

Denmark Viking District Newsletter

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DENMARK SCHOOL BOARD PRIMARY ELECTION

FEBRUARY 16, 2016

Candidate profiles located on pages 3, 4 & 5 of this newsletter.

Denmark Police Changes

On December 31, 2015, Chief Ron Towns retired as an officer for the Village of Denmark. Also in December, Scot Knutson was hired by the Brown County Sheriff's Department as a Sheriff's Deputy. Both of these officers dedicated many hours serving the Community of Denmark. Chief Towns was in the Denmark Schools virtually every day during the lunch time. Officer Knutson volunteered many hours off duty in making our school/community a better place to live and learn. We want to wish them the best of luck in their new adventures and hope to see them around the community.

The Village of Denmark has recently discontinued their local police department and instead has agreed to contract services through the Brown County Sheriff's Department. As part of the agreement, the Brown County Sheriff's Department has agreed to assign or "dedicate" two officers to the village. Part of their duties will be to continue working closely with the Denmark School District. Officer Dan Delebreau and Officer Jonathon Dzekute are the Brown County Deputies assigned to the Village of Denmark and Resource Officers for the School District of Denmark. Please welcome them to our staff.



Denmark High School Choir Students Perform at State Convention

Denmark High School choir students **Emma Knickelbine**, **Ethan Mleziva** and **Emma Utrie** were recently selected to perform with the women's and men's all-state choirs during the Wisconsin Choral Directors Association state convention. The convention was held January 15-16 at Lawrence University in Appleton. The women's choir worked with Beth Holmes, choral director from Millikin University. The men's choir was directed by Dr. Eric Barnum, choral director and composer at UW-Oshkosh. Both choirs capped off the convention with a concert at the Lawrence University Memorial Chapel.

Denmark High School choral students are under the direction of Kim Mikulsky-Hess.



Emma Utrie, Beth Holmes and Emma Knickelbine



Ethan Mleziva and Dr. Eric Barnum



SHARE High School Exchange Program Why Hosting a Student is Important

Exchange programs are founded on the belief that a more profound knowledge of other societies and cultures helps to build stronger relationships among countries, governments and people. International exchange promotes mutual understanding of people around the world. It not only prepares Americans for a global environment, but also attracts future leaders from abroad to study in the United States.

The U.S. is fortunate to count among its best friends abroad those who have experienced our country and our values through in-depth exposure as exchange students. These students help to enrich our communities with their cultures, while developing a lifelong appreciation for ours. The goodwill these students bear for our country will in the future constitute one of our greatest foreign policy assets.

The key element required to make these exchanges possible is American families who are willing to open their hearts and homes to a young person from abroad. Families who host are helping to promote world peace by increasing international awareness, respect and understanding through cultural sharing experiences. Each host family makes a difference. By hosting a student they are supporting world peace – one student at a time.

If you are interested in hosting a student, please contact your local “Share” Coordinator:

Fay Lau @ 9208638734

Email: fayjlau@gmail.com

“Share High School Exchange Program” website

<http://www.erdshare.org/hostanexchangestudent/>



PRIMARY ELECTION FOR DENMARK SCHOOL BOARD

On February 16, 2016, there will be a primary election for the Denmark School Board.

The following community members have decided to run for a school board position:

Julie Lemmens

Tim Stedl

Dan Ullman

Tammy Sommer

Derek Rosek

Kevin Shefchik

There are two positions to be filled. One was created when Joe Duckett decided not to seek re-election and the other is held by Dan Ullman, Board President, who is seeking re-election. These are three-year terms.

The top four candidates will move on to the spring election on April 5, 2016.

The candidates completed a questionnaire to provide some background information.

Please see pages 3, 4 & 5 for their responses.

All candidates should be congratulated for their interest in serving the children and taxpayers of the district.
(Candidate profiles are in the order they will appear on the February 16 ballot.)



