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## FROM OUR VERY YOUNGEST TO OUR VERY OLDEST WRENS WE'VE GOT EXCITING NEWS AND INFORMATION IN THIS ISSUE ABOUT GREAT THINGS HAPPENING AT WRENSHALL SCHOOL.

**Our youngest:** Kindergarten round up, early childhood screening, preschool registration, and Wrens Club updates are packed in this issue.

And our oldest: Wrenshall Knowledge Bowl Advances to STATE! SEE BELOW AND PAGE 7.

Also see pages 4-6 for complete Community Education information.



# Congratulations Wrenshall Knowledge Bowl!

# **Good Luck at STATE!**

READ THE FULL ARTICLE ON PAGE 7

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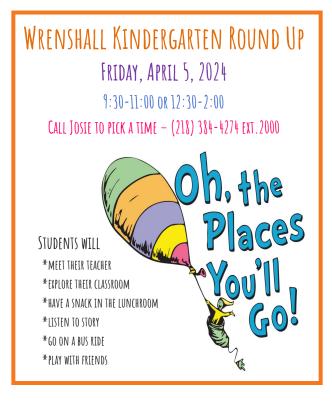
May Issue Deadline: April 15th

END OF Q3: March 22nd SPRING BREAK: March 25th — 29th KINDERGARTEN ROUND UP:

April 5th EARLY CHILDHOOD

SCREENING: April 19th

NO SCHOOL: April 26th





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Wrenshall School Board

public comment procedures

public record of its meetings this year. One of the

steps that emerged from that process was a shift

from a public comment period within the regular

monthly business meetings to immediately prior

to the meetings. Listening to constituents is a

priority for the board directors. Dedicating time

prior to each meeting (regularly 5:30 p.m.) will

enable them to listen carefully and keep public

comment and board actions distinct. Effective

January 18. public comment will be available

at 5:30 p.m. The board will take a brief recess

before calling their meetings to order following

The Wrenshall Board of Education has been

continuously improving the organization and

# Notes from the ${f NEST}$

By: Michelle Blanchard, Ed.S.

#### HELLO WRENSHALL FAMILIES! April in Ojibwe is Iskigamizige-giizis, which translates to Boiling Sap

Moon. I hope that everyone will enjoy their Spring



Break! My family and I will take a trip to Arizona to visit my son and to take in some sightseeing. It will be nice to get away!

In April students will participate in MCA testing. The Minnesota Comprehensive Assessments (MCAs) are assessments in reading,

mathematics, and science and are administered every year. The MCAs are based on the Minnesota Academic Standards, which specify what students in a particular grade should know and be able to do.

Why do we give these tests? We use the MCA to find out how well schools have aligned curriculum to and instructed students in the Minnesota Academic Standards in reading, mathematics, and science. The reading and mathematics assessments are also used in federal and state accountability measurements. Schools use the information to improve classroom teaching and learning. Teachers and principals look for areas where students do well so they can reinforce the ways they teach these skills. They also look for areas that need improvement so they can increase instructional time or modify their instruction.

Who must take these tests? All students in public schools are required to participate in the statewide assessment program. Reading and mathematics tests are administered in grades 3–8 and high school (students in grade 10 take the Reading MCA, and students in grade 11 take the Mathematics MCA). The Science MCA is administered to students in grades 5 and 8 and in the high school grade when students take a life science or biology course. With very few exceptions, all public school students in the above grades take the MCA. To help ensure your child does their best, please make sure they are getting plenty of rest. We will provide breakfast for students.

- Kindergarten Round-up will take place on April 5th and we are looking forward to meeting our newest Wrens and their families!
- Our K-5 students will have an opportunity on April 3rd to partake in a live presentation from an educator from the Science Museum of Minnesota. Thank you, Miss Rowland, for organizing this event!
- Raptor Spring sports are well underway with track & field, baseball, and softball teams. You can find schedules on isd100.net under the Activities tab.

Have a wonderful Spring! Principal Blanchard

#### TRANSPORTATION FOR EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

- 1. The Carlton-Wrenshall Cooperative Agreement requires the host school to provide transportation to and from practices and competitions.
- 2. The Wrenshall District will arrange transportation as necessary for students enrolled in Wrenshall School to and from their practice or competition sites this spring season. Cases for an exception waiver can be presented by the participant's parent or guardian to Principal Michelle Blanchard.
- 3. Wrenshall students will practice on campus on any days that school transportation may not be available.

