had taken a boater safety course earlier in the day spoke about what he was doing was wrong. About the end of their journey Ahmir was fighting a good walleye, his first real fish experience of his life and the fool in the boat blew by us and cut the line on our opposite side planer board.

We landed Ahmir's fish, took some photos and then went hunting for the fella that cut our line. We found him, the boys observed, I spoke, the boys were rewarded for their loss, no one said anything ugly and that was that.

We ended our day by the campfire with Gregg



KAMO KIDS living it up Ahmir Sandoval, Landen Sullivan and Lucas Olsen enjoying their weekend on Castle Rock Lake.



Sarah and Eric Berlund did an awesome job of taking all the KAMO Kids tubing.

Wagner's famous blueberry cobbler cooked over the campfire and ice cream on the side and it was truly a great American kind of weekend.

Thank you to all that made this happen!
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ISLANDER THIRD BASEMAN JERRAD LINDFORS FIELDS A BUNT AND THROWS TO FIRST IN THE 3-2 LOSS TO THE HAWKS.



TROY MAJEWSKI GETS SET TO TAKE A RIP SATURDAY VS HAYWARD.

ISLANDERS DROP PAIR OF ONE RUN GAMES TO HAYWARD.

Both Cumberland and Hayward were strong on the mound on Saturday in the two games, but in game 1 Hayward was just a little bit better at the plate in their 3-2 victory over Cumberland. Uriah Johnson started the game for the Islanders and recorded all 21 outs in the seven inning game.

Hayward opened the scoring in the first after Jorczak singled, scoring one run.

A error extended the Hayward Hawks lead to 2-0 in the top of the third inning.

David Olson hit a sacrifice fly, which helped Cumberland tie the game at two apiece in the bottom of the fifth.

Johnson, the starting pitcher allowed five hits and three runs (two earned) over seven solid innings, striking out nine and walking 10. Sande pitched for the Hayward Hawks. He allowed five hits and two runs (one earned) over six innings, striking out two and walking four.

David Olson and Reid Olson each collected two hits for the Islanders. Olson and Olson were tough to handle back-to-back in the lineup, as each drove in one run for Cumberland. Ryan Lundmark stole two bases. The Islanders

turned one double play in the game.

In game 2, strong pitching by Wyatt Jensen was not enough as Cumberland lost to Hayward 2-1. Even though Wyatt Jensen struck out 10 batters, Cumberland still fell in Game two of the double header in extras. Jensen gave up seven hits and two runs over eight innings while walking five. The two teams struck out 19 combined times.

A triple by Stojek put Hayward on the board in the top of the third.

Jensen doubled to right field following a 6-pitch at-bat, which helped Cumberland tie the game at one in the bottom of the seventh.

The Hawks took the lead in the top of the eighth. Harrison singled in a run to give Hayward the advantage, 2-1.

Harrison also took the win for Hayward on the mound. The hurler allowed six hits and one run over seven innings, striking out nine and walking three. Gajewski earned the save.

Ryan Lundmark set the tone at the top of the lineup, leading Cumberland with three hits in four at bats. Jensen led Cumberland with one run batted in. Lundmark also stole two bases. Cumberland stole four bases in the game. Cumberland turned one double play in the game.

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Sidney H. Waterman: Cumberland’s Busiest Pioneer

by Mark R. Fuller

We all have friends who are constantly busy, with their hands and hearts in many activities at the same time. This was the life of Cumberland pioneer, S.H. Waterman. Born in Vermont in 1844, Waterman moved west as an 18-year old, landing in Wisconsin in 1862. He would enter the lumber business and spend time in both Fond du Lac and Oshkosh before coming to Cumberland in 1882 with his wife Marie Louise, whom he married in 1865. Hired to take charge of the Beaver Dam Lumber Company saw mill, he operated the mill for the next 29 years. During that time, he was an active member of the Methodist Church and soon represented his Ward on the City Council. An avid businessman, in 1883, he joined J. F. Miller and M. D. Kalk to purchase the Bonett Mill at the lower end of town. In 1895, he started a grocery store business which lasted one year, before opening a Clothing and Fur-