SCHOOL BOARD CANDIDATES

JULIE LEMMENS

1. Please provide any personal/professional information you wish to share with the public.

I graduated from UW-Oshkosh with a Bachelor of Business degree and minor in Economics. My husband Bryan and I have been married for 13 years and have two sons, Jacob and Nathan. We are active members of the Denmark community and the activities our boys are involved in. I have enjoyed coaching several of their youth sports teams. Our family belongs to St. James Church where I served three terms on their Board of Education, including three years as chairperson. Additionally, I have been a lector, catechist, and involved in the RCIA program and other volunteering opportunities within the Circle of Faith Parishes.

2. What is the primary reason or reasons you would like to serve on the Denmark School Board?

Fifteen years ago my husband and I moved back to the Denmark School District because we felt strongly that this was where we wanted to raise our future children. As the mother of two boys who are currently attending the Denmark Elementary School, I have a vested interest in not only my children's education, but the overall success of our school district. I believe strongly in the importance of a quality public education and I have seen firsthand the remarkable tools, education and guidance our schools and teachers give our children. I realize there is always some room for improvement, especially in today's fast paced and technology driven world. Therefore, I believe I can utilize my knowledge, experience, and perspective to bring a well-rounded voice to our school board.

3. What are important educational issues, in your view, that you hope to influence while you are a member of the Denmark School Board?

If elected I would continue to ensure a quality education is attainable to all students in our district while still keeping a budget in mind. As a school board, I believe we need to strive to provide an environment (classrooms/buildings, access to technology, quality teachers, etc.) that students of varying diversity need to allow them to successfully prepare for adulthood. I would love to earn the opportunity to serve on the Denmark School Board and assist in making strides to improve our district even further in the coming years.

TIM STEDL

1. Please provide any personal/professional information you wish to share with the public.

Marital Status: Widowed

Education: Denmark High School Class of 1978

Gateway Technical College, Associate Degree in Horticulture.

UW-Madison, Bachelor of Science, College of Agriculture and Life Science.

Occupation: Owner, Stedl's Maribel Orchard

Member St. Joseph Catholic Church, Kellnersville, former Parish Council member.

Served: Building Learning Council at DHS 2011-12

Children:

Lucy - DHS Class of 2012; graduating from Bellin College, School of Radiologic Science, in May.

Sophie - DHS Class of 2014; attending UW-LaCrosse, School of Education.

Sam - DHS Class of 2016; attending NWTC, Youth Apprenticeship Welding Program.

2. What is the primary reason or reasons you would like to serve on the Denmark School Board?

I wanted to give the voters a choice. Thankfully five other brave souls decided the same; good luck to all the candidates. The district has served myself and my family well, so it is time to give back. Pay it forward.

3. What are important educational issues, in your view, that you hope to influence while you are a member of the Denmark School Board?

Keep looking forward. What are colleges, vocational schools and employers looking for now and in the future and are we providing them with graduates prepared to meet their standards.

If elected, I will help propose a budget that is fair to the students, employees and taxpayers of the district. If elected, I will help craft common sense policies that allow for an effective and safe learning environment for the students and staff of the district. Then, I will get out of the way and let administrators administrate, teachers teach and learners learn. As a small business owner and micro-manager at heart, this will require some self-discipline. Thanks, Tim



SCHOOL BOARD CANDIDATES

DAN ULLMAN

1. Please provide any personal/professional information you wish to share with the public.

Years in District: 35

Occupation: Controls Electrician for Wisconsin Public Service Corporation

Family: Dana, Grace, Lillian and Heidi

Education: Northeast Wisconsin Technical College Associate Degree, Instrumentation;

University of Wisconsin - Green Bay Bachelor of Business Administration - Business Management

Political Experience: Town of New Denmark Ordinance Committee, Town of New Denmark Variance Committee, Denmark School Board

Community Involvement: Brown County Junior Achievement Business Consultant, Wisconsin Public Service Speakers Bureau, Former Denmark Lions Club Member

2. What is the primary reason or reasons you would like to serve on the Denmark School Board?

Currently, I am on my second term with the Denmark School Board. It has been a very rewarding and humbling experience to be able to work within our school district and serve our community. There have been many challenges both financially and educationally that we have faced as a district the last couple of years. I would like to continue serving on the board to assist in continually improving our school district and also attracting new students and families to our Denmark community.

3. What are important educational issues, in your view, that you hope to influence while you are a member of the Denmark School Board?