Thank you for your patience as we focus on our ultimate priority of student safety.

Jeff Pesta

Interim Superintendent

## SCHOOL BOARD MEETINGS:

2024	6:00 Work Sessions	<u>6:00* Regular Meetings</u>	Location
April	3rd	8th*	Media Center
May	2nd	6th*	Media Center
June	5th	10th*	Media Center
July	(none)	8th*	Holyoke Town Hall
August	lst	12th*	Media Center
September	5th	9th	Media Center
October	2nd	8th	Media Center
November	6th	12th	Media Center
December	4th	10th	Media Center

\* public comment available at 5:30 p.m. prior to regular meetings

2025 Organizational Meeting / Work Session: January 8, 2025

HOMELESS EDUCATION In compliance with The McKinney-Vento Act of 2001, Wrenshall School is committed to providing a free, appropriate public education to any children or youth in the school district who are experiencing homelessness. Homelessness is defined as a lack of a fixed, regular and adequate nighttime residence. Anyone aware of local school-age children experiencing homelessness, please contact Wrenshall School's homeless liaison, Jeff Pesta. Further information on McKinney-Vento and rights of homeless children can be found at http://education.state.mn.us/ MDE/SchSup/ESEA/HomelessMcKinneyVento/index. html or call the NCHE Helpline at 800-308-2145 or e-mail homeless@serve.org

# WRENSHALL SCHOOL DISTRICT

#### Administration

the comment period.

Jeff Pesta, Superintendent Michelle Blanchard, Principal

#### **School Board Members**

Mary Carlson, Chairperson, 651-206-0203 Eric Ankrum, Vice Chairperson, 218-348-9587 Ben Johnson, Clerk, 218-260-7559 Misty Bergman, Treasurer, 507-829-4053 Alice Kloepfer, 218-384-4733 Nicole Krisak, 218-830-9692

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# Community Support CORNER

By: Mike Schmidt, LSW, Family School Support Worker

HELLO WRENSHALL COMMUNITY! I hope this issue of **images** finds you well. Soon spring break will be in the books and we will be hitting the books here at Wrenshall school for the final stretch of the 2023-2024 school year.



April is a month of transition. Change is all around us. Another summer is right around the corner.

The final couple months of the school year can be stressful for everyone from students tracking their credits and progress, to parents trying to plan some structure for their students in the summer months. The clock starts now for everyone in our community. Just thinking about that

can be stressful, let alone tackling it.

According to the National Institutes of Health, "April is recognized as National Stress Awareness Month to bring attention to the negative impact of stress. Managing stress is an essential component of a healthy lifestyle. Knowing how to manage stress can improve mental and physical well-being as well as minimize health-related issues." Have you ever asked yourself how you manage stress? What are your coping skills? Taking time to reflect and honor your experience with stress is important. Stress can affect our entire being. How many times have you experienced stomach knots and other physical symptoms because of stress? It doesn't go away but we can address it. Mindfulness regarding your stress is key to its management.

You owe it to your hard-working self to not let that stress drive the bus. Do what works best for you. Reach out to those you trust. Do a quick search on how to manage your stress. Take a moment. Sometimes the most productive thing we can do is relax. We will get through it. Until next month, take care of yourself, Wrenshall!

Mike Schmidt, LSW Family School Support Worker 218-428-2313 mschmidt@isd100.org

## Just Kids Dental — A Minnesota

School-Based Dental Program will be returning to the school in May. If you

have not yet had a chance to fill out the application, forms are available by contacting the nurse's office at darneson@isd100.org

or 218-384-4274 ext. 2005.



#### www.isd100.net

The Wrenshall School website has transitioned to a new host. Please bookmark www.isd100.net.

# WrenStrong

EFFORT. RESPECT. BELONG.

# Students of the Month

#### Rowan Ankrum

"Rowan works very hard and always does quality work! She has come out of her shell a lot this year! She is a kind friend, always loves to help everyone, and has a wonderful sense of humor. We also share a love of music and singing!"