nishing Goods store in Washburn which was eventually run by his son. Still interested in the lumber business, in 1891 he created a firm that built a hardwood mill on the shores of Sand Lake and the following year he added Mayor to his long list of duties, a position he held for 10-years. During that time, he was untiring in his efforts to serve the community in which he lived and did much to promote the growth of the city. Incredibly, Waterman still looked for other business opportunities and soon took ownership of the Cumberland Creamery and bought a large stock farm just outside the city. He also looked carefully after the interest of the Cumberland Agricultural and Driving Park Association and the Inter-County Fair Association, as President of both groups. In 1895, he added Cranberry Marsh owner to his resume, taking over a large marsh in Burnett County. The Advocate would say of Waterman, “He has a good many irons in the fire, but you notice that he

seldom allows any of them to burn.” In 1911, Waterman would leave the city he lived in for almost 30-years to move to Menomonie to take a more active role in his businesses there. They lived there until 1923, when he and his wife died 12-days apart. They had been married for 59-years. Cumberland residents looked fondly back on the memories of “Father” and “Mother” Waterman, as they were affectionately called. Following their death, the Advocate called the Watermans, “Good citizens and neighbors and kind friends. Their latch string ever held forth a welcome to all those who visited their home as they always went away glad that they had been able to spend time in such cordial and congenial companionship.” Waterman had left his mark on many aspects of the cities early history and the many townspeople who had spent time with Cumberland’s busiest pioneer while he was here, came away better for it.

Barronett News

By Judy Pieper

Once again this year the Spooner Rodeo was fantastic. I know the cowboys and cowgirls work hard all year long practicing their skill at bare-back and saddle bronc riding, calf roping, break-away roping, barrel racing, bull-dogging – the list goes on and on – and it shows. They are all great, not to mention a lot braver than I have ever been. But, as much as we love watching them, I think almost everyone has to admit that the mutton-busters are the ones we enjoy the most. Those little kids – I think they are seven-years-old and under – hang on for dear life, get bucked off, stepped on, and get up laughing. They are adorable. We all had a great time cheering on the champions and feeling bad for those who missed the mark. Can’t wait for next year. Oh, by the way, I will be on line at one minute past midnight the first of October to be sure that I get really great seats for next July. Now we have the Barron County Fair and the Washburn County Fair to look forward to. Barron County Fair starts this week, and Washburn County Fair is the week after. There are so many things to see and do at both fairs. Duane and I enjoy going through the 4-H exhibits and the animal barns. And, of course, eating lots and lots of food that is probably not good for us. (Who cares – it only happens twice a year, right?)

Tina Anderson and I had a fun girls’ day out in Eau Claire on Friday. We stopped by Target, Books a Million and Home Goods. Then had lunch at Olive Garden – ate way too much and were uncomfortable for what seemed to be hours. Went to Hope Gospel Thrift Store and found lots of stuff we wanted but didn’t really need. Just had a thoroughly enjoyable day. Lynn Thon and her little grandson, Pierce, went shopping on Saturday and bought a beautiful swimming pool and lots of pool toys. It took forever to fill that thing with water – I think the water capacity was over a thousand gallons – and Pierce, being a typical six-year-old, was in that cold water the whole time it was filling. Kane joined them the next day and both boys had more fun than should be legal in that pool. Now they have a pool and a trampoline at Grandma’s house – They will never want to go home. Kane and Pierce have turned into quite the helpers in the garden. They both helped me weed this past week, and Kane even dug up a monster burdock plant that was growing by his Grandma Lynn’s house. We hate those things!! I think pet owners all know how much fun it is to get the burrs out of animal hair. One thing I learned when I had horses is that if a person uses baby oil on their manes and tails, it is much easier to get the burrs out.

(Just a handy/dandy little tip there – you’re welcome.) Gardening is not quite as much fun in this hot weather. Luckily, it is usually a lot cooler inside the tree house than it is outside, so I can take lots of breaks up there. I even have a deck of cards and a cribbage board inside, so, just in case you want to visit the garden, we can sit in the cool comfort of the tree house and play cribbage. Everything is coming along beautifully, there are lots of green tomatoes, the onions are getting big, the beans have climbed over the fence, and the cucumbers are almost as tall as the beans. We don’t know why, but our peas have not been good the last couple years. They come up, but last year they all withered away before they had pods on them, and this year only a few came up and they are not looking healthy. Ryan and Suzy thought it was because of the heat, but if you know of any magic grow juice for peas, I would certainly like to hear about it. Every year, up until last year, they grew like crazy in our garden, so I’m pretty much at a loss to know what happened. Like I said, any advice will be greatly appreciated. I’m going to go – Be very careful if you are working or playing outside this week. Drink lots of water and take breaks in the shade a lot. I hope to see you at the Barron County Fair.