Educational needs and standards seem to be ever-changing. Balancing these changes, while fully educating every student that walks the Denmark School hallways has been at the forefront for our school staff and administration. Understanding the needs of the students, staff and administrators while maintaining a budget our community can afford has been challenging. As state funding has either been reduced or stagnate for several years for education, we have had to make difficult decisions to meet these needs while continuing to educate our students.

I would like to continue working with the district, village and surrounding municipalities to seek pro-active steps to increase our student enrollment through scholastic improvement, competitive sports teams and a positive caring school staff. With the support of the community and a sustainable growth plan for Denmark, more families will begin to see the benefits our district has to offer. Increasing enrollment and establishing community growth will be a step in the right direction to promoting Denmark as a proud place to grow, be active, live, learn and raise a family.

TAMMY SOMMER

1. Please provide any personal/professional information you wish to share with the public.

My husband Shaun and I have been Denmark area residents all of our lives; we are both graduates of the Denmark School District. We chose to raise our two children in this small community for a number of reasons, with one of them being the schools. We have gone through three of the four buildings so far with our children Braedyn and McKinley, with our oldest entering high school next year. Thus far, each school has lived up to the expectations we have had for education and staff. It is great to be able to get to know the people who are with our children the majority of the day, something we may not have had in a larger district.

Professionally, I call Denmark home, opening my business, Blossoms and Steve's Cheese Retail Store, 19 years ago. I couldn't find a better place. We have grown our business over the years and have come to be a place where community members gather.

I am the co-leader for my daughter's Girl Scout Troop. We are advocates for Epilepsy Awareness with the Anita Kaufmann Foundation and Epilepsy Foundation, holding an annual "Great Purple Cupcake Project" each year on March 26. All proceeds from this go to educating the community about Epilepsy.

2. What is the primary reason or reasons you would like to serve on the Denmark School Board?

The main reason I would like to serve on the board is for our children; they truly are our future. I want to make sure they have all the tools possible available to maximize their full potential. The arts played a significant role in my education at Denmark, which made me who I am today. I also believe that it is important that our students learn different trades and find something that interests them in their future.

3. What are important educational issues, in your view, that you hope to influence while you are a member of the Denmark School Board?

One of the most important educational issues I see in the future for our students is the loss of touch with interpersonal skills. I can see this leading to a problem in their future careers. We need to make sure our students can not only hit the marks in grades, but also possess the communication skills that will carry them through life. School should also be an environment where they feel safe and confident in who they are and somewhere they can go and be accepted.

This year I have had the opportunity to mentor two Denmark students in different programs, one of them being with the Co-op program through our high school. I am enjoying teaching job skills and work ethic. I think this is a great way to get students out to try different careers and learn life skills. The second student I've had the privilege of mentoring is a Community School student. We work on different tasks that he can take with him and use for his resume on his future endeavors. Both of these programs are great for the students and us — to have a little hand in their futures.



SCHOOL BOARD CANDIDATES

DEREK ROSEK

- 1. Please provide any personal/professional information you wish to share with the public.**

Served in Marine Corps
NWTC 1987-1988
Member of American Legion - 8 years
Knights of Columbus - 1 year
Owns a farm - Frampa's Acres
New Denmark Town Constable - 2 years

- 2. What is the primary reason or reasons you would like to serve on the Denmark School Board?**

To help make our school the best in the state. To help make decisions on programs that benefit our students.

- 3. What are important educational issues, in your view, that you hope to influence while you are a member of the Denmark School Board?**

Try and bring some new ideas to help bring students to the trades.

I think we focus on college and forgot about trades. There are a lot of good paying jobs in the trades. I believe Common Core does not help our students. We need to take back control of teaching our children, not the government.

KEVIN SHEFCHIK

- 1. Please provide any personal/professional information you wish to share with the public.**

I am a husband and father of six children — three in high school, two in middle school and one in elementary. We have been residing in the district for 10 years. In 2013, I volunteered to help out in the reading room when our youngest was in the first grade. What an experience to understand what teachers go through on a daily basis.

- 2. What is the primary reason or reasons you would like to serve on the Denmark School Board?**

- To continue the solid education that our children receive here in the Denmark School District. Our children deserve the best education possible, not indoctrination of theories.

