

City of Kasson Newsletter – December, 2015

Tree City USA



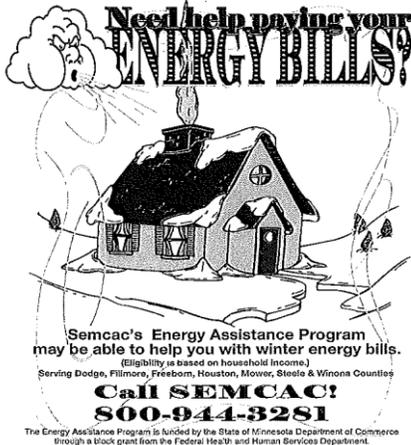
KASSON LIQUOR HOLIDAY HOURS:
December 24 – 9:00am-4:00pm
December 25 – closed
December 31 – 9:00am to 10:00pm
January 1 - closed

SNOW EMERGENCIES: No vehicle or trailer shall be parked on any street or alley during a declared snow emergency. A snow emergency is defined as any time the quantity of snow warrants the deployment of snow plows. During snow emergencies, no parking shall be allowed on the road or alley until the snow and ice plowing has been completed the full width of the roadway. Citations shall be issued to vehicle owners parked in the path of a snowplow on the first pass. Any vehicle violating this article will be towed without notice to the property owner, at the owner’s expense.

SNOW REMOVAL FROM SIDEWALKS: No owner or occupant of a property adjacent to a public sidewalk shall allow snow or ice to remain on the sidewalk longer than 24 hours after snow has ceased to fall. After that time, the City may remove the snow or ice and bill the responsible party for costs incurred.

PILING OF SNOW: Persons shall not push or deposit snow or ice into a street or alley from private property or public boulevards. Do not pile snow at street corners or at the ends of public drives so it interferes with the view of the traveling public. Property owners will be charged removal costs if such piles must be removed by City staff or other agent of the City.

Thank You.



City of Kasson
 Emergency Numbers
Emergency 911
 Non-Emergency
 Police 634-3881

Nights &
 Weekends
 Water/Sewer
 993-7697
 And
 Electric 259-6661

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

Completely disconnect power to your home electronics (computer, peripheral equipment, TV, VCR, DVD, game systems, etc.) by using a power strip as a central turn off point. Keep in mind...DVRs require standby power to operate properly.



Holiday Hours for City Hall & Kasson Library

December 24 – Close at Noon
December 25-28 – Closed
January 1-3 – Closed

Library ‘Hot Reads for Cold Nights’

Join us in reading a great book for our “Hot Reads for Cold Nights” program, called *Chasing Lincoln’s Killer* by James L. Swanson.

Please come to 3 sessions at the Kasson Library:

- Thurs., January 7 at 6:30pm – We will discuss this exciting nonfiction book!
- Thurs., January 14 at 6:30pm – Mary Ann Bucher of Dodge County Historical Society speaking on “Lincoln’s Funeral Train”.
- Thurs., January 21 at 6:30pm – Documentary Film on Lincoln’s assassination
 Call 634-7615 or stop by the library to get your copy of the book today.

Christmas Tree Safety



As you deck the halls this holiday season, be fire smart. A small fire that spreads to a Christmas tree can grow large very quickly.



PICKING THE TREE

- » Choose a tree with fresh, green needles that do not fall off when touched.



PLACING THE TREE

- » Before placing the tree in the stand, cut 2" from the base of the trunk.
- » Make sure the tree is at least three feet away from any heat source, like fireplaces, radiators, candles, heat vents or lights.
- » Make sure the tree is not blocking an exit.
- » Add water to the tree stand. Be sure to add water daily.



LIGHTING THE TREE

- » Use lights that have the label of a recognized testing laboratory. Some lights are only for indoor or outdoor use.
- » Replace any string of lights with worn or broken cords or loose bulb connections. Read manufacturer's instructions for number of light strands to connect.
- » Never use lit candles to decorate the tree.
- » Always turn off Christmas tree lights before leaving home or going to bed.



After Christmas

Get rid of the tree after Christmas or when it is dry. Dried-out trees are a fire danger and should not be left in the home or garage, or placed outside against the home. Check with your local community to find a recycling program. Bring outdoor electrical lights inside after the holidays to prevent hazards and make them last longer.

FACTS

- ! **One** of every three home Christmas tree fires are caused by electrical problems.
- ! Although Christmas tree fires are not common, when they do occur, they are more likely to be serious.
- ! A heat source too close to the tree causes roughly **one in every four** of the fires.



Your Source for SAFETY Information

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