

Wrentham

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Thank you for your interest in the latest newsletter, feel free to share. If you have a story or photo you'd like to see featured in an upcoming issue, please contact my office. Enjoy!



From the desk of Kevin Sweet

We received a grant award for ADA Improvements at Rice Complex, which was used to add accessible sidewalks. See photos on page 6.

The Sweatt Park Project bid opening was held in May, unfortunately the bid results did not align with the available funds for the project. We are currently working with our engineers to redo some of the scope/design so bidders fully understand what is included. Our priority for the project will be addressing the stairs/railings for safety and access, followed by walkways and then the courts.

We recently finalized our contract with Good Energy to begin the process of Community Electricity` Aggregation. This will allow residents and businesses more competitive electricity choices; potentially lowering electricity rates.

Town Meeting was held on June 3, 2024. The Town passed a number of important articles, including setting the FY25 Budget.

The Town is a recipient of SAFE and Senior SAFE Grants for the Fire Department. These grants support fire and life safety education for school-age children and older adults.

We're excited to announce this new program with CGI Digital! They work to spotlight communities, like ours, with professional videos right on our website. They get the word out on as many platforms as possible, so residents and visitors can see and support the community. For many businesses, getting noticed online and utilizing video can dramatically improve their digital presence. If you have the chance, find out what this program means to you and our community and be sure to check out our videos when they go live!



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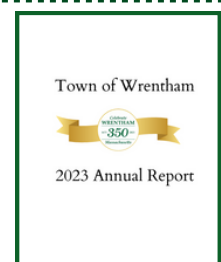
On June 20, 2024 Governor Maura Healey signed bill H.4041 which exempts Chief McGrath from age restrictions for police officers. This will allow us to continue to employ Chief McGrath notwithstanding the maximum age requirement, and may continue to serve in such position until he reaches the age of 70.

We're pleased to announce our online permitting system is now live for select departments! Permits/Application for the Administration Office, Board of Health Department of Inspections/Building Department and Fire are now being accepted! Keep an eye out for more departments to go live soon. The new online permitting system means town residents will be able to apply for building permits, file Title V plans and submit food service applications from their home, the job site, or even while on vacation. Check out the new platform: <https://wrenthamma.portal.opengov.com/>

The 2024-2025 Trash/Recycling Calendar is now available [here](#)

Opioid Settlement Funds allocated to the Town of Wrentham will be distributed in support of applicants' prevention, harm reduction, treatment, and recovery efforts. Wrentham has a total of \$46,729 in Opioid funds available in 2024. Those wishing to apply for funds from the Town of Wrentham must fill out Wrentham's Opioid Settlement Funds online application form. The form is open July 1 to August 30, 2024 and is found here <https://forms.gle/yf4shQBUzu3TjWdU9>

The 2023 Annual Town Report is now available! View the digital copy [here](#). Paper copies are also available at Town Hall in the Select Board's Office. Check out the special section with 350th event photos!



STAFF SPOTLIGHTS

Welcome



Meet Timothy Hadley who joins DPW as an Equipment Operator, welcome Tim!



Cassia Monteiro, Shared Services Coordinator with the Metacomet Public Health Alliance serving Wrentham, Norfolk, and Franklin, will now have office hours on Tuesdays at Wrentham Town Hall in the Nurses Office. Welcome Cassia!

Retirement



Deputy Fire Chief Robert "Bob" Maduskuie retired after 40+ years with Wrentham Fire Department! A reception was held at Public Safety on his last day in office, June 5, also his birthday! Thank you for your service Bob-- enjoy retirement!

MIIA Grant funds Lunch Area behind Town Hall



Thanks to a grant received from MIIA, the Town was able to add an employee lunch area behind Town Hall. John Curtin, left, and Glenn Gillespie, right, install components for the new lunch area.

Recent Highlights

MEMORIAL DAY



Arts on the common





Gary Duquette (left) of the 350th Committee with Todd Duffy (right) of Tribute in Stone install a commemorative plaque on granite for the 350th Bell in the Town Parking Lot.



Dedication on commemorative plaque



ADA improvements made at Rice Complex (above and right) thanks to a grant received by the Town. In addition to accessible sidewalks, a large concrete pad (below) was created for future programming and events.



One of the fashion displays at the "Living in a Material World" Exhibit at the Old Fiske Museum co-curated by the Wrentham Cultural Council and Historic Commission.



Announcements

**SWEATT
BEACH
SUMMER 2024**

MAY 25 - AUGUST 25
OPEN DAILY 10AM - 7PM WEATHER PERMITTING
Open weekends only until June 8, 2024

A reminder that there are no animals allowed at Sweatt Beach at any time.