- To assist teachers with proper materials to be effective at their profession.





Tony Klaubauf – District Administrator

The information I normally include in the newsletter is good news about our district, financial information, or future events. On January 28, I sent an email out to our Denmark Staff regarding the Challenger Disaster that occurred 30 years ago. I thought the responses were insightful and might be interesting for community members as we reminisce about these events that shape our lives. In quotations is my original email and the responses are below.

"I was just reading about the Challenger disaster 30 years ago. Got me wondering how many of you were actually teaching, probably not many, and how many may not even remember that day. As I watched a short video of the flight, it brought back memories of being in front of 4th/5th graders at Amity School in Waupun and how excited I was to see a teacher in space. I had filled out some paperwork way back to try and be selected to do be the first teacher in space. (I probably didn't make the first cut.) But it meant a lot to have a teacher selected and how confused we (the teachers and students at this small school) were when the explosion happened. There was initial hope that somehow the astronauts survived. How devastating it was when announced there were no survivors.

At that time, people discussed this as a moment you would always remember where you were at that time. (Like another generation talks about the JFK shooting and others remember 9/11.) It was a really big deal, especially to us who loved the idea of traveling to space and having a teacher perform lessons from space."

- When the explosion happened, I remember exactly the feeling I had. It was very somber and confusing. We also had that weird sense that maybe someone would come on the TV to let us know that someone had survived. It was a dark day even as a child. Makes you appreciate all those who went before us and sacrificed so much so that we could have the knowledge about life and the world around us that we have today. – Julie Noth
- I remember I was working at what used to be Valley Bank (now BMO) and watching it on TV. Devastating...Catherine Goral
- My sister was married/eloped that very day in Ohio. We (my parents, brothers, other sister, and myself) were not able to be there. We remember the day as well. — Shelia Bialek
- I was in 8th grade at the time in Mr. Patt's social studies class at Washington Middle School when this happened...we were watching it on one of those giant TV's on a cart that we got from the AV room....man has technology changed....I remember there were a few traumatized classmates. – Bill Otradovec
- I was a 4th Grade coach and I vividly remember walking back from the bathroom and everyone talking about it in the hallway. – Chris Haese
- I was in 8th grade and we were planning our 8th grade carnival talking about Funyums. I went to a Catholic school, so after they made the announcement, we stopped what we were doing and said the Hail Mary. Kind of puts things into perspective ... talking about a snack food to praying for a person's life. – Cynthia Freund
- I was here (as HS secretary) – Sheri Kittel
- I was living in Sioux City, IA at the time. I was working as a prevention coordinator at an alcoholism treatment center. I had been to a conference in Sioux Falls, SD and was driving home. The announcer on the radio was talking about lift off and then the explosion - reporting there couldn't possibly be any survivors. I had to pull over to the side of the road for a while. I prayed. – Cindy Gruenberg
- I was teaching Family and Consumer Ed. in Darlington, WI (my alma mater) and I absolutely do remember the roller coaster of emotions - first excitement that a teacher got to travel in space and then the ultimate disaster and how devastating it was. It ranks right up there with 9/11 and the JFK murder. – Heidi Linden
- I was in 6th grade and we were watching the launch in the library. I remember the librarian who was generally very stern, standing in shock along with the rest of us. It is amazing how things stick when there is an emotional reaction! – Melissa Dupke
- I was a senior in high school, looking forward to graduating in May and going off to college – Rick Diny



