

City of Kasson Newsletter • April, 2015

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CITY HALL HOURS: Monday – Friday 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

April is Distracted Driving Awareness Month

Driver distraction is a leading crash factor in Minnesota, accounting for around 20 percent of all crashes annually, resulting in at least 70 deaths and 350 injuries, according to the Minnesota Department of Public Safety (DPS) Office of Traffic Safety.

In Minnesota, it is illegal for drivers to read, compose or send texts/emails, and access the Web on a wireless device while the vehicle is in motion or a part of traffic, such as at a stoplight or stuck in traffic. It is also illegal for drivers under age 18 to use a cell phone at any time.

Distractions cause drivers to react more slowly to traffic conditions or events, such as a vehicle stopping or pulling out in traffic. A University of Utah study reports that using a cell phone while driving, whether hands-free or hand-held, delays a driver's reactions as much as having an alcohol-concentration level of 0.08 percent. When texting, drivers take their eyes off the road for up to 4.6 out of every 6 seconds — equivalent to traveling the length of a football field at 55 mph hours without looking up.

U DRIVE. U TEXT.



KASSON PUBLIC LIBRARY NEWS

Friends of the Kasson Public Library will host a book sale at the Library April 30-May 4. Please stop by for great bargains on used books, DVDs and videos. All money raised returns to support the library.

It may only be April, but the Kasson Public Library is already planning for summer. Our theme for the SUMMER READING PROGRAM THEME WILL BE "HEROES", and we will be highlighting community heroes, history heroes, kid heroes and searching for the hero potential in each person.

Registration will begin on May 19th in the library and on the website

Call 634-7615 with questions and stay tuned for fun!

The Kasson Library is in need of gently used T-shirts for our summer reading program. We are looking for white or bright colors, adult sizes L or XL; please drop them off at the library at any time.

STAY TUNED FOR THE "HISTORY OF THE ZUMBRO RIVER" PROGRAM IN MAY.

Thank You!

DO YOU HAVE A QUESTION ABOUT YOUR PROPERTY TAX VALUATION?

Your opportunity to question the valuation of your Kasson property is at the County's Board of Appeal and Equalization Open Book meeting.

This will be held on Thursday, April 30th

At 6:00 PM in the
Dodge County Boardroom
Dodge County Courthouse
Mantorville

KASSON AQUATIC CENTER

REGISTRATION FORMS FOR SWIMMING LESSONS AND PASSES ARE AVAILABLE ON LINE AT

www.cityofkasson.com

REGISTRATION DEADLINE IS MAY 22ND

AQUATIC CENTER OPENS JUNE 6TH
(With limited hours Saturday May 23rd, Sunday May 24th,
Monday May 25th, Saturday May 30th and Sunday May
31st from Noon-8:00 PM)

AQUATIC CENTER WILL CLOSE ON
FRIDAY, AUGUST 28TH.

PLEASE CONTACT THE CITY OF KASSON AT 634-6330 IF YOU NEED TO REPORT A STREET LIGHT OUTAGE.

Thank you.

WATER/WASTEWATER
EMERGENCY AFTER HOURS NUMBER IS
507-993-7697

Thank you.

CLEAN UP WEEK...begins on May 4th until pickup has been completed. Items must be on the curb by 7:00AM. There will be only one pass per home and a maximum of one load per household. Yard brush, leaves and grass clippings only. No dog or cat waste. No junk. No tires. Brush must be a maximum of 10 feet in length and must be piled parallel to the curb. No complete trees. Yard clippings must be in a plastic bag; limit of 15 bags per household and no heavier than one person can carry. Tires can be taken to Dodge County Landfill. Call 634-7875 for times and rates.



**CITY WIDE
GARAGE SALES
ARE:
Friday, May 8th
And
Saturday, May 9th**

JOIN US ON FACEBOOK!
<http://www.facebook.com/KassonMN>



**Kasson Fire Dept. &
Festival in the Park**

Spring is in the air...

**CORNHOLE
TOURNAMENT**

Saturday - April 18th 2015

at the Kasson Fire Hall - 101 E Main Street in Kasson, MN

CASH PRIZES <small>PERCENT OF TEAM REGISTRATIONS</small>	1 ST PLACE	25%
	2 ND PLACE	20%
	3 RD PLACE	10%
	4 TH PLACE	5%

REGISTRATION
STARTS @ 12:00 NOON
DAY OF TOURNAY
-OR-
VIA E-MAIL
cmckern@mckernfinancial.com
64 TEAMS MAX

\$ 40 per 2 person Team

CASH PRIZE pay back + any donations provided by sponsors (TBD)

12:30 PM - Bags start to FLY...

... Skills challenge and games throughout the day ...



Rain -or- Shine - Guaranteed 3 games - Cancellation Scoring

First to 21 points - Bring your own chairs - Boards 27' apart

... Food & Beverages for sale on location ...
(no outside food or coolers)

QUESTIONS CALL: 507 - 634 - 4307

... TOURNAMENT SPONSORS ...

Kasson Fire Department - Relief Assoc Kasson Festival in the Park
McKern Financial Group Kath Flooring

Load Management Controllers

Under the City of Kasson, Electric Load Management Plan, the City manages an electrical controller system which is installed on residential and commercial central air conditioning units. This controller allows the electric power provider to interrupt the central air conditioner unit (7.5 minutes every 30 minute interval) during periods of high summer peak demand; usually on hot, humid summer days in the late afternoon or early evening. When the controllers are activated, the AC unit will cycle off at brief intervals much like your thermostat; the fans will continue to circulate cooled air helping maintain your comfort. By participating in this program you can save money on your electric bill and help the City "level out" energy use during peak demand periods when the cost of electricity is the highest.

The City of Kasson has always and will continue to pay for the installation of the Load Management Controllers for residential customers and for businesses. Kasson Public Utility residential customers with load controllers will receive a 10% discount for four (4) billing periods generally designated as May 16 through September 15 on their electric usage.

If you have any questions or would like to participate in this program contact Krista today at (507) 634-7071 or email cityhall@cityofkasson.com



LIBRARY HOURS

MONDAY
10:00AM TO 7:00PM

TUESDAY
10:00AM TO 6:00PM

WEDNESDAY
10:00AM TO 7:00PM

THURSDAY
10:00AM TO 6:00PM

FRIDAY
10:00AM TO 5:00PM

SATURDAY
10:00 AM TO 1:00 PM

**CITY OF KASSON
EMERGENCY
NUMBERS**

Emergency 911

**Non-Emergency
Police
634-3881**

**Water/Sewer
993-7697**

**(Nights and
weekends)
Electric
259-6661**