#### Jaxon Richards "Jaxon has been working super hard in the classroom recently. I have especially noticed that his handwriting skills have improved greatly in the last few weeks, and he is taking his time to make sure he is always doing his best! Jaxon is a kind friend to all, he is creative, and he has a great personality!"





#### Jeffrey Stephenson "I'd like to nominate Jeffrey Stephenson

for his effort during independent work time at our literacy centers. Jeffrey always does his best and stays on task with his work!"

# EACH STUDENT. LIMITLESS OPPORTUNITIES.

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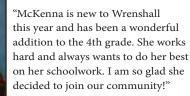
# **Evie Reinsch**

"Evie is a great kiddo! She is a friend to all students and helps anyone who needs help. She works really hard on her work and gets her work done on time. She has a great heart and a wonderful personality!"

# Evelyn Teggatz

"Eveyln is a great student who contributes to all that we do in the classroom. She works hard on her work and does a great job getting it in on time! She treats everyone with kindness and is very helpful without having to be asked!"

### McKenna Granheim



#### **Ryan Mattson**

"Ryan is a kind human who works hard to get his work done and is kind to his peers in my room."

## Joe Gerard

"Joe is in a class that can be loud and distracting. He works every day to do his work, and asks questions if he needs help. He is kind to his peers when they often do not deserve his kindness."



# Wrenshall COMMUNITY EDUCATION

HELLO WRENSHALL COMMUNITY! My Name is Katie Beck and I would like to formally introduce myself, as I was recently given the opportunity to take on the role of Community Education Coordinator for



ISD 100. I'm not quite "new" to the area or the school, but I am new to this position. My family has been in the Wrenshall area since Spring of 2020 and our oldest child enrolled in fall of 2020. I was immediately hooked on the wonderfully tight knit school community we have here in Wrenshall. It started with the Pre-K (school readiness) program so I have

to give a shout out to Ms. Tina & Ms. Shirley for welcoming my family! I've been very involved with the school over the years: participating in Partners in Education (PIE). substitute teaching, serving on many school committees, and giving my time wherever and whenever I can. The role I'm in is a learning role and there have been some growing pains. I'm sure there will be more, but I am excited and honored for the opportunity to help this district grow! I have a great mentor (boss), Michele Carlson, who has been involved with Community Education in Esko for many years. She is our Community Education Director and is sharing her wealth of knowledge and experience to help us create more sustainable programs while guiding me in this new role with Community Education. My first lesson — Community Education is so much bigger than I imagined. I would like to share a little information to show what Community Education truly is, and how its programs serve our school and our community:

#### What is Community Education?

According to Minnesota Community Education Association, "Community Education is a statewide initiative reaching every corner of Minnesota through local schools and school districts. For more than 50 years, community education programs have partnered with communities across the state to address local and statewide needs. Minnesota Community Education programs are funded through a combination of state aid, local levies and participant fees. Community Education creates impactful programming for ALL participants to feel a sense of belonging in their community. We ensure access to quality opportunities and resources that are inclusive of the needs of ALL residents in order to eliminate opportunity gaps, positively impact communities, and encourage them to grow as individuals."

Please take our Community Education Survey. You can do so online by using the QR code below or you may answer by completing and mailing in the form found on page 5. Mail to:

Wrenshall Community Education Attn: Katie Beck 207 Pioneer Drive Wrenshall, MN 55797





Please follow Wrenshall

Community Education

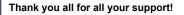
Facebook page for the most up to date

information!

# **Upcoming CE Events:**

- Community Education Advisory Council: Tuesday, April 9th - 6:00 PM Conference Room
- Northern Outdoors Club Lucky Lures: Tuesday, April 16th - 3:00 to 4:30 PM (watch for registration)
- Father/Daughter Ball: Saturday, April 27th - 5:00 to 9:00 PM - (RSVPs are due April 5th)





DONORS Choose



Wrens Club is so close to purchasing cots (an upgrade from plastic floor mats) for our preschoolers who are with us on Tuesday and Thursday wrap around care days.

Will you help us get to our goal?



See page 6 for details and registration.