- I was a freshman here in Mr. Glinicki's ag class in the classroom that is now used for the driver's ed. course. I think Sherry Rasmussen, a senior student, had just picked up the pink attendance slip that also included the lunch count. – Sheryl DeLarwelle
- I was working my first good paying job in a foundry as this happened 3 years after graduation. The foundry shut down for the rest of the week for the tragedy as the owner himself used to be a teacher and wanted to pay his respects. – Armand Daigneault
- I was a sophomore in high school. I remember one of my classmates coming down the stairs as I was leaving lunch and he announced to everyone in the stairwell that the Challenger blew up. You know how you get that sick to your stomach feeling from the shock? That's how I felt. – Angel Charapata
- I was working at Parkview working in geriatrics so TV was on in a rec room, so unbelievable to watch the whole thing unfold. – Jane Hertel
- As a 6th grader in Menominee, MI, I was thankful for my teachers to help me cope with the disaster. Such a terrible loss of life, so many brave people. – Scott McPherson
- I was a sophomore in college, getting ready to go to work at the bar and grill on campus, when my fiancé called to tell me to turn on the TV. I just had a small black and white TV in my dorm at the time. – Tammy Brunette
- I was in 6th grade as well. I remember our class being so excited that we had the opportunity to watch the launch live on TV. We spent weeks discussing and researching space and NASA in preparation for that day. I can still remember what it felt like to see the explosion on TV.....An image forever burned in my mind. – Amy Schuh
- I was a seventh grader at Gillett High School. I remember watching it on a rolled in TV during my social studies class. Then we had to move to our next class which was science, and my teacher Mr. Brugink kept the newscast on and we watched it over and over again during that period. I remember he was quite upset. – Stacey Michiels
- I was a stay at home mom for my two girls at the time and I can remember watching it on a small TV in my kitchen. I was eight months pregnant with my son. I remember watching in disbelief of what had just happened. Whoa, where has the time gone! – Diane Randerson
- What I remember most is President Reagan's remarks following the disaster. My awe at the power of language and its impact on people was born when he explained how the Challenger heroes had "slipped the surly bonds of earth and touched the face of God." – Dave Harper
- I was teaching in the Madison School District (Allis Elementary) in the back gym. A third grade teacher (Mr. Bolander - a very funny, always in a positive mood kind of guy) brought his class in and he had this very sad look on his face. He and his class were watching the event on TV - all were in shock. Very sad. – Pat Chester
- I was visiting my aunt, uncle, and cousins in Ottawa, Ohio. My aunt screamed that the Challenger had exploded. Those of us who were in the kitchen came running into the living room. There was disbelief in what we were seeing on television. – Antonio Saldana
- It was a freezing cold day below zero, and I was on break from college working for the neighbor for an incredible amount of money, \$5 an hour! I couldn't feel my feet or hands all day from the cold. It was a brutal day on many fronts - Doug Kufalk
- My husband and I returned from living in Texas a couple months earlier and I was working at a little cafe in Luxemburg called Jim's 54 Café, as I watched with disbelief with my co-workers – Joan Langenberg
- It was one of those moments that you watch over and over trying to wrap your mind around what just happened. One of those moments you will remember forever. – Lori Knoflicek
- I was a new mom with a four month old baby in my arms needing a diaper change I stood there in disbelief with my daughter in my arms. It is a day I won't forget, just like the day JFK was killed and September 11th. – Lynn Lyman
- I was in kindergarten and was (still am) fascinated by space. It really came home what happened when I got to visit Arlington National Cemetery as a senior in high school and got to see the marker and memorial there for the Challenger crew. – Lori Nesbitt



OPEN ENROLLMENT 2016-17

Open Enrollment, also known as school choice, allows parents to submit an application for their child to attend school in a district other than the one in which they live. Denmark welcomes applicants to the open enrollment program.

For online information, please see Denmark's website www.denmark.k12.wi.us. Click "Open Enrollment" under Quick Links on the left menu.

Application dates for the 2016-17 school year are February 1 – April 29, 2016.

A separate application must be submitted for each child. Current open enrolled students do not need to reapply, except for current 8th grade students that will be entering high school for 2016-17 and "tuition waiver" students. Students who need to reapply will receive letters and instructions through the postal service.

Please contact Kristi Buhr with any questions at 920-863-4217 or email buhrk@denmark.k12.wi.us.

EARLY CHILDHOOD SCREENING

The School District of Denmark will be offering **Early Childhood Screening** for children who will be 3-4½ years of age by September 1, 2016. The school district will use census data to mail out developmental surveys to parents of these children, asking parents to complete the questionnaire and return promptly by mail. School professionals will score the questionnaire and provide written feedback to parents on the general developmental readiness levels of their child and provide suggestions for home activities to assist their children. In certain circumstances, the school district will invite children to participate in additional on-site screening to better assess school developmental readiness levels. Children identified with developmental delays from this additional on-site screening could be eligible for free school district services (i.e., speech and language therapy or early childhood special education programming).