City Council...

appointments for the City including Tom Lingen as Health Officer, Devon Fredrikson as Weed Commissioner, Fredrickson and Jordan Peichel as foresters, and Gary Johnson, James Bryce, Jim Anderson, Steve Anderson, and Randy Reeg to the Tree Board. Once the appointments were confirmed by a Council vote, they moved into a Closed session to consider several requests. The closed session resulted in Council approval of several development topics involving J&A

Northwest Construction. The first approval was for the sale of TID 9 property on Carlone for the construction of bungalow style housing. This housing will provide a much-needed entry level price point aimed at first time buyers and those wishing to downsize. The Council then approve up to \$100,000 in TID 9 assistance to offset the high cost of site preparation in the bungalow housing location. This is structured to be fully recovered through the incremental property taxes col-

lected from this project. The last approval was a Development Agreement with Kauffman Estates (J&A Northwest Construction) for development in TID 8. This Phase I agreement provides infrastructure for condominium storage units. The first section of these units is planned for completion this fall. The same infrastructure will also support a Phase II which is a 55+ housing facility. The meeting then concluded with a motion and approval to adjourn.

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Monday, July 20
Baked Ham, Scalloped Potatoes, Steamed Peas, Assorted Bread, Watermelon.
Tuesday, July 21
Egg Salad & Lettuce Sandwich, Beef Vegetable Soup, Fresh Fruit, Fosted Brownie.
Wednesday, July 22
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Maurice W. Braun
Maurice William Braun, 72, of Cumberland, Wisconsin, passed away peacefully on July 2, 2026. He was born on September 4, 1953, in South St. Paul, Minnesota, to Maurice Wayne Braun and Rosella Fye. Maurice had a deep love for the outdoors and found great joy in camping, fishing, and hunting. He also enjoyed taking long drives in his truck and spending time with the people he loved most. Whether sharing stories around a campfire, casting a line, or simply enjoying the company of family and friends, Maurice created lasting memories that will

be treasured by all who knew him. He is survived by his children, Maurice Braun and his fiancée, Breanne; Nathan Braun; Amanda Makowsky and her husband, Matt; and Robyn Braun. He is also survived by his sister, Carolyn Bachmeyer; two granddaughters; and many nieces, nephews, great-nieces, and great-nephews. Maurice was preceded in death by his parents, Maurice Wayne Braun and Rosella Fye, and by his siblings, Glyness Laguna, Wayne Braun, and Diane Kaseno. A celebration of Maurice's life will be held at a later date. Details will be shared with family and friends once arrangements have been finalized. Maurice will be deeply missed and lovingly remembered for his kind heart, his love of the outdoors, and the time he shared with those he held dear. His memory will live on in the hearts of his family and friends forever.

Aging & Disability Resource Center Announces Free Savvy Caregiver Program: Five Key Benefits for Dementia Caregivers

Barron, WI – The Aging & Disability Resource Center today announced registration is open for the next session of its evidence-based Savvy Caregiver program, a comprehensive six-week training course designed specifically for family members and friends caring for loved ones with dementia. The program will be held Mondays, July 27th – August 31st, 9:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. at the Barron County Government Center, 335 E. Monroe Ave. in Barron, and provides essential skills and knowledge for caregivers at absolutely no cost to participants. “The Savvy Caregiver program transforms how family members approach

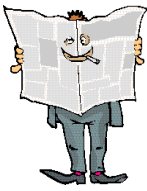
dementia care,” said Dr. Kenneth Hepburn, Community Services Education Core expert. “Caregivers often find themselves in an unfamiliar situation managing complex challenges with little preparation. This program equips them with practical strategies that make a meaningful difference in their daily lives.” Five Reasons Caregivers Should Participate in The Savvy Caregiver Program: 1. It Helps: The program shares practical ways to guide the person living with dementia through days that are as safe, calm, and pleasant as possible. 2. It's Person-Centered: Savvy Caregiver teaches that personhood persists,

and meaningful engagement is possible at every stage of dementia. 3. It's Proven: Research shows that taking part in the program strengthens the ability to provide effective care while reducing caregiver stress. 4. It Supports Care Partners: Caregivers – to be blunt – can be terrible at taking care of themselves. Savvy Caregiver emphasizes the importance of self-care as an essential component of sustainable caregiving. 5. The Price is Right: There is no charge for this valuable six-week course! During the program, participants will learn about different types of dementia, develop strategies for managing challenging behaviors, and gain confidence in

their caregiving abilities. The course helps caregivers understand how dementia progressively affects cognitive, emotional, and behavioral abilities, then teaches practical methods for addressing these changes. “Family caregivers who complete this course report increased skills and knowledge, greater confidence in handling dementia behaviors, and reduced adverse impacts of caregiving,” added Trisha Witham, Dementia Care Specialist. Registration for the upcoming session is required. Interested caregivers should register online at www.adrconnections.org/registrations or call the ADRC, 715-537-6225.