Save the date! Wrenshall City Wide Annual Garage Sale

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COMMUNITY EDUCATION SURVEY	Community Ed
Please take our Community Education Survey. You can do so online by using the QR code on page 4 or you may answer by completing and mailing in this form. Mail to: Wrenshall Community Education, Attn: Katie Beck, 207 Pioneer Drive, Wrenshall, MN 55797	• Introduction from
Wrenshall Community Education Input: Community Education is a state funded program that offers many programs and opportunities for the community. Little Wrens and Hatchlings School Readiness programs, ECFE (Early Childhood Family Education), child care and wrap around care for ages 3-12 during the school year and during the summer, after school clubs for elementary students, scheduling of facility use in the district, as well as adult recreation and exercise classes. The biggest event currently offered by Community Education is the Father Daughter ball which has been a community staple for 25 rears. We are looking for input about how programs are running now and what events or opportunities you may want to see in the future. Thank you for your time in filling out this form!	Katie Beck, along page 4. Please pro • Hard copy of the C hard copy over an
<ol> <li>I (or my children) have attended a community education program in the past year.</li> <li>Yes</li> <li>No</li> </ol>	<ul> <li>Opportunity to su Choose. See page</li> </ul>
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<ul> <li>6. Community Education programs have had trouble making enough money in the past. What suggestions do you have for community education to cover costs of programming? <i>Feel free to provide an additional sheet for your response</i>.</li> </ul>	The Wrens Club is all about k reinforcement, hands on pla educational environment for kid
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8. What events or programs would you like to see offered that are not an option in Wrenshall currently? Feel free to provide an additional sheet for your response.	Price: \$75 / 2 d *Wrens club needs a minimu
9. What options are available to Community Education for partnerships in the district? Feel free to provide an additional sheet for your response.	Current Wrens Club stu March 4th, Wrenshall resid
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phone number	
<ul> <li>14. Community Education is looking for volunteers to serve on the advisory board to help with planning for the future and implementing programs. Are you interested in becoming a member of the advisory council?</li> <li>o Yes</li> </ul>	Parent(s)/Guardian(s) Nar Address
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- **Community Education Coordinator,** with a QR code to the online CE survey on ovide your input!
- E survey questions at left if you prefer online survey.
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2025 Wrens Club registration below.

# CLUB REGISTRATION 2024 - 2025

ids! Our philosophy is to help kids grow through positive ay, and educational enrichment. We offer a safe, fun and Is. We are open before and after school as well as during the preschoolers. We'd love to have you join us! open 6 am - 6 pm Monday - Friday

lays or \$125 / 3, 4 or 5 days pre-k students um of amount of students to be open M/W/F 8 am - 3 pm

Idents may register for the 2024 - 2025 starting dents March 11th, and Open Enrollment begins on will be filled on a first come first serve basis.

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estions, please email jjeche@isd100.org or call 384-4274 Ext. 3100

## Club Registration Form 2024/2025

with registration fee (\$50) to Wrenshall School or mail to school

e, 207 Pioneer Drive, Wrenshall, MN 55797

Date of Birth\_\_\_\_\_

me

\_Phone number\_

n/Tues/Wed/Thurs/Fri



# LOOKING FOR SCHOOL BOARD MINUTES?

Wrenshall School Board meeting minutes can be found on the BoardBook Agenda tab in the school board area of the website. Or, the QR code on the right will bring you directly to the Wrenshall BoardBook site. Click on any blue "Agenda" link and scroll to find minutes being approved at that meeting.





MARK YOUR CALENDARS: Elementary Track & Field Day Afternoon of May 24 (cancelled if raining)

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# Our heartfelt condolences to the family of Jim Dennie.

Mr. Dennie gave many years serving his community including Wrenshall Schools, Wrenshall athletics, and the Wrenshall Booster Club.

# SPRING SPORTS

Schedules can be found on isd100.net Click on the "Activities Schedule" button near the top of the home page.



Elementary Spring Concert and Art Show Wednesday, May 15 K-3 at 12:30 4-6 + Elem. Band at 1:45 Art Show in Commons Area

Please take time to complete the community education survey. You can respond online by using the QR code on page 4 or you may use the form on page 5 of this issue. Your input is valuable. Thank you!