If you have a child who will be **3 or 4 years old by September 1, 2016**, please watch for this developmental questionnaire in the mail. You should receive the survey between January 25 and February 5, 2016. We ask you to please complete the survey and return it promptly by mail to 450 N. Wall Street, Denmark, WI 54208.

For those families who have a child in this age range and do not receive this survey by February 12, 2016, please call the Early Childhood Center (863-4175) to request an early childhood screening parent questionnaire.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Amy Schuh

Co-Director of Special Education/School Psychologist

Phone: 863-4035

FUTURE STING CANCER EVENTS

- **St. Baldrick's** at Denmark High School
Friday, March 18, from 11:10 – 11:45 a.m.
Sign up under the Denmark Sting Cancer Team on the St. Baldrick's website: <http://www.stbaldricks.org/>
- **Wear Yellow Day** – Friday, May 6, 2016
- **Sting Cancer Walk** –
DHS Track – Saturday, May 14, 2016
Registration starts at 8:00 a.m. and
the event begins at 9 a.m.



CHEMO BAGS

Cancer and Chemo are among the worst things anyone wants to hear they have or need to go through. To help those going through chemo, Denmark Sting Cancer will be making 100 Chemo Bags for the Holy Family Hospital Cancer Center on Friday, February 19.

Students in Sting Cancer have compiled a list and are purchasing various items such as gas cards, gloves, hand cream, tissues, lip balm, puzzle books, etc. Due to the generosity of our community, we are able to create these awesome bags that help individuals dealing with cancer know they are not alone. We want to thank you for being supportive of our cause so that we can do projects like this.



STUDENT ACCOMPLISHMENTS

First Place in the Lakes Region!

Congratulations to our 5th grade Quiz Bowl Team for keeping up a fine tradition!

The **Thinking Cap Quiz Bowl** is no mere trivia contest. One hundred challenging questions require higher-level thinking skills and cover fourteen curriculum areas, with students earning points for the speed and accuracy of their answers.

The students on the Denmark 5th grade team scored 1,178 points by correctly answering 89 of 100 questions to place **FIRST** in the Lakes Region out of 100 teams from Michigan, Minnesota, and Wisconsin.



(front row) Alex Allen, Olivia Allen, Izaac Dittmer, Clint Duescher, Peyton Froberg
(back row) Rudy Kroll, Nolan Perry, Audrey Rabitz, Ethan Schroeder, Charlie Siebert, Emma Watzka, and Kaitlyn Weber. Also Lyla Schaeuble (not pictured)

7th Grade Art, Technology and Engineering

Mrs. Arneson and Mrs. Bialek's 7th Grade classes worked on a project collaboratively. The students worked as a team to create any kind of creature they wanted to. One student from Technology and Engineering was the carpenter and one student from Art was the artist. The students were able to use the workshop's tools and machines to create the skeleton and then used paper mache to create the rest of the creature. Take a look at the creatures they designed and made. Mrs. Arneson and Mrs. Bialek are very proud of their students' work!



DENMARK COMMUNITY SCHOOL APPLICATION TIME

Are you looking for a new way to learn? Do you want to help drive your own education? Is an exploration based, independent approach your learning style? If you answered yes to any of these questions, read on! There is a project-based learning school right here in Denmark! The Denmark Community School is a small, innovative option for students in grades 7-12.

If this sounds like a good fit for you, come and visit us! The Denmark Community School is excited to be hosting school visitations for interested students and parents! We are located upstairs at the Denmark Middle School. Applications are being accepted from February 1 through April 30. If you are interested in this innovative, hands-on approach to learning, read on!

What sets the Denmark Community School apart from other schools? Denmark Community School is a cutting-edge learning community where students actively drive their own education by pursuing their passions. Our students become purposeful adults by integrating creativity, critical thinking, collaboration, and communication into standards-based academic pursuits. Utilizing the latest technology, students participate in both student and teacher led opportunities to put the tools they have available into practice, expanding their minds, and furthering their education.