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“The Way”

by Pastor Matthew Earls
Northern Lakes Community Church

Acts 19:21-41
Good day fellow Cumberland residents. We at Northern Lakes Church have been praying for your spiritual life and relationship with Christ to advance and I do not believe it is by chance that you are reading this today. Holy Spirit has a specific word for you and I pray you will receive it. Today, I would like to focus Chapter 19 of the Book of Acts. Our passage shows us the reaction of the world to “The Way” of Christ. It is a strong reminder that the godly will suffer persecution even as Jesus has suffered. Paul shares a great strategy for world-evangelization in these verses. Our call is to evangelize and to edify the church sending forth disciples. The Way of the Lord (the disciples) were falsely accused and attacked, much in the same way we see it being done today. We must remember that while Christianity preaches revolution, it does not preach world revolution. The bible preaches of spiritual revolution. We are not commanded to take up weapons for physical warfare, rather we gather our weapons for spiritual warfare. As you read today, God is love and He has revealed His love in His Son Jesus Christ. This same God now invites us to love His Son and to love each other, putting away anything evil that causes hurt to ourselves and to others. I pray you are blessed by the message and that you encounter the Lord this week..

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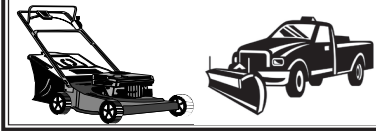
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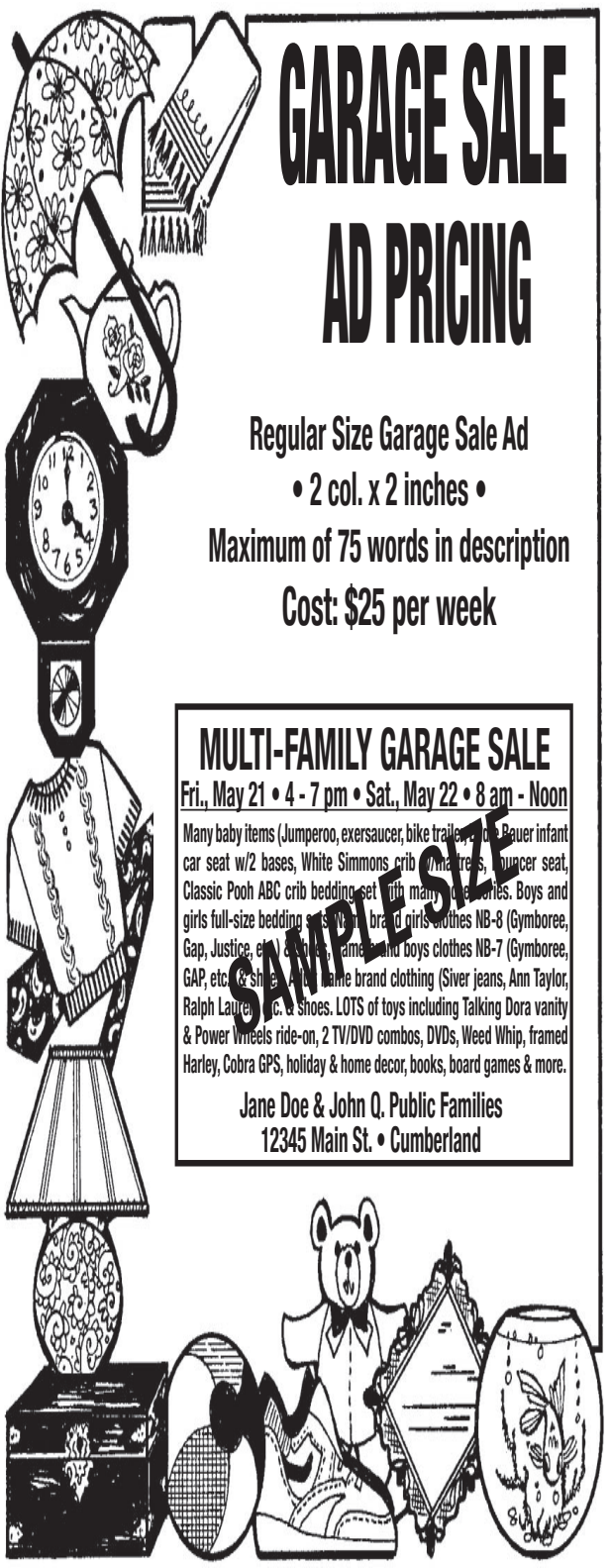
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STATE OF WISCONSIN SS COUNTY OF BARRON
Appeal #4020
TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:
PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given to all persons in the County of Barron, Wisconsin, that a public hearing will be held on Monday, July 27th, 2026 at 9:00 a.m. in Room 2106 of the Barron County Government Center, 335 E. Monroe Ave., Barron, Wisconsin, relative to a proposal for a variance to the terms of the Barron County Land Use Ordinance as follows:
Requests a variance to allow construction of a car port over a concrete apron located within the right-of-way setback of a county road, in an Agricultural-1 district on property described Plat 5 NE-NW, located in Section 18, T35N, R14W, town of Crystal Lake, Barron County, Wisconsin.
The Board of Adjustment reserves the right to view the property and may convene in executive session prior to rendering a decision. Contact Zoning Office staff at 715-537-6375 with questions regarding this appeal.
Property owners: Chad R Owens & Stacy Slaten
Property address: 39 22nd Ave., Comstock, Wisconsin
All persons interested are invited to attend said hearing.
Dated at Barron, Wisconsin, this 8th day of July, 2026.
Barron County Board of Adjustment
Gary Nelson, Chairman
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
STATE OF WISCONSIN SS COUNTY OF BARRON
Appeal #4022
TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:
PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given to all persons in the County of Barron, Wisconsin, that a public hearing will be held on Monday, July 27th, 2026 at 9:20 a.m. in Room 2106 of the Barron County Government Center, 335 E. Monroe Ave., Barron, Wisconsin, relative to a proposal for a variance to the terms of the Barron County Land Use Ordinance as follows:
Requests a special exception to add an additional business building structure and a variance within the setback to Hwy 63, the road right-of-way, in an Residential-1 district on property described part of the NE-SE shown as Lot 1 CSM 17/58 & Lot 2 CSM 23/73, also shown as Plat 13-5, consisting of 3.27 acres, located in Section 30, T36N, R13W, Town of Lakeland, Barron County, Wisconsin.
The Board of Adjustment reserves the right to view the property and may convene in executive session prior to rendering a decision. Contact Zoning Office staff at 715-537-6375 with questions regarding this appeal.
Property owners: Lakeland Manufacturing Properties, LLC
Property address: 2537 US Highway 63, Cumberland, Wisconsin
All persons interested are invited to attend said hearing.
Dated at Barron, Wisconsin, this 8th day of July, 2026.
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CITY OF CUMBERLAND
NOTICE OF ENACTMENT OF ORDINANCES

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on Tuesday, July 7, 2026, the Common Council of the City of Cumberland, WI enacted the following ordinances:
□ Ordinance 2026-827 "Amending Section 1.05 Regarding Appointed Officers."
The full text of these ordinances can be viewed at Cumberland City Hall (950 1st Ave.) during regular business hours, or online at https://library.municode.com/wi/cumberland/codes/code_of_ordinances.

Adopted: 7-7-2026
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NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the Regular Monthly Meeting of the Cumberland School District Board of Education shall be held at 6:00 p.m. for open session on Tuesday, July 21, 2026, in the middle school commons.

1. Approve vouchers, receipts, and invoices.
2. Recognize delegates, visitors, and donations.
3. Consider approval of preliminary 2026 – 2027 budget.
4. Consider approval of the 2026 – 2027 Wisconsin Model Academic Standards.
5. Consider approval of the adult breakfast price increase for 2026 - 2027.
6. Consider approval of resolution of signees on building level activity account financials.
7. Hear discussion items and administrator reports.
8. Set meeting dates and events.

A copy of the agenda is posted in the elementary school, middle school, high school, and administration building.

Jennifer Hyatt
Cumberland School District Clerk
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Statewide public notice website

www.wisconsinpublicnotice.org

American Legion Post 98 Sends Record Number of Students to Badger Boys and Girls State

Happy 250th Birthday to all of you! This year at Post 98 in Cumberland, Wisconsin I'm very happy to report that three boys and four girls attended Badger Boys and Girls State in June. The 83rd session of Badger Boys was held at the University of Wisconsin - Eau Claire Campus June 14th – 20th and the 81st session of the Badger Girls State was held at the University of Wisconsin - Oshkosh Campus from June 21st – 26th.