# WRENSHALL KNOWLEDGE BOWL ADVANCES TO STATE!

By: Coach Denise North

In an impressive display of intellectual prowess, the Wrenshall Knowledge Bowl team has secured a spot in the state tournament after finishing in 2nd place in the Northeast Region. The team, composed of seniors Jack Riley, Alexis Nelson, Alexis Swanson, and Brysen Jessup, alongside alternate players Elliana Lattu, Natalya Kacer, and Sophomore Isabel Riley showcased their knowledge and teamwork to clinch their advancement to the state level.

The regional competition, held on the 12th of March. saw the Wrenshall team go headto-head against formidable opponents, demonstrating their dedication and commitment to the competition they've been a part of for vears. With their comprehensive understanding of various subjects and quick thinking abilities, they secured their place among the top contenders, earning the opportunity to represent their school at the state level.

For the seniors, this accomplishment

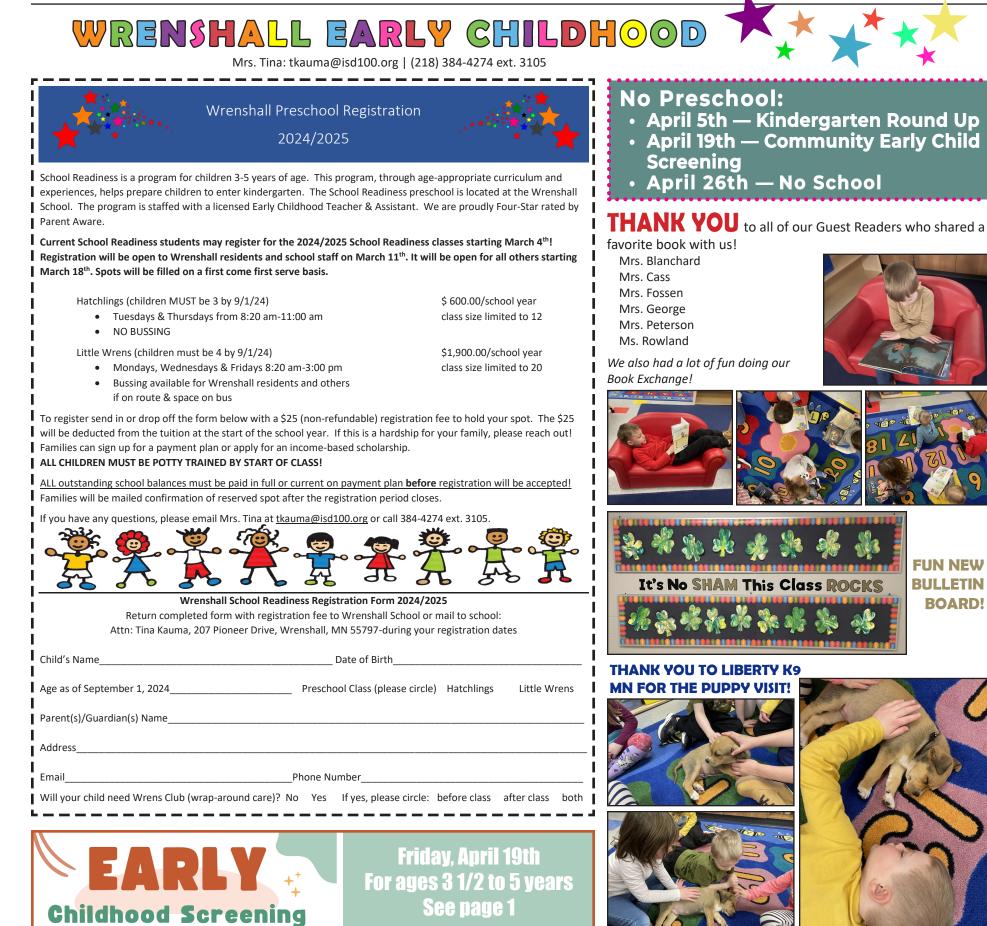
is the culmination of years of hard work and dedication to Knowledge Bowl. Their passion for learning and their willingness to challenge themselves intellectually have propelled them to this achievement. As they prepare to compete at the state meet, scheduled for April 11th and 12th at Cragun's Resort in Brainerd, MN, they carry with them the pride and support of the Wrenshall community.