STAGE II - WATER BAN
Mandatory Restrictions
NO USE between 7a.m. and 7 p.m.
May 1 to September 30



LIVING IN A MATERIAL WORLD
The Fabric of Wrentham Lives

This FREE exhibit is presented by Wrentham's Cultural Council and Historical Commission.

The exhibit is open at the Old Fiske Museum, 55 East Street on Sundays from 10am to 4pm on June 30, July 7, and August 4.

2024 CONCERTS ON THE COMMON
SUNDAYS AT 6PM ON TOWN COMMON (except June 2)

June 02	KING PHILIP BAND @ KP BUS LOOP
June 09	BARE BONES
June 16	DIXIE DIEHARDS
June 23	REMINISANTS
June 30	SCOTT BROWN & THE DIPLOMATS
July 07	MIKE & JOE'S BIG BAND
July 14	SOUTHEASTERN COMMUNITY BAND
July 21	MIKE TARRA MUSIC
July 28	PIECES OF EIGHT
August 04	ELASTIC FIVE
August 11	DAYBREAKERS
August 18	TOM ABBOTT MUSIC

WRENTHAM RECREATION and WRENTHAM RUNNERS
Announces a new addition to the Wacker Series trail races...



THE MOONWACKER
All-Night Trail Race

July 20, 2024
Night of the Full "Buck" Moon

Rice Complex
Emerald Street - Wrentham

The course is a 2 mile grass trail loop of mostly flat terrain with a few hills and windy turns. The race starts at sunset and finishes at sunrise. Participants can either enter as a team of any size, or as a solo competitor. For teams, only one runner runs at a time. The team or individual running the most laps by the time the sun comes up wins! The race duration is 9 hours and 11 minutes, so it's possible winners may run 50 miles or more.

Registration & Details

- Online wrenthamma.myrec.com
- \$20
- \$15 (12under)
- Limited to first 100 entrants
- Register as team/solo/free agent
- Register by 7/8/24 to receive free T-shirt
- Start Time: Sunset 8:15 PM
- End Time: Sunrise 5:26 AM
- Race Check-in: 7:30 PM at Tent
- All ages welcome under 18 must be accompanied by parent/guardian

For additional information visit our website

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SERVIN' UP SUMMER
TENNIS & PICKLEBALL
CAMP & TOURNAMENT

Are your rackets ready? Mr. Moon and Mrs. Pitman sure hope so!

This summer, we are thrilled to partner with Servin' Up Summer to offer tennis and pickleball camps, along with tournament days. Check out the options below to fuel your love for the game. Hurry, spots fill up fast!

Boys/Girls grades 2 - 7 (as of Sept 2024)

King Philip H.S. - Tennis Courts 8am - 1pm

WEEK 1 CAMP
June 17 - 20, 2024

TOURNAMENT
June 24 & 25, 2024

WEEK 2 CAMP
July 8 - 11, 2024

FEE
\$160

FEE
\$80

FEE
\$160

VISIT OUR WEBSITE FOR DETAILS AND LINKS TO REGISTER
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WRENTHAM RECREATION



SUMMER
PLAYGROUND
PROGRAM

Enroll
Now!

FOR BOYS & GIRLS
GRADES K - 7
(as of 9/2024)

JULY 1 -
AUG 16
2024

LOCATED AT THE RICE COMPLEX
JANE D'AMICO PLAYGROUND

Join us for a summer packed with fun and excitement! From sports and games to arts and crafts, movies, and more - there's something for everyone. Plus, Wednesday afternoon we head to Sweatt Beach for swimming! Don't miss out on the chance to **play your summer away!!**

DETAILS:

- July 1 - August 16, 2024
- Monday - Friday
- Full Day 9am - 3pm
- Half Day 9am - 12noon
- Full Day, Half Day, and Daily Rates

Play
the Day
Away



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Summer
VOLLEYBALL CLINIC
BOYS/GIRLS GRADES 6TH - 8TH

as of 9/2024

JOIN US FOR OUR 5-WEEK VOLLEYBALL PROGRAM!

Led by Carly Adams, coach of the KPHS Girls' & Boys' JV Volleyball teams, this program teaches the fundamentals of the sport in an enjoyable and interactive manner. Enhance your volleyball abilities with engaging games, dynamic drills, and fun competitive matches!

ALL LEVELS WELCOME - OPEN TO ALL TOWNS!

REGISTER NOW

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WEDNESDAY NIGHTS

JULY 10, 17, 24, 31
AUG 7, 2024

5 - 6:30 PM

RICE COMPLEX - Volleyball Courts

COST \$90