The seven juniors were from the Class of 2027. The most we have sent is one boy and now we are blessed to send seven. A big thank you goes out to Mr. Dan Hopkins, Cumberland High School Principal, and Ms. Toniann Knutson, President of the Cumberland American Legion Auxiliary, for recruiting all the students. Also thank you to Jerry Townsend, Barron County Commander, and his wife Mary our next Auxiliary president for helping register over 700 Wisconsin Badger Boys in Eau Claire, Wisconsin on June 14th and Stephanie Anderson and Sarah Fox for driving the girls to Oshkosh and back.

These programs are a practical application of Americanism and good citizenship. The entire program is a non-partisan, non-political attempt to teach and instill in the youth of America a love of God and country. A program to change a lifetime, Badger Boys and Girls State, educates young leaders in how to become more impactful community members of Wisconsin. During the program, high school students between their junior and senior year learn how our government system works by creating their own city,

county, and state level governments.

Hundreds of participants leave feeling inspired by the lifelong lessons and relationships developed at both Badger Boys and Girls State. The benefits of Boys and Girls State identify, create, and empower the leaders of tomorrow not just during the weeklong program but afterwards as well. This is a great experience in leadership, collaboration, and communication with students from around the State creating a huge network of boys and girls with shared experiences and fond memories who make up our Badger Boys and Badger Girls Alumni Association. Also, many colleges offer scholarships to boys and girls state alumni.

The three boys were Andrew Carlson and Cash Rouzer, both sponsored by the Wallace Jerome Foundation, and Tyler Genatempo, sponsored by Cumberland Federal Bank. The four girls were Violet Small, Nautica Ruppel, Natalie Anderson, and Kiera Fox, all sponsored by the Cumberland American Legion Auxiliary. All students report a very positive experience. In an interview with Andrew Carlson, he stated that he thought the program was well organized, a great experience, and he met a lot of great people and that the staff were very skilled. He ran for a State Senate seat and won as Senator of one of the twenty-seven cities. He is already helping schedule a reunion with friends made at Badger Boys this year. Congratulations to all of you!

Submitted by: Mark Maurer
Post 98 Youth Program Coordinator

Boaters: Help Protect Emerging Wild Rice In Wisconsin Waters

MADISON, Wis. – The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR) encourages boaters to be aware of early-growth wild rice while out on Wisconsin's lakes, rivers and flowages throughout the rest of the summer growing season.

In July, wild rice plants are at a higher risk of being uprooted during the early growth season, making it a vital time for boaters and other outdoor recreators to be aware of wild rice growth. The rice will likely have leaves growing above the water and become more visible as a grass growing out of the water.

It isn't until closer to the Labor Day weekend when these plants will be more robust and have stalks that support the seeds of this treasured grain. To learn more about the wild rice life cycle, visit the UW-Madison Sea Grant website.

Wild rice, also known as "manoomin" by the Ojibwe people, has two species in Wisconsin. "Northern rice" (*Zizania palustris*) is harvested by people for food and found in lakes, rivers and flowages in northern Wisconsin. "Southern rice" (*Zizania aquatica*) is a taller plant that is typically found in river systems in the southern part of the state. Since the seeds are smaller, it's not usually harvested.

How Boaters Can Help

Before heading out, the DNR encourages boaters to check the DNR's Surface Water Data Viewer to see if wild rice has been documented in the lakes, rivers or flowages they plan to visit. This layer in the mapping tool is not inclusive of all wild rice waters but will show water bodies where

wild rice is more abundant.

Waves created by boats will uproot growing rice plants during vulnerable stages of growth when they are just below or above the surface of the water. Boaters on known wild rice waters are encouraged to practice slow/no wake near shallow areas that might have wild rice growing, particularly in shallow areas of bays, backwaters and near inlets and outlets of streams.

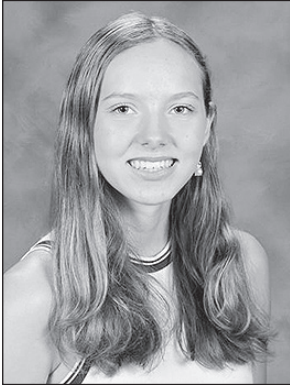
Indigenous Significance Of Wild Rice

Found only in the upper Midwest and parts of Canada, wild rice was once abundant in northern Wisconsin and continues to hold a timeless, unchanging place in the culture, identity and spirituality for many Tribal Nations in Wisconsin.