Home of the

WRENSHALL SCHOOT

**WRENS!** 

This year's advancement to the state tournament holds special significance for Wrenshall, marking the first time since 2014 that the school has made it to this prestigious stage in Knowledge Bowl. The team's success not only highlights their individual talents but also reflects the strength of the program and the supportive environment fostered by their coaches and families.



# HOLYOKE TOWN BOARD

Town Board Meetings are held the Second Tuesday of every month at the Town Hall.

Linda McCuskey • Supervisor • 651-230-0773

John Magnuson • Supervisor • 218-348-3831

Paula Siltberg • Supervisor • 218-496-0424

Holyoke Township has a new area of its cemetery available for gravesites.

Interested individuals should contact a township supervisor for more information.

### WRENSHALL TOWNSHIP

All regular meetings are called to order at 7:00 p.m. at the Township Hall, 3096 County Road 1, Wrenshall, MN

The schedule of the regular meetings for Wrenshall Township is set forth below:

Tuesday, May 14, 2024

Tuesday, July 9, 2024

Tuesday, September 10, 2024

Tuesday, November 12, 2024

January 14, 2025 (Reorganizational and Regular)

Judy L. Korby Wrenshall Town Clerk 218-384-4452

Supervisors: Marvin Durkee: 218-384-3645 Dwain Meyer: 1-218-460-8910 Henry Wyman: 218-390-6495

## SILVER BROOK TOWNSHIP 2024 MEETING DATES

Silver Brook Town Hall, 401 Alcohol Road, Wrenshall, Minnesota

Wednesday, April 3, 2024, 2:00 PM – Board of Equalization

Annual Road Survey – Date/Time to be determined

Tuesday, May 21, 2024, 6:00 PM – Regular Meeting

Tuesday, July 16, 2024, 6:00 PM – Regular Meeting

PRIMARY ELECTION: Tuesday, August 13, 2024, POLLS OPEN 7:00 AM - 8:00 PM

Tuesday, September 17, 2024, 6:00 PM – Continuation of Annual Mtg/Regular Meeting

GENERAL ELECTION: Tuesday, November 5, 2024, POLLS OPEN: 7:00 AM – 8:00 PM

Tuesday, November 12, 2024, 6:00 PM – Regular Meeting & Board of Canvass

Any additional special meetings or changes to regular meeting dates

will be posted on the township website: www.silverbrooktownship.com



Our K-12 yearbook is \$62.00 until April 12th, and then the cost will go up to full price. Purchase your yearbook online at jostensyearbooks.com.

# WRENSHALL CREATIVE COLLECTIVE

Our Wrenshall Creative Collective website, magazine, podcasts, and videos are all available to you at wrenshallcreative.co. (That is not a typo...it is .co! Like Wrenshall Creative Co...see what we did there?!).

#### **ASSESSMENT NOTICE**

Important Information Regarding Property Assessments

This may affect your 2025 property taxes

 The Board of Appeal and Equalization for the Township of Wrenshall
 will meet on 04/11/24, 1 P.M., at

 Wrenshall Town Hall
 . The purpose of this meeting is to determine whether property in the jurisdiction has been properly valued and classified by the assessor.

If you believe the value or classification of your property is incorrect, please contact your assessor's office to discuss your concerns. If you disagree with the value or classification after discussing it with your assessor, you may appear before the local board of appeal and equalization. The board will review your assessments and may make corrections as needed. Generally, you must appeal to the local board before appealing to the county board of appeal and equalization.

No complaint that another person is assessed too low will be acted upon until the person so assessed, or his agent, shall have been notified of such complaint.

30th Given under my hand this 2024 nuaris Clerk of the Township

#### SILVER BROOK TOWNSHIP

#### ASSESSMENT NOTICE

The Board of Appeal and Equalization of the Township of Silver Brook will meet on

Wednesday, April 3, 2024, at 2:00 PM, at the Silver Brook Town Hall.

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Alieca Johnson, Clerk

# Silver Brook Cemetery

Lots are available in the Silver Brook Cemetery.

Contact Supervisor Randy Wolf at 218-380-9804.



registration on page 8.

