

City of Kasson Newsletter • December, 2014

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



The enhanced DWI enforcement campaign will begin on November 28th and will run on weekends through the month of December.

The holiday season is right around the corner. As we prepare for festivities with family and friends, the Dodge County Safe Roads coalition wants to remind all drivers that it's dangerous to drive after drinking. Choose your role before drinking begins: will you drink or will you drive? Remember, even if you only have a little bit to drink and think you're "okay to drive", you could still be over the legal limit, because...

BUZZED DRIVING IS DRUNK DRIVING!

Kasson City Council Meeting Changes:

The December 24th meeting has been rescheduled for Wednesday, December 17th at 6:00 PM. Please contact City Hall at 634-6324 with questions.

Also, City Hall will close at 12:00 noon on December 24th and will be closed all day on December 25th and January 1st, 2015.

CHRISTMAS IN KASSON

Saturday, December 6th
10:00am – 1:00pm

2015 BUDGET AND LEVY DISCUSSION CITY OF KASSON

All Kasson residents are invited to attend the next City Council meeting to express their opinions on the budget and 2015 tax levy.

Wednesday, December 10, 2014 at 6:00pm
Kasson City Hall at 401 5th St SE

You are also invited to send your written comments to:
City of Kasson, Mayor's office
401 5th St SE
Kasson, MN 55944

KASSON LIQUOR will be open 9:00am to 4:00pm on December 24th and from 9:00am to 10:00pm on December 31st.

Closed Christmas and New Year's Days

POOL PASSES AND DAILY PASS BOOKS MAKE GREAT CHRISTMAS GIFTS AND STOCKING STUFFERS...

Purchase them at City Hall!

ALL YOU CAN EAT BISCUITS & SAUSAGE GRAVY BREAKFAST

(Includes scrambled eggs, juice, milk & coffee)

Saturday, January 10th, 2015

7:00 – 11:00am

Kasson American Legion

Cost \$6.00 – Children 5 and under Free

(Service upstairs also available)

Sponsored By: Festival In The Park

Christmas Storytimes for Families!

Come to Kasson Public Library for some family-friendly storytimes as we read a Christmas classic, *The Best Christmas Pageant Ever!* This is a fun and heart-warming story about the Herdman family—the nastiest, dirtiest kids you could ever meet—and they've just decided to try out for the Christmas pageant. Be prepared for lots of laughs! Kids can come in their pajamas, and we'll end each storytime with milk and cookies. We will gather on Tuesdays December 2nd, December 9th and December 16th from 6:00-7:00pm. Come for the fun!

Holiday Library Hours

The Kasson Public Library continues to be open on Saturdays from 10am–1pm. In observance of the holidays, the library will be closed on December 25th and January 1st and will close early on December 24th at 12:00 noon, and on December 31st at 5:00pm.

"Downton Abbey" Party

Are you a fan of the PBS historical drama *Downton Abbey*? Celebrate with us the beginning of season 5 with a party at the library on Thursday, January 8th at 6:00pm. Come dressed in historical costume if you wish (but you don't have to!) and be prepared for Downton trivia and treats.

Call 634-7615 with any questions.

AS WE ENTER THE HOLIDAY SEASON, TAKE A MINUTE TO REVIEW THE FOLLOWING SAFETY TIPS...



Winter Holiday Safety

Winter holidays are a time for families and friends to get together. But that also means a greater risk for fire. Following a few simple tips will ensure a happy and fire-safe holiday season.

HOLIDAY DECORATING

- » Be careful with holiday decorations. Choose decorations that are flame resistant or flame retardant.
- » Keep lit candles away from decorations and other things that can burn.
- » Some lights are only for indoor or outdoor use, but not both.
- » Replace any string of lights with worn or broken cords or loose bulb connections. Connect no more than three strands of mini light sets and a maximum of 50 bulbs for screw-in bulbs. Read manufacturer's instructions for number of LED strands to connect.
- » Use clips, not nails, to hang lights so the cords do not get damaged.
- » Keep decorations away from windows and doors.

HOLIDAY ENTERTAINING

- » Test your smoke alarms and tell guests about your home fire escape plan.
- » Keep children and pets away from lit candles.
- » Keep matches and lighters up high in a locked cabinet.
- » Stay in the kitchen when cooking on the stovetop.
- » Ask smokers to smoke outside. Remind smokers to keep their smoking materials with them so young children do not touch them.
- » Provide large, deep ashtrays for smokers. Wet cigarette butts with water before discarding.



Before Heading Out or to Bed

Blow out lit candles when you leave the room or go to bed. **Turn off** all light strings and decorations before leaving home or going to bed.

FACTS

- ! **Two of every five** home decoration fires are started by candles.
- ! **Nearly half** of holiday decoration fires happen because decorations are placed too close to a heat source.



Your Source for SAFETY Information

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