The plant has long been a key part of ceremonies, feasts and food security for certain Tribal Nations. The traditions surrounding the wild rice harvest carry on all year. But its presence in state waters has declined significantly over the past several decades due to threats like increased temperatures and stronger and more frequent storms resulting from climate change.

"It's really kind of hard to picture what life would be like without wild rice because that's the very core of who we are," said Kathleen Smith, a member of the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community. Smith is the Ganawandang manoomin, or "she who takes care of the rice," for the Great Lakes Indian Fish and Wildlife Commission (GLIFWC).

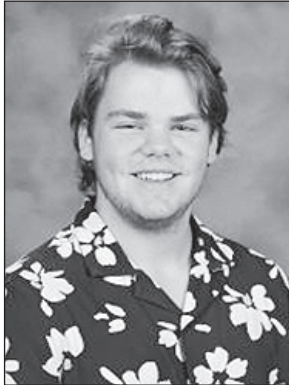
GLIFWC's most recent Climate Change Vulnerability Assessment listed manoomin as the most vulnerable species, ranging from "highly vulnerable"



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Youth Livestock Exhibitors Preparing Quality Meat Animals for 2026 Show and Sale

BARRON, WI – 4-H and FFA members across the county are currently preparing their quality livestock projects for the upcoming Barron County Fair, scheduled for July 15–19, 2026. This year marks the 61st year of the annual Junior Livestock Sale, the highlight of the youth livestock project, which provides an essential educational and financial experience for local participants.

Fair Schedule Highlights-Livestock Shows

The livestock project starts well in advance of the fair, with exhibitors selecting and raising their market lambs, hogs, or steers. Animals are registered in advance of the fair, and members are trained in quality production practices through the YQCA, or Youth for the Quality Care of Animals program. At the fair, animals must meet strict weight, rate of gain, and carcass qualifications to advance to the live show. Live animal judging for meat animal species will take place in the covered arena north of the dairy barns at the following times:

Sheep: Wednesday, July 15 at 2:00 p.m.
Hogs: Thursday, July 16 at 8:00 a.m.



to "extremely vulnerable." Highly vulnerable indicates abundance and/or range is likely to decrease significantly by 2050, while extremely vulnerable means abundance and/or range is extremely likely to substantially decrease by 2050 – or disappear altogether.

Tribes, GLIFWC, DNR researchers and other partners are working together to learn what they can about wild rice to save it and help the cultural traditions live on.

Ecological Importance Of Wild Rice

Wild rice, an annual aquatic plant, provides a rich food source and habitat for wildlife, including waterfowl, blackbirds and muskrats. Wild rice beds exist as places of high biological diversity with numerous benefits that extend throughout the food chain. Protecting important areas where wild rice thrives will help ensure the persistence of many of Wisconsin's wildlife for all to enjoy. The plant is also known to be an indicator of good water quality and a healthy ecosystem.

Boaters should continue to be aware of wild rice growth throughout the summer. Depending on the lake, wild rice harvest typically takes place in September.

For more on wild rice in Wisconsin, visit the DNR's wild rice webpage. Sign up for DNR email alerts to receive wild rice harvesting updates.

Beef: Thursday, July 16 at 2:00 p.m.

61st Annual Junior Livestock Sale

The annual sale will take place on Saturday, July 18, 2026, in the covered show arena. Presale announcements begin at 1:10 p.m., with the sale starting promptly at 1:30 p.m. A total of 95 locally raised meat animals from the beef, sheep, and swine projects will be auctioned to the highest bidder. Paffel Auctioneering will conduct the sale, with Citizens Community Federal Bank serving as clerks.

Prior to the sale, exhibitors and their families will host a picnic and reception on Saturday, July 18, at 11:30 a.m. in the track infield for all past and prospective buyers. Attendees are encouraged to visit with the youth and view the exhibits throughout the morning.

All animals being sold have met the quality standards established by the project and based on current meat industry standards. This includes meeting final minimum weight, rate of gain, and carcass quality standards, and earning a spot in the top 30 for beef, top 40 for hogs, and top 25 for lambs.

Animals sold at the sale

will be processed at the Almena Meat Company at Almena, The Butcher Shop, Rice Lake; Bob's Processing & Lotts A Meat, Bloomer, and Farm Country Butchery, Conrath.