2024/2025 REGISTRATION

204 – 5TH STREET IN CARLTON, 218-384-4501 TAKEOUT AVAILABLE TICKETS AVAILABLE AT THE DOOR "PRE-SALE" TICKETS ALSO AVAILABLE

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# Thank you, **images**

Wrenshall School District

Silver Brook Township

City of Wrenshall

Holyoke Township

Wrenshall Fire Department

Wrenshall Township

Brickyard Restaurant Byron and Caroline Johnson 111 Broadway • 384-3569

Cloquet Sanitary North Country Waste Randy Crestik • 879-3723

CMH Raiter Family Clinic 417 Skyline Blvd., Cloquet 218-879-1271 www.cloquethospital.com

Bethesda Lutheran Church 204 5th Street Carlton, MN

River's Edge Presbyterian Church 506 Chestnut Avenue Carlton, MN

> Del Zotto Products of Minnesota, Inc. 1900 County Road 1 Wrenshall • 384-3066

SonLife Community Church 417 Alcohol Road Wrenshall, MN

# City Minutes

WRENSHALL CITY COUNCIL February 7, 2024, 5:00 p.m. Regular Meeting

Attendance: Gary Butala, Duane Ziebarth, Jody Mattinen, Melvin Martindale, Alieca Johnson, Tracie Lemberg, John Mikrot, Mike Gravelle, and Peter Laveau. Councilor Gvesrude was absent.

Motion by Martindale; seconded by Mattinen to approve the agenda with the addition of 11. New Business, (a) Security Cameras. Motion carried.

Motion by Martindale; seconded by Butala to approve the Consent Agenda including minutes from the Regular Council Meeting on January 10, 2024, and checks as follows — Pre-paids: (#30821-30822-VOID #30823-#30838=\$58,674.05; Payroll: #30839-#30848=\$7,683.39; January bills: 02/07/24-1 thru-3 and 30849-30859=\$7,647.98; and Electronic Transfers: 01/11/24-1 &-2=\$3,644.84. Motion carried.

Fire Chief: There were 4 calls in January; 2 medical/2 fire. Firefighters are exempt from the ESST requirements. The new point system is in place and will be referred to as "Incentive Pay". Motion by Mattinen; seconded by Martindale to approve the application for a FEMA grant for extrication equipment (\$40,000) and pledging a 5% match if the grant is successful. Motion carried. Bollig will be contacted to find out if they would be able to assist with the grant application. There will be a steak fry at the fire hall for current/retired firefighters on March 23, 2024.

Congratulations to Kinlee and Zack, the Wrenshall Fourth Graders who won the MRWA Fourth Grade Poster Contest. Their posters have been sent to the MRWA for judging at their annual conference.

Planning Commission: Mobile Homes in an R-2 District. A special meeting will be held Tuesday, February 13, 2024, at 1:00 PM, to review and discuss requirements for manufactured homes.

Engineering: Motion by Mattinen; seconded by Butala to rescind the previous motion committing to a \$10,000 lump sum payment for Bollig's Task Order #2 and amending the agreement to a lump sum payment of \$5,000.0. Ziebarth-Yes, Mattinen-Yes; Martindale-Yes; Butala-Yes. Motion carried. The Safe Routes to Schools Grant has been submitted. There has been no contact from Sinnott on Mason ditches, and they are not returning calls or emails.

Clerk: The city has been informed that the DNR is planning to pave the last section of the Alex Laveau Trail. A parking complaint was processed, and a letter was sent to the resident. Motion by Butala; seconded by Mattinen to purchase a "No Climbing on Deer" sign for \$75.00 to be installed this spring. Motion carried.

Maintenance: The tractor has arrived. Two quotes were received for the electrical work needed in the new pole building. Maintenance staff will request additional quotes. The condition of Parkwood was discussed, and the county will be contacted to see what can be done about potholes and road conditions.

Ponderosa Sales IUP: Now that the service contract has been signed and accepted the City will pursue code enforcement with the Carlton County Attorney.

MHP – I & I Compliance: Motion by Mattinen; seconded by Martindale to approve the application for an administrative search warrant as drafted by David Schaps. Motion carried. The application will be signed and submitted to the Carlton County Court Administrator.

Pru Ponds: Waiting for a response to the letter sent to Mr. Proulx.

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The need for security cameras for city property was discussed. Additional information will be requested. Motion by Mattinen; seconded by Ziebarth to adjourn the meeting at 6:05 PM. Motion carried.