Interested students and/or parents should contact Denmark Community School staff to set up a "shadow." This is an opportunity for students to learn more about the Denmark Community School. Students will have an opportunity to shadow a student from the Community School and experience what a typical day would be like. Community School students will describe the learning process and some of their projects, and guests will have the opportunity to see a student in action as a project is presented.

All of our students have chosen to attend the Denmark Community School. We hope that interested students will take advantage of this opportunity to visit and will take the time to ask them why. Their answers may change the way they think about learning.

If you have questions please call the Denmark Community School at (920) 863-4153, or email dupkem@denmark.k12.wi.us. We look forward to meeting with interested students and parents to share all of the exciting, student led opportunities available at the Denmark Community School!

A Glance at 4K

The 4K staff at the Early Childhood Center is inviting all upcoming 4K children to attend "A Glance at 4K."

On **Friday, February 19**, the ECC will host a pre-school session just for next year's 4K children and their parent/s. There will be Group Time, Snack Time, and Learning Centers. It will be a great opportunity to ask questions, interact with your child, and see your child in a school setting.

Please call the ECC Office at 920-863-4175 to reserve a spot in one of the two sessions offered.

8:30 AM – 9:30 AM or 10:15 AM – 11:15 AM

We look forward to meeting you and your child!



4K & 5K REGISTRATION

Four-year-old and five-year-old kindergarten registration for the **2016-17** school year will be held at the Denmark Early Childhood Center office the week of **Feb. 22-26**. Parents of children who will be four years of age by Sept. 1, 2016 are eligible for four-year-old kindergarten and students who will be five years old by Sept. 1, 2016 are eligible for five-year-old kindergarten.

Four-year-old kindergarten is held four half days a week, Monday through Thursday, with either morning or afternoon sessions. Five-year-old kindergarten is held five full days a week. If your child currently attends four-year-old kindergarten at the ECC they do not need to come in for 5K registration, as this is for **new students only**.

Parents are asked to come to the Early Childhood Center office during the hours of 7:40 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. during registration week. State Law requires school districts to verify each child's birth certificate as well as the child's immunization record. Parents must bring these documents when they register their children. Registration packets were mailed out the first week of February.

If you didn't receive a registration packet, or if you have any questions or concerns, please call the ECC Office at 863-4175.

STAN YAZAWA

Congratulations to Stan Yazawa who was honored on January 21, 2016 for his 48 years of serving as Wrestling Coach at Denmark. Dan Ullman, Board President, presented Coach Yazawa a plaque which stated in part:

1965 - 2013

"Teacher, Leader, Coach

Thank you for all the lives you have changed!"



2016 SUMMER SCHOOL

Session I

June 8-28

Session II

August 1-19

DENMARK SCHOOL CALENDAR 2016-17

September 1	First Day of School
September 5	No School - Labor Day
September 23	PDT Day - Early Dismissal
October 27	No School
October 28	No School
November 18	PDT Day
November 23	No School
November 24	No School
November 25	No School
December 23	PDT Day & Last Day of School Before Holiday
January 3	First Day of School After Holiday
January 20	PDT Day
February 16	PDT Day
February 17	No School
March 17	PDT Day
April 13	No School
April 14	No School
April 17	No School
May 26	PDT Day
May 29	No School - Memorial Day
June 2	Last Day of School - Early Release

DENMARK VIKING FOOTBALL PANCAKE & PORKIE BREAKFAST



Sunday, March 20, 2016

7:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

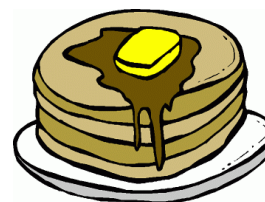
Denmark High School Cafeteria
450 N. Wall Street, Denmark, WI

Adults \$6.00

Children \$3.00 (6-12 years)

Children 5 years old and younger eat FREE

100% of the proceeds will be used for the Denmark Viking
Football program



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- **Early Childhood Screening**
- **Community School Application Time**
- **Denmark Police Changes**
- **Viking Football Pancake & Porkie Breakfast**
- **Future Sting Cancer Events**
- **School Year Calendar**

**Attention: Non-Residents of the
School District of Denmark**

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