Carcass quality will be evaluated for each animal via ultrasound technology prior to the live shows. A discussion of carcass quality and overall awards presentation for the project will take place on Thursday, July 23rd at the Barron Area Community Center at 7 pm.

How to Participate

The public is invited to attend, bid, and buy! Supporting these youth projects—whether as an individual, family, or business—offers opportunities for supporting local students and obtaining locally grown high quality meat products while receiving buyer recognition, including sale announcements, poster displays, and advertising in future promotional materials.

Anyone interested in bidding can pre-register by contacting the sale clerk Jason Erb at Citizens Community Federal Bank (jerb@ccf.us); Doug Kucko at Compeer Financial Services, Rice Lake, Doug.Kucko@compeer.com, or any of the species superintendents and project leaders listed below.

low. Bidder registration will also be available on the day of the sale at the arena.

WJMC Radio will carry a presale broadcast on Friday morning, giving information about the beef, swine, and sheep shows and general information about the livestock sale. Sale catalogs will be available on Friday morning at the Fairgrounds and the Barron County Fair website.

For more information, please contact:

Kristin Hanson:
Beef & Sheep Superintendent; Barron High School Agriculture Instructor/FFA Advisor; 715-537-5627 ext. 126 ; hansonk@barron.k12.wi.us

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9:00 am	Open Class Judging (C)
1:00 pm	Junior Class Judging (C)
5:00 pm	Free Gate Admission
5:30 pm	Stuffed Animal Show! (D)
6:30pm	Opening Ceramony (F)

Opening Tuesday Night!
Fair Food, Music, Kids Hot Wheel Races, and Tiny Tot Ride Specials
Rides are best for ages 2-8 (\$10 unlimited)
(Little Tykes rides are the only rides available Tuesday evening!)

Wednesday- July 15

10:00 am	Junior Small Animal (B)
12:00 pm	Junior Cat Show (J)
2:00 pm	Sheep Show (K)
7:00 pm	Harness Races - \$5 (L)

Thursday- July 16: KIDS DAY

Free Gate Admission till 4pm (15 and under)

8:00 am	Hog Show (K)
1:00 pm	Poultry Show (B)
1:00 pm	Veggie Races (J)
2:00 pm	Beef Show (K)
2:30 pm	Cookies & Crowns (I)
4:30 pm	Rabbit Show (B)
4:30 pm	Sanctioned Kids Pedal Pull (F)
7:00 pm	Harness Races - \$5 (L)

Friday- July 17: Senior Day

8:00 am	Horse Show (H)
8:45 am	Junior Dairy Show (K)
9:00 am	Crops Judging (K)
4:00 pm	Goat Show (K)
5:00 pm	Little Shepherd Show (K)
8:00 pm	Demo Derby Adults \$15/Kids 6-15-\$5 (L)

Saturday- July 18

8:00 am	Horse Show (H)
8:30 am	Cops & Robbers 5K (F)
11:30 am	Junior Livestock Picnic (J)
1:30 pm	Junior Livestock Auction (K)
6:30 pm	Catholic Mass (D)
7:00 pm	Truck & Tractor Pull Extravaganza Adults \$15 – Kids 6-15-\$5 (L)

DAILY FEATURES

Nick's Kids	Balloon Man
Balloon Art	Hot Wheel Races

Sunday- July 19: LAST BLAST

Two Free kids with every one paying adult

10:00 am	Ecumenical Service (D)
10:00 am	Drill Team Performance (H)
11:00am	State Fair Dairy Parade (K)
11:00am	Drill Team Performance (H)
12:00pm	Little Britches Dairy Show (K)

12:00-3:00

Free Tractor & Combine Ride for Kids
Horse Drawn Wagon Rides

12:45 pm	Open Dairy Show (K)
1:00pm	RC Racing (L)
1:30 pm	Crowning Fairest of the Fair (A)
2:30 pm	4-H Graduation (D)
4:30 pm	4-H Adult Leader Raffle (C)
5:00 pm	Project Release

Event Locations:

(A) Tim Heffernan Stage	(C) Expo Building	(E) Fair Office	(G) Goat Barn	(I) Hospitality Building	(K) Livestock Show Arena
(B) Rabbit/Poultry Building	(D) Fairtime Chapel	(F) Flag Pole	(H) Horse Arena	(J) Infield Tent	(L) Mosaic Grandstand

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