# For FIRE or MEDICAL Emergencies: **Remember to Dial 911**

Are you looking for a rewarding and exciting volunteer opportunity? Do you have the heart to serve your community? Come join the Wrenshall Fire Department.

NO EXPERIENCE REQUIRED — Just the desire to learn new skills and be part of a volunteer team dedicated to serving our community.

FLEXIBLE HOURS — We realize life is busy and value your time. Every effort is made to help you fulfill the requirements of the department as well as the requirements of your job and family.

**BENEFITS** — Pension for members completing 10 years of service. Required as well as optional training in fire suppression and medical training provided by the department resulting in state certification.

**Cadet Program** available for interested young men and women greater than 15 years of age to 18 years of age.

Positions available in fire suppression or medical or both.

For more information contact Fire Chief Peter Laveau at 218-591-2329 or stop by the fire hall on Tuesday evenings after 7:00 p.m. Also check us out on Facebook at Wrenshall Fire and Rescue.

#### Thank You for Your Support



a non-profit volunteer organization dedicated to the protection of our community. The Wrenshall

Our fire department is

Fire Department is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

#### Area Worship Services

**Bethesda Lutheran Church of Carlton** 204 5th Street, Carlton Website - www.bethesdacarlton.org Email - bethesda55718@msn.com (218)384-4501 Sunday Worship: 8:30 a.m. (for up-todate status of worship services, please visit the Bethesda Lutheran Church Facebook page).

#### Elim Lutheran Church

2077 County Road 6, Barnum (218)389-3129 Pastor Becky Wagner Sunday Worship: 9:00 a.m. Education Hour: 10:30 a.m. (All Ages)

#### **Mission Creek Church**

521 131st Ave. West, Duluth | 626-3309
6:00 p.m. Saturday Contemporary Worship Service
10:00 a.m. Sunday Worship Service Awana (3yrs to 8th grade):
Wednesdays, 6:30-8:00 p.m.
H.S. Youth Group (9th-12th grades):
Sundays, 6:00 p.m.

#### The River's Edge Church

506 Chestnut Avenue, Carlton (218)384-4434 Sunday Coffee: 10:00 a.m. Sunday Worship: 10:30 a.m.

**St. Francis Catholic Church** 509 Sunrise Drive, Carlton Fr. Joel Hastings/384-4563 Mass: Saturday: 4:00 p.m. Sunday: 8:00 a.m.

**Sts. Mary & Joseph Church** 1225 Mission Road, Sawyer Church 878-1146 Fr. Joel Hastings/384-4563 Sunday Mass: 10:30 a.m.

#### SonLife Community Church

417 Alcohol Road, Wrenshall (218) 384-4760 Pastor Paul DeVall Sunday Service: 10:00 a.m. with children's programs for nursery through 6th grade. Wednesday Evenings: SonLife Kids' Club 3:30-5:30 p.m. and Youth Group 6:30-8:00 p.m. www.sonlifechurch.com Find us on Facebook

# APRIL EVENTS

Please see note about Raptors spring sports schedules on page 7.

See page 4 for Community Education events.

MCA testing begins in April.

#### Friday, March 22, 2024

• End of Quarter 3

#### March 25th — 29th

• SPRING BREAK

#### Monday, April 1, 2024

School Resumes

#### Tuesday, April 2, 2024

• PIE Meeting, 5:00 p.m.

#### Wednesday, April 3, 2024

• School Board Work Session, 6:00 p.m.

#### Friday, April 5, 2024

• Kindergarten Round Up

#### Monday, April 8, 2024

- School Board Public Comment, 5:30 p.m.
- School Board Regular Meeting, 6:00 p.m.

#### Thursday-Friday, April 11th-12th

• STATE Knowledge Bowl

#### Monday, April 15, 2024

• **images** deadline

#### Friday, April 19, 2024

• Early Childhood Screening

#### Friday, April 26, 2024

• No School

#### Saturday, April 27, 2024

• Father/Daughter Ball, see page 4

Coming up in May: Spring Concert & Art Show on May 15th and Elementary T&F Day on May 24th. Stay tuned for the Senior Awards ceremony date and for details about the May 24th graduation ceremony.



